2025 Primary Election

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When do I vote?

- · The primary election is on Tuesday, June 24.
- You can vote early from Saturday, June 14 to Sunday, June 22.
- · There is no early voting on Monday, June 23.

What am I voting for?*

- Mayor
- Public Advocate
- Comptroller
- Borough President
- City Council
- District Attorney
- Supreme Court and Civil Court Judges

*The specific offices on your ballot depend on where you live and which political party you belong to.

Election Dates and Deadlines

June 14 Mail ballot request deadline (online or by mail)

June 14 Early voting starts

June 14 Voter registration deadline

June 22 Early voting ends

June 24 Primary Election Day (6 am - 9 pm)

Last date to postmark your absentee ballot or drop it off at a poll site

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This Guide lists all the candidates who were expected to be on the ballot at the time of publication.

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Compare Candidates

We asked candidates to share their positions on the eight issues that New Yorkers said were most important to them in a recent poll from Quinnipiac University: crime, inflation, protecting democracy, abortion, affordable housing, homelessness, racial inequality, and climate change.

To compare candidates' responses on these issues, visit nycvotes.org/compare.

Mayor

Democratic

- Adrienne E Adams ∅
- Frie L Adams &
- Dr. Selma Bartholomew
- Michael A Blake @
- Andrew M Cuomo @
- Corinne Fisher @
- Dr. Brandon Gillespie &
- Brad Lander @
- . Deirdre M Levy &
- Zohran K Mamdani Ø
- Zellnor Myrie ☺
- Paperboy Love Prince Ø
- Jessica Ramos ♥

- Scott M Stringer Ø
- Whitney R Tilson @
- Natalia Williams* @

Republican

- Joe Almy Ø
- Kris Lord*
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- Fatimazohra Nouinou* Ø
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Adrienne E Adams 🗹

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Housing Crisis
- 2. Mental Health
- 3. Education

"As Speaker of the New York City Council elected in 2022 by my colleagues. As the first African American wife, mother and grandmother in this capacity, I proudly lead the most diverse and women majority in New York City's history. Representing District 28 in Queens, I have prioritized education, passed lifechanging legislation to address our city's persistent housing crisis, advanced holistic public safety solutions, moved critical women's health issues like maternal mortality to the forefront and enacted economic advancement through initiatives like CUNY Reconnect which has provided higher learning to over 44.000 re-connected students."

Current Occupation: Councilmember

Previous Occupations: Corporate Trainer

Education: College Graduate

Organizational Affiliations: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Prior Public Experience: City Councilmember



Eric L Adams ∅

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Making NYC safer than ever before
- 2. Lowering families' costs
- 3. Improving livability citywide

"I was elected to lead NYC based on my promise to make the city more livable for working families—and I have delivered. We now have more jobs than ever, \$30 billion more in benefits to make life here more affordable, record housing creation, and lower crime. Over the next four years, our Axe the Tax effort will eliminate income taxes for low-income New Yorkers and our City of Yes for Families initiative will provide even more housing. We will also expand our early childhood programs, increase direct financial assistance to families, and improve the process to qualify for and receive benefits."

Current Occupation: Mayor of the City of New York

Previous Occupations: Brooklyn BP, NYS Senator, & Police Officer

Education: Marist College, MPA; John Jay College, BA

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: Brooklyn BP, NYS Senator

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Dr. Selma Bartholomew

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Transform Education and Schooling
- 2. Improve Aging with Dignity
- Public Safety and Care for Homeless

"Win Our Children and City Back! We CAN change our city for the better, working together to raise the quality of life. We must improve our schools, take better care of our seniors, raise public safety, and ensure affordability."

Current Occupation: I am a leader, educator, and entrepreneur with a strong business acumen and a proven ability to develop and lead high-performing teams. I founded my company in 2008 and have worked nationally with cities, schools and districts.

Previous Occupations: Senior Program Officer at New Visions; Kaplan K12, National Account Manager; Fordham University, Lehman and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis HS.

Education: BS in Math and Physics; Master's degrees Adelphi University and Fordham University; Ph.D. Fordham.

Organizational Affiliations: American Business Women's Association.

Prior Public Experience: N/A
Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Michael A Blake

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Cost of Living & Guaranteed Income
- 2. No credit scores for Rent or Homes
- 3. Safety, Transportation & Education

"We deserve better in New York City. As the only candidate with White House. State House and local experience, I am ready to manage New York City to focus on the True Cost of Living, Affordable Housing and improved Public Safety, Transportation, Education and Health"

Current Occupation: CEO, Atlas Strategy Group & KAIROS DEMOCRACY PROJECT: President, Next Level Sports & Entertainment

Previous Occupations: New York Assembly Member (2014-2020); White House aide to President Obama as the Director of African-American, Minority & Women Business, state and local elected official outreach

Education: B.A, Journalism, Northwestern University

Organizational Affiliations: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. 100 Black Men, Prince Hall Mason and Reverend

Prior Public Experience: New York State Assembly, White House to President Obama

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Andrew M Cuomo &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Affordability and quality of life
- 2. Public safety and subway safety
- 3. Quality public education for all

"I am running for Mayor because I love NYC. I will restore effective leadership. Our city is in crisis. We must make NYC more affordable, restore public safety, and tackle the interrelated problems of mental health, drug addiction, and homelessness. There is too much chaos and not enough leadership. I know how to make government work. I will make our city safe, affordable, healthy, educated, and fair."

Current Occupation: Self-employed

Previous Occupations: See Prior Public Experience

Education: Archbishop Molloy High School; Fordham University; Albany Law School (JD)

Organizational Affiliations: Founder of Housing Enterprise for the Less Privileged (HELP)

Prior Public Experience: Governor of the State of New York; Attorney General of the State of New York; Secretary of U.S. Housing and Urban Development; Assistant District Attorney, Manhattan



Corinne Fisher \otimes

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Lowering the cost of living
- 2. Making New York City safer
- 3. Improving public schools.

"I'm running for mayor because I'm tired of sitting back as the same slate of corrupt politicians takes turns destroying our city. The Democratic Party is in shambles because we lack a clear, powerful vision & a young, energetic voice. I have that vision and I am that voice. I am here to serve my city, not take advantage of it. The people's power can and will be restored."

Current Occupation: Activist, host of one of the nation's top women's issues podcasts, political pundit, author, and standup comedian.

Previous Occupations: N/A

Education: BFA from SVA

Organizational Affiliations: New Alternatives for LGBTQ+ homeless youth, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, Marriage Equality, Girl Scouts of the USA, PupStarz, Reproductive Health Access Project

Prior Public Experience: Internationally recognized activist, podcaster, author, and stand-up comedian.

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Dr. Brandon Gillespie ⊘

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Affordable Housing
- 2. Crime
- Mental Health and Wellbeing

"New York City needs bold leadership that prioritizes people over politics. As a lifelong mental health advocate and educator, I am committed to making NYC a city where affordable housing is a right, not a privilege, where public safety is smart, fair, and community-centered, and where mental health services are accessible to all. My vision is a stronger, more united city that works for the people. Together, we can thrive."

Current Occupation: Psychology Professor and Mental Health Therapist

Previous Occupations: Broadcast Journalist

Education: Doctor of Social Work (DSW)- USC, M.Ed. Counseling Psychology- Howard University

Organizational Affiliations: APA, NABJ

Prior Public Experience: Community Board 11





3rad Lander 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- End street homelessness
- 2. Housing affordability crisis
- 3. Universal childcare & after-school

"I am running to make New York a safer, more affordable, and better run city."

Current Occupation: New York City Comptroller (Jan 2022-Present)

Previous Occupations: New York City Council Member; Director, Pratt Institute; Director, Fifth Avenue Committee

Education: University of Chicago, B.A; University College London, M.Sc, Social Anthropology; Pratt Institute, M.S., City & Regional Planning

Organizational Affiliations: Fifth Avenue Committee, Jews for Racial & Economic Justice, Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development, Pratt Center for Community Development, New York City Council Progressive Caucus, Prospect Park Alliance, Local Progress, Get Organized BK

Prior Public Experience: New York City Council Member District 39 (Brooklyn) since 2010

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Deirdre M Levy &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Equity in Education
- 2. Affordability
- 3. Combatting Food Insecurity

"I'm Deirdre Levy, a born-and-raised New Yorker and special education teacher."

Current Occupation: NYCPS Special Education Teacher, Founder & Owner of NYCFilipinos, Author of Children's Book -**Bodega Princess**

Previous Occupations: Legislative Assistant at New York State Watch, Hillel Jewish Life Liaison, CHARGE Diversity Assistant at SUNY Albany, City Year AmeriCorps Volunteer, Assistant Apartment Coordinator at SUNY Albany

Education: B.A. Public Affairs & M.S. Higher Education Administration - University at Albany, SUNY, M.S. Special Education - Pace University

Organizational Affiliations: UFT member, Educators for Excellence member, Founder of NYCFilipinos, Co-Founder of Project Barkada, Park Slope Food Coop Member

Prior Public Experience: Delegate for Participatory Budgeting 2019, City Year Alumni Board



Zohran K Mamdani 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Build housing and freeze the rent
- 2. Make buses fast and free
- 3. Free, universal childcare

"In 2020, I was elected to the NYS Assembly serving Astoria & Long Island City, becoming the 1st South Asian man & only 3rd Muslim to serve in the chamber. As a legislator, I've won over \$100M in the state budget for increased subway & bus service and a successful fare-free bus pilot; led a 10-month fight alongside taxi drivers—including participating in a 15-day hunger strike—to secure more than \$450M in transformative debt relief; & led the coalition that defeated a proposed fracked gas power plant in my district."

Current Occupation: NYS Assemblymember

Previous Occupations: Eviction Counselor, Chhaya CDC

Education: Bronx High School of Science, Bowdoin College

Organizational Affiliations: Democratic Party, Working Families Party, Muslim Democratic Club of NY, NYC-DSA

Prior Public Experience: Assemblymember for Astoria and

Long Island City since 2020

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Zellnor Myrie ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Housing and Affordability
- 2. Public safety
- 3. Universal afterschool

"What New Yorkers want today is clear—a city that's safe and affordable. And a city that provides the kind of opportunity that it gave to my parents, two immigrants from Costa Rica who came here to build a better life. As Mayor, I'll bring urgency and focus to the challenges our city faces. My Rebuild NYC plan is a vision for one million homes that will help keep families in New York City. My public safety plan will add officers to our streets and restore order in our subways. And my plan for universal free afterschool will help keep our kids engaged, productive and safe while their parents are still at work."

Current Occupation: State Senator

Previous Occupations: Associate

Education: Brooklyn Tech, Fordham University,

Cornell Law School

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: State Senator, attorney, City Council

legislative staffer



Paperboy Love Prince ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Housing For All
- 2. Universal Basic Income
- 3. Spreading Love to All

"My Utopia plan ushers us into the future with love, creativity and compassion for all. The career politicians have made this city worse and are propped up by donors and democratic clubs. They have gained power thru division while my goal is to bring this city together with love. It's Our Time Now. Join the revolution"

Current Occupation: Community Leader, Artist, Entrepreneur

Previous Occupations: Artist, Researcher

Education: University of Maryland: College Park

Organizational Affiliations: Endorsed by SDA, Social Democrats of America

Prior Public Experience: NonProfit Founder, County Committee member, Capitol Hill Staffer, Perennial Candidate

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Jessica Ramos 🗹

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Universal Child Care
- 2. Mental Health & Public Safety
- 3. Affordable Housing

"Jessica Ramos has spent 20 years expanding the middle class, creating good jobs, & lifting up New Yorkers. With a background in labor, she knows how to bridge gaps between workers & employers. Jessica raised the minimum wage, ensuring working people earn what they deserve. She has the lived experience & record of delivering a strong legislative agenda to bring a new day to NYC."

Current Occupation: New York State Senator

Previous Occupations: Director of Community & Ethnic Media, City Hall, Build Up NYC, 32BJ-SEIU, SSEU Local 371, NYC Council

Education: PS 70, IS 10, Academy of American Studies, Hofstra University

Organizational Affiliations: Former Queens CB 3 Member, Former Jackson Heights Beautification Group Board Member, Hispanic Puerto Rican Task Force, BPHA Legislative Caucus

Prior Public Experience: District Leader, State Senator, City Council Staffer



Scott M Stringer ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Improve public safety
- 2. Make housing affordable for all
- 3. Crack down on corruption

"This is the greatest city in the world, but you wouldn't know it. Crime is up, paychecks aren't going the distance, and the lack of affordable housing is forcing New Yorkers to flee.

It doesn't have to be this way.

I'm running for mayor to bring vision, competence and experience back to this city. I've devoted my career to reforming NYC's systems to better serve its people. I have a vision for a safer, cleaner, more affordable New York, and the track record to back it up."

Current Occupation: Consultant

Previous Occupations: NYC Comptroller, Manhattan

Borough President, Assemblyman

Education: B.A., John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: NYC Comptroller, Manhattan

Borough President, Assemblyman

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Whitney R Tilson ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Crime
- Affordable housing
- 3. Public education

"If you love New York City, are worried it's headed in the wrong direction and you're looking for new leadership, I am the only change candidate in the Democratic primary. I'm the only one who's not a career politician, and who has a business background. I'm going to root out widespread corruption and manage this city a lot better."

Current Occupation: Investment newsletter writer for Stansberry Research.

Previous Occupations: Founder of multiple investment-related business including Kase Capital and Value Investing Congress.

Education: Harvard College, 1989 Harvard Business School, 1994

Organizational Affiliations: None currently. Prior to running for mayor, served on numerous nonprofit boards including Young Presidents' Organization, KIPP New York Charter schools and Democrats for Education Reform.

Prior Public Experience: None.



Joe Alny ⊗

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Partisanship disputation.
- 2. Safety in NYC.
- 3. Homelessness issues.

"Fellow New Yorkers, We are seeking to build the BEST NEW YORK CITY ever. Because our Legal system, Political System, and Governmental system are broken."

Current Occupation: I'm a full time mayoral candidate running for office

Previous Occupations: Marketing Manager in a Group Company, Campaign Director at a council member candidate, Deputy General Manager at a IT company, Self-employed Political Consultant.

Education: Bachelor's in Computer Applications at Xidian University, China. Master of Public Administration at Troy University, Alabama.

Organizational Affiliations: Baptized at Collegedale Church of Christ in 2008. Worship at Mennonite Church, LDS church, and Trinity Church.

Prior Public Experience: Worked as a campaign director at a council member candidate in Queens, Mayoral campaign volunteer. Governor campaign volunteer.

Party Enrolled In: Republican



Montell Carlotta Moseley ∅

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. N/A
- 2. N/A
- 3. N/A

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Current Occupation: EDUCATIONAL PARAPROFESSIONAL

Previous Occupations: LIFEWORC'S State certified direct care worker to give out medication and other training/ weekend recreation counselor

Education: Bachelor OF ARTS (Community Human Service), Credits toward my Master's Degree in Guidance Counseling, CREDENTIAL ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TRAINEE COUNSELOR, Autism certificate, Child Abuse Certification, School Violence and Intervention Certification, DASA (BULLYING AND CYBER BULLYING) Training, Jamaica Neighbor Home buyer Education And Learning program Certificate, Teacher and Leader Education (Safety and Health concerns in school and classroom) (CTLE) certificate

Organizational Affiliations: District Coordinator for District 26 and Paraprofessional Representative for district 75 Queens

Prior Public Experience: Ran 2017 city council district

Party Enrolled In: Republican



Ronen Nahom &

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. safety
- 2. immigration
- 3. education

"I immigrated from Israel to NYC as a young man fresh out of the military in order to pursue my dreams in the greatest city in the world. But in recent years the city where I met my wife and raised my children, has changed dramatically for the worse. We all know the problems – rising crime, declining quality of life, billions of dollars wasted on benefits for illegal aliens, and businesses being forced to either turn into a fortress or just close up shop completely. This must end, but our current leaders aren't addressing these problems. That is why I made the difficult decision to run for mayor. I will fight to solve these problems and make life better for each and every citizen in New York City."

Current Occupation: Home Remodeling

Previous Occupations: Field Director

Organizational Affiliations: N/A
Prior Public Experience: N/A
Party Enrolled In: Republican

Education: Highschool



David Rem ©

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Crime and Public Safety:
- 2. Affordability and Inflation
- 3. Illegal Immigration

"My fellow New Yorkers, our city is in crisis—crime, homelessness, and rising costs are out of control. As your Mayor, I'll fully fund the NYPD, restore law and order, reopen mental health facilities, cut taxes, and fight for school choice. No more special treatment for illegal immigrants—NYC must put its people first. Let's drain the swamp at City Hall and make our city safe, strong, and free again."

Current Occupation: Dept of Sanitation Previous Occupations: Dept of Sanitation

Education: NYC

Organizational Affiliations: Dept of sanitation

Prior Public Experience: Political activist, Political operative,

Political Campaign Manager

Party Enrolled In: Republican



Curtis Sliwa &

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- Public Safety in Every Neighborhood
- 2. Make NYC Housing Affordable
- 3. Better Outcomes for NYC Students

"My campaign is for the working people of NYC—the ones who power it every day. I'm running for those ignored for too long: victims of crime, housing insecurity, and homelessness. As Mayor, I'll make New Yorkers feel safe and lower costs for all struggling to get by. City Hall serves itself, not you. The elite fear your vote—we can stop them together."

Current Occupation: CEO and Founder of the Alliance of the Guardian Angels

Previous Occupations: Broadcaster at WABC

Education: Brooklyn College Prep

Organizational Affiliations: Alliance of the Guardian Angels, SAG-AFTRA, Peace Abbey Courage of Conscience Award, Cristian Rivera Foundation Humanitarian of the Year Award,

Prior Public Experience: Former NYS Reform Party Chairman, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Honoree, National Police Defense Foundation

Party Enrolled In: Republican

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Public Advocate

Democratic

- Angela Aquino ∅
- Martin W Dolan ∅
- Jenifer Rajkumar ∅
- Jumaane D Williams ☺

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Angela Aquino 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Reducing Crime No bail Law
- 2. Affordable Housing
- 3. Protecting Seniors

"Angela Aquino is running for New York City Public Advocate with a platform that will fight for affordable housing, public safety, ending homelessness, education choices for parents, and protecting seniors and children. Angela will use the public advocate office to push for a revitalize Mitchell—Lama Housing Program to expand affordable housing, and reforming the no-bail law to improve safety. Angela supports reallocating funds from migrant services to increase police hiring and community programs."

Current Occupation: Non Profit Organization Founder and Chair

Previous Occupations: Fashion Sales and Marketing

Education: B.S. Business and Marketing

Organizational Affiliations: Equal Rights For Children

Prior Public Experience: Life long Advocate for

Human Rights

Public Advocate (continued)



Theo Chino Tavarez ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Hold COPIC meetings every month
- Expose housing & real estate fraud
- 3. Challenge every NYC injustice

"As a Socialist, I believe in free education, universal healthcare, reproductive rights, the right to unionize, universal basic income, the separation of church and state, and a government that ensures dignity, fairness, and liberty for all. The NYC Charter establishes the Commission on Public Information and Communication (COPIC) to promote government transparency and public engagement. As Public Advocate, I will strengthen COPIC to empower New Yorkers. With the rise of Al, I will ensure it serves the public good, addressing challenges with fairness, accountability, and oversight."

Current Occupation: Computer Engineer
Previous Occupations: Computer Engineer

Education: University of Alaska

Organizational Affiliations: Social Democrats of America,

https://socialists.us

Prior Public Experience: Community Board Member

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Martin W Dolan &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Back to municipal basics
- 2. Higher municipal standards
- Re-setting a culture of dependency

"Core principles: excellence in public service which enables people to improve their lives can make NYC a role model and turnaround the Dem Party nationally.

I propose Fast Start Accounts -- no taxes until age 26: get kids/families focused on positioning for the job market during teen years. These \$ should be held by the State/City to be used only for first property purchases or higher education. I also propose connecting families tax-wise: parents to have a 10-15% rebate on their kids taxes each year."

Current Occupation: Investor and business consultant

Previous Occupations: Investment banker

Education: Harvard MBA, Union College BA

Organizational Affiliations: Harvard Club of NYC

Prior Public Experience: Candidate for NYC CD-14 and

CD-16

Public Advocate (continued)



Jenifer Rajkumar ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Bring Down Crime
- 2. Make City More Affordable
- 3. Improve Quality of Life

"I will bring energy and strong leadership to our City in this time of crisis. I have what it takes to fix our City. My entire career has prepared me for this moment: As a civil rights lawyer, CUNY professor, and history-making State Legislator, I have delivered bold, transformative wins in public safety, quality of life, and human rights. Now, I'm ready to do the same for our City. I am the right woman for the job."

Current Occupation: State Legislator

Previous Occupations: Civil Rights Lawyer; Professor at CUNY

Education: Stanford Law School (J.D., pro bono distinction), University of Pennsylvania (B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude)

Organizational Affiliations: Women's Campaign Fund, New York State Trial Lawyers

Prior Public Experience: Director of Immigration Affairs for NY State

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Jumaane D Williams ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Improve public health and safety
- Make New York more affordable
- 3. Hold government accountable

"The Public Advocate's role is essential—advancing policies that help New Yorkers while holding government accountable. I've passed more legislation than all previous Public Advocates combined, elevating issues through activism and advocacy. I pledge to continue that work, while fighting for the transparency and accountability New Yorkers deserve."

Current Occupation: NYC Public Advocate

Previous Occupations: NYC Council Member, 45th District

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, Brooklyn College; Master's Degree in Urban Policy and Administration, Brooklyn College

Organizational Affiliations: Working Families Party; NYPAN; Jim Owles Democratic Club; St. Paul Community Baptist Church

Prior Public Experience: NYC Council Member, 45th District; Board Member, Community Board 18

Comptroller

Democratic

- Justin Brannan @
- Mark D Levine Ø
- Ismael Malave Perez S
- Kevin S Parker Ø
- Lindsey Royce*

Republican

- Peter Kefalas Ø
- Danniel Maio ③

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Justin Brannan 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Make NYC affordable
- 2. Growing pensions for retirees
- 3. Protecting taxpayer dollars

"New York City isn't just where I'm from—it's who I am. I came up in punk rock, where you don't wait around—you get things done. That's how I approach public service.

When the Mayor tried cutting libraries, early childhood education, and after-school programs—I said hell no. And when he claimed the city was broke, I proved him wrong, winning homeowners their first property tax rebate in 15 years.

Now, I'm running for Comptroller to hold agencies accountable, root out corruption, and make sure our \$115 billion budget works for you—not just the well-connected."

Current Occupation: New York City Councilman

Previous Occupations: Chief of Staff to Councilman Vinnie Gentile

Education: Fordham & CUNY

Organizational Affiliations: Bay Ridge Cares

Prior Public Experience: Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs at the NYC Department of Education

Comptroller (continued)



Mark D Levine ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Affordability/Housing
- 2. Mental Health
- 3. Public Safety

"We're facing crises of affordability & quality of life, & NY'ers don't have confidence in government to deliver for them. We need a leader who'll hold agencies accountable, invest in working people, & ensure every dollar is spent effectively to improve lives."

Current Occupation: Manhattan Borough President

Previous Occupations: NYC Council Member, Bilingual teacher, Community Credit Union Founder

Education: B.A., Physics, Haverford College; Masters, Public Policy, Harvard University

Organizational Affiliations: Founder of Neighborhood Trust, Upper Manhattan Community Development Credit Union; Former Exec Director of Center for After-School Excellence

Prior Public Experience: Council Member - Chair of Health & Parks Committees; District Leader; Founder of Barack Obama Democratic Club of Upper Manhattan; Chair of Community Board 12's Transpo Committee

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Ismael Malave Perez ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Fiscal accountability and oversight
- Protect pensions, advocate for NYC
- 3. Financial literacy for all of NYC

"Trusted leadership for NYC's finances"

Current Occupation: Candidate for NYC Comptroller; Civil Servant-Admin Procurement Analyst; Former Senior Advisor to 5 NYC & NYS Comptrollers.

Previous Occupations: 27-year Public Servant with 16 years of experience under five NYC Comptrollers, specializing in Inter-Gov't Relations, Financial Oversight, Auditing, Contract Procurement, and Financial Investments.

Education: MBA, Zicklin School of Business, Baruch College, B.A. in Economics, Lehman College, CUNY

Organizational Affiliations: Union Member of SEIU Local 300, Supporter of labor unions, first responders, and financial literacy initiatives.

Prior Public Experience: Worked in executive roles overseeing city finances, contracts, and pension mgmt. to ensure transparency and efficiency, worked at the Board of Education and is a former Auto-mechanic

Comptroller (continued)



Kevin S Parker ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Fiscal oversight and accountability
- 2. Affordability
- 3. Housing

"New Yorkers deserve a Comptroller who understands our city's financial challenges and has the experience to navigate them. Together, we can create a city that is financially sound, fair, and thriving for all."

Current Occupation: New York State Senator

Previous Occupations: NYS OSC, the NYS UBC, UBS, CUNY/SUNY Adjunct Professor

Education: NYC public school system, BS in Public Service from Penn State, MS in Urban Policy and Management from the New School, and PhD candidate in Political Science at the CUNY Graduate Center

Organizational Affiliations: NBCSL, CSG, New York State Association of Black and Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Legislators, Inc., One Hundred Black Men

Prior Public Experience: Office of Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger, NYS Assembly Member Nick Perry, New York City Council Member Dr. Una Clarke, and other organizations.

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Peter Kefalas ⊗

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Stop financial waste and fraud.
- Strengthen public safety funding.
- 3. Fight inflation and lower taxes.

"I am running for NYC Comptroller because our city is at a crossroads. Reckless spending, financial waste, and lack of accountability have led to record-high taxes, deteriorating public safety, and an affordability crisis. As your Comptroller, I will fight for taxpayers, conduct real oversight, and ensure your money is spent wisely. New York City deserves a fiscal watchdog who puts accountability, transparency, and responsibility first."

Current Occupation: Self employed

Previous Occupations: Self employed

Education: Consultant

Organizational Affiliations: Conservative Party,

Republican Party

Prior Public Experience: News and media outlet that covers public service and political issues that affect the lives of New Yorkers.

Party Enrolled In: Republican

Comptroller (continued)



Danniel Maio ⊗

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Audit politicians
- 2. Cut waste, hire DOGE
- 3. Reduce taxpayer burden

"Behind city's budget numbers, there are names of people your tax dollars are suppose to help. We need to trust that the money does not end up in someone else's pocket or going to dead people or useless projects. Using Comptroller's power of audit to clean, simplify and rectify the office."

Current Occupation: retired

Previous Occupations: Analyst at Identity Map Company; Buyer at Westinghouse Electric; Paralegal at Epstein Becker & Green

Education: Accounting from CUNY Baruch, no degree; MS from Chaminde University; BA in International Studies from American University

Organizational Affiliations: Central Queens Republican Club

Prior Public Experience: Republican candidate in 2001, 2008, 2016, 2020, 2022, 2023, 2024

Party Enrolled In: Republican

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Queens Borough President

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City Council District 25

Democratic

- Shekar Krishnan Ø
- Ricardo J Pacheco ☺

Republican

- Ramses Frias &
- Shah S Haque

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Shekar Krishnan 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Quality health care for all
- Expand and improve parks/ open space
- Invest in early childhood education

"As your Council Member and the first Indian American elected to NYC government, I am running for re-election to keep fighting for the resources our communities deserve and a city that works for us. I'm proud of what we've accomplished, like \$32M in investments for Elmhurst Hospital, resources to support immigrant families, announcing our 7 point plan for making Roosevelt Avenue cleaner and safer, and renovating our playgrounds. Together, we can build a city where everyone has access to health care, parks and open space, and where all working families have free early childhood care. That's the future I'll keep fighting for."

Current Occupation: NYC Council Member

Previous Occupations: Civil Rights Lawyer

Education: Cooper Union (Engineering), University of

Michigan Law School

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: Council Member

City Council District 25 (continued)



Ricardo J Pacheco 🗹

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. PUBLIC SAFETY
- 2. PRIORITIZE EDUCATION
- SUPPORT OUR SENIORS AND RETIREES

"My name is Ricardo Pacheco, candidate for the City Council seat in District 25. I am an immigrant; a product of NYC Public School System; former US Marine Veteran; retired NYPD Sergeant; and a proud father and grandfather. In our district and in our city we face daily concerns affecting our safety and our quality of life. Public Safety is an issue I know and understand well as I served as a member of the NYPD. I do not support defunding the police, abolishing the gang database or disbanding the NYPD. Safety is first. I am respectfully asking for your VOTE. Let's work together to make our neighborhood SAFER, CLEANER and HEALTHIER for all of us!"

Current Occupation: Retired NYPD Sergeant

Previous Occupations: NYPD Sergeant

Education: John Jay College

Organizational Affiliations: SELFHELP/NORC,

Alliance, GOAL

Prior Public Experience: US Marines, NYPD

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Ramses Frias &

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Safer streets, law & order
- Increase affordable housing access
- 3. Enhance school programs

"As a lifelong resident of Elmhurst, Queens, I am deeply committed to improving the community I've always called home. Having witnessed both the progress and setbacks of our city, I am driven by a passion for giving back. I understand the challenges New Yorkers face and believe in working together to create a safer, more prosperous future for all. As your city council candidate, I will tackle our city's most pressing issues with compassion, action and innovation."

Current Occupation: Health Insurance Enroller

Previous Occupations: N/A

Education: Institute of Audio Research

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: N/A
Party Enrolled In: Republican

City Council District 25 (continued)



Shah S Haque ⊗

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Make MTA Safe
- 2. School Capacity Increase
- 3. Cardiac Hospital in District 25

"For a stronger District 25, prioritize MTA safety, expand school capacity, and establish a local cardiac hospital to ensure community well-being and address critical needs."

Current Occupation: President, World Human Rights USA; CEO, World Trade Fair New York; President of People's Builders Inc.; Consultant in immigration affairs and services for the elderly and disabled

Previous Occupations: President of People's Immigration Services

Education: Citizenship Academy Diploma, FBI Regional District Office; Diploma in English, Hunter's College; Bachelor's in Political Science, Dhaka University of Bangladesh

Organizational Affiliations: Munshigonj Bikrampur Association, Advisor; JBBA, General Member; Red Cross of America, General Member; Bangladesh American Lion's Club

Prior Public Experience: Ran as Republican Councilman Candidate 2021 for District 25.

Party Enrolled In: Republican

City Council District 26

There is no Primary Election in City Council District 26. Primary elections only occur when more than one candidate runs for their party's nomination. However, there will be a general election for this City Council district in November.

City Council District 27

Democratic

- Dr Vora V Daniels &
- Nantasha M Williams ☺

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Dr Vera V Daniels &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Tackle Food Prices -The Economy
- 2. Reduce Affordable Housing Shortage
- 3. Improve Health and Safety

"This campaign focuses on justice, humanity, change, and equality. Community voice must be respected in decisions affecting their quality of life. I will listen, learn, remain transparent, and always represent my community."

Current Occupation: Psychologist - Small Business Owner, AMR - Leadership/ Supervisorial

Previous Occupations: Professor

Education: Mercy College, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PSYCHOLOGY BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Organizational Affiliations: National Honor Society, American Psychological Association, Psychology Today, DELTA MU DELTA International Academic Honor Society, NAACP, Democratic Club, Jamaica Center For Arts & Learning, Queens Civic Engagement Committee, Laurelton Civic, Octagon Civic, Feeding America, St. Judes

Prior Public Experience: Community District Education Council President, American Red Cross, FEMA,

City Council District 27 (continued)



Nantasha M Williams &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Equity
- 2. Quality of Life
- 3. Poverty

"I have served this community for the past four years, working tirelessly to improve the lives of our residents. With the support of this community I hope to spend the next four doing more."

Current Occupation: District 27 Council Member

Previous Occupations: Manager, Community and External Relations, Project Manager, MWBE Compliance

Education: Bachelors (Political Science), Masters (Public Administration), PhD (Social Welfare)

Organizational Affiliations: New York City Black Women's Political Club, Community Board 13, Women's March

Prior Public Experience: Working for the New York State Legislature in numerous positions

Party Enrolled In: Democratic

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City Council District 28

Democratic

- Ty Hankerson ∅
- Latoya L LeGrand ∅
- Japneet Singh ♥
- Ruben W Wills* ∅

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Ty Hankerson ${\mathfrak G}$

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- Quality of Life
- 2. Affordability
- 3. Public Safety

"This campaign is about our community receiving its fair share and making sure every investment strengthens the quality of life for the people who call District 28 home. I have spent my life serving Southeast Queens, and now I am ready to fight for a future where our families can thrive."

Current Occupation: District 28 Chief of Staff, NYC Council Speaker's Office

Previous Occupations: Director of Community Outreach, District 28; Program Director, Southern Queens Park Association

Education: St. John's University (Attended)

Organizational Affiliations: Queens Democratic Organization, District Leader

Prior Public Experience: Jamaica Now Leadership Council, NYC Health + Hospitals Queens' Community Advisory Board

City Council District 28 (continued)



Romeo Hitlall &

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Tackling the affordability crisis
- 2. Increasing public safety
- 3. Delivering better city services

"I am running for City Council to make New York City work for everyone - not just the powerful and well-connected. As a community leader, I've worked tirelessly for safer streets, better public schools, and to support the small businesses that drive our neighborhoods. On the City Council, I'll bring people together from every part of District 28 to get things done and put working people above politics."

Current Occupation: Real Estate Broker
Previous Occupations: Real Estate Agent

Education: Hillcrest High School

Organizational Affiliations: District Governor of Brooklyn & Queens Lions Clubs, Member of NYPD 106th Precinct Community Partners Program

Prior Public Experience: Member of Community

Board 10 for 17 years

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Latoya L LeGrand ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Education Empowerment
- 2. Housing Equity
- Public Safety

"My name is Latoya LeGrand, a lifelong advocate for housing equity, youth empowerment, and safer communities. I've fought for NYCHA residents, expanded STEM education, and worked in government to drive change. As your Council Member, I'll put our neighborhoods first and deliver results."

Current Occupation: Community Liaison- NYS Assembly **Previous Occupations:** Community Liaison- NYS Senate

Education: Bachelor's- John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Organizational Affiliations: Founder of non-profit organization Projects II Projects. Education Committee Chairperson for Community Board 12Q

Prior Public Experience: Partnered with NYPD for over 5 years to raise funds and awareness regarding Autism. Partnered with local community center SQPA for over 5 years.

City Council District 28 (continued)



Japneet Singh ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Public Safety
- 2. Government Transparency
- 3. Housing

"I believe in the power of unity and justice for all. I will fight for public safety, work to protect our homes and stop gentrification and ensure our schools are funded and equipped to succeed. Together, we can create a future where every community member thrives, with dignity, respect, and opportunity for all."

Current Occupation: President of Non-Profit

Previous Occupations: Staffer for the Public

Advocate's Office

Education: MS in Accounting BA in Accounting BA in Economics BBA in Finance BBA in International Business

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: Community Board 10, Queens College Student Body President, CUNY University Student Senate Vice-Chair for Senior Colleges, Social Activist, Founder of the New York Sikh Council, Founder and President of Khalsa Community Patrol, Founder and President of New York Grows Together

Party Enrolled In: Democratic

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City Council District 29

Republican

- Supreet McGrath ∅
- Jenathan David Rinaldi

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Supreet McGrath &

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- Cut fines/penalties on middle class
- 2. Address quality of life issues
- Transparency on city spending

"I'm committed to protecting the middle class and ensuring we have the tools to thrive. By encouraging growth, supporting homeowners, and empowering small businesses, we strengthen the backbone of our city. A strong middle class benefits everyone, including renters, by keeping our community prosperous and resilient."

Current Occupation: Product Manager

Previous Occupations: Certified Public Accountant

Education: MBA - Accountancy / Taxation, BA - Theatre Arts Lighting Design

Organizational Affiliations: N/A

Prior Public Experience: N/A

Party Enrolled In: Republican

City Council District 29 (continued)



Jonathan David Rinaldi ⊘

Republican

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Corruption
- 2. Transparency
- 3. Safety

"I'm running for City Council in District 29 because our community deserves a leader who works for the people — not special interests. As an anti-corruption candidate, I will fight for affordable living, safer streets, and transparent government. It's time to put power back in the hands of the people and build a stronger, fairer Queens for everyone."

Current Occupation: Political Consultant
Previous Occupations: Political Activist
Education: CCNY Bachelors Architecture.

Minor Political science

Organizational Affiliations: Hopefully All

Prior Public Experience: Candidate for Assembly District 28 Queens, Political activist, Political Consultant, President of Student Government

Party Enrolled In: Republican

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City Council District 30

Democratic

- Michael A Lopez
- Paul Pogozelski ∅
- Dermot Smyth ∅
- Phil Wong ∅

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Michael A Lopez ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- . Improving Public Safety
- Addressing the affordability crisis
- . Expanding Education Opportunity

"My name is Father Mike Lopez and I am running for NYC Council District 30. I am a priest, small business owner, & nonprofit leader from Ridgewood. I have lived in District 30 for most of my life & I am proud to raise my family here. From my time as a Criminal Investigator to my work as a priest, I've committed my life to serving this community. That's why I'm stepping up to run. I'm running for Council District 30 because our community deserves leaders with a track record of delivering."

Current Occupation: Priest & Restaurateur

Previous Occupations: Criminal Investigator

Education: Christ The King High School, St. John's University

Organizational Affiliations: Hungry Monk Rescue Truck, NYPD Clergy Liaison, Ridgewood Kiwanis

Prior Public Experience: Board Member, Ridgewood Senior Center; Investigator at Legal Aid Society and Federal Defender at EDNY

City Council District 30 (continued)



Paul Pogozelski 🛚

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Public Safety
- 2. Education
- 3. Enhance Green Spaces

"I am Paul Pogozeslki, and I look forward to working for you and making District 30 a Better Community.

Current Occupation: Logistics Consultant, and Executive of two non-profit organizations.

Previous Occupations: Small Business Owner, in the field of Trucking and Logistics.

Education: High School Graduate, Completed Several Business Related Collegiate Programs. (Accounting, Law, Business Management)

Organizational Affiliations: Veterans of Foreign Wars "VFW" Prior Public Experience: Community Based Civic Advisor.

Party Enrolled In: Democratic



Dermot Smyth 3

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Public Safety
- 2. Education
- Quality of Life

"With over 30 years living in the neighborhood and as a 25-year educator and a leader in the labor movement, I am running to fight for rational and reasonable common sense solutions in City Hall and to be a strong advocate for Council District 30."

Current Occupation: UFT Representative

Previous Occupations: Teacher

Education: Queens College BA & MA

Organizational Affiliations: UFT/NYSUT/AFT

Prior Public Experience: N/A
Party Enrolled In: Democratic

City Council District 30 (continued)



Phil Wong ⊗

Democratic

Top 3 Issues:

- 1. Public Safety & Quality of Life
- Revive Standards/Merit in Education
- End City of Yes and Sanctuary City

"I'm running for City Council to strengthen education, make housing affordable for working families, and restore public safety. It's time for common sense leadership that puts our families first."

Current Occupation: Constituent Services & Budget

Director, Office of CM Robert Holden

Previous Occupations: Community Advocate & Small Business Owner

Education: Cornell University School of Engineering

Organizational Affiliations: Elmhurst United (founding member), Juniper Park Civic Association, Ridgewood Property Owners & Civic Association, Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York

Prior Public Experience: Community Education Council 24 (CEC 24) Member and President, Community and Civil Rights Activist.

Party Enrolled In: Democratic

City Council District 31, 32, 34

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