

# Nashville Organized for Action and Hope | PO Box 331144 | Nashville, TN 37203

## **NOAH'S PLATFORM**

# 1. Housing

- Preserve and produce affordable housing through recurring funding for the Barnes Housing Trust Fund, inclusionary housing policies, and creative uses of federal, state and local funds.
- Prevent displacement through home repair assistance, property tax relief for longtime residents, homeowner education, and other efforts.
- Create a structure of accountability for affordable housing needs, such as an adequately staffed Mayor's Office of Affordable Housing.

#### 2. Criminal Justice

- Reduce the Metro Jail population and General Sessions docket by 50% through alternatives to arrest using evidence-based, problem-solving mechanisms and restorative-justice options.
- Eliminate racial disparities in police stops, schools suspensions and Juvenile Court referrals.

### 3. Economic Equity and Jobs

- Promote transparency in public projects and incentives given to companies, including audits of all incentives that show the amount received and jobs created.
- Institute local-hiring and training requirements that fill jobs with formerly underemployed and unemployed Davidson County residents through high-quality training programs, apprenticeships and existing educational programs.
- Attach tangible and measurable community benefits to projects in high-poverty areas that will aid low- and middle-income residents through equitable neighborhood economic development. (ex., Community Benefit Agreements, community wealth-building initiatives)

### **GUIDELINES FOR THE MEETING**

This is a public meeting of NOAH between public officials and coalition members, the latter of whom have spent hundreds of hours discussing and forming positions on our issues. All candidates were briefed on NOAH's platform and provided position papers in advance of today's meeting.

Candidates will be allowed to speak for two minutes if they agree to endorse NOAH's platform and work with us to achieve solutions to our concerns. No questions or remarks will be taken from the floor, and all speakers will be shown respect. Candidates have agreed not to distribute campaign materials until the meeting ends at 4:30 p.m. Thank you for respecting these rules.

# **REQUESTS OF THE CANDIDATES**

- 1. Will you commit to working directly with NOAH on the goals in our platform through quarterly meetings that begin within 60 days after your election?
- 2. Within your first two years as mayor, will you support legislation or use the power of your office to address the three issue areas in the NOAH platform presented today?



