



Press Release

L. Rickie Tulloch Pledges to Bring Job Training Programs to the 45th

BROOKLYN, N.Y. - L. Rickie Tulloch, a Democrat running for City Council in the 45th District, has rolled out his proposal to improve job preparedness, starting in high school and extending into adulthood.

"As our economy changes, we need to prepare our community for new opportunities. For our students, it's important that they know that going to college right away is not the only option - learning a trade is also incredibly valuable. For adults, having the opportunity to learn important tech skills can help secure a better job and launch a new career path. As our community members compete for these jobs to break into the middle class, I will work to ensure they have access to the tools they need to succeed," **said Tulloch.**

In the City Council, Tulloch will:

- **Host workshops for high school students to learn about union apprenticeship programs:** It is imperative that our young people know that a four-year degree isn't required to be successful. Many of our local unions offer apprenticeship programs and Tulloch will work with our union leaders to host workshops in our high schools.
- **Partner with community organizations and unions to host vocational trainings for adults:** Thanks to our changing economy, there are jobs that exist today that didn't exist five years ago, and it is important that we keep up. By partnering with community organizations and unions to host vocational trainings for adults, people will have the opportunity to learn new skills and make connections for potential new jobs.
- **Increase funding for vocational programs in our high schools:** Our specialized vocational high schools enable students to get real world experience and begin their careers. However, we must invest additional funding in our public schools so that they can increase their STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) opportunities and offer some vocational training.

Tulloch arrived in Flatbush in 1976, immigrating with his family from Jamaica as a teenager. A proud product of our public schools, Tulloch graduated from Erasmus High School and earned his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Brooklyn College. Over the last 40 years, Tulloch has dedicated himself to his community through his activism, advocacy, and public service. Tulloch is Senior Director at NYC Health and Hospital (Office of Facilities Development), is the Chairman of the Visionary Political Action Committee (VPAC), and was the Treasurer and Chair of the Land Use Committee of Community Board 17. He has also served as Chairman of the Board of Flatbush Action Community Day Care Center, Board Member of the Erasmus Neighborhood Association, and President of the Ginger Ridge High School Past Students Association.

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