



# NEW KINGS DEMOCRATS

## VOTER'S GUIDE

2013 GENERAL ELECTION

MAYOR

### BILL DE BLASIO

As we emerge from the Bloomberg years, there is a nagging feeling afflicting many of us. That New York City is rapidly becoming a playground for the rich and powerful, at the expense of too many middle and working class New Yorkers who can no longer afford to live in the city's neighborhoods. Yet, it is just those middle and working class people and communities which have long created the rich fabric of this city and the source of much of its cultural vitality.

Only one candidate for mayor has truly given voice to that frustration, and truly promised to address this

“tale of two cities”—Bill de Blasio. From fighting for expanded universal early education and after-school programs through a tax on the wealthiest New Yorkers, to pushing



for 200,000 affordable housing units, Bill de Blasio has consistently advocated on behalf of the issues that matter most to middle and working class New Yorkers. We need a leader in City Hall who understands, firsthand, why New Yorkers of every age, in every neighborhood, deserve a fair chance to get ahead—and Bill de Blasio will be that leader.

COMPTROLLER

### SCOTT STRINGER

Before Scott Stringer got to Albany, Assemblymembers didn't even have to be present to cast votes. Scott was a true reformer in Albany and as Manhattan Borough President he has reinvented the office. Over the past eight years, many of the most innovative and progressive policy proposals on the food justice movement, on local transportation, and environmental issues have come out of Scott's

office. Scott will bring creative policy solutions to the Comptroller's office and he will ensure there are smart people around him stewarding the fiscal health of our city. NKD proudly endorses Scott Stringer for Comptroller because of his long track record as a leader who advances the values of integrity, transparency, and accountability in government to realize a progressive agenda.



BROOKLYN DISTRICT ATTORNEY

### KEN THOMPSON

Throughout his career, Ken Thompson has made his mark representing poor victims who were often targeted by powerful people or interests. People like Abner Louima, who suffered horrifically from police brutality, and Nafissatou Diallo, who accused Dominique Strauss-Kahn of sexually assaulting her. In these cases, Ken has shown himself to be a fighter, a fierce advocate for victims, someone who isn't afraid to hold the powerful to account.

The Brooklyn DA office is in need of someone with those credentials, and also someone who is committed to fairness and integrity. Too often recently the news has been dominated with fresh stores about wrongful convictions that undermine our confidence in the system. We look forward to working with Ken to battle against corruption and ensure equal justice and protection for everyone.





34TH CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT  
**ANTONIO REYNOSO**

When it comes to the 34th District Council seat, there is no better choice than Antonio Reynoso. Whether it's been organizing to prevent the elimination of day care seats for neighborhood children or helping families facing unjust evictions, Antonio has been there. When Mayor Bloomberg tried to close Fire Engine 221 Antonio was there to rally residents and ensure the firehouse wasn't shuttered.

Born and bred in the Southside of Williamsburg to Dominican immigrants, Antonio knows the issues that most affect our community and has a vision for addressing

those challenges. Over the last few years Antonio has worked as Diana Reyna's chief-of-staff and understands the importance of having a good-hearted, ethical, and progressive leader that the community can trust.



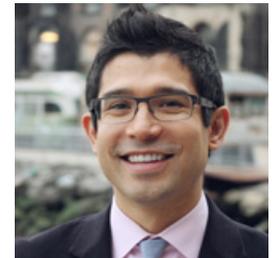
As a founding member of NKD, Antonio is committed to advancing a more progressive agenda towards both local and citywide issues. Given his acumen, we know Antonio will perform his duties with the integrity and respect that we deserve and inspire others to do the same. On Nov. 5 we can all be proud to vote for Antonio Reynoso!

38TH CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT  
**CARLOS MENCHACA**

Carlos Menchaca is a tireless, dedicated community and political activist. We've come to know Carlos well over the years as a leader of the Brooklyn reform movement, both as a former president of our ally the Lambda Independent Democrats, and as a longtime member of NKD. Together we helped pass a slate of reforms in 2012 boosting transparency and accountability in the local party.

Carlos' dedication to public and community service was most vividly on display in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. Carlos stepped into the void and worked day and night, bringing together local leaders, community

groups, and neighbors to coordinate response efforts and hold our city, state, and federal officials accountable. He took on such a leadership role that some started calling him the Mayor of Red Hook. We were thrilled to make him one of our True Blue honorees this year.



He is now preparing to take this commitment to public service to city hall, running for city council in the 38th district (**Sunset Park, Red Hook, Greenwood Heights, Windsor Terrace**). We are delighted to see him promote a progressive agenda—just and fair policing, strong public education, and safe streets.