2018

VOTERS’ GUIDE

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The League has a long tradition of publishing verbatim responses of candidates to questions important to voters. All answers appear exactly as submitted; no corrections or editing has been done. If a candidate exceeded the length limit for their response, their answers were truncated. If a candidate failed to reply to our request to participate by the deadline, their name is listed with the statement “No response received by deadline.”

This Voters’ Guide contains responses only from candidates whose races will be on the Primary Ballot. Some candidates may have withdrawn since the material was compiled and others may have been added. The answers to ALL the questions may be found at the online interactive version of the Voters’ Guide at www.vote411.org.
Voting Information

Primary Election Early Voting
Thursday, June 14, 2018 to Thursday, June 21, 2018
Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

- A voter can go to their assigned polling location and cast their ballot on Election Day or
- A voter can request an absentee ballot sent to them by mail or
- A voter can vote at an Early Voting location and cast their ballot June 14th through June 21st.

Early Voting Locations:
- Accokeek VFD Training & Activity Center
  16111 Livingston Road
  Accokeek, MD 20607
- Baden Community Center
  13601 Baden-Westwood Road
  Brandywine, MD 20613
- Bowie Gymnasium
  4100 Northview Drive
  Bowie, MD 20716
- College Park Community Center
  5051 Pierce Avenue
  College Park, MD 20740
- Kentland Community Center
  2413 Pinebrook Avenue
  Landover, MD 20785
- Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center
  7120 Contee Road
  Laurel, MD 20707
- Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex
  7007 Bock Road
  Fort Washington, MD 20744
- Suitland Community Park School Center
  5600 Regency Lane
  Forestville, MD 20747
- Upper Marlboro Community Center
  5400 Marlboro Race Track Road
  Upper Marlboro, MD 20772
- VFW Post 8950 Hansen Hall
  9800 Good Luck Road
  Lanham, MD 20706
- Wayne K. Curry Sports & Learning Center
  8001 Sheriff Road
  Landover, MD 20785

If you vote by Early Voting, you cannot vote by absentee ballot or on Election Day.

Maryland State Board of Elections
Visit: http://www.elections.state.md.us

- See the status of your absentee or provisional ballot.
- View your sample ballot.
- Review your voter registration record.
- Request a duplicate voter registration card.
- Find out where to vote.
- Find out your voting districts.

https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch

Prince George’s County Board of Elections
1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A
Largo MD 20774
(301) 341-7300, Fax No.: (301) 341-7391
Website: http://elections.mypgc.us
Elections Administrator: Alisha L. Alexander
Email Address: election@co.pg.md.us
Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M

ELECTION CALENDAR
Tuesday, June 5, 2018: Deadline to register to vote
Thursday, June 14, 2018 to Thursday, June 21, 2018: Early Voting, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Tuesday, June 19, 2018: Deadline to Request Absentee Ballot by mail: (8 pm, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo MD 20776) or fax/email (11:59 pm, 301-341-7399/ boeabsenteevoting@co.pg.md.us)
Friday, June 22, 2018: Deadline to request an electronic absentee ballot to be delivered via Internet: 5 pm (mail request, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo MD 20776) or 11:59 pm (email/fax request, 301 341-7399/ boeabsenteevoting@co.pg.md.us).
Tuesday, June 26, 2018: Primary Election. Polls open 7 a.m. and close 8 p.m.

Identification in Maryland: Not required except under some circumstances. For example, if the voter has registered by mail and has failed to include identification as requested for mail-in registration.

Felon voting in Maryland: Those convicted of felonies are welcome to vote in Maryland after they have been released from incarceration.

Age to register in Maryland: 16

Age to vote: 18 on or before General Election Day, November 6, 2018
**ABSENTEE BALLOTS**
Any registered voter may vote by absentee ballot.

**HOW TO GET AN ABSENTEE BALLOT**
There are three ways you can request an absentee ballot.
From the Maryland State Board of Elections web-site [http://www.elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html](http://www.elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html), you may request an absentee ballot online if you have a Maryland’s driver’s license or MVA-issued ID card.
Or from the same link you may download a form, read the instructions, enter the required information, print the form, sign it, and return it to your local board of elections.
You can return it by mail, fax, or email (scanned as an attachment). Or you may go to your local board of elections and fill out and turn in the form.

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS**
If returned in person, the County Elections Board must receive an absentee ballot no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee ballots must be returned by mail or in person directly to the Board of Elections; they cannot be accepted at the polls on Election Day or returned on-line.
If you mail your ballot, it must be postmarked on or before Election Day and must be received by your local board of elections by 10 a.m. on July 6, 2018 for the primary election. Voters are cautioned that if an absentee ballot has been issued to them, they will not be permitted to cast their vote at their polls on Election Day.

**PROVISIONAL BALLOTS ARE REAL BALLOTS.**
You may be asked to vote by provisional ballot rather than on the voting machine if
Your name does not appear on the E-Poll Books when you check in
You live at a different address than is shown on the E-Poll Books when you check in
You had been assigned to vote at a different polling place
You have been asked to show identification but are unable to do so
Provisional ballots are checked after the election and, if everything is in order, the votes are cast.

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**League of Women Voters Prince George’s County**

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STATEWIDE OFFICES
Governor / Lt Governor

GOVERNOR DUTIES: The Governor is the chief executive officer of Maryland and appoints judges to the state courts and the heads of statewide departments. The Governor also makes other appointments as provided by the Maryland Constitution or by law and proposes the annual operating and capital budgets to the legislature. The Governor may veto legislation passed by the legislature.

SALARY: $180,000 per year.

TERM: Four years, limit of two consecutive terms.

HOW ELECTED: Elected statewide as a team with the Lt. Gov.

LT. GOVERNOR DUTIES: The Lieutenant Governor assists the Governor and is elected jointly on a ballot with the gubernatorial candidate. The Lieutenant Governor fills the office of Governor in case of death, resignation, or disability and carries out specific duties assigned by the Governor.

SALARY: $149,500 per year.

WEBSITE: see Maryland Manual Online Questions

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of Governor?

BUDGET: What are your priorities for the state budget, particularly regarding education and transportation?

REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?

ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?

DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?

OTHER PRIORITIES: What are your priorities on issues not covered by the other questions?

GOVERNOR / LT GOVERNOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

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Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am the only candidate who has served as County Executive of Prince George’s County, leading one of Maryland’s largest jurisdictions and in the Maryland House of Delegates. I have also served as the executive director of a non profit organizations that recruited and trained teachers to work in schools with diverse populations and urban problems.

BUDGET: Education and transportation funding will be my top two spending priorities as governor. Our public schools are the heart of our communities and must be fully funded. As one of the most densely populated states, we need a governor who makes strategic investments in mass transit infrastructure to create jobs, provide equity and reduce congestion.

REDISTRICTING: I would support the creation of a non-partisan, independent body to draw legislative and congressional district maps after each census. Non-partisan redistricting ensures that no political party can rig the system. “Safe districts” can lead to a decrease in voter participation, limit voter choice and reduce the incentive to have meaningful debate and conversations.

ENVIRONMENT: I have brought a world class environmental program to the county, which now leads the state in waste diversion and recycling. As governor, I prioritize innovative environmental policies to make Maryland a leader in clean energy, and create jobs across the state. I will announce my comprehensive “Baker Green Print for Maryland” soon to address climate change, sea level rise, and Bay restoration.

DISCRIMINATION: I will work to strengthen the relationship between law enforcement and the community and provide resources to forgotten communities through my Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative to increase racial and income equality across the state. My Equity for Women Initiative is a comprehensive plan to make MD a national leader in gender equality by championing economic empowerment and security for women.

HEALTH CARE: In the county, we reduced uninsured and underinsured residents by over 50%. However too many Marylanders are still facing exorbitant healthcare prices and are uninsured. We need to ensure the broadest possible access to affordable health care by improving access, reliability and affordability. We need to stabilize health insurance market against the attempts made by Trump to undermine the ACA.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Marylanders are sick and tired of Big Money in politics. I’ve introduced a campaign finance reform proposal that will 1) prohibit direct campaign contributions from corporations and PACs 2) establish a statewide public financing system for Maryland state candidates; 3) require Maryland Super PACs to contribute a portion of their total expenditures to fund the public financing system.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Political science teacher since 1964. Taught in public and private sectors. Leading a movement which started in 2002 and is an evolving process to get rid of corruption in MD govt. and replace it with true ETHICAL reform. My website, fedupwithcrookedpolitics.com documents everything.

BUDGET: Stop wasting taxpayer money on public education and transportation programs that don’t work. Invest the saved money in public police departments and public schools.

REDISTRICTING: Because of unscrupulous, unethical practices of politicians in power for last 50 years, it’s an impossible task. Until we get ethical politicians who care about their constituents rather than themselves district lines will be unfair.

ENVIRONMENT: We need ethical politicians who will work together on the complicated environmental issues. They need to arrive at compromises that will be fair to both sides.

DISCRIMINATION: I would convene assembly of religious leaders from churches, synagogues, and mosques throughout MD - mission to generate specific set of recommendations for improving race relations - recommendations which would be put into operation immediately. Also implementation of my TUTOR-MENTOR TEAM PROGRAM.

HEALTH CARE: A program is needed that ensures every patient has choice of doctors and at same time gives the poor and elderly good medical insurance without exorbitant
premiums. A panel of distinguished private citizens should assemble and formulate recommendations that will be fair to all and implemented immediately.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Crime problem - More police officers needed in metropolitan areas of MD, especially in Balto. City (1000 police officers short) Treatment of elderly in nursing homes - Law requiring 6 to 1 ratio of patients to nurses’ aides needed. Public education - Implementation of my TUTOR-MENTOR PROGRAM

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** At 35, I was named the youngest-ever President & CEO of the NAACP. In my role there I advanced a strong, progressive agenda across the board. In Maryland these achievements were recognized in 2013 when I was named Marylander of the Year for my pivotal roles in abolishing the death penalty, passing the Maryland DREAM Act, helping pass marriage equality, and expanding voting rights.

**BUDGET:** We don’t have a money problem when it comes to education, we have a priority problem and we need a governor who is willing to make education a number one priority. We will fully fund our schools and make sure lottery and casino revenues finally supplement education funding. We need a plan for transportation that will revive the Red Line and provide dedicated funding for the DC Metro.

**REDISTRICTING:** I believe that Maryland should lead the fight on redistricting reform in a fair and non-partisan manner that does not indefinitely hand control of the House of Representatives to Republicans. Redistricting compacts such as the one passed by the Maryland legislature and vetoed by Hogan are a fair solution to increase the accountability of Congress to the voters and reduce gerrymandering.

**ENVIRONMENT:** My vision in regards to the environment brings together the economy, civil rights, and public health. I will build on the surge of clean energy jobs and put our state on a path to 100% clean energy well before 2050 and reverse Trump’s attempts to kill the progress we’ve made on cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay. Bill McKibben, Friends of the Earth Action, and 350.org have all endorsed my campaign.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I’ve dedicated my life to service and I have a long track record of securing progressive victories in our state. Growing up as the child of a biracial Maryland couple who were forced to leave the state in order to legally marry, Marylanders know I’ll stand up to Trump’s hateful attacks on our environment which disproportionately harms marginalized communities and his attacks on our public schools.

**HEALTH CARE:** Premiums have risen by double digits year after year, 300,000 Marylanders don’t have healthcare, and the cost of prescription drugs forces families to choose between mandatory life expenses and prescription drugs. I support Medicare-for-All at the federal level but with no hope for progress there we need Medicare-for-All at the state level to provide quality, affordable healthcare for all.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I’m the only candidate for governor who has released comprehensive plans on criminal justice reform, the opioid epidemic, seniors, Medicare-for-All, and police reform. I am releasing my plans for education, the environment, and the economy soon and you can all see the progressive priorities I will enact as governor at benjealous.com.

James Hugh Jones, II / Charles S. Waters
No response received by deadline.

Kevin Kamenetz / Valerie Ervin

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BUDGET: The proper funding of our education system, especially resetting the formula through recommendations by the Kirwan Commission, is the single most important budgetary concern for our next governor. Regarding transportation, I will prioritize use of state money for multimodal transportation solutions like mass transit and multi-use roads - not just on highway widening projects.

REDISTRICTING: We need to make the modification of Congressional districts a process conducted by independent commissions that rely on the fairness of mathematics rather than the bias of politics. We also need to look into ways to depolarize our politics, like open primaries and Rank Choice Voting. These are simple steps and will bring more competition into our politics and more choices for voters.

ENVIRONMENT: My administration will prioritize cleaning up and preserving the Chesapeake Bay by participating in regional and statewide conservancy programs. We will make Maryland the center of the green economy and provide funding for environmental innovators by establishing a statewide Maryland Green Bank. Conservation and innovation should go hand in hand and Maryland is the perfect place to make it happen.

DISTRIBUTION: There are practical ways we must address discrimination, but it starts with a set of values. Our leaders should work to bring people together, not divide them. And they must take strong stands against things that conflict with those values of openness, and move our state in a positive direction. As governor, the values of openness and inclusion would be first and foremost in my leadership.

HEALTH CARE: Without universal health coverage, we are denying quality of life to many in our state and increasing costs for everyone. First, we need to protect and preserve the best parts of the ACA. We also need to add a public option through Medicaid so that everyone in Maryland has access to quality, affordable health care. And we need to fight to keep the costs of prescription drugs low.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I am especially focused on the "rise of the rest" and how we empower more people from more zip codes to compete and succeed in the industries of the future. This is a holistic issue, and my administration will be focused on the many issues - like education, job creation, support for small business, and inclusive innovation - that will create opportunity for all Marylanders in a changing economy.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Over the course of my career, I have led large public and private organizations across the state. For four years, I served as Chair of the University System of Maryland – the state’s largest public entity. I also served as Chair of the Central Maryland Transportation Alliance, the Downtown Partnership of Baltimore, and the Empowerment Baltimore Management Corporation, and my law firm, Venable LLP.

BUDGET: In my budgets, education and transportation will be my top two priorities. As Governor, in my first legislative session, I will pass legislation that includes some of the policies I know we need in education – from universal pre-K through increased compensation for our teachers. Transportation will be my second priority, and I will focus on mass transit options that moves people across the state.

REDISTRICTING: I support forming a bipartisan and independent commission to advise the Governor during the process of drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland. As Governor, I will also work diligently to implement changes to the system to make it more transparent and accountable to the people.

ENVIRONMENT: Our way of life and our economy is strictly tied to our environment. The largest challenges include ensuring that our water is safe to drink, our air is safe to breathe, and the Chesapeake Bay is healthy. I will push for a shift more completely towards renewable energy, including solar and wind. I will also work to get more cars off of our roads and onto cleaner, mass transit lines.

DISTRIBUTION: Along with my Lt. Governor, Brandon Scott, I will work to create an Office of Equity that will be charged with ensuring that all state agencies complete gender, racial, religious, disability, and income assessments of their services, programs, employment, and contracting practices. In addition, the office will direct agencies to create action plans to address the findings of these assessments.

HEALTH CARE: As Governor, unlike Larry Hogan, I will stand up to federal Republicans’ efforts to repeal the ACA and protect Marylanders. On the federal level, there is also a movement to implement a national single payer system, which I support. At the state level, I do not think we have the scale necessary to properly institute a single payer system.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will also focus on growing the economy and making it fairer for all Marylanders. I will work to make our communities safer and to restore the community’s trust in law enforcement. And, I will focus on protecting our environment by targeting ambitious standards for our RPS, investing in energy storage technology, and getting more people off the roads and onto mass transit infrastructure.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a lifelong Marylander, who has lived the American Dream--going from a basement apartment on the Baltimore City/County line and attending Maryland public schools to serving as Michelle Obama’s Policy Director at the White House & Senior Advisor to Sec. of State Hillary Clinton. I’ve led complex organizations, multi-billion dollar budgets & initiatives in education, healthcare, & creating jobs.

BUDGET: Education is my absolute top priority. As the only candidate who attended Maryland public schools (K-12), I am committed fully funding our schools, guaranteeing Pre-K, closing the achievement gap, expanding STEAM education opportunities, & providing free community college and retraining. I will restart Baltimore’s Red Line and invest in transportation solutions that cut commute times in half.

REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering and unlimited dark money are the greatest threats to the health of our democracy. I support independent experts drawing district lines in Maryland using transparent processes/formulas to ensure fairness. At the same time, I will work regionally on solutions to ensure that our good government actions in Maryland do not adversely affect the overall balance of power in the U.S. House

ENVIRONMENT: Saving the Chesapeake Bay, reducing air pollution, and acting on climate change will be my top priorities. For the Bay, we will reduce water pollution at its source, improve the Bay’s resilience, & hold upstream states accountable. We will reduce air pollution from our transportation
and power sectors by investing in clean energy (offshore wind, solar, etc), energy efficiency, & public transit.

**DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination has no place in society. We will build an inclusive government that reflects the full diversity of Maryland to end it, because discrimination increases when diverse voices are excluded from decision-making. We will guarantee 3-months of paid family leave, ensure equal pay for equal work, end sexual harassment, attack systemic racism, prosecute hate crimes, and improve accessibility.

**HEALTH CARE:** Healthcare is a human right. We will provide universal, affordable healthcare through a state-run public option to ensure coverage for the 350,000 Marylanders without insurance and to help those that can’t afford their current coverage. We will confront the opioid crisis by increasing access to overdose reversal agents & expanding drug treatment options. We will reduce gun violence in communities.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** As we advance all of our important policy priorities here at home, we must also defend our fellow Marylanders from the attacks coming out of President Trump’s White House. We must stand up and defend immigrant rights, civil rights, Muslim rights, gay rights, reproductive rights, workers’ rights, Dreamers’ rights, & public health. We must also protect thousands of federal jobs from budget cuts.

### Comptroller

**DUTIES:** The Comptroller is the financial officer of Maryland, responsible for collecting, managing and planning for revenue to support the state budget. The Comptroller collects and administers Maryland taxes on income (both personal and corporate), retail sales, motor vehicle fuel tax, tobacco, beer, wine and liquor, and estate tax. The Comptroller serves on the Board of Public Works along with the Governor and the state Treasurer, who is appointed by the General Assembly.

**QUALIFICATION:** I believe the top tax collector, auditor & maintainer of the public general ledger should be proficient in accounting. I am a certified public accountant, legally licensed to practice public accounting in Maryland. I also have an MBA in finance & another masters degree in information systems. I have private, federal & state work experiences in financial management systems, tax, accounting & audit.

**REVENUE SYSTEM:** I will update information systems statewide, for usability and security, and promote tax credits and other incentives for energy star, solar panel, and other efficiency products and services. I also will reduce interest and penalties for people who are being proactive & voluntarily reporting additional income the state would normally not have time to audit; coming clean should never be penalized.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:** I want spending to be more spread across Maryland, for all to enjoy the amazing nooks and crannies of our beautiful state. Safety is my number one priority in public works - safe roads for motorists, law enforcement, cyclists, pedestrians, and our delicate environment. The ethics and prior history of contractors completing projects in time, safely, and within budget should also be considered.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I also think it is unfair to tax retirement income. If we remove it all together we would increase our property and sales tax base, hence bring up our net revenues. Lastly, I will increase transparency across the comptroller office, not just in the general ledger, but also in how the state audits and comes to final resolution with tax payers. I will lovingly enforce the law equally for all.

### Comptroller REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

**Anjali Reed Phukan**

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### BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:

**As a member of the Board of Public Works, what criteria would you use for evaluating contracts and capital projects that are subject to approval by that Board?**

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Please describe any other priorities you have for this office.

### COMPTROLLER DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**Peter Franchot**

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**QUALIFICATION:** As Maryland’s independent fiscal watchdog, I’m proud of my record of achievement and results that I’ve delivered for Maryland taxpayers since I became Comptroller in 2007. Thanks to initiatives that we have implemented, and the hard work of the dedicated public servants in our agency, ours is regarded as the most efficient and effective Comptroller’s Office in the nation.

**REVENUE SYSTEM:** Our main focus continues to be processing tax returns accurately and efficiently. We have improved our agency’s responsiveness to taxpayers and reduce call wait times. In my agency, tax fairness is a top priority. We continue to embrace innovative ways to make sure that everyone is paying their fair share. Moving forward, I will continue to build upon the tremendous progress we have made.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:** As a BPW member, I am proud to be a strong fiscal watchdog for Maryland’s working families. I have advocated against single-bid contracts, fought for the inclusion of more Minority and Women-owned contracts in the procurement system, and have worked in a bipartisan fashion to instate reforms to our state’s previously broken procurement process.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** If elected to another term as Comptroller, I will continue to provide the independent leadership that Marylanders expect and deserve this office. I will fight for policies and priorities that grow our economy, safeguard our fiscal future, and protect the financial well-being of working families and small businesses.

### Attorney General

**DUTIES:** The Attorney General is the chief legal office of Maryland, providing legal advice to the Governor, the legislature, and all State departments, boards and most commissions. The Attorney General represents the state in all cases that relate to the Governor, the General Assembly, and most state agencies. The office also has responsibilities for consumer protection, civil rights, medical and investment fraud, and the juvenile justice system.

**QUALIFICATION:** As Maryland's independent fiscal watchdog, I’m proud of my record of achievement and results that I’ve delivered for Maryland taxpayers since I became Comptroller in 2007. Thanks to initiatives that we have implemented, and the hard work of the dedicated public servants in our agency, ours is regarded as the most efficient and effective Comptroller’s Office in the nation.

**REVENUE SYSTEM:** Our main focus continues to be processing tax returns accurately and efficiently. We have improved our agency’s responsiveness to taxpayers and reduce call wait times. In my agency, tax fairness is a top priority. We continue to embrace innovative ways to make sure that everyone is paying their fair share. Moving forward, I will continue to build upon the tremendous progress we have made.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:** As a BPW member, I am proud to be a strong fiscal watchdog for Maryland’s working families. I have advocated against single-bid contracts, fought for the inclusion of more Minority and Women-owned contracts in the procurement system, and have worked in a bipartisan fashion to instate reforms to our state’s previously broken procurement process.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** If elected to another term as Comptroller, I will continue to provide the independent leadership that Marylanders expect and deserve this office. I will fight for policies and priorities that grow our economy, safeguard our fiscal future, and protect the financial well-being of working families and small businesses.
Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am a former state and federal prosecutor, counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee, business leader and decorated Soldier/Veteran. I have also been a volunteer EMT/Rescue Diver. I have a history of public service and management. I believe the AG should focus on public safety, not politics and partisanship and should focus on issues of importance to all Marylanders regardless of party.

**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE:** The Attorney General should be focused on balancing the need to enforce the laws and ensure public safety while ensuring due process for all Marylanders. The AG should lead by example by being ethical, avoiding conflicts of interest and making sure that all voices are heard before weighing in on a particular case, while at the same time vigorously enforcing the laws of the state.

**LITIGATION:** With respect to federal regulations, the Attorney General should weigh in only when there is a compelling state interest, a sound legal basis and a determination that the case can be won on the merits. Those decisions should not be based on political considerations. With respect to corporate misconduct, the AG ensure respect for the law and hold corporations fully accountable for misconduct.

**DISCRIMINATION:** There is no room in this state for discrimination based upon race, gender, religion, disability or poverty/class. The Attorney General should be vigilant to ensure that our laws are respected and people are treated equally.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** As a prosecutor/counsel to the Senate Jud. Comm., I focused on domestic violence/sexual exploitation/trafficking. The AG should make protection of the most vulnerable a priority. The opioid crisis in Maryland needs leadership from the AG to bring together the law enforcement, public health and recovery communities to find appropriate solutions. Consumer protection must be a priority as well.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have served as Maryland’s Attorney General for the past three years. Prior to being elected Attorney General, I was Chair of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, where I sponsored many laws that now protect Marylanders and our state including the law prohibiting oil drilling in the Chesapeake Bay, the Maryland Recycling Act and the Maryland Firearm Safety Act.

**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE:** Among the many steps that my office has taken to improve the efficiency and fairness of the legal processes in Maryland is our fight for and achievement of reforming the cash bail system, which jailed people in our state simply because they were poor. I will continue to work with the legislature to find and invest in strategies that increase public safety and recidivism.

**LITIGATION:** The Attorney General should join lawsuits relating to federal regulations or corporate misconduct when there is evidence that the people or state of Maryland have been or will be adversely effected.

**DISCRIMINATION:** In 2015, my office was the first in the country to issue guidelines to all law enforcement agencies prohibiting profiling based upon race, religion, ethnicity, gender, sexual preference, etc. We published a study of discrimination against LGBT citizens that was cited by the Supreme Court in its historic Obergefell decision. We have penalized and shut down industries that prey on the poor.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Over the past three years my office has achieved hundreds of millions of dollars of settlements and judgments from Wall Street Banks, Predatory Lenders, Automakers, Tobacco Companies, and Polluters who sought to injure or defraud Marylanders. My office is working with the multi-state investigation of opioid manufacturers. If re-elected, I pledge to remain the People’s lawyer & continue our efforts.

**U.S. Senator**

**Duties:** U.S. Senators make laws along with the members of the House of Representatives, ratify treaties, and conduct investigations on issues of national importance. The Senate confirms Presidential appointments.

**How Elected:** Elected statewide. In 2018, Maryland voters will elect one of our two Senators. About one-third of the 100 members of the Senate is elected every two years. Senators must be at least 30 years old, have been citizens of the United States at least 9 years and be residents of the state they want to represent.

**Term:** Six years.

**Base Salary:** $174,000 per year.

**Website:** [https://www.senate.gov](https://www.senate.gov)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?

**HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal healthcare policy do you advocate and why?

**DISCRIMINATION:** What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

**ECONOMIC POLICY:** What policies will you support to strengthen the national economy, such as those affecting international trade, taxes, labor rights, and infrastructure?

**IMMIGRATION:** What changes, if any, will you support in immigration policy?

**ENVIRONMENT:** What are the most pressing environmental challenges and how will you address them?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?
HEALTH CARE: I advocate for an end to ObamaCare. The national government should not be in the business of mandating health care coverage. A possible change I would be in favor of is looking at providing block grants to states from the national government to try to solve the opioid epidemic. Another change in health policy would be to allow Veterans to go to any hospital to get the care they need.

DISCRIMINATION: The Constitution of the United States guarantees liberties for citizens so they are equal under the law through the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment. Education Reform is one of the most pressing issues which can help to eliminate discrimination in our country. I support School Choice initiatives for all parents to send their children to the schools of their choice.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I am against raising taxes. I support a balanced budget amendment. I am in favor of bi-lateral Fair Trade policies. Keeping America Secure is a key focus of my campaign for US Senate. Our cyber infrastructure is severely compromised with American companies being hacked by foreign countries. Our energy grid infrastructure is also at risk and should be priority of the national government.

IMMIGRATION: National Sovereignty is connected to the ability of a country to protect its borders. I support enhancing our border security through a variety of means including building a border wall and increased border agents. I am against current policies of the diversity lottery and chain migration. I am against a pathway to citizenship for undocumented people. I would support permanent residency status.

ENVIRONMENT: In Maryland, a pressing environmental challenge is the dredging of our waterways. Maryland is unique in the amount of waterways we have and the need we have for a partnership with the US Army Corps of Engineers. As your next United States Senator, I will work to fully fund dredging projects to make sure our beautiful Chesapeake Bay is environmentally healthy.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Advocating Success, not subsistence. The American Dream has been not possible for a lot of Marylanders. As your next United States Senator, I want to promote a vision of economic success. I believe limited government intervention is important so people can build a legacy of wealth creation to pass onto their children and grandchildren.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am an American, son of a Veteran, son-in-law of a Veteran, a brother-in-law to a Veteran. These men not only fought for my freedom but yours as well. I am husband, father, father-in-law grandfather, Catholic, coach, union worker, state worker, business owner, volunteer, and a lifetime Maryland resident. All of these experiences have given me the insight necessary to represent Maryland.

HEALTH CARE: I would advocate getting the government out of Healthcare. Healthcare should be turned over to private industry. This will create jobs in the private sector and would lower the price of health care. It is also expensive, but using volume or cooperatives to buy blocks of coverage in large numbers would drive down the costs. The current administration had made a start with important policy changes.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination in any form is harmful, detrimental and offensive. There are numerous additional brackets including age. It extends from employment, finance, insurance, banking, and real estate. We should have a Zero tolerance policy.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Under the current administration we have taken large steps to improve our economic policies. The tax reform, cancelling NAFTA, Tariffs across the board especially on steel and aluminum, the re-negotiation of current trade deals, repealed net neutrality law. We need to train our workers from trades which include welders to cyber security using American workers first.

IMMIGRATION: We need a border wall, or a fence, a means of stopping the flood of illegal’s crossing into the United States. Security along our border is vital to the safety of all Americans. People should not live in fear of illegals, gang members, drug dealers and sexual offenders jumping over our border. The current number of illegal people who are in our country proves what we have currently isn’t working.

ENVIRONMENT: Pollution, land management, urban sprawl, waste disposal, over population, water sacristy and pollution and deforestation these are the most pressing environmental challenges today. I feel the development of a filtration device to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus in the Chesapeake Bay, our oceans and our streams is imperative. Good management programs are in place but need to be followed up on.

OTHER PRIORITIES: The most urgent priority for me is school safety. We need to allocate the funds to make fundamental changes to our schools. In the private sector employees have to badge in and out. This not only ensures the safety of the students but also makes them believe they are in a safe environment. We need to allocate the funds to make fundamental changes to our schools. In the private sector employees have to badge in and out. This not only ensures the safety of the students but also makes them believe they are in a safe environment.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I believe our Founding Fathers intended for Congress to compose of multiple backgrounds of people—business persons; scientists; educators; civil leaders; government workers & private citizens; each a life experience. I’m prepared for office because I embody diversity through a range of life challenges. I put principle over politics & party loyalty, and my motto is “be the change you seek”.

HEALTH CARE: Making CHIP/PACE permanent & legislating a single-payer co-pay/free market system for PCIP by increasing FICA 1% & keeping 3.8% surtax on capital gains; amending the ACA cost-sharing reduction payments toward Ambulatory Care Centers; legislate Medicare drug price negotiations; focus on a balanced hospital Charge Description Master. To do so will be closest to making healthcare a right.

DISCRIMINATION: Strengthen Trans protection/public prejudice, healthcare & endocrinologists; focus on school to prison, Summer Slide, reduce Juvenile CJS/Adult CJS recidivism; emphasis on gentrification; disabled ‘needs’ earmarks allowance; efficiency in entitlement programs; vocational schooling; advocating sex ed. & business ed. Pub. Sch. changes; emphasize discrimination/racism/sexism; cordial understanding.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Three stand. deductions: $18k (earners under $24k), $12k and $6k; stand. deduction on overtime pay; legislating top dollar corps. shareholders foot 40% bottom tier employees pay (i.e. Wal-Mart’s); Corp. tax 21%; close S & C Corp. ‘pass through’ loopholes; 5% federal sales tax;
progressive tax rates; fair employee benefits (sick, family & medical leave); support $1.0T+ infrastructure spending.

**IMMIGRATION:** Minimum H1-B visa changes; merit based immigration; deter/modify birth tourism; full-proof bio-metrics data system; support DACA; ITIN/DACA-esque lottery/pathway to citizenship; border defense-drones, patrols, structures; NAFTA renegotiation/prisoner transfers; foreign aid negotiations Latin America & Mexico/end Mexico City Policy & allow remittances; expedite deportation of criminal aliens.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Global Warming, Climate Change, drought, sea level rise & (plastic /CO/runoff) pollution: Variable Renewable Energy (VRE)—wind, solar, nuclear power & natural gas; grey-water system mandates (CA, NM, AZ, TX & NV); beach fill, jetties & tidal breaks; recycling & waste mgmt. reforms; hybrid/electric/Flex Fuel Vehicles [E85 ethanol][clean coal alcohol fuel conversion + bio fuel + diesel]; aquaponics.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** State chartered bank/bank account: portfolio—student & business loans/grants; entitlement program recipient accounts; local infrastructure grants; Outlaw ‘Payday’ loans & check cashing services; Legalize Cannabis; Protect Dodd-Frank/CFPB; End ‘Right to Work’ laws; Universal Basic Income; Small business: tax reform/incentives; Women/Minority businesses; Pub. Ed. & tuition; Ntl. Def. & Cyber Sec.

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QUALIFICATIONS: In Information Technology to implement or upgrade a system we gather information, analyze the information, present the findings before a solution is implemented. I will use this same strategy to analyze national issues such as immigration, social justice and gun control that both parties have been kicking down the road with opposing views to ginger their base.

**HEALTH CARE:** I would advocate for a Patient Centered Healthcare system which involves listening to, informing and ensuring that patients values guide all clinical decisions. My wife Chioma Eze a nurse and other doctors heavily influenced my view in healthcare. The healthcare professionals shared the view that when patients are treated with dignity and respect they tend to recover from their illness quicker.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I know that you can not legislate an end to discrimination but government is a critical site for struggle and change. I would support legislation that would require public/private bodies to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance the equality of opportunity and the financial consequences of noncompliance are made real.

**ECONOMIC POLICY:** I will continue to support President Trumps campaign promise to simplify the tax code and lowering the marginal income tax rates. When tax rates are reduced people will be motivated to work, save and invest which will help strengthen the national economy.

**IMMIGRATION:** Immigration is one of the lingering issues that both parties do not have a desire to resolve because they can use immigration to ginger their base during election cycles. I would support securing our borders (terrorists have indicated an interest in the past to enter through our southern borders) but establish a program of providing Guest Workers with a path to citizenship.

**ENVIRONMENT:** When scientists told us last year there would be a solar eclipse we believed them and most of us went out to buy solar viewing glasses. The same scientists also tell us that humans are the biggest contributors to global warming but some of us do not believe them. I would support economic policies that would change the price of goods or activities to influence the choices made by people/businesses.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I will support common sense gun control with universal background check, a ban on high capacity magazines and military style assault weapons. The NRA states that "Guns don't kill people, bad people kill people " but we should not easily give bad people access to guns.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a first-generation American who is a mother, a wife, and a lawyer who has practiced for almost 22 years. While raising my three children, I have also counseled financial institutions related to compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements. I taught Sunday school for 11 years and am an active volunteer in protecting the gardens and grounds at the Washington National Cathedral.

**HEALTH CARE:** Greater attention should be given to eliminating waste in our healthcare system, which represents over 30% of healthcare spending. Providers must be incentivized to deliver efficient care while maintaining quality, and we must re-engineer the way care is delivered (e.g., best practices that rely on data and analytics to identify the most efficient way of delivering healthcare services)/

**DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination in any form is anti-American and has no place in our society. It is our responsibility, as an informed electorate, to ensure that Americans of all races, genders, abilities and religions have access to good jobs, quality schools and a healthcare system that meets their needs.

If I become Maryland's next U.S. senator, I will work tirelessly to end all forms of discrimination.

**ECONOMIC POLICY:** Maryland needs to look forward to high-growth industries and develop policies that attract those businesses now. For example, there is a revolution coming to the automotive industry in connection with self-driving vehicles. Maryland should become the "incubator" for these technologies and create economic incentives to attract those high-growth businesses that will be the future’s "job creators."

**IMMIGRATION:** Immigration reform remains a bottleneck to our country's growth, security and prosperity. A bipartisan solution must be devised to determine the status of those currently in the United States illegally. Once a solution is achieved, the United States Congress must decide our country’s immigration policies, not federal agency officials or others who unilaterally impose their own political agenda.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Climate change is the single greatest environmental challenge our country faces. We must use a combination of market forces and tax incentives to develop alternative sources of energy, such as solar, wind and wave energy. And we must develop students who have the technical knowledge and abilities to meet the challenge our country faces. We must use a combination of market forces and tax incentives to develop alternative sources of energy, such as solar, wind and wave energy.

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HEALTH CARE: The goal of the Affordable Care Act was to ensure all Americans received health coverage. I believe in the goal but the implementation of the Affordable Care Act led to drastic price increases for all Americans. If an individual mandate was not required then many healthy uninsured individuals would have probably not purchased healthcare. Nobody likes higher prices and nobody likes mandates to p

DISCRIMINATION: While serving on active duty in the military the Department of Defense has a zero tolerance policy for discrimination & harassment therefore I would have the same policy. Many laws currently exist to protect individuals and I would ensure employers are adhering to the law. If laws need to be strengthened then I would do everything to propose new legislation in protecting individuals from discrimi

ECONOMIC POLICY: I’m a proud supporter of President Trump and believe strongly in his agenda and policies which are based on his campaign slogan “Make America Great Again”. The tax plan that was signed by President Trump will create economic growth therefore I will always be for less taxes. Individuals spend their money more wisely and efficiently than the gov’t will. When I was in the Peace Corps from 1997 to

IMMIGRATION: I fully support President Trump’s immigration policies. I would add temporary visas for farm workers and other areas that may need temporary workers.

ENVIRONMENT: Unless we fuel up the spaceship we need to take care of our beautiful planet. I will listen carefully to the environmental experts and work closely with the internationally community in finding solutions. The U.S. cannot address environmental challenges or financially afford to resolve environmental issues by itself. Global competition puts us on a level playing field therefore the costs must b

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will listen to the people of Maryland and work endlessly in resolving their issues. Therefore the people of Maryland's priorities will be my priorities. I will have an open door policy and will publicly post on my Senate website the status of each issue presented (names will be kept confidential). Nobody will fight harder in resolvi

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change, but I disagree with the President's lessening of environmental standards to protect our Chesapeake Bay. I would restore those necessary standards.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Disarm both North Korea and Iran of ALL nuclear weapons now, and prevent all other countries from obtaining any such as so as to prevent a nuclear World War 3. Prevent political, social, and racial 2nd Civil War here at home.

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QUALIFICATIONS: In the Senate, I fight every day for the issues of concern to my fellow Marylanders, promoting policies, legislation and programs that help our local and regional economy, encouraging public safety and supporting public health. My success navigating the Small Business, Environment & Public Works, Finance and Foreign Relations committees allow me to effectively continue my advocacy for Marylanders.

HEALTH CARE: Health care is a human right. We should have seamless quality health care from pre-natal to death that is affordable without sacrificing quality and basic protections. Congress must restore the payments to insurers that have helped keep premiums in reach for millions. I have long supported a public option in the health exchanges that would help keep premiums in reach for millions. I have long supported the Medicare program and I continue to work to pass legislation that strengthens technology and other border security. We must stop residency for TPS recipients. We don't need a wall but we can permanently protect Dreamers. We need a legal pathway to immigration.

ECONOMIC POLICY: We should modify our tax code to truly target middle-income and working families, help small businesses & make smart investments in infrastructure & green technologies. Investments should address income inequality & raising wages. We need trade agreements that level the field for our workers, including robust & enforceable labors rights, environmental protections & anti-corruption provisions.

IMMIGRATION: I support bipartisan, comprehensive immigration reform, but Congress must first pass legislation to permanently protect Dreamers. We need a legal pathway to residency for TPS recipients. We don’t need a wall but we can strengthen technology and other border security. We must stop President Trump’s proposal to slash legal immigration, break up families and mostly close America’s doors to refugees.

ENVIRONMENT: The president’s unwillingness to confront climate change. I will fight for federal resources that compel this administration to invest, especially in clean air, clean water, renewable energy and public transit. We’ve seen success with funding for the Chesapeake Bay. If the Trump administration will not take steps necessary to protect our environment, we must encourage states to continue their work.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Erik Jetmir was born in 1967, grew up in Harlem and the Bronx in New York. Erik is the son of a Korean War veteran who became a Baptist minister in Harlem, his mother is from Albania and met his father while attending college. He spent the last 6 years on active duty with the United States Navy, most recently as part of the Navy Cyber Warfare Group Six team at NSA.

HEALTH CARE: Health Insurance has an impact on all Americans and represents challenges that directly affect all communities. A single-payer health insurance program with a strong mandate (backed by incentives) to innovate and root out waste insures a system that addresses the entire population. The key is to mandate and fund incentives to innovate all processes and ensure waste is addressed at every level.

DISCRIMINATION: Building inclusion & making change that addresses gender, race, religion, disability & social class requires that we first accept this issue exists. We must define and obligate ourselves to the work of addressing these issues by clearly expressing their impacts, the generational results and solutions. These include greatly increasing visible programs and funding for cultural education & training.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I believe with the best trained and highest skilled workforce, we position the nation to drive all areas of the economy. We know that by investing in our youth, this will drive all economic policy. No cost college with room, board, meals, childcare & healthcare is an investment in the long-term success of our citizens, their families, our communities, our nation and economic vibrancy.

IMMIGRATION: DACA represents a way forward to ensure we are providing a path of citizenship to many of the folks that are already here and doing great things in our country. We need to look at our immigration policy in the perspective (1) as the foundation that built this nation (2) our enduring legacy of inclusion and multiculturalism. I would build on that foundation with a strong focus on national security.

ENVIRONMENT: Global warming continues to challenge the national in increasingly sever ways. From farming, to managing storm response, we need strong advocates that support the science and work to ensure this critical issue is codified and supported by sound policy.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Innovation HUB. Establish expansive private/public coalitions between industry, finance and market leaders to create a series of programs to develop ideas into thriving innovative Maryland based companies. Create a dynamic environment that entrepreneurs can engage with teams of talented and innovative business leaders.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have been homeless. I spent the summer of 2006 living on the streets of Chicago. I have been to war. I enlisted in the military as an intelligence analyst in 2007, and served in Iraq in 2009-10. I have been to prison. I spent seven years in prison, one year in solitary confinement, and four seeking trans-related healthcare. These experiences provide incredible insight into our policies.

HEALTH CARE: Free healthcare for all. No conditions or questions asked. No one should be denied free healthcare for any reason. No one should be afraid to seek healthcare based on who they are, how much money they have, or what their "legal" status is.

DISCRIMINATION: Work toward dismantling the police, the military, the vast surveillance state, and the prison systems. These systems carry out discriminatory policies on a vast scale, such as mass incarceration of people of color, detention and deportation of immigrants, and the implicit support of incumbent businesses and the wealthy. The combined effect of the policies is a vast, gradual ethnic cleansing.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Universal basic income for all. Advanced automation is making the vast majority of all jobs becomes obsolete. We need to transition our economy away from an outdated expectation of people working endlessly, to one of people thriving and living life.

IMMIGRATION: Abolish the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency. Abolish the Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) agency. Provide full rights for all immigrants. No bans, no walls, no borders at all.

ENVIRONMENT: No greenwashing of the police, military, and intelligence agencies, or the corporate world. Phrases like "environmentally friendly," and "zero carbon" often offset the environmental damage of policies to the most vulnerable communities. We need to prepare the low-lying and coastal areas for the damage that global warming and rising sea levels are already bringing.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Change the conversation. Bring new visions, and new ideas into the political discourse. We are not limited to the system we have. We can have a world without prisons, without borders, without the vast powers of a President, and a world where we can all live and thrive.

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QUALIFICATIONS: all your questions are answered in great detail on my campaign website www.segalforsenate.org I apologize for this, but I am lurching from one campaign crisis to another - Phd. Philosopher, MPA as well 4 year on Hill, 10 years in USAID, 20 years at School of public affairs. founded the Jewish Peace lobby 29 year ago etc.

HEALTH CARE: Medicare option for all. Access to solid and affordable coverage is a human right, especially is a wealthy society.

DISCRIMINATION: I favor a guaranteed job or retraining for any American able to work. Employment in decent jobs (higher minimum wage + variable earned income tax credit = living wage income level is the way to cut through most of the impact of discrimination and poverty. We also need strong targeted laws, but going after the core economic reality is key to change.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I reject Trickle Down. I taught incoming hires at USAID about the Basic Human Needs approach to development. We need that in the US as well. My book:

Graceful Simplicity: the philosophy and politics of that alternative American dream lays out a detailed policy agenda and a philosophical grounding.

IMMIGRATION: I go with the Statue of Liberty, give me your wretched. Like the Jews on the St. Louis who went back to Europe and died in the Holocaust.

ENVIRONMENT: Key is to live modestly, as the Quakers understood in the 1800's. Our polling of Democrats in Maryland show 70% want a new formulation of the American dream, modest income, security and time and energy to do what is most important in life (not at the office).

OTHER PRIORITIES: Bread and Roses is my campaign — Roses are never talked about. I believe in Beauty as a human right. And against Ben Cardin, I’m fighting for a just solution to the Israeli Palestinian conflict and avoiding war with Iran.

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QUALIFICATIONS: for growing up in working class household in Baltimore to working my way up from a McDonald’s employee to receiving my MBA and becoming husband, father, business owner, and restauranteur life experiences have given me the tools to become a solid and accountable US Senator for the great state of Maryland. I have a fluid understand of the needs of people throughout the spectrum of Maryland life.

HEALTH CARE: The Affordable Care Act (ACA) needs to be strengthened. My belief is a single-payer ACA would be better for businesses and provide better services to tax-payers. Reduce Cost for Prescription Drugs. Work with Companies to Reduce and Monitor Sales of Opioids. Get more federal monies to screen packages for opioid deliveries. Decriminalizing cannabis and removing it from being a Schedule 1 drug.

DISCRIMINATION: The most important cure to inequalities in race and poverty is to have good paying jobs. But, we need to go further to fully address systemic inequalities to include the disabled with upgrades to education, higher education, housing, transportation, criminal justice, and healthcare must all be addressed. For healthcare and criminal justice complete decriminalization of marijuana is necessary.

ECONOMIC POLICY: There are three major policies I’ll support on day one to strengthen our nation’s economy: support for to decriminalization of marijuana leading up to billions of dollars of potential federal tax revenue, new labor laws that support current workers and the growth of unions in new industries like tech, and a national infrastructure upgrade bill.

IMMIGRATION: Immigration laws in the US should be changed to: 1) allow children of immigrants who were born outside of the US, but raised in the US (Dreamers) should be allowed to stay in the US; 2) misdemeanors and small crimes by immigrants should not warrant deportation; 3) deportations should apply to those who commit violent crimes in the US and will be subject to imprisonment 4 open doors to asylum seekers.

ENVIRONMENT: Upgrades in the infrastructure of Maryland to improve and protect the environment for our children and families. Continue to support ban on Fracking in Maryland, while supporting green initiatives in Western Maryland. Let’s Grow Solar in Maryland. Solar is our largest single energy supplier in Maryland, but we can do more. Replace Lead Pipes in areas with lead in water.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Fund procurement opportunities for MWOB/MBE/MWBD in Maryland. Fund organizations of color committed to fund entrepreneurial and STEM education. STEM Education for Early Learners. 3 Pre-K and 4 Pre-K Programs. More monies in STEM programs and STEM Elementary and High Schools. Invest in Smart Schools – more Tech in Schools. Extensive background checks on gun sales. More federal
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QUALIFICATIONS: * Life experience has prepared me to serve my country. I am dedicated to equality, fairness, and justice. As a mother, disabled African-American woman, and concerned citizen, I am committed to what is in the best interest of American citizens. Moreover, I work to improve lives daily through Brown Girl Wellness, Incorporated. I founded Brown Girl to make a positive difference for families.

HEALTH CARE: A universal healthcare system would benefit all Americans. Yes, Medicare should be available to every American regardless of income. A universal healthcare system is essential to ensure every citizen has access to quality healthcare. Quality healthcare is a human right. Moreover, job status should not determine access to care.

DISCRIMINATION: As a disabled African-American woman, I know how discrimination feels. I will support practical policies that promote diversity and inclusion regardless of race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty. I will continue to support policies that oppose discrimination.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Economic inequality impacts every American. Elected leaders must continually seek solutions to eliminate economic disparities in middle-class and low-income communities. By providing transparent solutions regarding trade, taxes, labor and infrastructure, access to viable change will help American communities suffocated by despair. I will support fair policies that improve lives.

IMMIGRATION: Dreamers are Americans! This country was built on the backs of men and women who worked for low wages to help their children live better lives. Deportation and family division is not the answer. Congress must continue to create laws to protect Dreamers and families. I will only support changes that create better opportunities for individuals and families.

ENVIRONMENT: Environmental issues are often linked to health issues in low-income and middle-class communities. We must ensure all individuals have their basic needs met by supporting effort to provide clean air and water. Additionally, farmers need to support to maintain toxic-free farms to produce quality food.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Educational equity, disability rights, domestic violence law reform, food insecurity, poverty and human rights issues are also very important to me.

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HEALTH CARE: Support single-payer healthcare by government, affordable health care. Our health care system should not be controlled by for-profit corporations. To improve quality, affordable health care for all as a fundamental right and should be achieved by the government. Medical costs should not be shifted onto other programs (e.g., Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries). Promote productivity, accountability

DISCRIMINATION: Equal protection, non-discrimination; employment/business/activities;


U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
U.S. Representative Districts 4 & 5
Duties: Representatives make laws along with the members of the Senate, and may conduct investigations on issues of national importance. Laws that impose taxes always begin in the House of Representatives. Representatives can recommend that the Senate remove from office a public official accused of a crime.

Term: Two years
Base Salary: $174,000
How Elected: Elected by voters in each congressional district. Maryland has eight of the 435 Representatives, based on the state’s population in the 2010 Census.

Questions
QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?

HEALTH CARE: What changes in federal healthcare policy do you advocate and why?

DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

ECONOMIC POLICY: What policies will you support to strengthen the national economy, such as those affecting international trade, taxes, labor rights, and infrastructure?

IMMIGRATION: What changes, if any, will you support in immigration policy?

ENVIRONMENT: What are the most pressing environmental challenges and how will you address them?

OTHER PRIORITIES: What other issues are priorities for you?
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QUALIFICATIONS: I come from a proud family that has been involved with public service for as long as I can remember. I want to work for you. We need to create more living wage jobs, improve our schools, and make public safety - especially getting guns off the streets, a top priority. With nearly a decade of government experience, I know what it takes to find solutions, navigate the complicated government HEALTH CARE: Obama care was a disaster from the beginning ill-conceived ill investigated and deceptive than its nature with the cover story of trying to help of small fraction of uninsured parties this debacle has ruined far more families in America that it will ever while making the corporate healthcare industry and drug industries wealthy. Unfortunately recent changes have only made matters much worse.

DISCRIMINATION: we have seen great changes in the last decade in the government’s policies towards discrimination including race-based, gender, and ethnic based discrimination you still have a long way to go our system set up where those with wealth power and authority still flagrantly disregard and disrespect the principles of our found fathers the old boys network still discriminates indiscriminately.

ECONOMIC POLICY: it appears our current leadership has sent a message to the world by restructuring the tax laws to benefit only the wealthy, engaging in a war against labor and labor unions, engaging recklessly in trade wars which I fear will have a devastating effect on our economy. In the administration is more concerned about a $50,000,000,000 wall and infrastructure our states and nation which is not wise.

IMMIGRATION: My past record has always been proper immigration policies build a strong nation. However in the past corporate America has used immigration policies to benefit the bottom line while discriminating harshly against those they import for cheap labor even during this election cycle the current administration only wishes to fulfill campaign promises while turning the nation into a isolationist state

ENVIRONMENT: Environmental policies can only be addressed when the United States works with other nations around the globe to reduce toxics admissions work to clean up our respective nations water supplies and through long-term planning by responsible environmentalists and legislators. Our current administration does not want to work towards any of these goals separating us from the rest of the world.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Our legal system is a shambles it’s cloaked in secrecy laws have been changed without the consent of the people turning all law in this nation over to international jurisdiction and our legislators and judges are now operating fictitiously under PRIVATE MERCANTILE CORPORATE COURTS outlined under Title 8, 22 & 28 USC which in December 26th 1933 49 Statute 3097 Treaty Series 881 (Convention

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QUALIFICATIONS: Even though I am basically a political outsider seeking office, I have served as an elected official as a Councilman with the Town of Capitol Heights. I also campaigned for a seat on the Prince George County Council. Unlike many other candidates seeking office, I have lived my entire life in the great State of Maryland. Growing up in the Town of Capitol Heights was a great experience for me.

HEALTH CARE: I believe that all Americans should be able to afford the best healthcare available for the entire family. Regards of income or employment, everyone should be able to have the same healthcare as provided to the U.S. Congress.

DISCRIMINATION: I support a policy of absolutely NO Discrimination, especially in the workforce period.

ECONOMIC POLICY: It’s basic Economics 101, Lower Taxes and Higher Employment. Better paying full time jobs is very important to the United States economy. The taxes paid will help with fixing our infrastructure with building state-of-the-art public transportation as well as lowering healthcare costs.

IMMIGRATION: I believe we have in place right now a very strong immigration policy that is now being implemented. The National Guard is now being employed to protect our borders. We can not allow so many immigrants, especially illegal immigrants to enter the United States. Our Country’s infrastructure, healthcare and economy can not support the millions of people that want to live here.

ENVIRONMENT: We need to restrict the products that we import from other countries that don’t have any environmental regulations in place as with China. We are definitely moving in the right direct here with alternative sources of energy with solar and wind power. Fossil fuels we use today is not unlimited amount. It’s projected that we will have used all the oil and gas in the world around the year 2068.

OTHER PRIORITIES: My Top priority is the War on Drugs. We are now in a drug epidemic with the abuse of opioids abuse in this Country that is effecting almost every family in every State. From the poor to the rich, many have fallen. 116 people.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have 25 years of Christian Volunteer Ministry work in W. Africa for 2 years as a Bible teacher in Ghana at a UN Refugee Camp; Liberia, Nigeria, India & Churches/Ministries, 2 Christian TV stations, TBN, and TheCrossTV. My Mission is on Capitol Hill to lift up Jesus & Prayer in America and expose the Atheistic/ Anti-Biblical Agenda of the Democrat Leaders / Democrat Party.

HEALTH CARE: Want to work with Dana Rohrabacher and

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Corey Booker to legalize Cannabis/Marijuana to be legalized Federally as a Homeopathic Medicine & for Responsible 21yr old Adult usage, which studies have shown is a much safer alternative medicine. Websites advocating & educating are: https://www.mpp.org/issues/medical-marijuana/; http://www.marylandcannabispolicy.org/; http://www.marylandnorml.org.

DISCRIMINATION: Will promote Jesus's teachings of Loving our neighbor as ourself & forgiving our enemies, those who have offended. Matthew 5 And support current Anti-Discrimination laws on the books, which great American leaders pushed for, such as Pres. Lincoln; Dr Frederick Douglass, my biggest hero; & Dr. Martin Luther King. Promote Biblical Truth that Everyone is Equal as God has ordained Galatians 3:28


IMMIGRATION: My solution to DACA/DREAMERS NO AMNESTY CITIZENSHIP! NO WELFARE! CANNOT STEAL ELECTIONS for DEMOCRATS! LIFETIME GREEN CARD which gives RESIDENCY /WORK PERMIT. NO FAMILY CHAIN MIGRATION. Only for illegals physically here. STOP LEGAL IMMIGRATION until 2020!!! NO more ILLEGALS /GREEN CARD HOLDERS on WELFARE (75% currently). Must make Welfare illegal. E-VERIFY required for ALL EMPLOYMENT.

ENVIRONMENT: Promote Hydro Electric power as The Safest, Cleanest Energy source, should build more Hydro Electric Dams with the goal to replace all other Unclean Energy sources, especially Nuclear Power Plants, which all should be shut down ASAP, as 80% are leaking contaminating Water supplies. Also replace Coal. Goal to have 100% Hydro Power, as Norway has 98%. Clean up Chesapeake Bay with Oyster project.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Disagree w/Pres Trump on the Military budget. Would push to decrease the Military budget by 25%+(not Military service pay), rather the Billions wasted on Neverending spending on Weapons; Nuclear; etc. Cutting the Military Budget, provide Fed Funding $1 Trillion Infrastructure, keep SocialServices STRONG. Stop Military invasions, for Defense. Cut NASA/CIA/NASA/FOREIGN Aid/UN, except Israel.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a retired Air Force Chief Master Sergeant who served his country for nearly 28 years on active duty. Throughout my military career I was a servant of the people. The last 10 years of my military career I advocated for and represented over 100,000 service members and their families. Since 2008, I have been a top advocate in DOD advocating on behalf of Wounded Warriors and their families.

HEALTH CARE: HEALTH CARE FOR ALL: If you are accused of a crime and cannot afford a lawyer, you’re provided a court appointed public defender free of charge, whether you’re guilty or not. How can we not provide affordable or free healthcare for our citizens? I will fight to ensure every citizen be provided affordable health care or free, when you cannot afford it. Health care should be a human right.

DISCRIMINATION: As I did while on active duty in the military and as I do now as a Contract Program in the Department of Defense, I will continue to support policies that deter acts of discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex orientation, gender, disability, and age. I will also support policies that provide reasonable accommodations for disability citizens.

ECONOMIC POLICY: We need to scale back some of our foreign aid and military interventions to free up more money for use at home for infrastructure (roads, bridges, schools) and health care. We need to also raise the minimum wage based on the cost of living where one resides to allow individuals and families to at least purchase the basics of food, shelter, transportation costs, and entertainment to enjoy life.

IMMIGRATION: First, truly secure our borders to stop the flow of additional undocumented immigrants for security reasons. We’re a sovereign country governed by laws. Crossing the border illegally is a violation of U.S. Immigration Laws. I support undocumented immigrants that are already here having a patheway to citizenship after background checks, paying fines, and going through the official process.

ENVIRONMENT: Clean drinking water is one my top environmental concerns. Water is a necessity for us to survive. Waste products and industrial runoffs negatively impacts our drinking water. We need better enforcement of Best Management Practices in reducing pollutants in our water. I worry about greenhouse gas pollution and will push for continued fueled efficient vehicles.

OTHER PRIORITIES: CONGRESS: Advocate for and introduce legislation for term limits. Some Members are so focused on themselves and staying in Congress for life that they lose sight of the needs and issues of the people they represent. You, we the people, will be welcomed through the door of our office on Capitol Hill, not the corporate lobbyist, trying to make money off from us.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Throughout my tenure in Congress, I have been an effective and bipartisan leader who works to deliver results for my constituents. Economic development continues to be one of my top priorities and I am proud to have helped create and save 23,000 jobs. I remain dedicated to ensuring all Marylanders have access to middle class opportunities.

HEALTH CARE: The Affordable Care Act has provided thousands of families in Maryland with quality, affordable health care. Rather than undermining the law, Republicans in Congress and President Trump should work with Democrats to improve the law, and ensure the affordability of insurance and access to quality care.

DISCRIMINATION: Throughout my career in Congress and the Maryland Senate, I have taken a leading role in supporting legislation that ends discrimination. I was the primary House sponsor of the Americans with Disability Act, was instrumental as Majority Leader in repeal of Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell and passage of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, support legislation for equal pay and fought for voting rights.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I launched the Make It In America plan, to focus on boosting a declining American manufacturing sector. Since then, 19 bills have been signed into law, including legislation to cut taxes and provide loans for small businesses, speed up the patent process, train skilled workers, and end tax loopholes that encourage companies to ship jobs overseas. I began a listening tour to update the agenda.
IMMIGRATION: When President Trump ended the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program in September 2017, he left hundreds of thousands of hardworking young people twisting in the wind. DREAMers know no other country than America, and it reprehensible that Congress has not come to a consensus on reinstating the DACA program. It's past time for Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform.

ENVIRONMENT: The most pressing challenge is the Trump Administration’s actions to eliminate and undermine environmental protection and its denial of climate change. I have been a strong supporter of protecting our water, air and land.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will continue to protect our military installations like Pax River, Indian Head and Webster Field, and federal facilities as well as continue to advocate to bring the new, consolidated FBI Headquarters to Prince George’s County. I will also remain an advocate for our nation’s federal employees who keep our food safe, keep planes in the air, and protect our country and serve our people.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State Senators

DUTIES: State Senators and Delegates represent residents in each legislative district in the Maryland General Assembly. The General Assembly enacts laws, raises revenue through taxes and fees, and appropriates funds for all state agencies in an annual budget. The General Assembly may propose amendments to the state Constitution for ratification by the voters. The Senate also confirms the Governor’s appointments of judges and the heads of certain government agencies.

SALARY: $50,330 annual base.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: The state is divided into 47 legislative districts, and each district elects one State Senator.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Questions

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?

REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?

ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?

DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

EDUCATION: What education policies would you support and how would you fund them?

HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?

TRANSPORTATION: What are your transportation priorities and how should they be funded?

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a private educator and civic and political activist for most of my adult life, I am well acquainted with the problems of government in Maryland, especially in the important field of education. This experience has allowed me to study solutions that will correct problems and improve government to make it more accountable to citizens, especially in such critical areas as public education.

REDISTRICTING: I favor a non-partisan commission with mandate to draw district lines that are concise and contiguous to communities and population centers that are bound together by such criteria as jurisdictional boundaries such as towns, cities, and counties and economic centers of activity.

ENVIRONMENT: The major environmental concern and challenge in Maryland is care for the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries - to main a clean quality of water that eliminates pollution from wastewater drainage due to excessive, uncontrolled human activity. The main challenge is at the Conowingo Dam, to clean up the sledge backlog that overflows into the headwaters of the Bay.

DISCRIMINATION: Cause of all forms of discrimination comes from low-quality, defective education of youth. Improving public education is therefore the main focus of attention to assure correction - to assure equal opportunity for all by de-centralizing the excessive top-down administrative control to create more direct citizen accountability for quality and value at the grassroots level.

EDUCATION: I favor a policy of greater grassroots, citizen accountability for education, such as de-centralizing its top-down control, to allow more direct control from parents and local school districts. More funding is not needed, but a more uniform, objective per-pupil state-wide funding formula to reduce spending based on special political considerations.

HEALTH CARE: The main challenge in healthcare is to bring higher quality and more affordable services. Needed is ready access to a free-market, competitive system of health insurance, that supports individual choice of doctor, health plan and services. Other reforms are needed as well, such as limit on claims for "pain and suffering" to reduce the cost of insurance required for medical practice.

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation priority is to reduce traffic congestion and improve the network of roads and highways. Funding should be through a dedicated tax on gasoline, whose revenue is not used for other purposes. Maintaining an efficient, affordable public bus system should be included as a high priority as well; along with reducing traffic congestion by limiting intensity of development.

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 21 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

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REDISTRICTING: National or regional agreement of nonpartisan districting.

ENVIRONMENT: - Climate change: switch to renewables - Clean up Chesapeake Bay: restoration of pollution runoff and protection of sea life - Overdevelopment of open space: protect open space from development and support smart growth

DISCRIMINATION: - Increasing minimum wage - Protect the Affordable Care Act - Support the Maryland Attorney General going to court to protect Marylanders’ rights

EDUCATION: - Increased State school aid - Progressive tax policies - Reducing school overcrowding with more modern construction methods - Expand career and technical education

HEALTH CARE: - Trump Administration attacks on health insurance - Pass laws protecting health insurance in Maryland

TRANSPORTATION: - More transit, particularly MARC, Metro, ...
and Purple Line - Combination of gasoline, corporate, and other taxes

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 22 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
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QUALIFICATIONS: As the founder of SA-TECH, a successful 30 year old mid-tier business, I’ve had an opportunity to work with business and community partners on the national and local level. My business experience and passion for local issues have inspired me to narrow my focus to many of the issues affecting my local community. I’m looking to use that private sector experience to affect change in Annapolis.
REDISTRICTING: I’m not in favor of any policies that would dilute the voting rights of any community and would want our redistricting process to be fair and just.
ENVIRONMENT: Climate change and protecting the Chesapeake Bay are two of our most important environmental challenges. If elected, I’ll continue to advocate for policies that would provide additional resources to prevent climate change, protect the Chesapeake Bay and support environmental literacy and education programs.
DISCRIMINATION: As a disabled minority business owner, I’ve experienced discrimination on a number of fronts. I’ve made it my life's work to fight for inclusion and against policies that would discriminate against anyone.
EDUCATION: I’m a strong supporter of public education and understand how important it is to fund our schools. As a Maryland business owner, I’m constantly looking to hire the best and brightest. To that end, we must make sure we provide a safe, modern learning environment for our children. I’m supportive of add'l dollars for construction, STEM programs and funding to make sure kids have what they need.
HEALTH CARE: I’m concerned about the opioid addiction problems and want to make sure that all Marylanders have access to quality affordable healthcare.
TRANSPORTATION: I want to make sure we continue to invest in public transportation systems like Metro, while making attempts to reduce congestion on our roads. I’m supportive of state funding for these projects but will make sure all projects are done in consultation with the local community and with an eye on protecting the environment. I’m supportive of the MD Open Transportation Investment Decision Act.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a father, a grandfather, a husband; a small business owner and a decorated military veteran. I served on the Bowie City Council and the Prince George’s County Council. I have had the great honor of now serving as State Senator for three terms, and have served as DEMOCRATIC Senate Majority Leader since 2016. I bring all these perspectives to my work in Annapolis.
REDISTRICTING: I believe that redistricting, to be effective, must be done at a federal level. I believe a nonpartisan federal commission should examine and consider what would be the fairest redrawing of Congressional and Legislative districts to ensure a voice for all citizens.
ENVIRONMENT: I am opposed to the environmentally destructive SC-Maglev train and will fight any state funding for the project. I am grateful to be endorsed again by the Maryland League of Conservation Voters and will continue to assist in moving their agenda forward. Clean-up of the Chesapeake Bay and moving towards more renewable energy are also top concerns.
DISCRIMINATION: I believe that one of the greatest responsibilities of elected office is working towards a just society and protecting the most vulnerable among us. While it is important that we address discrimination on every level and provide legal remedies and protections, it is also my belief that access to educational opportunities and full employment is how we allow equal access to all our citizens.
EDUCATION: My priorities include full funding of Pre-K and free and reduced breakfast and lunch in our public schools. Over the last three years I have secured over $3 billion for our public schools and will work to ensure that Prince George’s County continues to get its fair share of education funding. Additionally, I will advocate for casino dollars being restricted to the education budget.
HEALTH CARE: To guarantee access to quality affordable health care, I was proud to work as DEMOCRATIC Senate Majority Leader to pass legislation designed to help stabilize the Affordable Care Act in Maryland, despite federal actions. Additionally, providing funds, including $100 million over the next ten years to the UM Capital Regional Health Facilities in Bowie, Laurel and Largo is critical.
TRANSPORTATION: I was proud to support the Maryland Metro/Transit Funding Act of 2018, providing $167 million of annual dedicated funding to the Washington Metro system. Additionally, I worked to restore the badly needed highway user revenues to all the municipalities in the state, allowing them to maintain and repair aging roads.

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 24 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

Vacancy

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 24 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Democrats may vote for no more than 1.
ENVIRONMENT: or the rights of the voters should not be used by politicians to eliminate competition concerning redistricting are open to the public. Redistricting public; and second, it would require that all meetings, hearings, public to submit plans and make those plans available.

REDISTRICTING: There should be a nonpartisan commission on redistricting. Democrats & republicans secure more seats for their respective parities by weakening the votes of minorities in an effort to further the dominant party's end goal. As a result redistricting should be done with little consideration for political party and greater weight to race, gender and socioeconomic status.

ENVIRONMENT: there are many significant environmental issues maintaining the Chesapeake is a top priority as are encouraging alternative sources of energy and finding solutions to global warming. I would listen to the subject matter expert and fight for bills that accomplish the goal of protecting the integrity of our environment.

DISCRIMINATION: Enhanced penalties for law enforcement officers who execute unarmed black people. strengthening the power of the vote thru redistricting

EDUCATION: In Prince George’s County there must be a completely elected school board. Teachers must be empowered to teach to the child and not the test. Increase the number of teacher in the class room and decrease the number of top administrative staff working forth CEO use those salaries to offset the cost of the additional teachers.

HEALTH CARE: Heath Care is a human right and we must provide coverage to the uninsured no matter the expense.

TRANSPORTATION: I believe that it is important that we speak with one voice as a county on issues of transportation accordingly I would support the priorities of the ruling county executive provided their transportation priorities benefit the majority of citizens in Prince George’s.

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QUALIFICATIONS: 25+ years in DoD intelligence, program management, risk assessment, acquisition, and training development; as a business owner and community leader I have collaborated with corporations, educators, and community leaders to develop mentoring and outreach programs focused on health & wellness, economic empowerment, and education for families, small businesses, veterans, and returning citizens.

REDISTRICTING: Allow the state legislature to adopt district maps according to criteria set by statute. It would allow the public to submit plans and make those plans available to the public; and second, it would require that all meetings, hearings, concerning redistricting are open to the public. Redistricting should not be used by politicians to take eliminate competition or the rights of the voters

ENVIRONMENT: Air pollution, including smoke, fumes, dust, odors, and industrial emissions are significant environmental challenges. I will investigate complaints pertaining to sources of air pollution, and review building permit applications and use and environmental impact statements to determine the existence of significant sources of air pollution; and participate in air quality planning activities.

DISCRIMINATION: I will promote public understanding and acceptance of human rights. I will have statutory obligations to investigate and attempt to conciliate complaints of unlawful discrimination under the federal anti-discrimination laws. Overcoming prejudice requires education, community engagement and dialogue, leadership and laws and policies which reflect and promote the principle of non-discrimination.

EDUCATION: I would provide incentives to recruit and maintain top educators. Explore expanding school choice and charter school options and private school tax deductions. I would fund these policies through casino funding, and partnerships with federal agencies and private corporations looking to cultivate the next generation of employees. Increase funding for non-profits who provide educational services.

HEALTH CARE: Uninsured & high medical insurance: I will mandate employers to create regular screening services, including blood pressure and cholesterol screenings, mental health and stress management, and nutrition advice. This mandate will help employees to take charge of their health and improve the quality of life with the goal of producing a healthier workforce. Fight for Single Payer healthcare system.

TRANSPORTATION: Supporting The Maryland Metro Funding Act, Senate Bill 277/House Bill 372, would create the Maryland Metro Dedicated Fund Account within the Transportation Trust Fund, an annual grant of $125 million annually for WMATA’s capital costs. Funded by motor vehicle excise tax revenue & other dollars appropriated by the State. Greater discounts for Seniors.

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

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STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
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QUALIFICATIONS: My education and experience in all levels of state and local government is unparalleled. I will provide the most effective representation for the people of my district and all of Prince George’s County. I’m running to bring a leader who is active in the community with a strong voice that will stand up for their needs in the Senate.

REDISTRICTING: Ensuring that the process for drawing our congressional and legislative districts is unbiased and free from political posturing and gamesmanship is critical. I am open to a variety of options that create a transparent process that helps promote representative democracy.

ENVIRONMENT: I am proud to have sponsored and worked until 11:48 on Sine Die to ensure HB 183 was enacted creating an Environmental Justice Commission for Prince George’s County to identify the greatest challenges facing the County and what steps the State Legislature can take to address them.
This effort is being watched by other jurisdictions as a model for addressing environmental challenges.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I have worked on policies to create greater accountability at all levels of government. During the 2018 I proposed a bill that would require all bids and/or offers on government contracts to include wage gap information. I believe this type of transparency is one of the best ways to combat discrimination.

**EDUCATION:** One of the greatest issues in our education system is addressing the mental health issues of our children. I have worked diligently on this issue during my time in the House and helping to identify programs and funding to provide counseling within our schools. The only way we can get children to learn is by giving them tools to stabilize their mental health and redress trauma.

**HEALTH CARE:** Access to quality health care is the most significant challenge and we have to continually work to create policies and provide funding to ensure all people have access to quality preventative health care.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Creating active economic hubs around Prince George's County Metro stations. The new development that is coming to the County should be used to create jobs and workforce housing around our metro stations.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I bring 16 years of legislative policy experience and 13 years of budget leadership to the Maryland Senate. As a 4-year chairman of the Prince George’s House Delegation, and 8 years as chair of Joint Committee on Pensions, I have learned to build consensus among leaders across jurisdictions, parties, and demographics.

**REDISTRICTING:** I favor redistricting by an impartial independent commission as long as this process is adopted by all 50 states so that no party is given an undue advantage.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Climate change is one of the most significant environmental challenges facing Maryland. We will need to remain vigilant in reducing greenhouse gas and working to reduce our carbon footprint. We should also work to improve the health of the Bay and protect Open Space.

**DISCRIMINATION:** Maryland should continue to be a leader in adopting policies to address discrimination on any basis. No state funds should be used to support any entity that discriminates against individuals or groups for any reason.

**EDUCATION:** Providing adequate operating and capital education funding remains a high priority in Maryland. We must ensure equitable distribution of resources with accountability for measurable outcomes. Critical to our success is the continue and increased support of community colleges and universities and opportunities for career and technical training.

**HEALTH CARE:** Increasing access to high quality healthcare regardless of ability to pay and insuring funding for disease prevention, behavioral health and substance abuse treatment are among my highest priorities. I will support legislation aimed at reducing the cost of prescription drugs so seniors don’t have to choose between food and medicine.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Maryland needs to provide consistent funding for a balanced transportation plan that includes funding for mass transit, highways, and bridges. We should build on recent gains achieved by dedicating funding and building consensus with regional colleagues. We must continue to engage stakeholder

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am a lifelong resident of District 25. For nearly 37 years, Forestville, MD has been home for me. I have witnessed many changes in area over the years as a child and as an adult. This life experience, combined with my service as a veterinary healthcare provider and reservist in the community, has prepared me to represent the people as their Maryland Senator from District 25.

**REDISTRICTING:** I support a fair, open, and transparent process. Maryland residents must have the opportunity to have their voices heard in hearings and board meetings, and be able to question elected officials in public throughout the process.

**ENVIRONMENT:** We must reduce the amount of pollution in the environment. Public transportation must be a convenient, cost-effective way to travel throughout the area. We must strictly enforce the laws and regulations related to pollution and environmental safety.

**DISCRIMINATION:** We must enforce the laws related to discrimination and civil rights violations. There must be a zero tolerance policy for violating these laws, and tougher penalties for individuals or organizations that are found guilty of discrimination.

**EDUCATION:** 1. I support a completely elected school board in Prince George's County. 2. Revenue generated from casinos and other gambling venues must be used for education funding (infrastructure, supplies, etc.). 3. Teacher salaries and benefits must be increased to be more competitive with other school districts. 4. The changes can be funded by eliminating wasteful spending.

**HEALTH CARE:** We must ensure that the state's official health insurance marketplace remains open and funded for Marylanders.

**TRANSPORTATION:** I support the completion of the Purple Line, which can be paid for with state and federal support.

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**STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 26 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I was a Legislative Assistant to a US Senator. My business is lobbying/advocacy for non-profit organizations that are found guilty of regulations related to pollution and environmental safety.

**REDISTRICTING:** I support review and redistricting based on common sense and legal population numbers that reflect people, the voters, and where they live. I believe we have a problem in Maryland based on the facts that lines have been drawn that make no common sense. We need to have these looked and reviewed closely to reflect better the people and voters - not politics.

**ENVIRONMENT:** First, the trash on our streets, then, the illegal trash dumping in our county and state. After we clean up our own streets, I believe we must address carbon omissions and what that is actually doing to our environment - not just for the sake of environment companies. We all have to come together
Health Care: We have come a long way. We have a long way to go. Discrimination in any form is not acceptable. We have laws on the books that address these issues and we need to enforce those laws. The rule of law must prevail in all cases. I support full inclusion of all individuals from every angle of life.

Education: In our county, we must have an elected Board of Education. The current system of education has failed on all levels for our children and for our families. Kids are being pushed through the system and not taught. We have to change the common core—it is not working in PG County. Kids are graduating without the skills they need to compete. I believe we are losing teachers that we need.

Health Care: Mental health—we have the means to change how we address mental health—does affect our overall health. We have many examples of health issues—and mental health issues: domestic violence, opioid crisis, and many geriatric health issues are a part of our mental health. We can restructure and redo our mental health delivery—it has to be changed. I am a member of a Hospital Board of Director.

Transportation: Build and Finish the Purple Line—upgrade MD 210—FINISH it, and stop making just cosmetic changes. PG county traffic is a mess and has been ignored by Council and MGA—we have to change it. It can be done through: upgraded fast lanes, upgraded bus transportation, build the purple line, extend the Green, Blue, and Orange lines. Make the resources available through current revenue.

State Senator District 26 Democratic Candidates
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Qualifications: Currently a member of the Prince George’s County Council—District 8 and previous twelve years of service as a State Delegate denote my experience of General Assembly operations and effective constituent representation. Parole Commissioner and Federal executive service contribute to my ability to work with business & community groups to enact significant legislation and funding, from day one.

Redistricting: I would support an independent bipartisan commission for drawing the congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland.

Environment: Significant environmental challenges include, air quality and carbon dioxide emissions, fracking, natural gas drilling, clean water, Chesapeake Bay restoration, and environmentally responsible development. I would support legislation, policies and regulations designed to achieve safe and environmentally friendly practices in each of these areas.

Discrimination: I will support laws and policies that prohibit discrimination based on race, gender, religion and disability, and their impact on poverty. I will work to improve the quality of life for all residents, especially the poor and disadvantaged.

Education: I support equal educational opportunity to all Maryland students, taking into account each student’s individual educational and support service needs, as well as providing for vocational and technical career training. This would be done through maximizing the use of existing funds, providing funding from the gaming industry, and public-private partnerships.

Health Care: Significant health challenges include providing accessible, quality health care at a reasonable cost. I support establishing more comprehensive, integrative preventative community health centers that treat both the insured and uninsured.

Transportation: I would encourage the Federal and State governments to allocate funds for an extended regional rapid rail transit system connecting Charles County, Prince George’s County, Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. In addition, I would support a rail line connecting Clinton, Waldorf and possibly Andrews Air Force Base to the Branch Avenue Metro Station.

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Qualifications: My experience includes testimony during hearings before various legislative committees. I have testified for bills, including increase of the minimum wage, police accountability & healthcare. My undergraduate (political science major/sociology minor), graduate degrees in Divinity & Social Work, 20+ years of social justice advocacy and social engagement, have also contributed to my experience.

Redistricting: I believe that Congressional and legislative districts must be drawn more equitably, and not manipulated to reinforce gerrymandering for the political gain of individuals or groups. Since the state legislature draws congressional and legislative district lines, I will advocate for a more equal drawing of lines, preventing the current process, which clearly favors race and parties.

Environment: I believe there must be more emphasis on using clean and renewable energy, and for reducing the waste that has cluttered portions of our state, counties, and waterways. I will sponsor bills and/or advocate for increased usage of solar energy, and efforts to reduce greenhouse gas and carbon emissions in Maryland, through increased taxes for industries responsible, and/or heavy penalties.

Discrimination: I will support and/or support legislation that provides explicit regulations and accountability for adverse discrimination practices. This legislation will take into account all pre-established religious doctrines and disciplines. I will support policies that assure that ALL persons are treated fairly and with dignity, regardless of race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty status.

Education: I will support policies for an elected school board, including some teachers, increased funding for for Pre-K classes, proven to be effective for overall learning. I will support increased teacher salaries and retention incentives, increased construction budget, and free college tuition, all leveraging support from developers through an education lock box, in addition to the approved school budget.

Health Care: Equal access to affordable healthcare is a significant challenge. I will sponsor and/or support legislation for a single-payer healthcare system, that dismisses the stigma that Medicare is a substandard rate of insurance, and that appropriate providers can't be retained through this system. Additionally, I will advocate for the extensive research necessary to assure this system proves effective.

Transportation: My transportation priorities include shared Tri-State (MD/VA/DC) responsibility for extending/improving rail and bus services, expanding public transportation services, particularly to rural areas. This allows more access to employment and social opportunities, as well as reducing carbon emissions from the increased number of vehicles currently on the roadways, and travelling across counties.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a community activist who has worked for the betterment of my community for many years. I have served as PTA president and HOA president, and I’m involved with numerous local organizations and causes. I also have significant policy experience professionally, from the United Nations to federal, state and local government.

REDISTRICTING: I have advocated for redistricting reform in Maryland for several years. I support establishing a neutral, nonpartisan system for drawing congressional and legislative districts. This could be done by establishing an independent commission or following the “Iowa model” where districts are drawn by independent civil servants and approved by the legislature.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is our most significant environmental challenge. We should address it by increasing Maryland’s clean energy and energy efficiency requirements. I have 20 years of professional experience on energy issues. Protecting the Chesapeake Bay and saving natural landscapes are other priorities; I will champion land preservation policies and programs to address both issues.

DISCRIMINATION: We must address police brutality impacting communities of color. I would seek to address this by strengthening community policing programs. We must also enact policies that ensure that police officers who kill civilians without justification can be held responsible. In general, I would seek to stay away from unnecessary identity politics. We should fight injustice no matter who the victims are.

EDUCATION: We must fund education adequately; gambling revenues must be in addition to other school funding. We also need to ensure that school funding is used wisely by tracking how much funding goes to classrooms and how much goes to administration. We must have fully elected school boards that are accountable to voters. We should also pursue truly innovative ideas from high-achieving school systems.

HEALTH CARE: We must have affordable health care and it needs to be available to everyone. Since the federal government is not making progress on this front, Maryland should work to create a statewide universal health care program. As an interim step to achieve this, a “public option” plan could be built by creating a health insurance system for state and other public sector employees.

TRANSPORTATION: Most Marylanders rely on cars and roads for their transportation needs. Thus, we must invest in our road infrastructure and make improvements to address problem areas. We must also have viable public transportation alternatives, including the Metro. A slight increase in gasoline tax or some type of carbon pricing could be used to raise additional transportation funds.

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DISCRIMINATION: Maryland has strong anti-discrimination laws, and I have consistently voted to strengthen those laws. This year, I cosponsored legislation to prohibit state officials from unlawfully harassing or discriminating in the workplace and to require independent investigations of claims of harassment or discrimination against elected officials.

EDUCATION: Maryland will spend $6 billion on public schools in FY2019 – a record investment. We are using the Kirwan Commission to shape the future of education, and I voted to create a lock box on casino revenue, which will provide an additional $500 million for education when fully phased in.

HEALTH CARE: Republicans in Washington, D.C., jeopardized our health care system by gutting the Affordable Care Act. Their actions would have caused a 50% rate hike in Maryland – which would have caused a death spiral in our health insurance market. This year, I worked across party lines to stabilize our marketplace.

TRANSPORTATION: This year, I supported two significant changes to Maryland’s transportation system. I voted to dedicate a portion of our Transportation Trust Fund to WMATA, which will help stabilize and improve the Metro. I also voted to restore funding for local road maintenance projects.

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 47 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
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REDISTRICTING: I support a national approach to redistricting that doesn’t unduly enfranchise or disenfranchise.

ENVIRONMENT: Environmental Justice, the location of environmentally hazardous activities near the disenfranchised is a significant challenge. As an example, I will support legislation that takes into account the cumulative impact of environmental conditions on a community versus each individual activity in the permitting process.

DISCRIMINATION: I support progressive policies that address discrimination. Policies that strengthen existing protections should regularly be reviewed and updated.

EDUCATION: Studies show that educating young children, Pre-K, provides for greater long term academic success and we should invest in this particularly for low income residents to break the cycle of poverty.

HEALTH CARE: Behavioral health is a significant health challenge that must be addressed. We must remove the stigma associated with Behavioral Health matters and extend funding to provide additional services. The return on investment in reduced incarceration and long term social service needs will fund the measures.

TRANSPORTATION: Increased mobility is best achieved through further investment in Mass Transportation that should be funded through taxation on fossil fuel consumption.

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REDISTRICTING: We need to have an independent group to redo it.

ENVIRONMENT: Global warming it’s a huge problem and we need to increase the clean energy, reducing emissions, and other issues.

DISCRIMINATION: Equal Rights for All. We need to pass a bill that will make us all equal. So you can’t ask for my sex, color or any of that for employment or loans. After all we need to have Equal right and Equal pay.

EDUCATION: I want free state education for college. Funding will be difficult but we can at least look in to it.

HEALTH CARE: I want everyone to be covered by extending Medicaid. Health care it’s a right and not a privilege. The cost of health care it’s going up and people will have to choose between food or paying their mortgage. Cost of medication for our senior citizens are up. We need to fix this issues by having a cap on medication cost.

TRANSPORTATION: We need to provide the best Transportation and we can fund them thru federal grants and state money.

House of Delegates
DUTIES: Delegates share responsibility with State Senators for enactment of the State’s laws as provided for in the Constitution of the State of Maryland. This includes the approval of all state taxes and the spending budget for all state programs.

SALARY: $50,330 annual base.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: There are three Delegates for each of the 47 Senate districts for a state total of 141 Delegates. Most of the Delegate districts are three-member at-large districts, but some areas of the State have a district subdivided into three single-member districts, or a one single-member district and one multi-member district.

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Questions
QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?
REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?
ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?
DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

EDUCATION: What education policies would you support and how would you fund them?

HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?

TRANSPORTATION: What are your transportation priorities and how should they be funded?

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Republicans may vote for no more than 3.

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Federal mandate. Paid for by high water bills and the rain tax, it is a consequence of economic insecurity. The key to ending discrimination is to eliminate economic insecurity by unleashing Maryland's latent economic potential. Maryland has the human capital and favorable geographic position required to compete with or overtake any state in the nation economically. It only lacks the will.

Marylanders: fundamental economic insecurity. Solving that indifference, and failure. But used by career politicians to excuse incompetence, teamwork and a sense of duty. As a small business owner, I understand the danger of an unresponsive, apathetic General Assembly. I will pursue every means necessary that nobody is discriminated against base on race, sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability, or poverty.

EDUCATION: The standard advice usually given to high school graduates is: go to college. That's not a bad choice, but it's also not the only choice. Vocational schools offer students the opportunity to learn in an incredibly career-focused environment with hands-on learning, industry professionals teaching courses, and sometimes built-in internships or co-ops. A typical undergraduate education is almost impossible to learn without a computer or a classroom. Today, basic requirements will. Demos and more than 3.

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QUALIFICATIONS: After 36 years here and two Senate bids, I understand Maryland from end to end. Having been a Senate lawyer, I understand the danger of an unresponsive, apathetic legislature. As a veteran of Iraq and submarines, I value teamwork and a sense of duty. As a small businessman, I have confronted numerous Maryland barriers to individual economic security. I want to remove them.

REDISTRICTING: Maryland's bizarre legislative map is often used by career politicians to excuse incompetence, indifference, and failure. But that map, however bizarre, is no obstacle to motivated legislators willing to unite around solutions to the most important problem facing thousands of Marylanders: fundamental economic insecurity. Solving that problem depends on political will, not a legislative map.

ENVIRONMENT: A key challenge is the apathy of elected officials over the human cost of remediation. Baltimore's storm water consent decree, for example, is a massive unfunded federal mandate. Paid for by high water bills and the rain tax, it forces the elderly and poor into tax sale. Baltimore is a slow-motion Flint, but Maryland's General Assembly and U.S. congressional delegation don't seem to notice.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is a consequence of economic insecurity. The key to ending discrimination is to eliminate economic insecurity by unleashing Maryland's latent economic potential. Maryland has the human capital and favorable geographic position required to compete with or overtake any state in the nation economically. It only lacks the will.

EDUCATION: Abraham Lincoln learned to read and write without a computer or a classroom. Today, basic requirements for learning, whether in public or private schools, are the same: motivation, parental involvement, trained and well-paid teachers, and a secure learning environment. I will use my voice and General Assembly vote to support these fundamentals.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenge facing Maryland is a General Assembly which has lost its bearings on controlled dangerous substances like marijuana. The downstream effects of a General Assembly on the wrong side of this issue will be catastrophic for sectors of Maryland society least able to defend themselves. The General Assembly must firmly combat drug use, not enable it.

TRANSPORTATION: To move PEOPLE, I would support all feasible mass transit options, road, rail, and metro. To move CARGO, Maryland must seriously explore approaches like short sea shipping. I would also like to know more about CSX's justification for withdrawing support for enlargement of the Howard Street tunnel, as the project promised increases in cargo flow (and new jobs) from the Port of Baltimore.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
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QUALIFICATIONS: Most relevantly, my 12 years of experience as a Delegate with a proven track record of progressive accomplishment. However, my life experiences as the son of a single mother in a working class family, and now a father concerned for the future of his own two children, have driven me to advocate for progressive causes such as paid sick leave and environmental protection.

REDISTRICTING: I support redistricting overseen by an impartial, non-partisan committee.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is the greatest challenge facing not only our state, but the entire country. I was proud to be the original primary sponsor of the Clean Energy Jobs bill, which increased Maryland's renewable portfolio standards, and to sign on to legislation this session that would've mandated a 100% renewable energy standard. I also believe we need to enhance and update our Forest Conservation Act.

DISCRIMINATION: My record speaks for itself on this issue. I was an original sponsor of marriage equality in Maryland, I have supported affordable housing mandates, including properties around the Purple Line, and I have been a consistent advocate for women and minority business enterprise.

EDUCATION: I will use my leadership position as the Vice Chair of the Education Subcommittee to fully implement the recommendations of the Kirwin Commission and fix the funding adequacy gap for poor students across the state of Maryland.

HEALTH CARE: Disproportionate power vested in private insurance companies and unaffordable health care plans caused by federal instability are the greatest threats to Maryland health care. We need to continue doing everything we can to shore up the Affordable Care Act at the state level.
TRANSPORTATION: We should prioritize our limited transportation funds and invest in existing mass transit resources. In fact, I was proud to co-sponsor dedicated funding for WMATA this past session. Additionally, we need to invest in and expand Rt. 175 in Anne Arundel County.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have been an environmental activist for over ten years, with experience advocating for state laws to produce more clean energy and reduce pollution. I also served as a policy analyst in local government for 7 years, helping to draft and pass legislation. My skills as both an organizer pushing for change and policy analyst working to enact change will suit me well in the Maryland General Assembly.

REDISTRICTING: I support requiring compactness, maintenance of communities of interest, and accounting of political boundaries for Congressional Districts. Many states, including Maryland, include these some of these rules for state districts. However, our Congressional Districts are out of whack because they lack these safeguards. I think these changes are politically feasible.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change, the Chesapeake Bay, and pollution threats to public health. We must replace coal with clean energy, and put a moratorium on natural gas plants. We need to protect forests from development and better regulate agricultural pollution to restore the Chesapeake Bay. We need to better staff our agencies to enforce air and water pollution violations, with focus on environmental justice.

DISCRIMINATION: We need to expand statewide anti-discrimination policies. Currently race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, and disability (from what I have read) are covered. However, source of income (for example possessing a Section 8 housing Voucher) is not a statewide protection. With respect to persons with disabilities, we need to better enforce ADA requirements to ensure access is provided.

EDUCATION: I support improving teacher pay, reducing class sizes, rebuilding our failing school infrastructure, and expanding after school programs for youth. Three revenue sources I would support are increasing the cigarette tax, requiring the casino money to go to education, and eliminating the estate tax cut for millionaires that was passed in 2014.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenges I see are rising obesity and diabetes rates, and increased health insurance costs on the MD Health Exchange. We need to stabilize the health exchange in the short run, and move to universal health care. We also need to improve school lunches and restrict access to sugar-added beverages for youth in order to address increasing obesity and diabetes rates.

TRANSPORTATION: I will prioritize investments in mass transit and improved pedestrian access over road expansion. We need to support Metro, expansion of the MARC Camden Line, and greater bus transit with the Regional Transportation Authority. For Anne Arundel County, several residents have expressed to me a desire for more walk-able and bike-able communities, with access from homes to shopping centers and parks.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had two careers, both of which have prepared me to be an effective delegate. I was a journalist for 15 years (1987-2002), including three on Capitol Hill, then worked as a legislative aide including three years in Annapolis (2003-2010) before being elected to the Prince George’s County Council. I am in my second term and currently chair the Health, Education & Human Services Committee.

REDISTRICTING: Legislative redistricting based on the 10-year Census should be a non-partisan process. I support creation of a redistricting commission every 10 years by the Governor, through executive order, so membership is balanced and it must adhere to the state’s Open Meetings Act. That requires advertising meetings, posting agendas and minutes, and being as transparent as possible to maximize public trust.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenge we face is climate change. My environmental record on the Council earned me an endorsement by the Sierra Club. As a delegate, I will push the state to divest its holdings in fossil fuels – including its pension funds -- and I will work to enact legislation adopting a 100% clean energy standard (wind, solar and ocean tidal) by 2035.

DISCRIMINATION: Maryland has strong anti-discrimination laws in employment, housing, and public accommodations. However, I believe the state should consider expanding the definition of public accommodations to include schools since that is where transgender students are the most vulnerable to harassment. Legal Aid organizations need more funding to provide low income people with the representation they need.

EDUCATION: Maryland has the highest median household income in the country and could afford to dedicate more to K-12 education. Maryland should spend more money per pupil, hire more classroom teachers and add more paraprofessional support staff, media specialists and school counselors. I support treating the Education Trust Fund as a lockbox and dedicating casino revenue on top of the baseline school budget.

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REDISTRICTING: I support a plan that is more inclusive of community transparency and collaboration that includes the voters opinions and is fully inclusive removing the essence of Gerrymandering. Lines should not be drawn to favor 1 candidate and make it impossible for a fair election. Courts need to review past and current redistricting and reverse any changes that disenfranchise the voters.

ENVIRONMENT: Obviously the Chesapeake Bay is
everyone’s talking point and should remain to be fully funded to reverse and restore our wildlife. But I would like the conversation with funding to address the displacement of our wildlife, moratoriums on corporate chicken farms, in/out of state pollutants with their infrastructure whose emissions impact our air/water and quality of life.

**DISCRIMINATION:** As the only AA male in this race whose been asked to wait or run for school board instead. I believe it is my responsibility to be a reckoning voice for others, who are in any minority or majority status that has or will experience undue stress from others. I have dealt with this in other sectors during my career with tact and will bring the same integrity and grit to this office.

**EDUCATION:** I support the balanced oversight of all Maryland schools, our teachers and administrators rights to fair negotiations. Funding 21st century green, safe and community stakeholder schools that promote academic excellence with college and career options for all students.

**HEALTH CARE:** Access to quality/adequate care in both rural and inner cities, better mental health options for families, reducing long travel times by building facilities at an affordable cost to families to address non-emergency concerns in the community. We need quality/reliable transportation systems, more incentives for licensing workers and better housing options when they reside in those communities.

**TRANSPORTATION:** To continue and further enhancing programs for clean air on our highways and roadways that reduce carbon pollution, increase vehicle charging stations that do not place the burden on tax payers alone. Also ensuring we are careful not to privatize all parking in Maryland as others states and enforcing zoning to keep commercial vehicles out of neighborhoods.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am experienced and effective. I was the first in my family to go to college and I grew up with my mother who worked in a factory and as a hotel maid. Earlier in my career, I worked as a prosecutor, a defense attorney, and as an advocate for abused and neglected children. I understand the struggles of ordinary people and I am committed to public service.

**REDISTRICTING:** I have co-sponsored various bills to eliminate gerrymandering, most recently HB 1022. That bill would have limited gerrymandering congressional districts by requiring each district to consist of adjoining territory that is compact in form, and of substantially equal population. It also requires that due regard should be given to natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Sustainable growth is our most significant challenge. Meeting the needs of our citizens and the global community while protecting the earth and its species for future generations is the challenge of our generation. We can act locally by controlling greenhouse gas emissions, smarter transportation and land use planning, and by taking the needed steps to protect the Chesapeake Bay from pollution.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I co-sponsored and voted for same-sex marriage legislation, fought to protect transgender people when they are looking for housing, employment and applying for credit, and co-sponsored Maryland’s Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act. This session I co-sponsored and voted to ban conversion therapy. I also worked to oppose bail provisions that unduly burden the poor who often cannot afford bail.

**EDUCATION:** We should continue to implement the Kirwan Commission recommendations, including improving teacher recruitment, getting more resources to students in low-income schools, and expanding career and technical education programs. We need to allocate enough funding from the general budget, and allocate all the state’s casino proceeds to education (the Lockbox referendum).

**HEALTH CARE:** Maryland families are being hit hard by rising health insurance costs. I co-chaired the ACA Workgroup that developed legislation to prevent further excessive premium increases. We passed a bill that would create a reinsurance program that will allow insurance companies to curb premium increases and stabilize the individual insurance market. A fee on the insurance companies pays for the program.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Maintaining Metro’s aging infrastructure requires more money, but the transit agency is the only major subway system without dedicated funding. The General Assembly passed legislation to provide additional funding of $167 million a year on condition that Virginia and the District contribute the same or more. Highway maintenance is important too and we need to fully fund the highway user fund.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I served as a Community Representative for former Delegate Don Dwayer, Jr., where I worked with the constituents in the minority neighborhoods to understand the community needs. This helped to craft bills in the House of Delegates to the needs of the communities. I also served as the Deputy Campaign Manager for Charles Lollar as a Candidate for the Federal House of Representatives, District 3.

**REDISTRICTING:** The people of Maryland deserve the benefits of redistricting reforms. I therefore, fully support the Governor Hogan’s proposed legislation to create a non-partisan redistricting commission to draw a congressional and legislative boundaries.

**ENVIRONMENT:** It should be concerning to everyone about the amount of pollution we consume. I support the use of more transit systems than more cars on the road avoiding more gas. The health of our rivers and the Chesapeake Bay should also be a concern. Less plastic waste in the environment is needed and a more government- educational goals and concerted volunteering effort to clean our rivers and the Bay.

**DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination in this day and age should have no place in our lives. Everyone should be allowed to pursue and live their God-given lives. Most employers are well aware that they must and should prevent discrimination in the workplace. Indeed, failing to curb discrimination can be costly and result in increased employee turnover and absenteeism, lower employee morale and productivity.

**EDUCATION:** I continue to support the old standard advice usually given to high school graduates - go to college. It is a good choice, however it’s also not the only choice. Vocational schools offer students the opportunity to learn in an incredibly career-focused environment with hands-on learning, industry professionals teaching courses, and sometimes built-in internships or co-ops.

**HEALTH CARE:** The cost of the health care has become outrageous. I like the Governor Hogans’ approach that we allow people to shop for insurance across other states because that will help reduce cost.
TRANSPORTATION: As a former employee of WMATA as well as a current employee of Maryland Transit Authority, I biasedly support the transit systems. There has to be a permanent funding source for the transportation systems. I don’t believe that senior citizens should ride several buses to get to their shopping places. Or, single parents to ride several buses to get to work.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 22 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a common-sense consensus builder whose leadership style is always ethical. My many years of serving has given me the experience and insight to see what is needed and how to get it. I am a common-sense consensus builder whose leadership style is always ethical. My many years of serving has given me the experience and insight to see what is needed and how to get it.

REDISTRICTING: There needs to be a commission that work on ways to draw congressional and legislative district lines that work on an annual bases. This would give the the subject information they need to understand the common intrest so that lines can be drawn.

ENVIRONMENT: The need for clean energy is the most significant environmental challenge. I would expand funding to home oweneres to help then afford the replacement of their current heating and air condition systems.

DISCRIMINATION: There needs to be a better way to include people in activities so that they can understand the differences.

EDUCATION: School should be started at the age of four. This would be phased in over several years.

HEALTH CARE: There is a great need for more primary care providers. The state should provide a primary care provider programe where they help to fund the education of anyone willing to come to the state of Maryland and provide care.

TRANSPORTATION: Getting people to work and school is an important priority to local counties. I would expand transit/van service center around work centers. These center could be funded through the local taxes that the business are currently paying with the employee paying a small fee.

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REDISTRICTING: I support an inclusive, transparent redistricting process that includes public participation. I also support the concept of an interstate compact that would assure that Maryland’s reforms would not happen in isolation, but rather become a catalyst for nationwide reforms.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant immediate environmental challenges facing Maryland have to do with water and air pollution and their effects on the Chesapeake Bay. Long-term, the most serious issue is climate change, which could be devastating to Maryland. I support and have sponsored legislation to address both immediate and long-term challenges. I am a leader in environmental legislation.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is always and everywhere wrong and I have been a longtime champion of progressive, non-discrimination laws and policies in our state.

EDUCATION: I support the full funding of our public education system, from pre-K through higher education. This is my top priority. I have already voted, many times, to assure this full funding. Most recently we voted to put the state proceeds from casino gambling into a “lock box” that would be added to existing funding. I will continue to be a champion for our schools.

HEALTH CARE: Radical changes by the Federal government have jeopardized healthcare for hundreds of thousands of Marylanders who benefit from the Affordable Care Act. We passed legislation to address this extremely dangerous situation for the people of Maryland. I voted for this new legislation which will help by creating a re-insurance programs.

TRANSPORTATION: We had great success this term on several important transportation priorities which I support, including dedicated funding for WMATA and encouragement of Smart Growth principles. We also were successful in restoring Highway User Revenue support from the State to our local governments. Safety needs to be prioritized as we repair older bridges and other infrastructure.

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REDISTRICTING: It’s time we have non-partisan, independent, citizen lead commission drawing our congressional and legislative district line in Maryland. I support overhauling the current system to promote fairness and end gerrymandering in Maryland.

ENVIRONMENT: Providing protection for the Potomac, Chesapeake or other shared environments that have had federal funding for protection removed is a priority. We can’t afford to jeopardize the drinking water supply that our communities depend on. As Delegate, I will fight to defend and extend Maryland’s pollution and emission standards, invest in clean energy infrastructure, and promote stewardship.

DISCRIMINATION: We need more leaders that share our values and understand the struggles of working families. Discrimination has no place in Maryland and I will champion legislation to provide protection for all our minority communities. Legislation that will provide protections for pregnant women on the job, fair scheduling, ending the wage gap, and creating safe spaces in our schools and college campuses.

EDUCATION: In Annapolis, I will fight to bring renovation dollars back to our District to update our outdated equipment and technology. To increase transparency and accountability in our schools by returning our School Board to a fully elected body. Creation of Community Schools will provide our children the resources they need to gain a quality education and improve our most challenging neighborhoods.

HEALTH CARE: Every person in Maryland should have access to affordable, quality health insurance. No working family should have to choose between their medical bills and putting...
food on the table. The Trump administration’s attempts to sabotage the Healthcare Marketplace are unconscionable. That’s why I support single-payer health care in Maryland.

**TRANSPORTATION:** As our communities grow, we need the voice of someone in Annapolis who fully understands the inconvenience of a 20-minute train service delay, or how metro fare and parking hikes can impact our lives. As your Delegate, I will work tirelessly to be this voice and to find bipartisan solutions for our expanding transportation needs. In Annapolis, I will adamantly oppose the current MagLev proposals.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Since my appointment to the House of Delegates in 2012, I have authored and passed over 30 pieces of legislation, been appointed to numerous leadership positions, and hosted over 35 innovative community events in my District. These experiences have allowed me to become an effective progressive leader with the ability to create new opportunities for all residents across Maryland.

**REDISTRICTING:** I support a nonpartisan solution for the process of drawing congressional and legislative district lines that would allow an independent commission to redraw districts if other neighboring states also agreed to such a practice. This process would ensure that Maryland is not acting unilaterally on redistricting, particularly as we await the Supreme Court ruling on the Maryland redistricting case.

**ENVIRONMENT:** The largest threat to our environment is climate change. To mitigate the effects of climate change in our State, I will continue to support legislation to increase our Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard to 100% by 2035. I will also continue to support Maryland’s offshore wind energy program and incentives for community solar and clean energy programs around the State.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I have been proud to vote to support a series of initiatives to reduce all forms of discrimination in our State. I will continue to advocate for equal pay for equal work, raising the minimum wage to $15 per hour, improving Maryland’s IEP process, and various criminal justice reforms, including measures to reduce mass incarceration and end mandatory minimum sentences.

**EDUCATION:** As a member of the Kirwan Commission, I support universal Pre-K, raising teacher salaries, improving college & career pathways, and ensuring resource equity for at-risk students. I also support reforms to the school construction process as recommended by the Knott Commission. These initiatives will require us to revise our funding formulas to ensure equity in education funding around the State.

**HEALTH CARE:** I support universal health care for all Marylanders. Following the 2017 federal tax overhaul, the Affordable Care Act has come under siege. I will oppose any efforts to weaken the ACA in Maryland and continue to support initiatives to stabilize the State’s individual health insurance market and keep healthcare costs low for low-income families.

**TRANSPORTATION:** I support sustainable mass transit options that contribute to smart growth, such as the Metro System, the Baltimore Red Line, and the Purple Line. These projects will greatly improve the economic vitality of our region, which is why I supported the establishment of dedicated funding to Metro this year and continue to support public-private partnerships to fund projects like the Purple Line.

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**REDISTRICTING:** I am in favor of a non-partisan commission to draw the congressional and legislative district lines that is not based on politics and ideally Federal legislation to that would require all 50 states and territories to do the same.

**ENVIRONMENT:** I think one of the biggest challenges that we have as a state is committing ourselves to increase our renewal portfolio as a state and foster the growth of companies here in Maryland that can provide renewable energy sources for our energy suppliers to utilize so that we are decreasing our dependence on fossil fuels.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I support policies that will help to remove any possible discrimination against someone in trying to obtain housing, financing for the purchase of property or employment.

**EDUCATION:** I support measures to reduce student loan debt for Marylanders and to make college more affordable, if not free for Marylanders including at our 4 year institutions. We can utilize the tax revenue from closing corporate loop holes to fund this effort.

**HEALTH CARE:** I think one of the most significant health challenges facing most Marylanders is the cost of prescription drugs. I have spoken with a number of seniors throughout my District who a very concerned about the affordability of medicine each month in addition to their monthly household expenses. We need to work on creating a commission that serves as a regulator and rate-setter for prescription drugs.

**TRANSPORTATION:** My transportation priorities are regarding improvements and reliability for public transportation such as Metro, especially the Metro Access system. A number of residents within my District rely on Metro every day to go to work, school or for recreation activities. We should restore the toll amounts so that we will have the increase revenue to support funding for Maryland’s portion to Metro.

**HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES**
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QUALIFICATIONS: My diverse personal and professional experience gives me a unique perspective while also allowing me to be a candidate that voters can relate to. I am a family man, veteran and community activist with a track record of serving my community and working to ensure that people of all backgrounds have an opportunity to develop holistically and realize their full potential.

REDISTRICTING: I am in support of the establishment of an independent, non-partisan body that would be responsible for drawing congressional and legislative district lines.

ENVIRONMENT: The crown jewel of the state of Maryland is the Chesapeake Bay and we must ensure that we are supporting efforts to restore the Bay and preserve it for generations of future Marylanders to enjoy. With the Trump administration aggressively rolling back environmental regulations implemented by the Obama administration, we as a state must take a proactive approach to reducing our carbon imprint.

DISCRIMINATION: As an African American male, the topic of discrimination is personal to me. Regardless of the type of discrimination, we must ensure that protections are put into place as a deterrent for such behavior. I support racial and gender equality, the right to worship without fear of persecution or harassment and a community that embraces and uplifts the disabled and the disadvantaged. Inclusion matters.

EDUCATION: We need a holistic educational curriculum, one that offers more life skills courses that teach our children skills that will prepare them for life outside of the classroom. For example, creating a budget and opening a bank account are examples of skills that should be taught. We also need a fully elected school board and to increase our teachers’ compensation and their classroom budget.

HEALTH CARE: One of the most significant health challenges is ensuring that every Marylander has access to quality, affordable healthcare. I am in favor of a single-payer option because in addition to covering more people, it also decreases administrative costs by eliminating the barrier in between the patient and the healthcare provider. We must also provide additional resources to address the opioid crisis.

TRANSPORTATION: My priorities for transportation include improving our public transportation system so that we can service more Marylanders, decreasing traffic congestion and increasing revenue as a result of the increased volume of public transit users. We have to provide commuters with a more effective and time-efficient alternative to driving their vehicles to work and perhaps provide incentives as well.

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QUALIFICATIONS: My experience as an attorney, nurse, wife and mother all play a vital role in how I approach my responsibilities as Delegate. These life experiences, together with eight years serving in the House of Delegates, six years on the Judiciary Committee and two years on Appropriations, provide in-depth experience and skill in sponsoring successful legislation to best serve my District.

REDISTRICTING: I support requirements for congressional and state legislative districts to consist of adjoining territory, be compact in form and be substantially equal in population with due regard for natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions. Regard must also be given to ensure that minority communities have fair opportunity for meaningful and adequate representation.

ENVIRONMENT: I voted in support of clean energy jobs, wind and solar efforts, to ban fracking, and stronger conservation efforts to fight air and water pollution. I support Maryland remaining in the U.S. Climate Alliance and RGGI, strict liability for offshore drilling oil/gas spills and Maryland’s offshore wind projects. I oppose federal budget proposals that reduce funding for the Chesapeake Bay program.

DISCRIMINATION: I support Disparate Minority Impact Statements, policies for justice reinvestment, reducing mandatory sentences, expungement laws, resources for release and re-entry programs for non-violent offenders, community policing and youth engagement, and impartial policing. I support efforts to ensure the “Dreamers” have fair access to financial aid and college and equal pay for equal work for all.

EDUCATION: I supported the ballot question to create a “lockbox” for gaming revenues for education and a budget initiative to “rope off” $200M in unspent revenues from FY19 for education initiatives in FY20. I support the work of the Kirwan Commission and voted for school safety grants for threat reporting training, school resource officer training and services for those exhibiting concerning behavior.

HEALTH CARE: I serve on the ACA Workgroup to address federal changes to health care and will work to secure options for access to affordable, quality, health care coverage that is critical for all Marylanders. I co-sponsored Maryland’s application for a 1332 waiver to institute a reinsurance program to help insurers cover high risk patients and keep the cost of the individual market from severe escalation.

TRANSPORTATION: I supported the WMATA dedicated funding because Transit Oriented Development is a key to Maryland’s future economy and improving environment. I support the restoration of Highway User Revenues to localities to ensure that local infrastructure is maintained. I will continue to advocate for economic and environmental community protections when private companies pursue projects such as the SCMAGLEV.

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Republicans may vote for no more than 2.

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23B DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
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REDISTRICTING: The goal of redistricting is to establish boundaries around geographic areas such that each district results in fair representation. In order to improve Maryland’s redistricting efforts, there should be an independent redistricting commission to promote an appropriate election process.

ENVIRONMENT: Developing an effective tree planting program and to remove dead trees prior to them falling on our roadways as a safety measure to protect residents and motorists from danger. Trees serve as natural filtering instruments to reduce and eliminate pollution from the roof top of houses, parking
Georges county has the highest rate of uninsured adults in Maryland. I am proud that the 2018 General Assembly session included major advances in funding for public schools. As an inpatient pediatrician, I have seen the impact of poverty, gun violence, system failures of our schools and social services. As an associate chief and medical director I have been in a leadership role for 10 years.

REDISTRICTING: I support a fair process that addresses the lackluster performance of our High Schools and scandal surrounding the grading process. Once elected, my focus will be on addressing the standard of what it should mean to be educated in Prince George's County by making private education more affordable through vouchers and using budget to “clean house” and hire more efficient staff.

HEALTH CARE: Mental health, substance abuse and obesity. There should be easier access to therapy, medication and fitness instructors covered through insurance for those struggling with obesity. Free public gyms will be created and local farming encouraged to offset the cost of organic food. Once mental health and obesity are kept under control, substance abuse will follow.

TRANSPORTATION: I am originally from New York but living in Maryland for over a decade has created a love affair with driving that also comes with a hatred for excessive traffic and maniacal light-cams. Because of this, I stand behind the Redistricting Reform Act of 2017 (MD SB252), which would allow the creation of a Commission whose sole purpose is to oversee the proper redistricting of Maryland with no underhanded agendas.

EDUCATION: The quality of education and outcomes vary widely in Maryland. I am proud that the 2018 General Assembly session included major advances in funding for public schools. Gun violence in schools must be addressed with aggressive measures which include funding for professional school resource officers which can be funded by federal grants in combination with state and county budgets.

HEALTH CARE: 1. Access to quality health care (please see my website for more details). 2. Insurance coverage. Prince Georges county has the highest rate of uninsured adults in Maryland. The opioid epidemic. I would apply my 20 years of experience in health care towards serving on the Health and Government Operations Committee to tackle the complex challenges with a focus on evidence based decision making.

TRANSPORTATION: I support increased funding for public transportation including Metro and bus. I also support increasing HOV lanes on the beltway and major highways. DC has some of the worst traffic in the country and this will be a major goal and priority for the next decade.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Life has a funny way of preparing us for paths we never imagined we could take. Throughout the course of my life, I have experienced many things that qualify me as a future Delegate for District 23B. As the oldest of four children, raised by a single mother, I cultivated my leadership and liaison skills early. I am no stranger to hard work and take great pride in being a Maryland resident.

REDISTRICTING: The recent case of Benisek v. Lamone brought attention to the fact that the redistricting procedures may not be as unbiased as many would have hoped. Because of this, I strongly stand behind the Redistricting Reform Act of 2017 (MD SB252), which would allow the creation of a Commission whose sole purpose is to oversee the proper redistricting of Maryland with no underhanded agendas.

ENVIRONMENT: The conservation of energy, the decrease in the lifespan of bees and access to drinking water that does not contain lead or other damaging chemicals. To address this, I will continue to push solar panel policies, implement the creation of more beehives, create harsher fines for companies who dump and educate patients and staff in the medical field about the proper disposal of old medicine.

DISCRIMINATION: Often I've been told that I am going through life with three strikes against me. I am Black. I am a Woman and I am a visibly open lesbian. Because of this, upholding policies, whatever they may be, that address and protect people from being discriminated against for anything beyond their control has my deepest support.

EDUCATION: Recently there has been reports showcasing the lackluster performance of our High Schools and scandal surrounding the grading process. Once elected, my focus will be on upholding the standard of what it should mean to be educated in Prince George's County by making private education more affordable through vouchers and using budget to “clean house” and hire more efficient staff.

HEALTH CARE: Mental health, substance abuse and obesity. There should be easier access to therapy, medication and fitness instructors covered through insurance for those struggling with obesity. Free public gyms will be created and local farming encouraged to offset the cost of organic food. Once mental health and obesity are kept under control, substance abuse will follow.

TRANSPORTATION: I am originally from New York but living in Maryland for over a decade has created a love affair with driving that also comes with a hatred for excessive traffic and maniacal light-cams. Because of this, I stand behind the introduction of driverless cars, set to be tested on I-95 this year. Driverless cars equal less time focused on traffic and more time fighting dubious light-cam tickets.

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Executive summary

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- TRANSPORTATION: I support the restoration of Highway User
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- DISCRIMINATION: I support requirements for congressional and
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education and for school construction. We're heading in the right direction with recommendations by the Kirwin Commission and the Knott Commission I've supported. Universal pre-k funding can be assisted tremendously by the education lockbox I co-sponsored and supported, which mandates gaming funds for education and will be a ballot question in Nov.

**HEALTH CARE:** The Affordable Care Act is under attack from the federal government and our healthcare insurance system is in danger of collapse. I sponsored and will continue the fight for a single-payer system which would ensure quality healthcare for everyone and which will actually be more cost-effective than what we have.

**TRANSPORTATION:** I have led on funding and reform of the DC Metro, which we were successful in funding from the Transportation Trust Fund. The Metro is vital to working families and the business community and will be an important driver of economic development in Prince George's County.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am currently completing my 10th year as a County Council legislator. Served as VC of the County Council, and 1st woman Chair of the Council for 2 consecutive yrs; served as Chair of the PZED Committee; served as chair of the HEHS committee; VC of the RGA Committee; Chair of MWCOG; President of NABCO; and represented the Council on the Dimensions Healthcare Systems Corporate Board.

**REDISTRICTING:** I support congressional and legislative lines being drawn to reflect proper and fit representation for all Marylanders. I believe geographically contiguous communities should not be excluded due to race, income, creed or gender. We see these gerrymandering tactics occur much too often.

**ENVIRONMENT:** I believe the most challenging environmental issue we face today is still runoff in the Chesapeake Bay and Anacostia River. By monitoring research from various environmental organizations, I will look to work with my colleagues to create effective environmental policies.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I continue to fight for the rights of all people, fight for all to be treated equally and fairly. I will continue to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of Maryland. As needed, I will work with my colleagues to put forth legislation that will prosecute those who do not uphold our laws and protect those who do.

**EDUCATION:** I support raising and obtaining a fair share of additional revenues to benefit public education at all levels; resources to provide every student with an opportunity to learn in a safe and non-disruptive environment; revenue source of stable funding; community schools as a hub in disadvantaged communities; changing the funding formula to use the national model of Low/Moderate Income levels.

**HEALTH CARE:** There are several healthcare challenges I believe are affecting Marylanders: Insurance coverage, Prescription affordability and now the Opioid “crisis”. We must attempt to make more money available to individuals needing assistance. The larger issue is that we must work with our Congressional delegation to combat the imbalances created by the insurance and pharmaceutical industries.

**TRANSPORTATION:** My two transportation priorities are roadway infrastructure and public transportation. We must restore HUR funds and the TT funds to optimal levels so our roads are safe and not safety hazards to pedestrians and motorists. In addition we must ensure a partnership between the State and the County so no one entity would be solely responsible for all the transportation needs.

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**REDISTRICTING:** More community groups should be involved in the redistricting conversations. Current lines are being drawn to marginalize the vote from certain communities. Furthermore, because certain districts are diverse economically, racially, etc, there should be a distribution of delegates throughout the district. All the delegates should not be from one half of the district.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Litter control. Our community is adversely affected by those who find it appropriate to litter in our communities. It causes our quality of life to be affected in the roadways, rights of ways, and water ways. Enhancing the penalties for dumping and waste violators would be on my radar. In addition, creating positive rebates for residents that utilize recycling would be a community proposal.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I believe that any law, if not crafted carefully could have unintended consequences which creates discriminatory practices. Therefore, I believe my ability to think through each law individually to ensure that the result of the law does not adversely affect a minority class will be key. My entire campaign is focused on equality in resources. I intent to make that my focus in Annapolis.

**EDUCATION:** Additional funding for the public school classrooms. Specifically, our special education students are being forced into the general education classroom. We need to provide additional resources to ensure that there are appropriate placements either in the home school or in a non public placement for student with IEP's or 504 plans. Funding would come from state private school vouchers programs.

**HEALTH CARE:** Currently, there is a inequity in the available medical care for those with state insurance and those with private insurance. Only certain providers accept state insurance. As a result, many of the specialty providers refuse to accept state insurance, which limits the quality care many residents receive. I believe tax incentives for providers that do accept state insurance will even the field.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Proper road maintenance, proper planning and purposeful development will be key to my transportation priorities. Ensuring that there is adequate state direct funding for WMATA upkeep and maintenance. Encouraging transit orientated development at metro stations to maximize commuter access. Making sure the transportation trust fund is used for its intended purpose... transportation!

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opportunities to ask questions and provide input. The public should be encouraged to participate and given opportunities to share their views. The Commission should be bipartisan and represent all groups and work to mitigate those disparate impacts as much as possible.

EDUCATION: I am fully supportive of the kirwin commission and finding ways to make sure our students are career or college ready. This can be achieved through increased funding in our classrooms, making our students more competitive globally through curriculum changes, and through establishing inspector generals in each of the school systems who have the authority to see fraud and abuse and correct it.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenge facing Maryland is how unstable our individual health care coverage market is. I have supported legislation to help stabilize the market, thereby helping to keep premiums down for everyone. We need the federal government to come together in a bipartisan manner to make necessary fixes to the Affordable Care Act without scrapping what is working very well.

TRANSPORTATION: I have supported legislation to increase funding to WMATA and increase oversight of its board. I also have supported the purple line which I believe will be a boom to Prince George’s County’s economy and the region at large.

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REDISTRICTING: District maps must be drawn to keep communities of interest together and ensure fair representation. I will work to change Maryland’s redistricting process to make it more accountable and transparent to the public. The Advisory Commission should be bipartisan and representational. The public should be encouraged to participate and given opportunities to ask questions and provide input.

ENVIRONMENT: Pollution and the effects of climate change impact the quality of life of Marylanders, especially minority and low-income communities. I will work to implement specific programs to address health hazards and reduce pollution. I will support legislation for fair share distribution of carbon tax revenues, investments in green jobs, and financial incentives for small businesses.

DISCRIMINATION: I am committed to the fight for equal justice, fairness, and our Constitutional rights. I support workers’ rights. I will fight to expand collective bargaining rights, promote a harassment free workplace, close pay gaps, and cover all employees under employment anti-discrimination laws. I will work to bring more accountability to policing and the criminal justice system and protect voting rights.

EDUCATION: We must provide competitive salaries for teachers, invest in universal pre-K, fund school construction, and return to a fully elected school board in Prince George’s County. As we work to pass the ballot referendum to require the state to dedicate 100% of casino revenues to fund public education, we must also pass legislation to increase accountability and establish an Office of Inspector General.

HEALTH CARE: Maryland’s most urgent health concerns and most prevalent health challenges can only be addressed with high-quality, affordable healthcare. I will work to reduce the number of uninsured/underinsured, fix gaps in the ACA, fund CHIP, and expand Medicaid. Continued investment in the Regional Medical Center is a priority.

TRANSPORTATION: My top priorities are dedicated funding for Metro, low carbon transportation, and infrastructure investment. We should focus new development around existing transportation hubs. Investment in walkable, mixed-income neighborhoods and mixed-use development will attract people and bring in new tax revenues. I support legislation to require equitable distribution of the Transportation Trust Fund.

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REDISTRICTING: I support revamping the redistricting process, writing policies to assure transparency in redistricting and incorporating a planning committee to develop redistricting plans to share with the community. Also hold public hearings to discuss the process and goals as well as to get feedback from constituents on potential changes to redistricting.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change, water, and waste management, rivers, bays, air, woodland Conservation and Natural Resources are environmental challenges. The federal consent decrees address water and sewage, my efforts would ensure compliance.

DISCRIMINATION: I support educating and having employees to sign off on a document that states they have met the training requirements and that they are aware that Prince George’s County does not tolerate discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty? Then hold folks accountable for adhering to the rules.

EDUCATION: I support policies in place to protect safety of our children on school grounds. Also, I would look at all policies including policies to address promotions, awards, and recognition of staff across the board. All audits should be shared with county lawmakers. I would request additional funding from the Governor.

HEALTH CARE: Increased individual health insurance
premiums, non-insured residents, family planning healthcare for low income families, and mental health issues in various forms. Assess what is currently in place, assess the master health care plan, and determine the priorities to put in place, as well as, how to fund the changes needed.

TRANSPORTATION: My priorities would be to support the State Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) and seek dialog with Maryland Department of Transportation to fund critical projects in the County. Also continue funding Metro and have greater oversight of these funds. I will seek WMATA funding for capacity building and effective transit services.

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REDISTRICTING: It is a shame how legislators have cut and separated communities that have no commonality. In 2010 the communities and areas were closely connected. Now we have a district with 2 tails with different issues and concerns. We have to keep our communities together so that their needs can be addressed and served better. As Delegate, I will always protect the interest of those I serve.

ENVIRONMENT: Meeting our energy needs in a way that's clean, local, and independent is extremely important because, air pollution from coal-fired power plants is linked to asthma, cancer, heart and lung ailments, neurological problems, and other severe environmental and public health impacts that affect our communities. If elected I will support a plan to help put Maryland on the road to 100% clean energy.

DISCRIMINATION: As an elected official, I will ensure opportunity for all through the enforcement of Maryland’s laws against discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, and state contracts. Additionally, to provide educational outreach services related to provisions of this law, and to promote and improve civil rights in Maryland.

EDUCATION: I would support a constitutional amendment to phase in a requirement that casino money provides money to schools beyond the state’s basic education funding formula. This is being proposed by two Baltimore Senate members. I also believe that our youth should be equipped with full knowledge and understanding of the tech world, as companies across the country need a skilled computing workforce.

HEALTH CARE: I strongly believe that our State lacks the necessary mental health resources it needs to meet the strong demand. I would look at best practices across the country while advocating for funds for community-based organizations to provide individualized care to those that are in immediate need.

TRANSPORTATION: I was pleased to see that the Maryland legislature passed a bill creating a dedicated stream of money for Metro. It is absolutely necessary as many residents in District 24 and across the state use public transportation daily to get back and forth to work, drop off/pick up children from school, etc. I would like to see additional sidewalks, bicycle lanes and expanded roadways.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have been fighting for my country for 28 as an army officer, now I am ready to fight for the citizens of the 24th district. I’ve been a 3 term mayor of the city of Glenarden and now serving my 4th term as councilman in the same city. I worked in state gov’t as a social worker and as a Dir. of Gov’t Affairs for a Governor. I was District Director for Rep Wyn. Those positions prepared me to run.

REDISTRICTING: I do not support gerrymandering period. I would change the districts and that makes more geographical sense, instead of political sense to the DEMOCRATIC party. I realize that we as democrats will lose a seat or two, however it is the right thing to do for the citizens of Maryland.

ENVIRONMENT: I believe climate change is the most significant environmental challenge that we as citizens in the state face. We must pass legislation that promotes citizens and businesses to help safe the environment like, banning styrofoam containers, tax credits for businesses that support and promote teleworking. The other challenge is ensuring the Bay continues to be a waterway that are fisherman can fish.

DISCRIMINATION: I would like to address the “Red Lining ” of communities with the inner beltway. This practice has to stop. The inner beltway communities are paying too much for car insurance and home insurance. I would like to give seniors housing vouchers so they “age in place “. The government gives young families housing vouchers, why not seniors that are living on fixed income due to their retirements.

EDUCATION: I would like to get rid of the hybrid school board in PG County. I would replace it with an all elected board that the CEO of the school system answers to the board. I would give the school board FULL taxing authority, make the school board accountable to the citizens. We give taxing authority to the WSSC and to Park and Planning boards and they are appointed boards. Why not our School board?

HEALTH CARE: The rising cost of healthcare is the most significant challenge facing MD citizens. I would support a single payer system that for the most part takes the profit out of the healthcare business. I believe healthcare is a fundamental right to have!

TRANSPORTATION: My transportation priorities are first to relieve traffic on the beltway. It can be done with more local and state employers promoting telework. I would be willing to give tax credits for businesses doing so. I the would fully fund the Purple Line. Lastly I would support the widening of the B/W Pkwy.

Michelle R. Wright
No response received by deadline.

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Republicans may vote for no more than 3.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a 40 year residence of Prince George's County. I have been a professor of Government for 25 years with experience in the political system and expert in legislature and legislating, budgeting and community organizing. I have been organizing various communities, championing various issues and working to protect individual rights. Strong advocate for education, children and family

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have close to 20 years of budget, policy, and program management experience, 10 years of community leadership, and over 5 years of legislative experience.

REDISTRICTING: I believe we need to focus on not breaking our districts down any further. As I knock on doors and meet our neighbors, more and more people are confused as to where their district's are now. The changes should be minimal to not impact the people.

ENVIRONMENT: I will focus on litter. When I look at the state highways in my district, I notice a stark difference from our roads and of those in other county's. I will work with the State Highway Administration to make sure our community get's its fair share of road cleaning.

DISCRIMINATION: I will support procurement reform to give all of our local and small businesses better access contract opportunities, and follow the federal government initiatives for set-asides to help groups that have been discriminated on in the past.

EDUCATION: That fighting chance starts with taking care of the schools systems most prized assets; its teachers. In order to maximize our teacher recruiting efforts and retain the great teachers we already have in our county we have to show or current and future teachers the light through and at the end of the tunnel, which is raising salaries and protecting retirement benefits.

HEALTH CARE: I will focus on Medicaid reform and continue to support the Affordable Care Act.

TRANSPORTATION: I pledge to work with other state and local officials to ensure Prince George’s County receives its fair share of any STATE funding from Municipal Highway User Revenues Reinstatement and Protection from Future Diversions.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a resident of Prince George’s County, I have heard the concerns of residents throughout the years. Being part of the PTSA, I have heard the concerns of parents. As part of the South County DEMOCRATIC Club, I have heard the concerns of Democrats within the county. As part of the Prince George’s County Young Democrats, I have heard the concerns of young adults. This involvement has prepared me.

REDISTRICTING: When redrawing district lines, I support legislative districts staying within a county, and not stretching across multiple counties. Counties like Prince George’s county should have one congressional district, or at least the majority of residents in one district.

ENVIRONMENT: The environmental challenges we face today are lack of presidential leadership to curb the impacts humans have on the environment. With the opening of off-shore drilling, and decreased funding for the EPA, I propose the state do more. I propose we push for Maryland to use 100% renewable
energy by 2050.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I believe training across all government agencies pertaining to unconscious bias should be held annually. I also support mentoring programs, where minorities can mentor junior minority employees in order to provide a safe place for dialog. Lastly, I believe the state should mentor and train children. It will be beneficial to teach children to be unbiased and see minorities in leadership.

**EDUCATION:** I support ensuring all casino money directed towards education should only be used for that purpose. I support having public-private partnerships that will help construct and provide services within the school, while also benefiting their businesses. It would be a public-private partnership where school lunches are provided by local restaurants, and contractors are from the community.

**HEALTH CARE:** I believe access to healthy food options are challenges for the community. I believe we should begin attracting smaller grocery store chains that people can walk to. We also have the option to open a local farmers market in areas that do not have groceries. This would benefit local farmers as well as the community. It would also provide a fresh and healthy food option.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Roads and highways are a transportation priority for me. I believe roads should be built in anticipation of the population growth that will take place. We should also look at toll roads that will alleviate traffic. The toll roads should not be owned by a private company, but should be leased from the state. The money that is gained from the leasing should be spent on non-tollways.

**HOUSE OF DELEGATES 26 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES**

Republicans may vote for no more than 3.

Vacancy

**HOUSE OF DELEGATES 26 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I for fortunate to serve as an aid to the late Issac ‘Ike’ Gourding, County Council, former State Senator Gloria Lawlah, and former Council Member (now State Delegate) Tony Knotts. I am also a former Realtor and currently a minority businessman, and ‘green’ entrepreneur. These experiences allowed me to build an iron clad reputation in the community of service, integrity and problem solving.

**REDISTRICTING:** I believe it imperative to have an independent commission draw fair and proportional lines for accurate representation and balance.

**ENVIRONMENT:** I believe the most significant environmental challenges are the degradation of our air and water quality and as a ‘green’ entrepreneur for the last nine years, I have worked to help families get cleaner and green energy and reduce waste. I will continue to fight and work across varies interest groups to continue to help create greater access to renewable options in the public and private sector.

**DISCRIMINATION:** I believe that we must continue to combat discrimination and sometimes the best way to do that is to use the bully pulpit to highlight institutional and systematic discrimination to effect change, not just in policy, but in culture.

**EDUCATION:** I believe we must provide more options for Vocational and Career Training Education for students who will not go to 4-year universities to ensure that all facets of our community are able to be productive citizens. We must also pay our teachers more by being more efficient, using technology to drop school construction costs, and ensuring the promised revenue from gaming is provided to schools.

**HEALTH CARE:** I believe that health care is a right and the most significant health challenges are reducing the costs of healthcare and ensuring that everyone has options for good coverage. I will address these challenges by requiring a cost disclosures on health services so that we can see how much we are paying, which will lead to reduced costs and ensuring that options are provided for those who need it.

**TRANSPORTATION:** My transportation priority is to improve public transportation options, including Metro. I believe that the jurisdictions that utilize the service the most in DC, MD and VA, should all provide a dedicated funding stream in the appropriate manner that is acceptable to their respective constituencies.

Thank you

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have dedicated my life to building strong communities through individual efforts and through service and leading many grassroots organizations. My community activism and multi-stakeholder policymaking experience through my legal education and career focus in government affairs/policymaking uniquely positions me to understand writing and reviewing legislation and regulation to enhance communities

**REDISTRICTING:** Gerrymandering is an issue that I have actively advocated against. It is very evident that special interest can corrode the efforts of even “non-political” structures. Therefore, I would fight to have very specific rules within the creation of a redistricting body that would prevent political capture of the group. I would study practices of other states to craft the most effective model for MD.

**ENVIRONMENT:** As a Maryland Sierra Club endorsed candidate, I support protecting our environmental. 1. Trash and Waste Pollution: reduce solid waste-- reducing packaging and single-use disposable containers, reusing materials, composting, and recycling. 2. Clean Energy: move beyond coal and natural gas while reducing energy waste and move towards clean renewable energy. 3. Forest Loss: 1-to-1 replanting or fee

**DISCRIMINATION:** Gender; pay equity, women-owned business growth, anti-discrimination in employment, human trafficking. Poverty: job preparedness, fresh food access, bail reform, $15 minimum wage, affordable housing. Race and Immigrant Status: workplace practices, access to capital for businesses, education equity, good policing and justice system, grant distribution, envir. justice, SAFE Act, more robust Trust Act

**EDUCATION:** Fully elected school board. Policies to establish community schools for wrap-around services for students and their families. Increased funding for school construction and renovation. Universal Pre-K. Dedicated, prioritized funding through revised school funding formula. Creative approaches (such as mixing endowment-type funding with public funding) to supplementing post-secondary education costs.
HEALTH CARE: Access: consistent quality/therapeutic care to all residents working with various stakeholders recommending details such as how to pay for the system and whether participation would be mandatory. Consider multiple funding streams--premiums charged to employers, the sales tax and income taxes. Mental health: Work on education and treatment. I support efforts to execute mental health certification.

TRANSPORTATION: Maintaining, then increasing dedicated Metro funding is important. For environmental sustainability and transit efficiency, I would prioritize transit expansion projects, like the Southern Maryland Rapid Transit. Safety on the roadways State Highway 210. Addressing our serious lack of bike lanes in our streets. Creating walkable communities incentivizes development and improves well being.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As an incumbent candidate I feel I bring the legislative expertise needed for this position. My experience as a mother, daughter, respiratory therapist and union staffer have all informed my work as a legislator for the past 12 years. Often, during deliberations, I think of my daughters and wonder how a particular bill may impact their lives and those of their generation.

REDISTRICTING: I believe that redistricting must be solved on the federal level and not by individual states. At this writing, the U.S. Supreme Court is currently addressing the gerrymandering issue, and will likely provide more guidance into permissible actions by the state. The Court will also likely take up new cases in the coming term. Until they speak, it is premature for the State of Maryland to act.

ENVIRONMENT: I believe that the universal environmental problem is climate change and how we preserve our economic security while protecting the air, water, and land that we depend upon. Environmentally friendly jobs will be essential. In my own District, I am very concerned with a proposed compressor that is next to the Alison Ferguson Foundation's farm.

Maryland's National Guard work out with Maryland's H.S. Allan Head Hwy needs to be repaved because of the steep potholes (MD 210) are my highest priority transportation issue. Traffic on these roads/highways during rush hour is extreme, and Indian Head Hwy (MD 5), Crain Hwy (MD 301), and Indian Head Hwy (MD 210) are my highest priority transportation issue. Traffic on these roads/highways during rush hour is extreme, and Indian Head Hwy needs to be repaved because of the steep potholes that it has. State & County funds need to be shifted around to fund the expansion of these roads/highways.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Community service has always been a central part of my life. As a retired educator, with fifteen years as Court Liaison, I learned to be a skilled listener with knowledge of many available resources. Serving as Trustee for Prince George's Community College and Chair for the Prince George's Taxation and Assessment Board offered a comprehensive understanding of the complexity of government.

REDISTRICTING: Redistricting is an immediate concern as the Supreme Court currently reviews the challenges to Maryland's Congressional Districts. All citizens must be fairly represented. I support changes that ensure fair representation for every citizen. The Maryland Redistricting and Reform Commission will present recommendations to address this issue.

ENVIRONMENT: A big challenge is convincing our populous that we have environmental issues and the immediate need to address them. Providing and protecting water, air, land, and etc. is a responsibility and a duty to future generations. This is an issue that I support wholeheartedly.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is a universal issue, that many of us experience daily. There are continuous efforts to legislate and regulate respect for everyone. Passing laws that ban all forms of discrimination is essential. Establishing youth programs that encourage interaction and promotes understanding is a basic goal.

EDUCATION: Supporting the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission is my primary objective. Educators deserve increase pay, better benefits, and teaching environments that are comfortable, safe, and adequately equipped. Securing casino profits is one step towards providing the necessary funding for education.

HEALTH CARE: Providing adequate health care for all residents of Maryland is crucial. The legislature passed laws this session to address many of the gaps in coverage, but securing adequate health care is an constant challenge. Establishing behavioral health programs with millions in additional dollars is an attempt to combat the opioid epidemic. Supporting health care funding is an constant on my agenda.

TRANSPORTATION: Traffic congestion, lack of public transportation, and maintenance concerns are evident in all jurisdictions. I would support all efforts to provide funds for immediate completion of transportation projects. Identified transportation projects must be funded now.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I'm retired USAF, former airline management, and current Maryland Aviation Commissioner. In management, I was an auditor for compliance and best practices, a discipline suitable to enforce accountability. As a commissioner, I have a role within Maryland’s transportation system. I have also been in politics gaining experience in writing, speaking, testifying, public meetings, and other efforts.

REDISTRICTING: The last redistricting plan was so egregious it can be comfortably labeled Gerrymandering! And it’s currently being considered by the Supreme Court. I support a non-partisan process using an independent redistricting commission and would recommend natural boundaries, county lines, and other boundaries be considered. Stand for democracy and end the practice of politicians choosing their voters!

ENVIRONMENT: One of the most valuable resources in Maryland is the Chesapeake Bay. Efforts by the farming industry and regulations have dramatically improved it over the past few years but currently the biggest threat is multi-state dumping into the Susquehanna River and through the Conowingo Dam. I support the ongoing effort to work with states involved and to dredge the dam to continue restoring the Bay.

DISCRIMINATION: I support current Federal and Maryland Employment Anti-Discrimination Laws which prohibit discrimination based on “age, race, color, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, religion, pregnancy, among other categories.”

EDUCATION: We can continue to pay as we have been but we need more accountability within troubled school systems before increasing funding. Auditing to root out systemic problems will save costs which could then be used to provide general studies and vocation training for students who do not want to go to college. Providing vouchers and expanding charter programs will also help in troubled districts.

HEALTH CARE: Currently a family of four will pay as much as $22,000 per year for individual insurance. Last year costs rose as much as 53% and is expected to increase 40% this year. So clearly rising health insurance costs is the biggest challenge. Creating affordable small business health options and individual catastrophic plans may lower premiums and encourage more participation for those who opt out.

TRANSPORTATION: My transportation priorities are better roads and bridges. I support projects underway in southern Maryland and any ongoing effort to keep Maryland’s roads maintained at high standards. I support rebuilding the Governor Thomas Johnson Bridge and the Harry Nice Bridge. These projects have been funded by bonds and the transportation trust fund which receives taxes at the pump and fees at the MVA.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have four years experience as the Delegate for District 27B. I have be very successful passing legislation during my first term. I also have been engaged in the Maryland legislative process since 1996, leading the legislative efforts as both the Fraternal Order of Police (Sheriffs) President, and the Sheriff of Prince George’s County.
REDISTRICTING: I represent portions of two counties so I understand and agree with the desire to represent and be represented where you reside. I am in favor of redistricting as the population dictates.
ENVIRONMENT: The Chesapeake Bay Restoration project is most important. The success of this is vital for all Marylanders. I am also focused on the placement of multiple power plants in rural and minority communities and the long-term health, and economic impacts to those communities.
DISCRIMINATION: I am the sponsor, co-sponsor, and supporter of numerous laws over the last four years that address these concerns; including, Equal Pay For Equal Work; Parental Leave, Historically Black Colleges-Universities (HBCU)-ROTC Scholarship & Cyber Security Curriculum Funding-establishment; to move to free community college tuition; ADA legislation enhancements; & the study of infant mortality rates.
EDUCATION: This year the General Assembly and the Governor provided a record amount to fund our schools. This Session we received the report from the Kirwan & Knott Commissions which are our next school & construction funding models. Our modern funding challenges has begun to be addressed via legislation.
HEALTH CARE: Maryland has two major challenges regarding healthcare; its affordability and the stifling substance abuse issue. We passed legislation that ensures that all Marylanders will continue to receive healthcare over the next year. We passed vital bi-partisan substance abuse and addiction funding/resource legislation over the last four years.
TRANSPORTATION: My transportation priorities are in both Calvert and Prince George’s Counties on Maryland Rt 301, Rt 5, Rt 4, Rt. 228, Rt. 381, Rt. 382. These roads are well overdue for repair, project completion, project initiation. The Transportation Trust Fund has ample funding.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
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HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
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REDISTRICTING: We are in a compact with 5 other states. If they do redistricting, we would do redistricting.
ENVIRONMENT: A statewide ban on styrofoam.
DISCRIMINATION: I will continue to support for equality for all regardless of race, gender, religion,m disability or poverty.
EDUCATION: Pre-K funding. Funding in accordance to the Thornton Commission.
HEALTH CARE: I support affordable health care for all. I will continue to fight for good legislation and good policies that supports affordable healthcare.
TRANSPORTATION: WMATA is a priority. That funding is made available especially for the Purple Line.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As an municipal official, I have led on many issues, including economic development in under-resourced communities and improving my town’s police department’s policies on diversity, inclusion, and immigrants. I have hosted public forums for important but tough dialogues on race and policing. I am focused on inclusion, diversity, and protecting marginalized groups, like women and people of color.
REDISTRICTING: I oppose gerrymandering. Gerrymandering is unfair, and it should be a bipartisan issue: Democrats and Republicans should unite to end gerrymandering. It undermines free speech and dilutes Americans’ voting power through inequality. Ending gerrymandering is a matter of strengthening our nation’s democracy.
ENVIRONMENT: I opposed the concrete batching plant proposal in Bladensburg, and I think the state needs to do more to promote tree planting, forest protection, and renewable energy. I will end subsidies for trash incineration. I will protect the Chesapeake Bay. I will fight climate change. And I will promote more public awareness of polystyrene foam and harmful pesticides like chlorpyrifos.
DISCRIMINATION: I will support inclusion for minority-owned businesses and legislation to expand anti-racial profiling and anti-harrassment policies. I support stronger equal pay protections for women. I stand firm against Islamophobia and anti-Semitism. I will support funding for a county-based independent living center for residents with disabilities. And I will enact a true living wage for all Maryland workers.
EDUCATION: I support expanding pre-k to 3-year olds and free public college tuition for qualifying families. I will hold the county school system accountable for its problems with child physical and sexual safety, grading, graduation rates, and excessive administrative pay raises, and I will support higher teacher salaries. To fund this, I support increased taxes on families making more than $300,000.
HEALTH CARE: I support a single-payer health care system in Maryland in which the government would pay for residents’ medical care and get rid of residents’ out-of-pocket expenses. I will work tirelessly with my colleagues to get it done, because we cannot afford to wait. More importantly, after the legislation is passed, I will hold the executive branch for an effective rollout and implementation. That is key
TRANSPORTATION: I will invest in the state’s long-neglected transportation priorities, including Metro funding, highway user revenue, and basic but ever important issues like pothole fixing. And I will oppose the governor’s costly, wrongheaded environmentally unfriendly transportation boondoggles.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have 40 years experience as a union representative, organizer, and negotiator and seven years as a City Councilman in the City of Mount Rainier before I ran for State Delegate. I know a lot about local government issues and am an expert in labor relations legislation. Now I have 4 years of experience of state delegate to build on as I run for re-election.

REDISTRICTING: I believe in non-partisan re-districting but believe there should be an inter-state compact with other states that will do the re-districting at the same time.

ENVIRONMENT: Global warming is a critical issue. We banned fracking in 2017 and this year in essence prohibited off shore drilling off Maryland and putting Maryland in the climate change coalition. I will continue to support legislation that will increase the percentage of energy from renewables.

DISCRIMINATION: I will support any legislation that is introduced in support of these issues. My emphasis has been on tax reform which will give low-income people greater tax credits. I supported legislation to ban pay discrimination based on gender and to make it illegal to ask for a person's earlier salary. I have also been a strong supporter of justice reinvestment which

EDUCATION: I will be supporting the recommendations from the Kirwan Commission including expanding pre-K education which will cost $3 billion This year I introduced and it was passed by the General Assembly to increase scholarships for students to Community College I have proposed and will continue to work on closing tax loopholes and raising the tax rate for millionaires.

HEALTH CARE: Rising premiums. We passed legislation to impose a few on the insurance companies to subsidize the insurance market. I believe the long range solution is a universal single payer health insurance system. It would be best done on a Federal level but we will look at seeing how we can implement it in Maryland if Congress does not act.

TRANSPORTATION: Support for mass transit is my top priority. I supported the $167 million for dedicated funding for WMATA. I support the Red Line in Baltimore. I believe that revenue has to be raised through closing tax loopholes and increasing the tax rate for millionaires.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47B REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

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House of Delegates 47B DEMOCRATIC Candidates

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QUALIFICATIONS: The diversity of my experience has prepared me for office. My time working at the Prince George’s county council I saw the differences between State and County government and where they can intersect to improve the community. I have experience drafting, organizing and advocating for legislation from start to finish. As a prosecutor and now defense attorney I have a great understanding of the law.

REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering is a problem throughout the nation and here in Maryland as well. I believe that the people should choose their representation not the other way around.

ENVIRONMENT: I would support strengthening the Clean Energy Jobs Act to reach a high percentage of renewable energy. I would also like the strength the Forest Conversation Act to make sure the trend of tree loss is addressed. On the County Council I worked on the ban on Styrofoam and coal-tar. I would like to bring that work to the State level.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty comes in many forms and various policies are needed to address them. Healthcare, equal pay, access to resources and other issues need to be combated. In addition, fair and diverse representation is needed in our state government to represent the interests of groups that are discriminated against.

EDUCATION: There have been many issues surrounding our education system. I would support an all-elected school board in Prince George’s county. I believe in public dollars to public schools. I also support increasing funding to our public schools and increasing school construction dollars. I believe can fund this by securing the Gaming revenue for education purpose only, increasing corporate tax and a possib

HEALTH CARE: Since President Trump took office our health care market has been extremely volatile. The General Assembly took a step in the right direction to stabilize the insurance market in Maryland but more action will likely need to be taken. By establishing a single payer system Maryland could completely stabilize the market while ensuring every Marylander has access to quality affordable healthcare.

TRANSPORTATION: My district has two metro stop locations I support securing the funding of our Metro by an annual dedicated funding. This is important so that WMATA has a full and secure budget to plan Metro. I also believe in walk-ability in our communities. I look forward to working with the State Highway Administration on how to make state roads in my district pedestrian friendly.

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LOCAL LEADERS

Prince George’s County Executive

DUTIES: Include enforcing the laws of Prince George’s County; proposing the annual operating budget for the county; and overseeing more than 30 branches of county government.

SALARY: $206,998 base
TERM: 4 years; limited to two terms
HOW ELECTED: countywide

Questions

1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?
2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?
3. REVENUE: How would you measure or evaluate the adequacy of revenue and appropriateness of revenue sources to meet the current and projected needs of Prince George’s County?
4. EDUCATION: How will you convey to citizens the progress of the county public schools (PGCPS) under the new structure and governance?
5. LAND USE: How will you provide for citizens’ input and redress in land use matters into and throughout the development stage?
6. CASINO REVENUE: What will you do to ensure that casino revenue coming to Prince George’s County is spent in a transparent way with an opportunity for input from citizens?

7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS: What criteria would you use to determine if the newly created Office of Ethics and Accountability is functioning effectively?

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I have served 7 years as the State’s Attorney and 3 years before that running the Revenue Authority. We have reduced violent crime by 50% while starting numerous initiatives such as those that redirect non-violent drug offenders into job training programs.

2. PRIORITIES: Education, public safety, economic development & delivering a government that provides the level of services that our tax payers deserve & expect. I will prioritize our teachers & work to challenge the culture surrounding our school system that tolerates lack of success, ensure we have 2,000 sworn officers, focus on creating jobs & bringing neighborhood development to address community needs.

3. REVENUE: The County is far too reliant on residential property while suffering from a smaller commercial tax base than many of our regional peers. We need to grow our commercial tax base to fund needed government programs, create jobs for our residents and provide amenities our residents are currently without.

4. EDUCATION: The greatest barometer on whether our school system is succeeding is whether it becomes a calling card for the county. We must challenge everyone to do more for our children. We must invest in our classrooms and not a top-heavy bureaucracy, bring innovation to how we build and maintain our facilities, teach character education and increase our focus on Career and Technical Education.

5. LAND USE: I will ensure that whatever zoning law is in place has ample opportunity for resident participation at the front end of the process. In addition, we must have hearings and information sessions in the communities that are directly impacted by proposed projects.

6. CASINO REVENUE: Revenue generated from gaming, as well as the associated spending, will be presented online to insure there is visibility in how it is being spent. There is a current process that involves community representatives who provide input into the process of budgeting these funds and I will ensure that this process is more transparent.

7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS: I would want to determine if our employees feel as though we have established a culture of ethics, if those who operate with the government feel the same and most importantly that the citizens know that there government is being led ethically and in a manner of accountability. Much work has been done, but we cannot rest on those laurels, there is more work to do in this area.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: As a lifelong organizer, community leader and former Member of Congress. I co-founded the National Network to End Domestic Violence and have been involved in civic participation on all levels. As Executive Director of the Arca Foundation, I managed a 50 plus million dollars budget. I have the experience to lead a large organization and set a progressive policy agenda for a better Prince Georges.

2. PRIORITIES: Hiring more teachers to lower class size, recovering $6.5 million in Head Start funding and fully funding pre-k expansion, and school modernization program. Domestic Violence Survivor Shelter, transitional housing access and transit-oriented development I plan to place a priority on making sure that we keep affordability in our development lens so that we do not displace communities.

3. REVENUE: Prince George’s County has a structural problem given the imposition of the three decades old Tax Reform Initiative for Marylanders (TRIM) measure -- a limitation that surrounding jurisdictions of Montgomery and Howard Counties do not face. I believe the role of the next County Executive is to educate our residents about the impact and limitations we have when it comes to funding our priorities.

4. EDUCATION: I believe that in order to fix a problem you have to be willing to discuss the problem openly and identify solutions from stakeholders. Our pre-k education system in is shambles and remains number 23 of 24 school systems in the state. We need leadership that is lean, teachers who are competitive, and a commitment to accountability to students, parents and taxpayers.

5. LAND USE: I know first hand the frustration that citizens experience when we receive information late in the process and developers have worked the process. We need a County Executive who will stand up to special interests and put the people of Prince George’s County first when it comes to job creation and economic development. I will promote town halls and social media engagement to get citizens involved.

6. CASINO REVENUE: I pledge to conduct community meetings throughout the County to help identify priorities for spending casino revenue, which should be principally designated for education. I will also publish the recommended expenditures in detail, versus what is approved in the end by the Prince George’s County Council.

7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS: As County Executive, I will keep and strengthen a fully functioning Office of Ethics and Accountability that has the independent authority and ability to investigate matters up to and including in the Office of County Executive and all departments of County Government. Until Prince George’s County rids itself of the taint of corruption we will not gain the trust of residents and taxpayers.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I have lived the struggle of growing up on welfare but overcame through the grace of God and some amazing teachers in PGCPSS. My training at Howard Law, working on the Obama White House staff, and serving as a national executive director of AmeriCorps VISTA, the Justice Department’s mediation program, and chief of staff at Howard University have uniquely prepared me for this role.

2. PRIORITIES: Two of my priorities include education and economic development, they both go hand and hand. If we do not educate our students, then we will not have a competent workforce. I plan to look for innovative ways to attract businesses (note: a thriving school system attracts businesses), while providing the resources to our teachers to recruit and retain them, so that they can educate our future workforce.

3. CASINO REVENUE: Priorities will be elected by the citizens and not appointed.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am qualified for the office of CE because I have a purpose and this is not a job or a career move for me. Growing up in a broken home, then tossed around through 11 foster homes and having lived on the streets, I have a heart for people in our county. My life changed because a community pastor invested in my life. My professional service includes 3-term senator, 1-term house of dels., ethics com.

2. PRIORITIES: I want to be elected as County Executive of Prince George's to attract more businesses to our county.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am a "Values Centered Servant Leader", renowned as a "Game Changer" with a 35-year track record of excellence as a Chief Executive in both the public and private sectors. I have served as a Chief Executive in multi billion dollar corporations and small business with the number of employees ranging from 75-4500. I have received more than 35 performance awards during my career.

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Prince George’s County Maryland. I believe that serving as CE would be the most productive and the most rewarding way I can contribute to our County and to our future. My number one priority is to preserve, to protect and to enhance the lives of all residents. My three top areas of focus are Education, Quality of Life and Economic Development.

3. REVENUE: We will not raise taxes. We will operate the county by using existing taxes, expanding our tax base utilizing Smart Growth strategies and concepts, by creating Public/Private Partnerships & Private Investment. We must have an "World Class Education System." I will ensure that we have competent, compassionate and accountable leadership in all leadership positions.

4. EDUCATION: As County Executive, the BUCK stops at my desk from day one! We will implement a quarterly score card to keep citizens informed and up to date on the progress of (PGOPS) as well as the progress of our Administration. We will leverage technology to expedite the communication of results to the citizens, employees, our business community and other stakeholders.

5. LAND USE: Prince George’s County follows a comprehensive planning, zoning and development review process. Citizen participation is an integral part to the success of any development process. We will use technology proactively to engage the citizenry at the beginning of the development process and communicate the progress of the development in real time using technology.

6. CASINO REVENUE: Everything we do in the Thompson Administration will be done in transparency. We will abide by the agreed upon policy for the use of Casino Revenues and communicate those uses to the citizens via the Score Card described earlier. We will work with the Council to ensure citizen participation on the use of casino revenue.

7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS: We will meet with the County's Independent Auditors and review the results of the enterprise wide risk assessment and recommended internal review program. Second, after gaining a comprehensive understanding and prioritization of risks we would develop an internal review program. Third, we would hire a firm to perform periodic program and operations reviews.

Prince George's County Council

DUTIES: All legislative powers. The County Council also sits as the District Council which decides all zoning and land use matters. The County Council also sits as the Board of Health which decides health policy matters.

SALARY: $114,347 base

TERM: 4 years; limited to two terms

HOW ELECTED: For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide voter getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

Questions

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?

BUDGET: What programs within the county’s budget should be increased or decreased?

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: What changes, if any, are needed in the county’s land use policies?

EDUCATION: What steps will you take to improve support for the public schools?

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: What steps should the county government take to encourage economic development and job growth?

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: What steps would you take to increase the availability of affordable housing for county residents?

INFRASTRUCTURE: How would you address issues such as traffic congestion, transportation needs, and improvements to public facilities in the county?

COUNTY COUNCIL AT LARGE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

Republicans may vote for no more than 2.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am the best positioned person to represent the County at-large on the Council because I served countywide as Council Chair for two years and have established a record as a prolific and creative legislator during my two-terms as a Council Member. I also believe I have the best ideas, informed by that experience, for our County’s future through my Jobs First Plan for Prince George’s County.

BUDGET: We should increase investment in early childhood education, teacher development and salaries, public safety staffing and resources, human services grants, public transit, and highway maintenance. The County should use public-private partnerships to significantly increase the new and renovated schools we build while dramatically reducing the costs of each project.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We should finish adopting the new zoning rewrite so that we bring our development laws into the 21st century economy. Our land use and development policies should (i) be more citizen-friendly and transparent, (ii) be streamlined and consistent to improve job creation, (iii) encourage transit-oriented development, and (iv) strike the right balance between strong standards and flexibility.

EDUCATION: Use public-private partnerships to build schools at half/third of today’s costs; Increase teacher salaries to above the regional average; Use community schools engagement model to improve student learning & healthier communities; Expand TAG & signature programs to reverse middle class flight; Establish universal pre-K; & Strengthen the skilled trades w/ new career pathways w/ PGCC & private sector

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: (i) Cultivate signature industries, like health care, IT, the federal sector, business services & tourism/hospitality, (ii) Keep our public dollars local to grow small, minority, and women-owned businesses, (iii) invest in workforce development & career pathways for 21st century careers, and (iv) modernize our land use laws to encourage higher quality, smarter development w/ better retail.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Establish a Comprehensive Housing Strategy to provide great lifestyles for residents of various of walks of life, esp. near our 15 transit stations; Establish inclusionary zoning policies that establish incentives for workforce housing; Use the Housing Trust program to assist first time home buyers; and Use federal/state housing funds to

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encourage redevelopment in established communities.

INFRASTRUCTURE: We need a transit revolution in our County. The Purple Line is a great start, but we need to push the State to approve Light Rail to Southern MD to reduce traffic in the southern half of the county. We also need to (i) expand our investment in The Bus to increase routes & reduce wait times, (ii) add dedicated bus lanes on wide county roads & (iii) add more ped/bike lanes & facilities countywide.

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BUDGET: The property tax increase in 2016 should be repealed now that the casino funds are arriving. The tax increase was intended to cover shortfalls in the Education funds. The first responders in the county should be increased to match the pace of residential development. There should be more focus on service to the seniors and challenged citizens; increased compliance and enforcement of the ADA.
DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: These policies should incorporate smart growth. The services offered should be increased as the population increases. Schools, first responders, roads, public transportation, utilities, etc. There needs to be a means to ensure that residents have adequate knowledge and time to respond to developments of any type in their communities.

EDUCATION: Our county has an increased challenge to the delivery of a quality education. First, I propose all day school for pre-k. If county schools cannot provide the service then enlist qualified pre-k schools. Secondly, by the 10th grade all students should be-- have a clear college/ career goal. That goal can be reinforced with dual enrollment in community college, or apprenticeship programs.
EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: The counties can offer many incentives to recruit businesses. Those incentives could include but not be limited to: property tax concessions, income tax concessions, bonds for roads and other infrastructure. Overall the county should improve its perception and quality of life. Businesses need increased public transportation for workers, easier traffic commutes, excellent schools and shopping.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: There should be more income based housing for seniors. Developers of residential and rental projects should be required to set aside a percentage of the development to low or moderate income families. The section 8 vouchers should be allowed in all developments, that will eliminate pockets of poverty and possibly the number of Title I schools. Churches and other non-profits should be assisted.

INFRASTRUCTURE: As the population grows, so will the traffic. There should be more park and rides, more carpools, more commuter buses to DC, Silver Spring, Laurel, Columbia, Baltimore, and Northern Virginia. There could additionally be shuttle buses between communities and metro stops. There should be more development around the metro stops in the county. While, far-fetched, there should be an extension of

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a former Federal Agent, my experience working with state, local and federal agencies allowed me to think critically. Investigations are always well researched and carefully planned. As a future County Council Member, I look forward in applying data driven measures to effect prudential legislative policies that is equitable and progressive to all.
BUDGET: I will push for dramatic increases in funding 3 departments: Social, Family and Health services. Our county funds more to incarcerate our children to the tune of $90 million or 250% higher than the combined budget for social, family and health services. This will benefit our children's academic performance and reduces crime.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: Our zoning ordinance is a mechanism for corruption; where, developers are given waivers by our council members. We have to follow the standards as outlined in our County Charter, Subtitle 25. We have to protect our environment and the best interest of the population by disallowing waivers without the consent of the people. I will support equitable mix-use development.

EDUCATION: Multiple studies nationwide points to heavy investment in wrap-around services for our children. Specifically, our County should invest more on Social, Health and Family (SHF) services. This is proven effective yet we are not following best practices. We ought to take the budgets for corrections ($90 million) and the combined budget of SHF ($37 million) and switch it. That's progressive!

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: We have to create a unified vision which our county lack. Under the banner of the "Great PG County Leapfrog", we will push for technology based companies to move to our community. We will revise academic offerings to cater to technology. At the moment, 70% of us travel outside the county for a job. This has not changed for more than a decade. We should also become a premier retirement destination.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: I have proposed for our county to become a premier retirement destination. This would support higher paying jobs in the medical field for our children. Additionally, this creates an industry in our county that we have yet to realize. This will create lower tax brackets and an increase household income. I also support mix-use land development to provide equitable housing opportunities.

INFRASTRUCTURE: The transportation issues in our county is a matter of economic development. More than 70% of us travel outside the county for a job despite the promises of our Council Members for decades. Widening BW, 495 or other state and local roads would not make a difference if jobs are located outside. In the short and medium term, we must focus on the economy and bring jobs in the county.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a current member of the Prince George’s County Council, I am uniquely prepared for Council At-Large. I understand the budget, how to advocate and obtain resources for the community. I understand how to grow this
county economically through smart growth and by properly using incentives. I have the relationships with the county agencies and I understand how to protect neighborhoods. **BUDGET:** Funding for social programs that protect our most vulnerable, like our youth and seniors as well as our homeless and underemployed populations need to dramatically be increased and I have advocated for this. The County can also do more to increase educational initiatives that will better prepare our children for the future, for example supporting trade careers and college readiness programs. **DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** Prince Georges County is a bedroom community, 60 percent of the residents leave the county every day to work in other jurisdictions. The county should be developing fewer homes and more quality retail for our residents. The residents should be able to spend their money in their own County. I am pleased with the development of the new Town Square at the Suitland Federal Center project that I did. **EDUCATION:** As a graduate of the public-school system of Prince George’s County, I believe in our students and our teachers and their commitment to learning and educating. I would like to create more initiatives that would allow for parental engagement and community partnerships. That is why as the Council Member, I have partnered and funded organizations to provide tutoring services and character building. **EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** Supporting small businesses must be a priority for the county. Providing initiatives and tools to building their business will help to increase their ability to hire county residents. Improving our job market will help to take the burden off the homeowner to fund the County priorities. **AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** The County should be creating more senior homes for our residents. That is why I built three senior residential communities in my Council District. The County can also create better residential incentives and initiatives. **INFRASTRUCTURE:** Simply, put the County should be focused on re-development around our metro stations to reduce the number of cars on the road.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am an attorney with a background representing civic and environmental groups, putting community interests ahead of special interests. I currently work for Brian Frosh, the Attorney General of Maryland. I served as Council District 1 member for nine years, twice as Chair. I have 30 years experience in County affairs and understand how to get the County working better for residents. **BUDGET:** I would strategically increase education spending, redirecting bureaucracy spending to classrooms, and fund career and technology schools. The library system needs additional funding to expand hours, resources and staffing. Social services remain underfunded as many residents are experiencing fiscal and social crises. The budgets of the County Executive and Council can be reduced. **DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** The Council routinely ignores Master Plans adopted with community support by granting special approvals for developers. These approvals often occur as site-specific amendments to the zoning ordinance text, with no public awareness or input. I believe in transparency and public engagement. I will seek to create a process that targets building permits to Smart Growth locations to prevent more sprawl **EDUCATION:** We need to implement the Kirwan Commission findings and provide more resources. Bureaucracy expenses should be reduced, and additional resources should flow to classrooms, increased pre-K enrollment, after-school programs, and creation of career and technology programs. We should create Community Schools to provide disadvantaged students essential services. I will promote more parental involvement. **EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** The County Council needs to stop allowing sprawl development of strip retail centers and dense residential development. Strategically located properties should be preserved for tech-oriented employment development. The County should provide more small business incubator opportunities. **AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** The County should incentivize multi-family housing near transit, particularly smaller affordable units. The Council must limit suburban sprawl development because it undermines values of existing homes, many of which are still underwater; and it should create an eviction and foreclosure-mediation program. **INFRASTRUCTURE:** Our goal should be to focus on transit-oriented development, including affordable housing in close proximity to transit. Sprawl development must be limited by allocating building permits to targeted areas. I am proposing an analysis of all aging County infrastructure so we can develop a fiscally responsible long-term renovation plan.

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DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: I support development of neighborhoods that are safe and attractive with viable walkways and bikeways throughout communities. Neighborhoods should have an appropriate mix of business and recreational activities nearby. Neighborhood communities not only need to be clean and safe but need to feel connected from one community to the next. The use of Smart Growth principles should be used.

EDUCATION: Education of our children is one of government most important functions that secures their future and sets them on the right path for life’s many challenges. I strongly support smaller class sizes, universal pre-kindergarten, higher teachers’ salaries. We must have prioritization of education funding that goes to the student and classroom, and Teachers should have the resources they need to teach.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: Communities need a strong business sector to thrive and provide the tax structure to enhance and maintain County services and programs for residents. We need to attract new commercial/retail businesses, provide business low interest loans or grants to assist in developing stability for those businesses in the County. Establish a local hiring and apprenticeship program for residents needing a job.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: We must provide affordable housing to meet existing and anticipated future employment needs, with the objective of providing housing choices for all incomes, ages and family sizes. Encourage affordable housing by allowing increased density. Tax credits and partnerships with non-profits, Municipalities, private investors to develop projects countywide affordable housing units.

INFRASTRUCTURE: The County is responsible for nearly 2,000 miles of County-maintained roadways, 900 bridges, shoulders, sidewalks, curbs/gutters, stormwater, and provides several transit programs, takes care of snow removal, traffic signals and street lighting to name a few. I believe more Capital Funding and Bond Funds should be used to take care of the County infrastructure. Bus service should be countywide.

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QUALIFICATIONS: My commitment to public service has been nurtured throughout my life through volunteerism and leadership with various organizations and civic life. I have a masters in public policy with an emphasis on education, family, and social policy which complements my personal philosophies on policy and leadership. I have held office for the past 7 years-4 as council member and 3 as mayor--in Hyattsville.

BUDGET: In general, education and arts programs are underfunded in the county's budget and should be increased through additional direct funding or partnerships that bring the necessary resources. The other departments require a redistribution of resources to focus more intently on the issues that make economic development worthwhile--code compliance, road/street maintenance, and community development.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We need to reassess our thresholds for determining adequacy of public facilities to ensure that we do not create additional problems while attempting to revitalize communities. We also need to identify a better way of analyzing and communicating the second and third-order effects of development on certain issues (environment, schools, and road networks and infrastructure) to ensure mutual benefit.

EDUCATION: Above everything, I am a parent of two PGCPS students (7th grade and 3rd grade) and education is always top of mind for me. I will work to bring partners and funding opportunities that promote kindergarten readiness, address grade level deficits, and increase our students' potential for post-secondary education and employment. I want to work create a system that is first-choice and first-class.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: In my opinion, the greatest opportunity for job growth and economic development is centered around the metro stations in the county. Obtaining the best possible mix of housing and amenities (office, shopping, dining, and services) creates the density and jobs that help ensure long-term growth while preserving the scale and impact on older, "traditional" neighborhoods.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: I would work to develop policies that create incentives for developers to pursue a consequential mix of affordability in new developments without sacrificing the resources and services on which residents rely. Those incentives may take the form of tax incentives, density incentives, or public-private partnerships using public land.

INFRASTRUCTURE: This is part of the improvements that I believe are needed to our land use policies. We have to get better at identifying the impact of development outside of the immediate area and figuring out how to address it in the zoning/approval process. A regional transportation demand management study (and implementation funds) would be one effective step towards addressing these issues.

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BUDGET: Given the results of the Blue Ribbon Commission, I would say that the bulk of the funding should be put to maintaining our public schools. We need to invest in infrastructure like our roadways and sidewalks to make this a more walkable community. Lastly, we should control the amount of money spent on overtime for public safety.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: The county is currently undergoing a zoning rewrite. It will be key in revamping and streamlining the decision making process. We need to be able to protect the rural tier, open spaces and focus development around our metro and purple line stops.

EDUCATION: I will be highly supportive of the changes being made through the Kirwan commission. However, we still need innovative legislation in Annapolis to bring in new, more cost-effective urban school construction.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: We need to continue to increase the commercial tax base by attracting more businesses to the county. We can do this through the development of the 15 transit stations we have as well as along the purple line stops. Additionally, we will establish a regional medical center and other federal agencies throughout the county.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The county is undergoing a

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Comprehensive Housing Strategy. I want to ensure that there is an affordable housing and rent stabilization strategy included in the so-called comprehensive housing plan. It is critical that we include either some type of inclusionary zoning option or an incentive plan for affordable housing units within the Transit Centers per Plan 2035.

INFRASTRUCTURE: As part of the zoning rewrite, we should be requiring a transit demand study for every new development to see how it will impact traffic congestion and other public facilities.

EDUCATION: Support for education needs to include financial counseling services are needed. Additional funding for sidewalk and local road improvements and investing in our local bus system. Too many residents cannot safely walk in their community to school, work, or amenities. The Transit Vision Study being completed must be funded to improve local bus service and enhance the The Call-A-Bus system to provide service to seniors and those with disabilities.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: Implementation of the Prince George’s General Plan, which guides growth to metro stations and inside the beltway and preserves the rural areas, is critical. One of the best ways to do this is to deliver redevelopment—residential as well as office and retail—at the County’s Metro stations. Land use policy and incentives should prioritize this. Updating the County’s land use code can assist as well

BUDGET: The County budget needs to continue to prioritize 1) education funding, 2) public safety and 3) funding for neighborhood revitalization and local job growth. More funding is needed in critical core services to ensure safe, clean, and vibrant neighborhoods, strong code enforcement, and address litter in our communities. Funding investment is also needed in housing, health, and human services.

QUALIFICATIONS: Since 2015 I have served as the County Council Member and currently serve a Vice-Chair for 2018. Previously I served nine years as a member of the Bowie City Council and as a twelve year staff person at the County Council, which included working with a former Council District 4 representative, I have a unique experience and knowledge to continue to move both the District and County forward.

BUDGET: The County Council's annual budget review process is the appropriate place to measure revenue and expenses as part of the determination of the County's budget priorities. As a County Council Member I will have approved four budgets and when I sought to add new spending or programs, I would always identify corresponding reductions, delays and/or elimination of other spending or programs.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: As a County Council Member I have attempted to balance the rights and responsibilities of the citizens and the developers in the development review process, including modifying projects based on community feedback. The County Council, working with the Planning Commission, has undertaken a comprehensive review and updating the County Zoning Ordinance (Zoning Rewrite) over the past four years.

EDUCATION: As a parent of two County Public School students and a product of the public school system in New York, I support efforts to improve our education system. The County Council has two primary roles with the Board of Education and public education generally - (1) providing review and approval of the proposed annual budget and (2) having an oversight function of how these public dollars are spent.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: I support the County’s policy to encourage economic development and job creation by utilizing targeted financial incentives, expedited permitting review & zoning approvals, while working with our private, State and Federal partners to encourage growth, particularly Transit Oriented Development (TOD) around our 15 Metro stations, resulting in MGM, Kaiser Permanente and the new Regional Hospital.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The County Council in 2017 initiated the first Comprehensive Housing Strategy study, including creating the Ad-Hoc Comprehensive Housing Subcommittee, which I Co-Chair, to provide critical feedback and oversight to ensure that the study provides a variety of

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quality and diverse housing choices to meet existing and future needs of a diverse population and demographic for the County's residents.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** As Chair and member of the Council's Transportation Committee for the past four years, I have supported additional transportation improvements & transit service extension throughout the County, including funding for the Purple Line, support for additional State funding for Metro and road improvements and an additional $30 million in County funding for transportation improvements.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** With proven leadership as Chair of the County Delegation in the Maryland House, I learned to forge consensus, gain support, and pass legislation to benefit our county. The County budget of over $4 billion is a serious responsibility. With what I've learned in my business, legislative, and volunteer careers, I have the experience, knowledge, and temperament to be a progressive force on the Council.

**BUDGET:** Constant reassessment and adjustment of programs is necessary as circumstances and conditions change. Some programs should be reexamined and eliminated; other programs expanded and funding increased. Needs, circumstances, and challenges constantly evolve and we need to be flexible and adaptive. What once made sense and was equitable may no longer be so, but I do not support raising property taxes.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** I strongly support the concept of smart growth, to create green, sustainable walkable communities of mixed use and job creation. Growth is inevitable, needed, and desirable. But it should limit sprawl, be transit oriented, and preserve green spaces. Smart growth is wise growth, and environmental justice should be a key component of decisions around development and land use.

**EDUCATION:** Our public schools need increased revenue to raise teacher and principal salaries, and volunteers to be a home visiting corps for struggling parents. Helping parents learn how to talk to, read to and properly discipline their children leads to students being ready to learn. Well-paid teachers/principals combined with prepared students will lead to a strong school system and community.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** An indispensable requirement for long-term prosperity is a strong and respected school system. Strong schools create a virtuous cycle: good schools attract and nurture qualified people, and the presence of qualified people attracts jobs and businesses. Also, prudent use of incentives and subsidies can attract businesses, jobs, and economic growth, as will streamlined permitting and wise zoning.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** We must include all income levels for housing as we revitalize older, inside-the-beltway communities, concentrating development and housing around Metro and Marc trains, and efficient bus routes. Using zoning, permitting decisions, and prudent and transparent incentives and subsidies, walkable communities emerge, with jobs and amenities for all of our residents.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** We should spend our finite resources expanding public transit in all its forms. Expanding public transit and our bike trails will help relieve traffic congestion. Building roads without addressing, expanding, and improving alternative transit options will not solve the problem that building more roads hopes to solve. This affects not just us; I support inter-jurisdictional cooperation.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I'm better prepared for the duties of Prince George's County Councilman because of my 25 years of working in diverse roles across multi-state private/public sectors. My experiences in relevant disciplines such as finance, Human Resource Development, leadership, banking, retirement planning, organization development, organizational behavior, consulting, business management & administration are key.

**BUDGET:** I strongly advocate for the increase in compensation & benefits across the spectrum, but three priorities to mention would involve more funding to support minority owned & women owned enterprises. The other key areas include higher base pay for teachers & public safety. We can afford to decrease the salaries of Public Officials & the use of tax payers' money toward their vehicles & incentives.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** Since many code enforcements are obsolete & outdated, changes with respect to dilapidated homes are necessary so to avoid an eye sore in our communities. We must also focus on more socially responsible businesses that attract consumers & attribute to sustainable communities. Often enough, communities need more mixed use development that supports gainful job creation for its local residents.

**EDUCATION:** First, to restore authority back to the Board of Education as an oversight & governing entity. Second, actions from the Board will afford schools to come up with the necessary line items & expenses that budget for technological enhancements as well as incorporate clearer enabling & terminal objectives applicable to various learning & teaching styles, including the use of Practicum experiences.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** The steps that we should take to encourage economic development and job growth are as follow: 1) Allow more local women & minority owned businesses to be included in contracts; 2) Training & development for blue collar workers that transfers into 21st Century career skills; 3) Increase participatory economics through initiatives such as Youth, Community, Academic, Reinvestment, & Entrepreneurship.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** As a youngster, I grew up in Public Housing. I would take the following steps to assure Smart Living or Quality Affordable Living (i.e. QAL) for low to middle income families are achieved: 1) Redirect portions of local tax revenue from large businesses; 2) Convert low income housing into sustainable smart communities; 3) Offer incentives to

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encourage participation versus handing out certificates. **INFRASTRUCTURE:** It’s interesting that you ask this question :-) The answer involves being more environmentally conscious through the use of smart/supplemental, energy, & efficient transportation network services (i.e. SEE TNS). With the use of adding more bike trails for bicyclists & small electric vehicles, we’ll be able to cut down on pollution & traffic while servicing seniors & age appropriate children.

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**BUDGET:** Often hailed as the most affluent majority minority jurisdiction in the world misses the reality of the Washington Metropolitan region. Our median HH income is 11th in Maryland and 17th in the region when you include Washington, DC. We are uniquely large, urban, suburban and rural. While we invest all we have in our Education system, we are far from keeping pace with expectations and outcomes.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** We are in the process of rewriting the entire County Zoning Ordinance. This undertaking is critical to ensuring the process of growth and development is predictable, measured, respectful of the nature of our geography and produces positive economic and ecological outcomes. Along with the development of a Comprehensive Housing Strategy we better layout the where, when, and how of smart growth.

**EDUCATION:** The Council has implemented a performance audit strategy to ensure, as the fiduciary agent for the County, we are consistently monitoring resource with the Board and School Administration from the perspective of what are we getting for the dollars we spend. The Council IS NOT directly responsible for child outcomes or managing teachers, the Board is. We must remain focused on macro fiscal impact.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** The Economic Development strategic plan and our focus on Transit Oriented Development has paid huge dividends since my election in 2011. From MGM at National Harbor to the new Regional Medical at Largo Town Center spurring the re-development of Downtown Largo, this Council has been a strident partner in job creation and boosting the commercial tax base! Our TOD focus to Econ. DVL MUST continue!

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** We established an AdHoc Committee to study a comprehensive approach to our housing strategy. We look forward to the report to come and how it will impact our sector and sub-region planning into the future.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Three words: Transit Oriented Development (TOD). With TOD as a focus, a modern Zoning Ordinance, a Comprehensive Housing Strategy, an Economic Development Strategic Plan ALL dovetailed with Plan 2035... I like our chances to grow into the Economic Power of the State and Region. We have the greatest resources, people and opportunities from Branch Ave to New Carrollton; Addison Road to Accokeek.

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**BUDGET:** Increases should go towards teacher pay and programs that fight domestic violence. Other budgets don't necessarily need more money, but need better allocation of those funds and more oversight to ensure waste and misuse is eliminated.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** I want to see better use of our land by making it more appealing to residents. More planned parks, and green space as well as outdoor entertainment venues. I want a focus on landscaping overgrown areas around the county.

**EDUCATION:** My goal is to see PGCPSS in the Top 10 school systems in the state. I want to increase teacher pay and resources. Focus curriculum on building students ready to work in 21st century careers whether that means hing to college or learning a trade. Its important we develop our youth into citizens ready to take the helm in Prince George's and work the high paying jobs we're striving to attract.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** Priority to entrepreneurs living in the county for awarding contracts. Support and enforce the Jobs First Act to increase number of high paying jobs. Continue development projects like Westphalia and Medical Center.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Focus on all new housing maintain certain levels of affordable units. There's no need developing the county if our own residents can't afford to live here.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Reduce commute times by improving roadways. Fixing potholes. Look into moving back to 2 trash days per week.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I began volunteering in college when I attended the University of Maryland, College Park. Since then I've volunteered with my church as a youth leader, Big Brothers of America, Mentoring to Manhood and I've served 10 years as an active Board member of my homeowner association. As a corporate manager with an accounting background, I have the leadership skills for County Council District 6.

**BUDGET:** I would focus on programs that impact our youth. Giving our youth the best chance in life should be a priority. As far as where it should be decreased, I would have to completely understand how every penny is spent. Giving money to organizations but not making sure they are using it right is wasteful spending. It is easy to spend someone else's money so we need to follow the paper trail.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** I think that we need to be cautious of the rapid expansion that is taking place over Prince George’s County and how we are balancing that with tree canopy. I would push to have every elementary school child plant a tree as part of an assignment to increase their awareness of environmental issues. In addition, there needs to
be greater transparency to zone permits.

EDUCATION: My goal is to make Prince George’s County schools the envy of other school districts around the country because of the resources and support that they will receive if I am elected. It starts with paying teachers what they are worth and making sure the schools have the tools they need. I would also push for more language immersion and coding (html, css, javascript, python, etc) in our curriculum.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: I would not issue permits to developers that do not allow for local technicians and vendors to bid for the jobs. Right now a building is being constructed across the street from my house but the plumber truck has a Baltimore area code on the side of the truck. That was a lost opportunity to increase work in the county. I would do a county wide tech incubator to foster innovation.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Washington DC has a program with luxury apartments that only allow residents who make under a certain dollar amount to stay. I think this could be one of the tools to address affordable housing. Financial planning for high school students and recent college grads should also be made available.

INFRASTRUCTURE: First, I hate potholes and would clean them up in year 1, not just in my district, but all over the county. Second, I would address Fed Ex Field traffic. No resident should have to sit at a stop light for 25 minutes while the stadium empties. And last, I would tackle the much hated lines at the MVA. It is poorly staffed and there is no since of urgency. I will reduce wait time by 50-75% in term 1.

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BUDGET: Having reviewed the 2019 proposed budget, I would target the Office of Information & Technology 259.5% increase, the Non-Department Other 14.5% increase, the Non-Department Grants & Transfers 46.9% increase, & County Executive 14.5% budget increases for savings. I would increase public safety, education, libraries, housing & community development, & oversight of community complaints spending.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: First, the County needs to make sure ALL DEVELOPERS are paying the full Adequate Public Facilities fee to help offset school construction and road improvements needs caused by the development. Additionally, I believe the county needs more direct oversight of the development planning and approval process instead of allowing the Maryland National Park & Planning Commission oversight.

EDUCATION: As an educator I have many ideas how we can improve schools. First, I would work with legislators to change it back to a fully-elected school board with a superintendent instead of a CEO. Next, I would work with PGcps, County Executive, & elected officials to pass the Kirwan Commission recommendations to increase funding, bring universal pre-k, implement community schools, & reduce class sizes.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: While the county can attract businesses and encourage economic development as is more businesses would find our county attractive if we improve our schools and make them the world-class institutes of learning they should be! Prince George’s is one of the few in the area with room to grow, so we should continue to welcome new businesses with more jobs without shortchanging ourselves to get them.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: There are currently several programs for affordable housing, but we need more. To increase availability, I would require all developers include a plan to include affordable housing in their development plans. Additionally, I would increase funding to help low to middle income families purchase and rehabilitate their own homes and to ensure existing affordable housing is safe, clean and livable.

INFRASTRUCTURE: First, I would increase funding by making sure developers ALWAYS pay the Adequate Public Facilities fee and do not over develop an area causing unneeded congestion. Using smart planning techniques and limiting development in already crowded areas would help congestion as would working with Metro and The Bus to increase public transportation and commuting options for our residents.

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BUDGET: As a ”LEADER “ I will Work : (1) Abolish School Board (2) Cap[limit] school budget (3) Increase Teacher pay (4) remove MGM funding of Schools (5) Close PGC Department of Corrections (6) 1% across the board tax cut (7) impose 1% business profit tax on business profits of $5million or more

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: As a “LEADER “ I will Work : (1) Protect and extend current Environmental Zoning Laws (2) Require that Chemicals used by Farmers and Others on Agriculture Lands be Environmentally non-toxic (3) Restrict Commercial / Housing Development in POTOMAC WATERSHEADS , Require WATER RUN OFF POOLS

EDUCATION: As a “LEADER” I will Work : (1) Abolish the Elected-Appointed School Board (2) Replace it with a Non-Political School Board of Trustees (3) Increase Teacher pay (4) Require Teachers Pass JOB KNOW LEDGE TEST every two years (5) Require Teachers take and pass DRUG TEST every year (6) Remove MGM FUNDING of Schools (7) Cap[limit] school budget

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: As a “LEADER” I will Work : (1) Re-Direct PGC from SERVICE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT to
AFFORDABLE HOUSING: As a “LEADER” I will Work: (1) Make ZONING LAWS that encourage REALITY DEVELOPERS to Build housing units that PROVIDE LIVING SPACE IN EACH SINGLE UNIT for [FAMILY and SENIOR FAMILY MEMBERS], these types of units allows more AFFORDABILITY, ECONOMIC STABILITY, and FAMILY STABILITY!

INFRASTRUCTURE: As a “LEADER” I will Work to: (1) Require WATA[METRO] to get control of its PENSION FUND, and OUT OF THE CONTROL OF CRIMINAL ELEMENTS!

That’s A BIG PART OF THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET PROBLEM! (2) Extend METRO RAIL to outer perimeters of 495 BELTWAY, SO WORKERS COULD PARK THEIR CARS AND TAKE METRO RAIL INTO WASHINGTON DC, FEDERAL DISTRICT!

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have over a decade of experience in political activism. I am currently involved with and a leader in several grassroots organizations such as Progressive MD, Progressive Action and BASFA. I have had the opportunity to draft policy, lobby policy makers and be the voice for my community. For four years, I have worked with HRAP a non-profit focused on breaking the school to prison pipeline.

BUDGET: The Public School Budget needs to be increased along with how much we allocate to social services. In particular, salaries for classroom teachers need to be increased in order to attract and retain teachers of excellence, as well as, reduce turnover. We need to cut spending at the top across the board to ensure more money is going towards direct services rather into inflated salaries.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: Adopting the new zoning ordinance would be an important start, although the rules governing public participation need to be strengthened. In addition, a clear process for appealing development and land use decisions to the County Council needs to be articulated that reduces the uncertainty that exists under the current call up procedures, while still incorporating the public interest.

EDUCATION: I will work to implement a Community School model in the Prince George’s Public School System and bring resources to bear to break the school to prison pipeline. In particular, I would work with non-profits, local small businesses and social service agencies to develop programs in conjunction with the school system to deal with the latter issue. I also believe we have to pay our teaches more.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: Work to grow small businesses with grant programs focused on providing the capitol they need to expand. The County also must assure that local businesses have the opportunity to win a majority of the contracts offered by the County to the private sector. Finally, the County must continue to coordinate with the U of MD to support and to invest in high tech startups and entrepreneurship.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Affordable housing incentives should be built into mixed-use and housing development site plans. I also support a task force that looks at how to create affordable housing that makes since for the needs of each demographic area. In addition, I think we have to expand our first time home owner programs, so we create generational wealth. Affordable units should also be a priority.

INFRASTRUCTURE: There is a need to develop a systematic and publicly reviewed infrastructure plan with clear benchmarks. In order to achieve such a plan and execute it, the County and its agencies will need to coordinate with WSSC, the Maryland Park and Planning Commission, WMATA, the State Highway Administration and other agencies to not only create a plan but to fund it and execute it.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As someone who grew up in the community, I know the people and the issues. I also understand the different nuances between communities in the District I have experienced first hand the food deserts and lack of youth engagement in District 7. My skills as a Data Scientist will help as we resolve these problems. I am well versed on making data driven decisions in order to improve effectiveness.

BUDGET: I believe there should be a line by line analysis conducted of the budget and any increases and decreases should not raise taxes.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: The zoning rewrite to address zoning concerns of both residents and businesses. I support more emphasis on infill development in order to revitalize distressed areas within the county. I support long term development plans which guide the Masterplans for the County.

EDUCATION: I support fully funding schools as well as implementing community schools in District 7. However, I there should be a financial audit of education funding prior to any local tax increases to fund education.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: I believe a needs assessment needs to be conducted with both residents and businesses so we can understand barriers to development and job creation; and we must go into communities and hear their concerns regarding taking advantage of local jobs. Whether it be job training, child care or transportation we must search for solutions to put people to work.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: I believe affordable housing is a huge issue in the county so I support fully funding first time homebuyer programs such as MYHOME. This will allow working class families the opportunity to purchase homes in neighborhoods where we have a lot of blight and vacant homes. I also support continued programs for seniors that allows them to age in place.

INFRASTRUCTURE: I support updating the county’s Master Plan Transportation via a current state and future state analysis. This will align it with current community populations and development plans.

Rodney Colvin Streeter
No response received by deadline.

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

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BUDGET: Increase: Domestic Violence; currently there are no safe houses or shelters in Prince Georges County for victims. Increase: Trash Service back to twice a week pick-up Increase: Resources for Mental Health Treatment Centers Increase: Money for School Safety: (Making sure there is School Resource Officer in every school) Increase: Public Safety: The police stations are under-staffed

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We must protect the environment and wildlife; thus looking at smart development. In addition Prince Georges County is last when it comes to replanting trees after construction.

EDUCATION: Step 1: An independent audit must take place to see how the resources are currently being spent and reallocate as many resources as possible from central office to the actual school budget’s. Step 2: Must change the structure from a appointed school board to an elected school for accountability measures. Step 3: There needs to be a change in Leadership(Superintendent who is transformational)

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: 1. Must create a world-class school system. Having high performing system schools creates the following: (1). Lower Crime Rates; (2). Higher housing values and (3). Job creation. This makes Prince Georges County an attractive place for people to raise their families just like Montgomery County. 2. Must monitor the Community Benefits Agreement that was established between the MGM and PG.County.

Development: Using mass production building for cheap housing 4). Inclusionary Zoning: Requires developers to sell or rent a portion typically 10-12 percent of the units they build below market price. 5). Reduce Infill Development Costs: Allow and support owners of existing urban properties to increase density.

INFRASTRUCTURE: Strategically we must look at the following(1). Ensuring stable and sufficient funding; (Dedicate user taxes via maintenance funds) (2). Building institutional and individual capabilities(apply data, benchmarks and tools) and Reforming governance(Foster cooperation between government agencies). for example; we must make sure the addition revenue from the MGM is used properly for upgrades of services.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am running for re-election to the Prince George’s County Council, to serve our citizens and, be their voice. I was elected to serve as a member of the Prince George’s County Council (2002-2010 – Term Limited). In 2014, I was elected as a member of the Maryland House of Delegates (2015-present). My previous experience has more then prepared me for the duties of this office.

BUDGET: I believe that it would be premature, at this time, to determine what programs within the county’s budget should be increased or decreased. Truly, education need to be address. Teachers pay is long overdue. Although the Council, has the authority to approve the school boards budget, it does not have the complete authority to make serious changes because of its limited budget authority.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: Members of the Prince George’s County Council need additional authority, by charter, to act on a constituents concerns, earlier in the planning phase of development. This authority would afford your council member, time for more public scrutiny, before a project begins.

EDUCATION: The most important step that I will take to improve support for the public schools would be, to vote for a fully elected school board. As your council member, I will work on policies that allow our schools to be conducive for our teachers to teach and, our students to learn.

EMPLOYMENT/JOBS: As a former of the Prince George’s County Council, I collaborated, with Prince George’s Community College, to create Team Builders Academy. This program, one of the best jobs programs in the County, offer hope and opportunity for those individuals, with an interest in construction. I realized early that government has a role to encourage economic development and job growth. TBA, does just that.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Increasing the availability of affordable housing for our residents will require greater cooperation with developers who do work in the County. As your Council Member, I will work with our state legislators to achieve this goal.

INFRASTRUCTURE: I will work with my federal partners on funding for lite rail across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge and better use of bus services to address traffic congestion along Rt. 210. As a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, I have supported legislation for the development of metro stations in Southern Prince George’s County. I support all efforts that provide a better quality of life for our citizens.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a United States Army Veteran, I have been groomed to strive for excellence and the best outcomes in all situations. And as a mother, a grandmother and a citizen of this county I am committed to improving our quality of life. When it comes to negotiations, I am skilled with processes and methods that lead to balanced resolutions by thorough analyses of all sides of an issue.

BUDGET: I would support a budget degreasers in unnecessary spending and waist of under used programming and waist caused by overlapping staff in executive management. I would increase budget appropriations in education, fire and rescue, and infrastructure.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: The changes that I would make in concert with my co-council members would be road...
impact. An egress and ingress pad at the entrance of a new project is not enough to manage the traffic loads increases at major intersections and on the capital beltway that come from new projects.

**EDUCATION:** I would increase investment in educational programs aimed at improving coping skills, interpersonal skill development, de-escalation, introduction to entrepreneurship, ethnic diversity inclusion, neighborhood after school care tutorial facilities, safety drills for modern day threats. I would also ensure that our teachers receive a competitive salary.

**EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS:** Investing job growth through training with a concentrating on non-traditional fields that include; construction trades, computer programing (writing code), and STEM would help workers with competitive in-demand skills necessary to succeed. We should support of small and emerging market businesses will spur sustained economic development that will strengthen our local economy.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** I would spearhead efforts to bring salaries in-line with the cost of living where possible, while working with developers and lenders to reduce housing costs in Prince George’s County. The combined approach would bring the cost of living and shelter cost into balance.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** We should develop investment into our roads. Also, I would incentives employers to offer telecommuting to reduce the number of vehicles on the road during rush-hours. I would also spearhead legislation to improve the quality of our facilities, roads, bridges and intersections.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** With over ten years in law enforcement and as a union I have a good understanding of how the government works. Add my educational background in business management with my under studies in human behavior, which also aids in my ability to relate, communicate, and generate the much needed resources that our community lacks. The vision I have for our community is far different then the ways of old.

**BUDGET:** Our county can not afford to have anymore budget cuts; unless it’s pertaining to the budgets of the county council income. We have to come up with new ways to generate revenue. Like adding solar panels to all of municipalities buildings, traffic and street lights, as well as schools to lower the county power cost to the electrical company’s and put revenue back into our community.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** The county’s land use and development policies are out dated and needs to be modernized. The county whole infrastructure is behind. Just look at our bid to bring the Amazon headquarters to our county, we were immediately taken out of consideration because we lack innovation. Now I’m not one to say approve every permit or proposal, because we need to keep our environment in mind too.

**EDUCATION:** I have plenty of ideas on this topic. First we need to ramp up fund raising; again their system is out dated. Every issue the school faces is do to lack of funding and community participation. We have to start using new methods to generate revenue like allowing vendors to host farmers markets or swap meets at the schools on the weekend. Allow outside sport’s teams to use school grounds. Endless op

**EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS:** Instead of just seeking out large corporations to come to our community, we need to support and encourage people to start more small businesses. The small business is the backbone of our economy. Every time the economy goes bad, large companies start cutting cost by cutting jobs, but small are more resilient depending on the field they’re catering too.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Being a realtor I know this problem all too well. We have affordable housing in the area, it’s just too many restrictions that are placed on them because of the unrealistic rules of condos and home owner associations. Also first time home buying programs have too many guidelines which makes people become discouraged and eventually give up. We have to modernize and simplify the process.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Living off Indian Head Hwy I have plenty to say about traffic. I’ve contacted various government organizations regarding how we improve our traffic conditions with the simplest steps of calibrating the traffic lights. When one light turns green the following light that you’re approaching turns red creating a pattern of speeding drivers that’s trying to make it through to the next light. Simple.

**COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES**

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

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**COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As a retired Deputy Police Chief and current Assistant Sheriff in Prince George's County, I am accustomed to collaborating with the community to ensure their needs are addressed. I am a licensed attorney, and devoted a significant portion of my practice to providing legal assistance to those with limited financial resources so I understand the struggles of families and single parents.

**BUDGET:** Social service programs must be expanded to address the behavior health needs in the community before the turn into criminal events. Of particular need are mobile crisis teams to respond and assist persons having a mental health crisis. Teachers need support staff to assist them with issues outside of the normal teaching curriculum, such as counseling services and technical/computer assistance.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** Better communication must be established between the County and the residents that are impacted by land use proposals. This means establishing plain-language communications via e-mails, automated calls, mailings and even variable message boards if necessary. Smart growth is necessary, but without effective communication with the community there will continue to be a perception of unfairness.

**EDUCATION:** I would collaborate with school administrators, teachers, parents, support staff and students to identify the things that work well so that they can be expanded and shared with the community. For our shortcomings, I’d work with the stakeholders to get an understanding of why there is a problem - real or perceived - so that solutions can be identified.

**EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS:** Businesses and families want to locate into an area that has a good school system, so the first step is to establish a strategic plan to improve the quality and perception of the school system. In that plan, we must ensure that a curriculum is established that ensures that our youth are educated in the skills needed to work in our modern economy.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** One of the best ways to ensure that there is affordable housing is to improve the financial capabilities of our residents so that more residents are earning more than the minimum wage. Housing vouchers/subsidies
should be explored if they are tied to programs that improve the work skills of the participants. Where affordable housing exists, establish programs to assist those landlords thrive.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** I would first work with the stakeholders to prioritize needs and work to establish a long-term strategic plan to address our infrastructure needs. Where State roadways are involved, I would collaborate with State officials to devise necessary traffic engineering changes and upgrades that address commuter needs. Public transportation options must be pursued to have fewer cars on the roadway.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have worked tirelessly for and with the community on a number of issues affecting residents of District 9, but most notably zoning matters. I am a member of the Zoning Rewrite Task Force and helped to write the Subregion 5 Master Plan. I am the only candidate versed in zoning and planning matters that has delivered proven results for better planning and improved infrastructure.

**BUDGET:** I will examine the budget closely for areas that need adjustments. What concerns me the most is the amount of funds toward education. I would like to do a line item audit of the education budget to eliminate waste, no-bid contracts and the like. I would like to increase funding for affordable housing to stabilize our housing market, and for our local and small businesses and non-profits.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** We need to adhere to and enforce our current and future land use policies, and stop giving developers waivers from improving our infrastructure before building new developments. We must also eliminate grandfathering provisions that allow developers to receive zoning approval but choose to wait years before construction. They must reapply and update the Adequate Public Facilities standards.

**EDUCATION:** I would like to see a return to an Elected Board of Education. I would like to give principals and teachers greater autonomy in developing curriculum based on needs of the students, not what a test will cover. Finally, I want to ensure that signature programs are at each neighborhood schools, not the students, not what a test will cover. Finally, I want to increase the number of mentoring and on-the-job training opportunities available for residents entering the workforce.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** It is vital that we do more for county residents. We need to work with developers to ensure that units are set aside specifically for affordable housing. We should create partnerships with non-profits to provide assistance to residents for rental assistance. We should explore helping non-profits in purchasing moderately priced units & then leasing the apartments to residents at affordable prices.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As an educated military veteran, my passion for serving others began during my childhood & continues. My experience prepared me in 3 areas: Service, leadership, and Commitment: Service to the community. Leadership that can be trusted. Commitment to follow through. I would govern in a way that will give our youth hope and our seniors’ pride.

**BUDGET:** The programs that I believe should be increased are Education Funding, Health Care, Public Safety As far as programs to be decreased, we should end no bid contracting and be more transparent so money is actually getting where it supposed to be. Once we get a handle on these items I believe a decreased won’t be necessary because we would have eliminated hidden figures & waste in our budget.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** We need smart development & that is more likely to happen if the approval process for projects is more straightforward. I support simply zoning codes. I believe this will help create the economic development we need to create good jobs here in our county. We need to ensure that neighborhoods have a say in the development process, while not making the process so difficult that it drives jobs away.

**EDUCATION:** Education should be the #1 focus in our county and even our nation. We need to ensure casino revenue is actually used to fund our schools & not to fill gaps in the County budget. That money in the school budget is going to the classroom & not being wasted by the Board of Education (BOE)/Administration. Also to seek additional revenue by creating public-private partnerships.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** County government should increase the number of opportunities available for small businesses and entrepreneurs, invest in new road projects, and synchronize traffic lights to ease crowding on main commuter lanes. They also should partner with local businesses and unions to increase the number of mentoring and on-the-job training opportunities available to residents entering the workforce.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** It is vital that we do more for county residents. We need to work with developers to ensure that units are set aside specifically for affordable housing. We should create partnerships with non-profits to provide assistance to residents for rental assistance. We should explore helping non-profits in purchasing moderately priced units & then leasing the apartments to residents at affordable prices.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** We need to secure more state investment in public transportation to get more people out of their cars. We should offer incentives for telecommuting as well. We should invest in new road projects, and synchronize traffic lights to ease crowding on main commuter lanes.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Being a life-long resident of Prince George’s, educated in the public-school system, raised a son (as a single-parent), owned a small business, and elected Clerk of the Circuit Court has well prepared me and helped make me aware of the unique needs of our community. As the Clerk of the Court, I oversee the collection of $58, 000,000 in annual revenue and manage 208 caring, committed employees.

**BUDGET:** After closely reviewing the County's needs and identifying new funding sources, I will look to increase the budget for public schools, public safety, domestic violence

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bushels and prevention, anti-bullying programs, and small business expansion. I will look to decrease the budget of programs or initiatives which is not performing well or is not using their funding to help move the county forward.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** I will promote supportive legislation and lobby for additional smart growth initiatives. By focusing growth around our transportation hubs (Metro stations), the County will in-turn experience sharp decreases in fuel consumption, greenhouse gases, and traffic congestion. Our smart growth will include residential, commercial, and business mix-use projects, which will promote better, smarter land use.

**EDUCATION:** I will work to ensure the “Lock-Box” for education funding, which is currently being considered by the State’s General Assembly, be enacted to mandate tax revenue generated from the casinos will be exclusively earmarked for local school funding. Work with the School Board to identify additional funding sources through school-business partnerships and streamline spending initiatives to reduce waste.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** By recruiting and encouraging business, and Federal government growth, the County will experience job and career opportunity expansion, as well as economic growth. We must also expand our vocational training, at the high school level, in order to increase our career-ready workforce, which will encourage companies to locate in the County. We must also fund tuition-free community college.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** I will work to increase affordable housing by ensuring protection of fair and lending housing practices, provide tax credit breaks for police, fire, and teachers to live in the County, reduce property tax burden, establish minimum affordable housing in new construction projects, portion of rent apply to purchase program, commit underused land for affordable housing, & first-time buyer incentives.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** I will support legislation and lobby for additional smart growth initiatives. By focusing growth around our transportation hubs (Metro stations), the County will in-turn experience sharp decreases in fuel consumption, greenhouse gases, and traffic congestion. I will also support the light rail project, carpooling incentives, and additional state funding for road expansion and improvements.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** After serving in the US Marine Corps, I relocated to this county in 1997. As a Community Manager for the 20 years here in Prince Georges County, I have dealt with the same issues that a councilmember would have to address. These issues are: balancing a multi-million dollar budget, local developers, environmental issues, crime, affordable housing, employment and working with the local schools.

**BUDGET:** Education is the foundation of all other organizations. My Livable Communities Agenda outlines the plan for county resident incentives, facility funding increases, teacher salary increases and the need for an outside agency to address teacher allegations. Public Safety is another area to include the proposal of police, fire and EMT pay increases, county resident incentives and a staff increase.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** One of the changes that are needed in the county’s land use policies includes the improper use of text amendments. It is important that all amendments are published and their impact to the proposed legislation is communicated to the community via electronic and social media. This will ensure proper public notification and review.

**EDUCATION:** The unmet financial needs facing our schools needs to be addressed by better distributing the budget. It would be advantageous to seek grants and other means to offset costs associated with instructing students. I would advocate for an increase in the county’s sales tax to support our public schools. I support Community Schools proposals and the idea of the Restorative Practices Initiative.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** County government can encourage economic development and job growth by addressing both small business and corporations. Small businesses should be provided incentives. The red tape process to receive permits needs to be alleviated. County contracts should be reserved for small businesses. Our infrastructure needs to be upgraded and the county needs to be marketed as an attraction for corporations.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Rental Assistance Programs- Low Income Housing Tax Credit and housing vouchers. This incentivizes the production and maintenance of affordable rental housing stock. The Homeownership Assistance Programs- Expand access to homeownership by providing low-interest loans, homeownership counseling, and down payment assistance. Land Use & Regulatory Initiatives- Give private developers some guidance.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Some of the proposals to address these issues include repairing existing roads and building new ones. Another suggestion would be to increase the bus services that exist and to develop a light rail system that travels to southern Prince Georges County.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have over 15 years of experience working in various levels of Social Services in PG County and DC. I have been a single father and have experienced from the ground up what our families go through and need to have a chance of achieving success. I have been educated in our schools as well as been a teacher. I continue to volunteer assisting the elderly, victims of domestic violence, and the Youth.

**BUDGET:** I believe appropriate funds should be mandated to providing career training to our residents. We do not have enough available training for age of majority, those seeking to re-enter the workforce (divorced/homeless), and returning citizens. There also needs to be more funding directed to assisting the elderly. Our County should provide more safe houses/shelters for victims of domestic abuse.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** We should be more mindful of the ongoing deforestation of our County. I feel we are building ourselves out of our own natural resources. I feel there should be more collaboration with other Counties regarding traffic congestion solutions and environmental injustices including pollution, waste management, and power plants. I am in favor of utilizing and upgrading current infrastructure first.

**EDUCATION:** As a father whose son was in a custodians closet during the recent shooting in Douglas High School in FL, I am a heavy proponent for school safety and taking a proactive approach to our children’s safety. I feel all schools should have the STEM program. Quality education should be the norm, not an option. I believe in basic mental health assessment training for teachers.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** We need to look to invest more in the intellectual capital of our County. I am an advocate for career training of our residents and for job development in our County so that our residents EARN and SPEND their money in the County. More training brings more qualified applicants which will bring more businesses to the County.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** I would look to increase the availability of accessory dwelling units which would allow...
unused spaces to be restructured & occupied. I would look to build community support of policies that facilitate the preservation and expansion of affordable housing. I would also look to encourage development of a Community Loan Trust home ownership programs.

INFRASTRUCTURE: I would look to expand the hours of The Bus to accommodate those that work non-traditional hours and need to commute to the Metro. I would provide incentives for those that participate in carpool/ride share programs. I would enact more commuter bus stops in the County for those traveling into the City. I would establish service districts that are sustainable for development and growth

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JUDICIAL OFFICES
Prince George’s Circuit Court Judge

DUTIES: Judges preside in the Circuit Court, which is a trial court that hears major civil cases and more serious criminal cases, such as those requiring a jury trial. Circuit Courts also may decide appeals from the District Court and certain administrative agencies.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Qualification: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for the duties of this office?
2. Priorities: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?
3. Prosecutorial Discretion: What can the State’s Attorney do to ensure fair implementation of prosecutorial discretion that is not race, economic, or gender based?

PRINCIPLES:
A. Fairness: Courts need to focus on our core mission—protecting rights and resolving disputes. Increasingly people come to court (often without lawyers) expecting judges to solve all of their problems. While we want to help people, courts must refrain from wading into areas in which we have no expertise or authority.

B. Efficiency: Courts must provide a fair forum to pursue discrimination claims and, when the claims are proven, should award appropriate compensation and injunctive relief. Courts also must treat all parties with dignity and respect. I strive to do so as a judge, and the Women’s Bar Association of Maryland recently recognized my “commitment to diversity and to the advancement of women and minorities.”

C. Accessibility: Courts need to focus on our core mission—protecting rights and resolving disputes. Increasingly people come to court (often without lawyers) expecting judges to solve all of their problems. While we want to help people, courts must refrain from wading into areas in which we have no expertise or authority.

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COUNTY OFFICES
Prince George’s County State’s Attorney

DUTIES: Serves as chief prosecutor of anyone charged with committing a crime in Prince George’s County; the State’s Attorney office also investigates charges of police and public official misconduct and misuse of funds.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Qualifications: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?
2. Priorities: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?
3. Prosecutorial Discretion: What can the State’s Attorney do to ensure fair implementation of prosecutorial discretion that is not race, economic, or gender based?

COUNTY STATE’S ATTORNEY REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
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1. Qualifications: I am a successful trial lawyer with over 21 years of federal and state trial and appellate court in
government and private practice and managed lawyers and non-lawyers in various legal contexts. As Executive Director of the Human Relations Commission, I oversee all aspects of prosecution of discrimination complaints. My legal and non-legal experience makes me best suited to oversee prosecutions.

2. PRIORITIES: Aggressively prosecute cases involving child sexual exploitation, human trafficking and abuse of seniors. I will break up gangs and crime networks. Use faith groups and Dept of Corrections to expand diversion programs. Change the pretrial release system to better protect the County and save money. I will utilize relationships and my knowledge of government to drive change.

3. PROSECUTORIAL DISCRETION: 1) Hire and promote a diverse work force, train all staff and legal and non-legal to understand and check their own implicit biases, and review cases at my level to ensure fairness and to establish an audit system that reviews cases periodically for fairness and prosecutions based on evidence. Set a tone that prosecutorial discretion that is race or gender or economic based will not be tolerated.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: Victor is uniquely qualified to be the next Prince George's County State's Attorney due to his more than 16 years of experience as a Civil Rights and Criminal Trial Attorney as well as over a decade of public service in the State Legislature serving on the Judiciary Committee. As a Civil and Criminal trial attorney Victor Ramirez has handled over a thousand cases in his career.

2. PRIORITIES: As State's Attorney for Prince George's County, Victor Ramirez wants to focus on Smart Solutions for Non-Violent Offenders. Solutions that include providing non-violent offenders with rehabilitation, treatment, counseling, job-training, and diversion programs. Victor will focus on violent crime. He will put more resources to end gun and domestic violence in the county, and protect the environment.

3. PROSECUTORIAL DISCRETION: The State's Attorney's Office has the final discretion on how a case will proceed. As State's Attorney, Victor will ensure there is equal justice for all regardless of their race, religion, or ethnicity. In a time when our nation has divided by the Trump Administration, Victor will guarantee that all cases are tried on merit, not by fear or prejudice.

Prince George's County Clerk of the Circuit Court

DUTIES: Oversees the office that performs many administrative duties for the Circuit Court including the maintenance of court records. Other duties include recording of deeds and collecting taxes and fees based on property transactions, issuing licenses for fishing, hunting, sales of liquor and marriage. They also perform civil wedding ceremonies and process passport applications.

SALARY: $114,500
TERM: 4 years; no term limits
HOW ELECTED: county wide

Questions
1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?
2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?
2. PRIORITIES: I am the candidate dedicated to building Awareness, Respectfulness and Compassion, an "ARC" within the Clerk's Office of the Prince George's County Circuit Court.

Denise Roberts
No response received by deadline.

Prince George's County Register of Wills

DUTIES: Assists and advises the general public with administrative processes and the preparation of forms concerning estates of deceased persons. The Register collects Maryland inheritance tax on estates and probate fees; maintains all records of wills and estates of deceased persons; acts as clerk to the Orphans Court; and safeguards wills of living persons, and guards property of minors.

SALARY: $114,500
TERM: 4 years; no term limits
HOW ELECTED: countywide

Questions
QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?:

2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?:

REGISTER OF WILLS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

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DISCRIMINATION: The Orphans' Court, which oversees the administration of decedents' estates, does not discriminate based on any factor.

COURT NEEDS: The Orphans' Court for Prince George's County functions very well with seasoned judges and excellent staff. I cannot say that there is any specific need that requires attention at this time.

Prince George's County Judge of the Orphans' Court

DUTIES: Established by the Constitution of the State of Maryland, hears all matters involving contested estates, and supervises all judicially probated estates. Has concurrent jurisdiction with Circuit Court in guardianship of minors and their property. Resolves matters of validity of wills and transfer of property.

TERM: 4 years
HOW ELECTED: countywide

Questions
QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?

DISCRIMINATION: How can the courts address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

COURT NEEDS: What are the greatest needs of the Orphans' Court and how can these be addressed?

JUDGE OF THE ORPHAN'S COURT REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

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JUDGE OF THE ORPHAN'S COURT DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had the honor and privilege of serving as a Judge of the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County since 2001; and Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court since 2003. My experience on the bench during this time and my years of experience as a trial attorney since 1990 have prepared me for the duties of this office.

DISCRIMINATION: Continuing education for Judges is the best way to address these issues Judges encounter every day. Judges need to remain vigilant in their courts to prevent interested parties, family members, the bar, courthouse personnel, staff, and the general public from encountering discrimination in any form.

COURT NEEDS: Resources to achieve uniformity in every county in the state is the greatest need of the Judges of the Orphans' Court. Each jurisdiction should allocate more financial and personnel resources to the Judges of the Orphans' Court in every county in order to achieve this goal.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had the privilege of serving as an Orphans' Court Judge since 2006. I received my Juris Doctorate degree in 1995 from the University of Baltimore, and have over 23 years of progressive legal experience with a concentration in estate administration and real estate law.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination of any kind has no place in a system created to enforce laws fairly. An unbiased court is critical to protecting individual rights under the law. Accessibility
to the courts is vital to protect rights. Courts have a duty to ensure access to justice by reasonably accommodating special needs regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, economic, or disability status.

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**DUTIES:** The sheriff carries out court orders, delivers summonses, deals with protective orders and other injunctions, and executes bench warrants.

**SALARY:** $154,333

**TERM:** 4 years; no term limits

**HOW ELECTED:** Countywide

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Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

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**COUNTY SHERIFF DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES**

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I'm a very proud United States Marine Corps Vet. I've also served 25-years with the Department of Justice U.S. Marshal Service retiring in 2013 as a Supervisory Deputy U.S. Marshal. I currently work for Quality Investigations Inc. as a Project Manager, managing a 75 million contract, responsible for the Physical Security at the Department of Transportation and FAA HQ with over 150 Armed Officers

2. PRIORITIES: Current Deputy Sheriff confirmed that there is widespread corruption within the Sheriff Department. There have been a number of unpublicized "Unarmed" shootings and killings by Deputy Sheriff in PG County. 1 of my priorities is to bring transparency to the dept to help regain the trust of the community. I would 1st acknowledge that we have a major problem and immediately begin corrective actions

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4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Sheriff has the broadest law enforcement authority in the State. The Sheriffs Department have specific roles and responsibilities which include but not limited to: Protection of the State Courts, Service of Process which includes but limited to evictions, Warrant/Fugitive Operations, execute any State Court orders and transportation of inmates to and from Court.

5. SERVICE TO CITIZENS: Immediately reviewing the training module and qualifications to become a Deputy Sheriff. It is a disservice to our community when we have so many reckless incidences with the Sheriff Department that are not exposed to the public. I would require that ALL Deputy Sheriff receive their training from an accredited Law Enforcement academy in PG County or have graduated from a Certified Police academy.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: Of all the candidates, I’m the only one that has served as CEO of a major law enforcement agency, developing strategic direction for the agency, negotiating & managing a multi-million dollar budget, maintaining mutually beneficial relations with federal, state and local law enforcement, and establishing best-practice policies that demonstrate transparency & accountability in serving citizens

2. PRIORITIES: As the law enforcement arm of the courts, courthouse facility security is the essential top priority for the safety of all who enter. Our service of warrants and all court-issued documents, is central to assuring that the court’s instructions are carried out. Strengthening resources against domestic violence, investing in young people and hiring the right people with the best judgement.

3. NEGATIVE IMAGE: Our commitment to inclusivity, equity and fairness is visible within the agency’s demographics and in assignments. The trust we are given is with the expectation that
we will serve equitably and constitutionally. Our training reflects best practice policies so that our members instinctively demonstrate a commitment to equity and fairness.

4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Sheriff is a constitutional officer responsible for court security, transportation of detainees for court proceedings, the service of all manner of court issued documents, including arrest warrants and peace and protective orders. The Sheriff is the first responder for domestic violence 911 calls in police district III. We mentor young people in county middle schools.

5. SERVICE TO CITIZENS: Our communications are robust, designed to work with and keep citizens informed and engaged about personal & community safety, our work, people, and activities in county communities. We launched a countywide domestic violence awareness campaign to show it as a community concern. We are actively engaged with seniors about safety and with young people about safety, healthy choices, & their futures.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am a retired Senior Executive with the U.S. Marshals Service, retired Army Military Police Lieutenant Colonel, an Author, I have a Master’s Degree in Human Resources Management, a graduate of the FBI National Executive Institute Class #34, and serve on the Board of the Directors for People For Change Coalition. I have served as an Expert Law Enforcement Analyst with CNN, FOX News and Al-Jazeera.

2. PRIORITIES: Reduce the near 40,000 criminal warrants, by prioritizing the warrants creating a task force collaborating and partnering with other law enforcement entities. I will collaborate with the County PD to mitigate Domestic Violence and, focus school safety and security as I have an extensive security background. I will work with county officials to grow the Sheriff’s office. Hold Town Hall Forums.

3. NEGATIVE IMAGE: As the incoming Sheriff with 31 years of outstanding law enforcement experience, I will continue to lead by example and speak out addressing negative issues regarding race with a focus on community policing. As a 27 year veteran of the U.S. Marshals Service, and a LifeTime Member of the National Order of Black Law Enforcement Executives, I have always been vocal addressing these important issues.

4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The roles and responsibilities of the Sheriff’s office first and foremost is public safety in the community, 2 courthouses and assist with school security. The Sheriff’s office must execute court orders and bench warrants from the county courts, which unfortunately include evictions from foreclosures. The Sheriff has a critical responsibility to address and mitigate Domestic Violence.

5. SERVICE TO CITIZENS: I will continue to hold important Town Hall Forums on critical Public Safety issues affecting our community to in an effort to confront and mitigate crime. I will also provide educational and situational awareness safety information to the community especially focusing on school safety and security, and senior safety. Lastly, I will personally visits schools as a part of my agenda each week.

Percy Reeder Sr.
No response received by deadline.

Kendal Wade

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NONPARTISAN OFFICES
Prince George's County Board of Education Candidates

DUTIES: The BOE shares its responsibilities with the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to establish and oversee educational policies; to make decisions on educational, facility, and financial matters; and to appraise the educational and administrative management of the public school system. The CEO implements public school policies and programs. The BOE may not contradict management and oversight of fiscal affairs except by a 2/3 vote of the BOE. The purpose of the Board is two-fold: to raise the academic achievement of students and the level of engagement of parents, students, and community. The BOE consists of 9 elected members, 3 members appointed by the County Executive, 1 member by the County Council, and 1 student member.

SALARY: $18,000 + $7,000 reimbursement
TERM: 4 years; no term limits
HOW ELECTED: By popular vote within one of nine districts. Districts 1, 4, 5, 7, and 8 are elected during Presidential elections; Districts 2, 3, 6, and 9, during Gubernatorial elections. BOE races are non-partisan and all registered voters may vote in both Primary and General elections. The top two vote getters in each race advance to the General election; uncontested races (only one or two candidates) do not appear on the primary election ballot.

Questions
1. QUALIFICATIONS: What makes you qualified (in education, community involvement, budget matters, etc.) to serve on the Board of Education?
2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: PGCPs high school students were asked for suggestions for the questions for the School Board candidates. Their responses (based on their experiences) indicated a concern for a number of perceived disparities in the delivery of services, programs, use of ineffective teachers, and adequate facilities within the system. How would you address these disparities so that students and parents do not feel they are receiving an unequal education?
3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Given that the stated purpose of the Board of Education is to raise the academic achievement of students, where would you begin in your efforts to improve the academic performance in all PGCPs schools, in order to reduce the drop out rate, and raise PGCPs from near the bottom of all public schools in Maryland?
4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: How can the Board of Education foster better collaboration among parents, school staff and the community?
5. BUDGET FACTORS: Prioritize the factors you will weigh when making budget decisions.
6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: Which programs that PGCPs put in place have addressed the achievement gap of our minority students? Have they been effective? Why or why not?
7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: What successful practices in other Maryland school systems and/or in other states should be put in place PGCPs Schools?

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 2 CANDIDATES
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1. QUALIFICATIONS: The schools in District 2 (College Park, New Carrollton, Greenbelt) area are the schools that I attended while matriculating k-12th grade 1987-1999. I also worked for the PGCPs in the media office at the Bonnie Johns Education Media Center. Now I work with Progressive Maryland as a lead on Education issues. I've seen the County Education system from the inside as a student and as an employee, and the outside as a resident, and as an activist.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: First thing is identifying where there are disparities. Sometimes differences can be perception more than reality. Once disparities of facilities and or quality of instruction have been identified. I'd like to put a plan in place to remedy the issues ailing schools that aren't performing up to standard. Whether that's a plan to have facilities upgraded or to recruit high quality instructors, to replace ineffective staff or administrators.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I'd like to institute summer programs designed at helping to erase the gap between students of color & white students. HighSchool teachers have noted that many of their students come to the 9th grade with wide disparities in what they know vs what they should be proficient in. I'd like to explore what's happening K-8 and see why there's such a gulf at Grade 8 going into grade 9. Students that are being engaged and are being challenged daily don't drop out.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: I believe that School Board Members should engage PTA's as well as have community forums on their own to update parents and PGCPs stakeholders on what is going on at the School board level. Every active parent should know who their Schoolboard member is.

5. BUDGET FACTORS: The way that I would prioritize would be from the classroom up. I would fund educators and administrators compensation first, and then fund basic resources for our staff (school supplies, computers, tablets etc). The next priority would be maintaining and updating our facilities. No PGCPs student should behave class in buildings without clean water, no heat, or no AC.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: I believe there are some great "special programs" in PGCPs. Science and Tech, Arts schools, Montessori programs, French and Spanish Immersion as well Career Technical Education programs. But I don't believe there are great programs for comprehensive students to make strides in the achievement gap. I'd like to see focus turn to skill building and not so much on testing and graduation rates.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: There are successful versions of Community schools in Baltimore City, I'd like to see that mimicked once the Prince George's version is rolled out. But for the most part I believe we have a unique student body in Prince George's and what works for other counties may not necessarily work here. I would look for school systems with similar student bodies and about the level of resources before...
issues that have already raised the bar for teacher quality in PGCPS. As a parent with a MBA at American University.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: I will focus attention on school enrichment programs and school options such as career and technical programs. I will continue my advocacy for arts and language program funding.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: PGCPS continues to be a leader in English Language Teaching setting our immigrant students up for success in their classrooms. District 3 and many PGCPS families have benefited from TNI@Schools, International Schools and the Saturday School at High Point. All will be more effective when the Board of Education adopts the Community Schools Policy that will bring more government and nonprofit social services to our schools.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: The Board of Education will soon vote on the Community Schools Policy that provides high-quality learning, integrated social supports, and family/community engagement in order to improve educational outcomes and the well-being of PGCPS students. This model is utilized in many school districts throughout the country with great success. Community Schools create positive conditions for learning in partnership with families, government, businesses, as well as nonprofit and faith-based organizations.

A 1. QUALIFICATIONS: I have dedicated my skills in nonprofit management and fundraising to PGCP and economic development in Prince George's County as a volunteer leader. I am the Past-President of the Gateway CDC Board of Directors where I collaborated with County and State elected officials. I am the Treasurer of the Mount Rainier Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) and have analyzed and responded to the PGCP budget for many years. I earned my MBA at American University.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: District 3 is feeling the strain of overcrowded and old buildings, many built in the 1950s. These schools do not provide the healthy and safe environment students and teachers deserve. Funding teacher professional development and fair pay is critical to raising the bar for teacher quality in PGCP. As a parent with a student currently in PGCP, I know what students and parents are experiencing. I will organize school families to advocate for 21st Century Schools and the Saturday School at High Point. All will be more

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Irene Holtzman
No response received by deadline.
dollars we spend. I want to ensure that the programs I’m advocating for meet the priorities of the community. I’d do this by engaging and listening to the community about what is and isn’t working on the ground. Dollars spent should meet needs and work to duplicate programs that are effective.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: The two existing programs that come to mind are the dual enrollment program and the International HS. Both are relatively new but both are a good step in the right direction to ensuring that all students have solid footing for success beyond high school. I would like to see both programs continue and grow. I believe that our schools must serve all students and I applaud the efforts to be creative in ensuring this is realized.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: I believe that setting a solid foundation for language and academics is crucial toward closing the achievement gaps. Let’s utilize more small group instruction for all students based on their academic level as well as whole group instruction on grade level. This initiative has gone a long way in growing the child’s academic content knowledge. I’d also like to look at how we scaffold the academic supports that we put in place for younger English Language Learners.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: My experience as councilmember in my community, equipped me the knowledge/experience dealing with budgets. Years of PTA development/training provided me advocacy and leadership skills. As a Parent Liaison for PGCPSS, prepared me to assist parents and community on navigating our system. Board professional training/workforce development has been an asset on this board. My employment with one of the largest labor union, equipped me with understanding of negotiations/collective bargaining.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: Increase enrollment in our Career and Technical Education programs that equip students with certifications and/or skills to use after graduation. Continue providing community workshops and encourage key partnerships. Continue work with the College and Career Readiness Summit, where we bring colleges, universities, careers, and agencies to provide resources for families. Encourage apprenticeship opportunities for students. Advocate for funding to renovate schools. Expand professional development.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I would continue to advocate for Community Schools to advance student achievement and provide wrap around services, after school providers, restorative practices, health and dental services, and parental supports. It is incumbent on the school system to help fill the gaps of our students so that students have a fair shot at achieving.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: Bring awareness of great staff, programs, and successes of students. Coordinated for the board, a College and Career Readiness Summit, we offer middle and high school students and families resources to assist with decision-making around college and career opportunities. Seek businesses, parent organizations, and community to provide parent workshops. Support funding for Family and Community Engagement office, Family Institute, Ombudsmen Office, and PEAs to support families and community.

5. BUDGET FACTORS: Continue to show significant investments in Prince George’s County Public Schools are of utmost importance. Our positive fund balance shows the advances being made by the school system. The FY19 budget proposed is $2.106 billion. Worked with my colleagues to create a strategic plan that shows where we will invest resources to support our students, teacher recruitment, facilities, and academics.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: The following programs have been very effective: Academy of Health Sciences and Teacher’s Academy at PGCC where our students graduate with a High School Diploma and an Associates Degree. Dual Enrollment classes with our partnering colleges and universities. Career and Technical Education programs, like our IT programs, Fire and EMS Cadet Programs, Nursing Assistant training, and numerous other educational programs that will equip our students to be college and career ready after graduation.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: I would like to see a full function CTE school, that would be dedicated to technical career opportunities for students who would like to learn skills that they could use after graduation. Also, I like a new funding source similar to that used in other counties that would lower cost for building new schools in our system. Our system has an ageing infrastructure and the cost to replace or renovate our facilities is extremely very costly.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: Past BOE (2006-2010). Convinced BOE to fund all schools, placing additional resources and funds where the greatest need existed; presently Pres. Bd. of Dir. Village Green Mutual Homes, Inc - oversight of 1.5 million dollar budget; past Pres. KCPB&G Club; past Pres. PGCDCC; past PTA Pres. Forestville Military Academy & G.James Gholson MS; Past Staff Rep. AFSCME Council 67; Retired-DC Gov’t (Community Mental Health Worker and Forensic Psych. Tech); Presently Student-PGCC AA program Culinary Arts.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: All parents send their children to school with the understanding that they will receive and are equipped with the tools to succeed. That expectation must be honored by the school system. Parents must be educated on the curriculum that is mandated and educated on what it is and what to do if it is not. I will work with the school staff, PTAs and student organizations to ensure that education process takes place. Zip codes should not be a factor and disparities should not exist, but it does.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Educators via report cards let you know if a student is performing on grade level. State mandates that you can not retain elementary students (a set up for failure for minority students). Student is promoted not performing on grade level. This goes on and on. By 6th grade student compensates and acts out because he is so far behind his/her peers. By 8th grade they are suspended. By 10th or 11th grade they drop out or encouraged to do so because they are 16. I will work to change the policy.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: Headstart has a very effective blueprint for parent, student and community engagement and collaboration. Data has shown that the students who have attended Headstart are successful in K-12. The problem is that once the student reaches 3rd grade the student levels off. This is possibly due to the fact that parents are not welcome in the classrooms nor are they educated on the curriculum that is being taught. Headstart mandates parents are educated and very involved. Use blueprint for K-12.

5. BUDGET FACTORS: I have and will base my budget decisions on how it will directly impact the success of the student in the classroom. Additional teachers, food service,
school construction, instructional resources, art programs, physical education, support services for students and educators, buses with heat/air conditioning, special needs programs, nurses etc. All have impact on learning.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: See response #3. Until such time that we change the practice of not retaining elementary students who are not reading or performing math on grade level, our kids will continue to maintain an achievement gap. PGCPS lost Headstart which capture many of our minority students. They entered kindergarten or 1st grade on a level playing field. Headstart is gone. Data shows that students in poverty begin school with far less vocabulary than those not in poverty. Retention policy needs changing.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: I would like to see project base learning. Year round schools. Additional career goal courses for those students not planning to go to college beginning in the 9th grade and not the 11th. All students learning a foreign language. Instead of pulling English language learners out of the classroom to teach them English, the instructor comes in the classroom and all students participate. Children can pick up a foreign language in three months. More arts, physical education, special needs programs.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am a Graduate, mother of 11 Graduates,3 still attending and 11 grandchildren all of PGCPs. I have served on various Schools PTA, PTSA and PTO positions for over 30 years even as a past officer of the PGC Council of PTA's. My work experience has been in communication and my Degree in Accounting. I've volunteer, been elected and appointed to serve on many community boards. I have substitute as a teacher and am a retired union steward. My passion is for the Growth of our Children.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: I find this to be an major concern and issue for many including me. We have to Advocate, Educate and do more Research on Education disparities. The research can help address the overlapping, bias treatment and different responses. Educating the public and policymakers on the consequences of having increased ethnic and racial segregation to the educational experiences of ethnic and racial minority children can bring about alight and Advocacy can promote access to high-quality education to all.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Let the Teachers Teach! To many required testing and not enough innovative strategies and technology available for them to have room to be creativity and have fun. This has been taken out of teaching and learning for the students.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: Having Community Schools with Community, Corporations and Local Business Partnership of Engagement. This will foster better collaboration and accountability. Parents need to feel welcome and heavily encouraged to be involved. We must make it easier for parents to spend time at the child's school, and handle their family and personal needs. Communication must be equally easy for the parent, student and teacher.

5. BUDGET FACTORS: Putting the Students First by meeting local in classroom needs. To make sure our teachers are fairly compensated and addressing Line by line, the budget needs to be analyzed to see where waste can be cut.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: Having Career Academy and Charter Schools for students has been very effective and has addressed the achievement gap for many minority students. One of the reason it has been effective is the curriculum is for comprehensive and specialty programs. These programs are mostly career oriented and of great interest to most of the students attending.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: Being Future-Focus Schools that shares an interest in what is best for the Student can be an successful practice. Having an Environment of Strong School connections can also create Effective Schools and help increase academics, social and most importantly emotional success.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: As a Retired Military Veteran, Citizen, PGCPs District 9 Constituent and Parent to students attending PGCPs, I want to take my experiences of building/ bridging relationships, to seeking out problem solvers, organizing/ building coalitions to actively engage, represent and work for our constituents (students, teachers, parents and community). My prior military experience as a proven leader has lent to my ability to multitask and provide positive outcomes with proven results.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: First and foremost I’d have boots on ground personally meeting and addressing everyone in the aforementioned question. Simultaneously, I’d gather the facts, research, then review personally with appropriate persons/committees. Call out and take action to cut unnecessary fraud (be it personnel, services not producing etc.) Action the necessary steps to close the gaps on disparities, hold persons accountable and review on an annual basis. All PGCPs students deserve equal opportunity.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I’d do this with my presence in the schools with students and educators, engaging in out of the schools with parents and community. I’d not only build relationships, but also bridge any perceived gaps. I have the responsibility to prioritize, organize and take action on constituents concerns. I’d not only find out what’s causing any aforementioned disparities, but get us on track to exceed state standards and national expectations.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: School Board members need to be actively in (visiting the) schools, educators, parents and community they are responsible for representing. By being actively engaged with doing what's needed of them by students and teachers, then this will reflect in more positive outcomes to include increased parental and overall community involvement. Therefore highlighting more of the positive outcomes and getting in front of negative ones.

5. BUDGET FACTORS: Needs outweigh wants. Our children need to be in up to date fully functional learning environments. This goes from the facilities to learning equipment/materials.

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Our teachers need to be compensated with a competitive salaries. Once these are achieved, they need to be maintained and updated annually. We take care of our students and educators, positive results will follow.

6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: The International Baccalaureate (IB) and Accuplacer programs are a couple of the many programs that have assisted with closing achievement gaps. These nationally recognized programs (not available in all PGCPS Schools) have assisted with not only putting our scholars on the map academically, but also with making our students and school system competitive nationally; instilling even more of a sense of pride and achievement for our students, teachers, schools, parents and community.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: Pre-K programs need to be available to all. My older children have lived in and attended school districts where Pre-K4 was available to all without regard to economic status. The opportunity to attend set an early academic foundation for them and us as parents. We were able to identify and monitor where they needed assistance. As a result everyone had a better appreciation for not just the academic results/outcomes, but teachers and others involved.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: As the current member of the board of education representing the Prince Georges County school District 9, I have had 4 years of experience leading school system to make dramatic changes to policy and procedures to begin improving the outcomes in student success, increased parent engagement and improvement to the culture of PGCPS. Outside of the work I done on the Board, I possess over 26 years of leadership experience with large budgets, leading teams and reaching the expected results.

2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: PGCPS is a school system comprised of nearly 132,000 students & graduates over 7,000 students annually. During my tenure, we have increased the number of special programs and career technical programs offered to students. We have provided more supports for educators to obtain needed training & support in the classroom. As a result, high school seniors have increased the attainment of scholarship dollars & national certifications, leaving PGCPS better prepared for college &/or career.

3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Improvements to the academic success for PGCPS students is a continuous and consistent effort. This effort has been outline under our strategic plan. This strategic plan has five focus areas to achieve three goals and with a priority on literacy and numeracy. Since implementing the strategic plan in our 2016 Fiscal Year, we have begun to move the needle on academic success for students in every level of education; elementary, middle school as well as high school.

4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: As a former PTSA president, I am fully aware of the importance of having engaged parents, students & community. Even more important is to have stakeholders that are also informed. To support this effort, I have hosted coffee events every month open to the public, where I share information with the community about current & future board work, and receive & undertake matters from the community. In my tenure, we have created a Community Engagement dept, an Ombudsman's office & board committee.


6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP: PGCPS is comprised of 90% African American & Latino/Hispanic students. Rigorous programs such as language immersion, TAG, STEM, dual enrollment and international baccalaureate (IB), as well as support programs like literacy and math coaches, AVID, and early childhood education programs, increasing the opportunities for PGCPS students to participate in these programs, reduces the achievement gap for minority students.

7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: Alternative funding methods for new school construction should be incorporated in PGCPS schools to quicken the development process that will allow more new schools to be built and open. With the most schools built over 50 years ago, aging schools is a big challenge for PGCPS in terms of infrastructure and overcrowding. Improving this process will help us create better physical environments for students to learn, teachers to work, and for community use.
| Statewide Offices | | |
| GOVERNOR / LT GOVERNOR | | |
| GOVERNOR / LT GOVERNOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Larry Hogan / Boyd K. Rutherford | | |
| GOVERNOR / LT GOVERNOR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Rusheen L. Baker III / Elizabeth Embry | | |
| Ralph Jaffe / Freda Jaffe | | |
| Ben Jealous / Susan Turnbull | | |
| James Hugh Jones, II / Charles S. Waters | | |
| Kevin Kamenetz / Valerie Ervin | | (Candidate Kamenetz died 5/10/18) |
| Rich Madaleno / Luwanda Jenkins | | |
| Alec Ross / Julie C. Verratti | | |
| Jim Shea / Brandon M. Scott | | |
| Krish O'Mara Vignarajah / Sharon Y. Blake | | |

| COMPTROLLER | | |
| COMPTROLLER REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Anjali Reed Phukan | | |
| COMPTROLLER DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Peter Franchot | | |

| ATTORNEY GENERAL | | |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Craig Wolf | | |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Brian E. Frosh | | |

| U.S. SENATOR | | |
| U.S. SENATOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Tony Campbell | | |
| Chris Chaffee | | |
| Evan M. Cronhardt | | |
| Nnabu Eze | | |
| John R. Graziani | | |
| Christina J. Griggion | | |
| Albert Binyahmin Howard | | |
| Bill KrehnBrink | | |
| Gerald I. Smith, Jr. | | |
| Blaine Taylor | | |
| Brian Charles Vaeth | | |
| U.S. SENATOR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Ben Cardin | | |
| Erik Jetmir | | |
| Chelsea Manning | | |
| Marcia H. Morgan | | |
| Jerome "Jerry" Segal | | |
| Richard "Rikki" Vaughn | | |
| Debbie "Rica" Wilson | | |
| Lih Young | | |

| U.S. REPRESENTATIVE | | |
| U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 4 & 5 | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| George McDermott | | |

| U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 4 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Anthony G. Brown | | |

| U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 5 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| William A. Devine III | | |
| Johnny Rice | | |

| U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 5 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Dennis L. Fritz | | |
| Steny H. Hoyer | | |

| STATE SENATOR | | |
| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 21 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Jim Rosapepe | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 22 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Paul G. Pinsky | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Vacancy | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 23 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Tim Adams | | |
| Douglas J.J. Peters | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 24 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Vacancy | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 24 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Tiffany Alston | | |
| Joanne C. Benson | | |
| Everett D. Browning Sr. | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Ike Puzon | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 26 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Angela M. Angel | | |
| Melony Griffith | | |
| Jonathan Edward Rosero | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 28 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Roussan "Rou" Etienne Jr. | | |
| Jesse Allen Peed | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 27 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Obie Patterson | | |
| Jamila J. Woods | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 27 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES | | |
| Republicans may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Fred Price Jr. | | |

| STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 47 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES | | |
| Democrats may vote for no more than 1. | | |
| Malcolm Augustine | | |
| Adrian Petrus | | |

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Chike Anyanwu
Richard Douglas

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Ben Barnes
Matt Demrog
Mary A. Lehman
James E. McDowell Jr.
Joseline Peria Melnyk
Brencis Smith

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 22
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Winnie Obike

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 22
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Tawanna P. Gaines
Anne Halcy
Ashanti Martinez
Alonzo T. Washington
Nicole A. Williams

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23A
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Kathleen Kositzky Crank

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23A
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Shabnam Ahmed
Kevin Samuel Thomas
Geraldine Valentino-Smith

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23B
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 23B
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Caleb L. Gilchrist
Marvin E. Holmes Jr.
Paul Manicone
Penne Parker
Denise Tyler
Joseph F. Jr. Vallario
Ron Watson

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 24
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 24
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Erek L. Barron
Sia Finoh
Andrea Fletcher Harrison
Marnita L. King
Jazz Lewis
Delaneo Miller
Maurice Simpson Jr.
Joyce Starks
LaTasha R. Ward
Donjuan “DJ” Williams
Michelle R. Wright

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 25
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 25
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Darryl Barnes
Wala Blegay
Nick Charles
Maurice Culbreath
Derek E. Davis
Sherman R. Hardy
Stanley Onyee
Kent Roberson

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 26
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 26
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 3.
Sean Chao
Diedra Henry-Spires
Leonard "Lennie" Moses
Sade Oshinubi
David Sloan
Veronica Turner
Kris Valderrama
Jay Walker

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 27A
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 27A
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Lynn Jackson
Ronald McDaniel Jr.
Susie Proctor
Joe Spears Jr.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 27B
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Philip A. Parenti
Michael A. Thomas

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 27B
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Michael A. Jackson

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47A
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47A
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Diana M. Fennell
Julian Ivey
Jimmy Tarlau

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47B
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Vacancy

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 47B
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Robert F. Asprilla
Wanika Fisher
Carlo Sanchez

LOCAL LEADERS
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EXECUTIVE
COUNTY EXECUTIVE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Jerry J. Mathis

COUNTY EXECUTIVE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Angela Alsobrooks
Sam Bogley
Billy Bridges
Donna F. Edwards
Lewis S. Johnson
Michael E. Kennedy
Paul Monteiro
C. Anthony Muse
Tommie Thompson

PRINCIPAL CANDIDATES
COUNTY COUNCIL AT LARGE
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Felicia Folarin

COUNTY COUNCIL AT LARGE
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 2.
Juanita Culbreath-Miller
Mel Franklin
Calvin Hawkins
Melvin Bernard Johnson
Gerron Levi
Julian Lopez
Karen Toles
Reginald J. Tyler
Jonathan White

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Vacancy

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES
Residents may vote for no more than 1.
Tom Dernoga
Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 5
Vacancy

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

**REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE**
County Council District 5
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 2
Vacancy

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

**REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE**
County Council District 2
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 3
Vacancy

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

**REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE**
County Council District 3
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 3
Vacancy

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

**REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE**
County Council District 3
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 4
Vacancy

Republicans may vote for no more than 1.

**REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE**
County Council District 4
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 5
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 6
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 6
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 7
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 7
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 8
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 8
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 9
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 9
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 10
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 11
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 12
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 13
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 14
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 15
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 16
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 17
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 18
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 19
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 20
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 21
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 22
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 23
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 24
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 25
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 26
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 27
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 28
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.

**DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE**
County Council District 29
Vacancy

Democrats may vote for no more than 1.
Danny Schaible

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 23 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Willow Emerson
Cheryl Landis

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 24 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Derrick L. Coley
Chris Stevenson
Pat Thornton
Donjuan "DJ" Williams

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 25 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Sherma Jack Brisseau
Kent Roberson

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 26 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Cynthia Lee Collins
Angela R. Jones
Ladel Lewis
Nathaniel L. Wallace

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 27 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
John D.B. Carr

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE AT LARGE DISTRICT 47 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Donnie T. Arrington Sr.

Prince George’s County DEMOCRATIC Central Committee Candidates

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 21 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Daniel Alpert
Linda T. Diasgranados
Cliff Green
Brian K. McDaniel
Denise C. Mitchell

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 22 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Patrick Gallaher
Stephanie D. Hicks
David Hiles
Emmett V. Jordan
Richard Schumaker

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 23A CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Vanessa Agbar
Lydia Zhemile Daniel
Monica Roebuck
Kevin Samuel Thomas

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 23B CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Jocelyn Irene Collins
Ingrid S. Harrison
Ronald O'Keefe

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 24 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Sonji Moore Abdullah
Margaret A. Boles
Matthew Fogg
Faye Martin Howell
Ryan Middleton
Patricia M. Waiters

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 25 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Ernest H. Canlas
Nova Coston
John E. Richardson
Rhonda Wallace

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 26 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Antwan C. Brown
Nora E. Carmichael
John T. Mitchell
Dennis H. Rowe

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 27A CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Sydney Harrison
Gloria McClam-Magruder

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 27B CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Jacqueline Denise Steele-McCall

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 47A CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Dante Bishop
Theresa Mitchell Dudley
Kristen Franklin
Shanzah Khan
Micah Watson

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 47B CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 1.
Wayne Thunder Williams

Prince George’s County REPUBLICAN Central Committee Candidates

At the time of the printing of this voters’ guide, there are no candidates or vacancies for Republican Central Committee Races in Districts 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27.

REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 22 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Jim Wass

REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISTRICT 47 CANDIDATES
Members of this party may vote for no more than 2.
Lucille Gaither
Alessandro Silverio Pacheo

NONPARTISAN OFFICES
Prince George’s County Board of Education Candidates

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 2 CANDIDATES
Voters may vote for no more than 1.
Rob Anthony
Lupi Grady
Joshua M. Thomas

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 3 CANDIDATES
Voters may vote for no more than 1.
Juwan Blocker
Pamela Boozer-Strother
Irene Holtzman
Catherine Bennett Nwosu

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 6 CANDIDATES
Voters may vote for no more than 1.
Carolyn Maria Boston
Caleb A. Camara
Pat Fletcher
Belinda Queen
Ava Annette Richardson
David E. Shelton
Anthony Triplin

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 9 CANDIDATES
Voters may vote for no more than 1.
Matt Green
Don D. Massey
Arun Puracken
Sonya Williams