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Allison DeGazon Wins Big In Democratic Primary On St. Croix With 2,282 Votes

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ST. CROIX – Allison DeGazon will advance as a democratic candidate for Senate in the general elections after winning 2,282 votes and placing second among the St. Croix candidates in tonight's primary.

The unofficial results came via the Election System of the Virgin Islands website at 9:28 p.m.

Finding out she'd gotten the opportunity to move onto the general election was a moment Ms. DeGazon described as "bittersweet," considering her mother, Jennifer DeGazon had died the day before.

"I wish she was here to celebrate with me," she said shortly after the results came in at the Elections System of the Virgin Islands Office in the Sunny Isle Annex. "She gave me that push, that extra boost that I needed.

Although it was a hard reality to face, Ms. DeGazon said she was thankful that the rest of her family, including her father, Leo DeGazon, was there to support her.

Should the votes come out in her favor in November, she will be a first-time senator in the 33rd legislature.

Ms. DeGazon said voters showed her tonight that they are ready for something new.

"I just believe that they're ready for new and fresh, and they want more innovation," she said. "When they watch other islands and other places advance while we're stagnant...I think this was their opportunity to stand up and say, 'No more. We need a change'."

The St. Croix native said that her assets include the ability to research, to be resourceful and to find creative ways to generate revenue and solve problems.

Ms. DeGazon has served as the Virgin Islands Department of Labor's Director of Unemployment Insurance and the Assistant Director of the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency.

She holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of the Virgin Islands and is currently pursuing a doctorate degree in Creative Leadership and Change as part of a pilot program at UVI. She received a full scholarship from the Virgin Island's Academic and Cultural Awards Endowment Program for her present studies.

Ms. DeGazon was also UVI's 13D Student Entrepreneurship Competition winner in 2014 where she was the recipient of \$30,000. The 43-year-old is now the owner of Cruzan Organix Farm, Inc. and Business Strategies, Inc.

Her political platform includes the hopes "to transform agriculture into an economic cornerstone," according to her [campaign website](#). She also hopes to play role in bringing more federal dollars to the territory and foster the growth of local businesses.

Learn more about Ms. DeGazon [here](#).

SUMMARY REPORT	USVI PRIMARY ELECTION	UNOFFICIAL RESULTS
RUN DATE:08/04/18	AUGUST 4, 2018	
RUN TIME:09:17 PM	STATISTICS	

VOTES PERCENT

PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 30) 26 86.67 REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL
. 32,330 REGISTERED VOTERS - Democrat 32,330 100.00 BALLOTS CAST -
TOTAL. 9,209 BALLOTS CAST - Democrat. 9,209 100.00 BALLOTS CAST
- Nonpartisan. 0 BALLOTS CAST - BLANK. 18 .20 VOTER TURNOUT -
TOTAL 28.48 VOTER TURNOUT - Democrat 28.48 VOTER TURNOUT -
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GOVERNOR & LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (VOTE FOR) 1 (WITH 26 OF 30
PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Angel E. Dawson Jr. 2,122 26.96 Albert
Bryan 3,093 39.29 Allison "Allie" Petrus 2,624 33.33 WRITE-IN.
. 33 .42

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS AT LARGE (VOTE FOR) 1 (WITH 26 OF 30
PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Brian A. Smith. 1,237 19.18 Steven D.
Payne Sr. 3,265 50.62 Stacie B. January. 1,923 29.81 WRITE-IN.
. 25 .39

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS ST. THOMAS / ST. JOHN (VOTE FOR) 7
(WITH 13 OF 15 PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Myron D. Jackson 1,972
9.17 Randolph Thomas 845 3.93 Albert F. Richardson. 1,175 5.46
Randolph N. Bennett 797 3.71 Donna Frett Gregory 2,704 12.57
Stedmann Hodge Jr. 1,883 8.76 Jonathan P. Tucker Jr. 1,064 4.95
Marvin A. Blyden 2,289 10.64 Sean "Skooly" Georges 1,292 6.01 Kent
Bernier, Sr.. 1,459 6.78 Beatrice Gumbs. 670 3.12 Jean A. Forde
. 1,512 7.03 Athneil "Bobby" Thomas 2,075 9.65 Carla Joseph
1,644 7.64 WRITE-IN. 125 .58

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS ST. CROIX (VOTE FOR) 7 (WITH 13 OF 15
PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) R.J. Hammer. 141 .68 Douglas Canton.
. 880 4.27 Terrence D. Joseph 1,193 5.79 Oakland Benta 1,428
6.93 Novelle E Francis, Jr. 1,785 8.66 Juan Figueroa-Serville 614 2.98
Neville James 1,410 6.84 Dean R. Andrews 688 3.34 Allison
DeGazon 2,282 11.07 Karen Chancellor 958 4.65 Nemmy Williams-
Jackson 1,342 6.51 Kenneth Kenny Gittens 1,521 7.38 Annette L. S. Scott
. 323 1.57 Alicia Barnes 2,579 12.51 Javan James. 1,609
7.81 Kurt Violet. 1,787 8.67 WRITE-IN. 70 .34

TERRITORIAL COMMITTEE - AT LARGE (VOTE FOR) 16 (WITH 26 OF 30
PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Urdley Smith 1,128 8.03 Marilyn Stapleton.
. 1,958 13.93 Florine Audain Hassell 1,347 9.59 Shelley Thomas.
. 1,297 9.23 Laurreta Petersen. 1,339 9.53 Riise E. S. Richards. 2,120
15.09 Dwayne Benjamin 2,207 15.71 Horace A. Callwood 1,521 10.82
Rudolph Anthony Greene 715 5.09 WRITE-IN. 420 2.99

TERRITORIAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT ST. CROIX (VOTE FOR) 8 (WITH 13 OF 15
PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Sonia Boyce. 903 20.92 Cecil R. Benjamin.
. 842 19.51 Donna M. Christensen. 1,897 43.95 Peter A. Abrahams.
. 604 13.99 WRITE-IN. 70 1.62

TERRITORIAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT ST. THOMAS / ST. JOHN (VOTE FOR) 8
(WITH 13 OF 15 PRECINCTS COUNTED 86.67%) Riise E. S. Richards. 1,720
42.46 Roger Minkoff 591 14.59 Clement Magras. 1,651 40.76
WRITE-IN. 89 2.20

BOARD OF EDUCATION ST. CROIX (VOTE FOR) 2 (WITH 13 OF 15 PRECINCTS
COUNTED 86.67%) Shawna Richards 970 22.33 Winona A. Hendricks
. 987 22.72 Emmanuella Perez 569 13.10 Terrence T. Joseph 1,144

26.34 Susanna Callwood-Smith 670 15.42 WRITE-IN. 4 .09

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