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of Montgomery County, MD



VOTERS' GUIDE

GENERAL ELECTION: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, 7AM - 8PM

EARLY VOTING: OCTOBER 24 - 31, 2024, 7AM - 8PM

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WELCOME VOTERS!

The LWVMC is pleased to provide a *Voters' Guide* to help you prepare to vote in the General Election. Candidate responses to League questions, including any received after our print deadline, along with information about each of the ballot questions, are available at **VOTE411.org**. When you type in your home address at **VOTE411**, the website will automatically display the ballot question information and responses from the candidates who will appear on the ballot in your precinct.

A printed copy of the *Guide* is automatically mailed to new voters for the first election after they register. For future elections, go to the LWVMC website to choose whether you prefer a printed copy of the *Voters' Guide* or an email with the link to the candidate responses. Go to **lwvmocomd.org** and click on the VOTE drop-down menu. Select *Voters' Guides*. Follow the directions to choose to receive the *Guide* as a printed copy or email link.

About the Voters' Guide and the League of Women Voters

This *Voters' Guide* is published by the League of Women Voters (LWV) of Montgomery County, MD, part of a nonpartisan organization of women and men promoting informed participation in government and does not support or oppose any political party or candidate.

The LWV developed explanations of the two ballot questions on your ballots. The League also sent issue questions to all candidates requesting responses before our print deadline. Their answers, presented exactly as written by the candidates, along with the ballot question information can be found in the following locations:

- This print version of the *Voters' Guide* includes candidate responses received before our print deadline.
- The LWV Montgomery County website, **lwvmocomd.org**, provides links to the PDF of the *Voters' Guide*.
- The Spanish edition of the *Guide*, which will be published as an insert in *El Tiempo Latino* on October 11, also will be posted on the LWV website **lwvmocomd.org**.
- **VOTE411.org** has all responses, in English and Spanish, as provided or approved by the candidates, including any responses received after our print deadline. It also includes the ballot question information in English and Spanish.

About the 2024 General Election

The General Election ballot includes the following:

- Nominees of the Democratic and Republican parties, chosen in their primaries
- Nominees of the other political parties recognized in Maryland (Libertarian, Green and No-Labels parties), chosen by their central committees
- Candidates who are not affiliated with a party or are affiliated with a party not recognized in Maryland. ("Other" party)
- State and county ballot questions

All registered voters, regardless of their political affiliation, may vote for any candidate on their ballot. Your ballot will list only candidates for your Congressional district. Your district is listed on your voter registration card or sample ballot. View your sample ballot online at **voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch**.

Maryland law allows a voter to write in a candidate's name for offices on the ballot. Write-in candidates who filed with the State Board of Elections are considered "qualified" and are listed at all in-person voting locations and at **elections.maryland.gov/elections/2024/General_candidates/index.html**. Write-in votes for any candidate who has not filed a certificate of candidacy and is not on the qualified write-in candidate list will be counted as part of the total votes cast and will be reported in the "other write-in" total.

Voter Registration

For information on eligibility to vote in Maryland and how to register to vote, scan the QR code below or visit the State Board of Elections website at **elections.maryland.gov** and click on the *Register to Vote* box.



SAME-DAY REGISTRATION

Citizens who are not registered to vote in Maryland may register for the first time and vote in person at an Early Voting Center during early voting OR at their local precinct on General Election Day, provided they bring identification. Click on Registration Process at **elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/index.html** for a list of documents accepted as proof of residency.

Request a Mail-in Ballot

Request a mail-in ballot in English or Spanish at voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/OnlineMailinRequest/InstructionsStep1 OR call the Montgomery County Board of Elections at 240-777-8550 to have an application mailed or faxed to you. **The deadline to request a mail-in ballot be mailed to you is October 29; for internet delivery, the deadline is November 1.**

Voters may remove themselves from the permanent mail-in ballot list by using the Voter Registration Update form at <https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/onlinevoterupdate/InstructionsStep1>. The change will be effective for the next election.

Ways To Vote

There are three ways to vote in the Maryland General Election:

1. EARLY VOTING — In-Person Voting

Voters may choose to vote at any of the 14 Early Voting Centers, which are open from **7 am to 8 pm, Thursday, October 24 through Thursday, October 31**. Ballots from all precincts will be available at each of the Montgomery County Early Voting Centers. The list of Centers is available at montgomerycountymd.gov/elections/earlyvoting/earlyvotingcenters.html. You may also text EV and your zip code to 77788.

2. ELECTION DAY — In-Person Voting

On General Election Day, **Tuesday, November 5**, voters should go to their assigned polling places. Polls are open from **7 am to 8 pm**.

Your sample ballot lists the name and address of your precinct polling place right above your name on the address label. You can also look up your polling place at voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch.

Note: Early Voting Centers are closed on Election Day, unless serving as a local precinct polling place. On General Election Day, any voter who votes at a location other than the voter's assigned precinct will be required to use a provisional ballot, which may not correspond to candidates for the district where the voter lives.

CELL PHONE USE IS NOT PERMITTED IN POLLING PLACES

You may bring any printed material such as a paper sample ballot and the Voters' Guide with you when you vote. You are NOT permitted to use electronic devices such as smartphones, tablets and computers inside polling places—even while you are in line.

3. MAIL-IN BALLOT

Your mail-in ballot will include instructions on how to complete and return it. Using the envelope provided, you can:

- Mail your ballot as soon as you have completed it. It must be postmarked on or before November 5 and received by the Board of Elections by 10 am on November 25, 2024.
- Take your ballot to a Montgomery County ballot drop box. Your ballot will include a list of the drop box locations. A list of locations is also posted at montgomerycountymd.gov/Elections/dropbox.html or you can text BOX and your zip code to 77788.
- Hand deliver your ballot. You may deliver it to the Montgomery County Board of Elections (18753 N. Frederick Ave, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, MD 20879) or to your precinct polling place before 8:00 pm on November 5. During early voting (October 24-31) you may deliver it to an Early Voting Center.

Mail-In Ballot Tracking

Check the status of your mail-in ballot request or whether your voted ballot was received at elections.maryland.gov and click on the Track your Ballot box.

Caution: *if you requested a mail-in ballot but decided to vote in person, you will be required to vote a provisional ballot.*

The following pages include descriptions of the offices being contested, the candidates in the General Election and their responses to questions asked by the LWV that were received by our print deadline. Responses are shown exactly as provided by the candidates. Responses received after the print deadline may be found at VOTE411.org. We urge you to visit candidates' web presence to learn more about their experience and priorities.



On the Ballot

President of the United States

(see Candidates on pages 6-7)

Duties

The President is the head of state of the United States of America, the Chief Executive Officer and the Commander in Chief of all military forces. The powers of the President are prescribed in the Constitution and federal law. The President appoints the members of the Cabinet, ambassadors to other nations and the United Nations, Supreme Court justices and federal judges, subject to Senate approval. The President, along with the Cabinet and its agencies, is responsible for carrying out and enforcing the laws of the United States. The President may also recommend legislation to the Congress.

How Elected

Voters in every state cast ballots for President. The President is not elected directly by the voters. Instead, our votes for candidates are used to select "Electors" who meet in an "Electoral College" to choose the President. For more information, visit www.archives.gov/electoral-college/about.

Term

Four years. Limit of two terms.

Salary

Presidential salary: \$400,000 per year.

Website

www.whitehouse.gov

Criteria for participation by U.S. Presidential candidates in VOTE411.org and this Guide:

Four of the five presidential candidates on Maryland's ballot met the following League of Women Voters Education Fund (LWVEF) criteria: (1) The candidate must have made a public announcement of her/his intention to run for her/his Party's nomination for President; and (2) The candidate must meet the Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act's minimum contribution threshold requirements for qualifying for matching funds, based on the most recent data publicly available on the Federal Elections Commission website.

Questions to the candidates for President:

- **COST OF LIVING / WAGES:** What steps should be taken to address the high cost of living and depressed wages in America, including for families, people with disabilities, and people that are economically disadvantaged?
- **ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE:** What steps will you take to ensure all Americans have access to quality and affordable health care, including reproductive care and prescription drug coverage?
- **GUN VIOLENCE:** What steps will you take to curb gun violence and build safe and healthy communities for communities disproportionately impacted by gun violence in the United States?
- **IMMIGRATION:** What are the most important steps you will take to improve U.S. immigration policies, including creating an accessible path to citizenship?
- **CLIMATE CHANGE:** What actions will you take to address the threats facing the United States due to climate change?

See page 6 for candidate responses. Questions and responses from the candidates were handled by the League of Women Voters Education of the U.S. Fund (LWVEF). Candidate responses were limited to 750 characters.

Vote for **one (1)** pair of candidates.

Candidates for President and Vice President of the U.S.

See previous page for details about the Office of President.

Responses were limited to 750 characters. Responses are shown exactly as provided by the candidate.

Candidate

Party
Web

Jill Ellen Stein / Rudolph Ware

G - Green
jillstein2024.com

Cost of Living / Wages

What steps should be taken to address the high cost of living and depressed wages in America, including for families, people with disabilities, and people that are economically disadvantaged?

We need an economy that works for working people, not just the wealthy and powerful. To reverse surging inequality and insecurity, we need an Economic Bill of Rights establishing the rights to a living-wage job, guaranteed livable income, housing, healthcare, childcare, lifelong education, secure retirement, utilities, healthy food and clean water, so that all of us are guaranteed the basic security for a good life that can reach our highest potential. Healthcare is a human right. We need a universal healthcare system that is equitable, comprehensive, free at point of service, and accessible to every single person in the US.

Access to Healthcare

What steps will you take to ensure all Americans have access to quality and affordable health care, including reproductive care and prescription drug coverage?

A Jill Stein administration will immediately implement National Improved Medicare for All as a precursor to establishing a UK-style National Healthcare Service which will replace private hospital, private medical practice, and private medical insurance with a publicly-owned, democratically controlled healthcare service that will guarantee healthcare as a human right to everyone in the United States. We will take the pharmaceutical industry into public ownership to provide medicines as a public good. We will also codify Roe v. Wade and advance reproductive rights.

Gun Violence

What steps will you take to curb gun violence and build safe and healthy communities for communities disproportionately impacted by gun violence in the United States?

We need to end the epidemic of gun violence with common-sense gun safety laws. A Jill Stein administration will ban the sale of assault rifles and establish a buyback program; establish mandatory waiting periods and background checks for firearm purchases; pass red flag laws for individuals who pose a danger to themselves and others; create standardized digital records of gun registrations and sales; close gun show loopholes; require firearm owners to own a high-quality gun safe to store their firearms; require firearm owners to purchase liability insurance of no less than \$1,000,000; and hold adult firearm owners criminally liable for minor children accessing and using firearms in the commission of any crime, accidental injury or death.

Immigration

What are the most important steps you will take to improve U.S. immigration policies, including creating an accessible path to citizenship?

Immigrants' rights are human rights. It's time to completely overhaul the broken and abusive immigration system, as well as the unjust policies driving people to leave their homes. We need a comprehensive immigration policy and properly funded institutions to ensure a timely, ethical, transparent, and dignified path to citizenship for immigrants, asylum seekers, and refugees. Border policy should move away from detention and enforcement response toward humane and effective asylum processing. A Jill Stein administration will replace ICE with an Office of Citizenship, Refugees, and Immigration Services under the Department of Labor, grant amnesty to every undocumented person, and implement a path to citizenship with expediency.

Climate Change

What actions will you take to address the threats facing the United States due to climate change?

We all have a human right to a livable planet with a stable climate, healthy food, clean air and water, and living soil. We need a real Green New Deal to transition rapidly from an economic system that is destroying our only home to a sustainable society built around human needs and protecting life on Earth. Our Green New Deal will invest in renewable energy, a publicly-owned nationwide smart energy grid, clean transportation technology, energy efficiency and conservation to generate millions of good-paying jobs, rapidly phase out fossil fuels and achieve 100% clean renewable energy and zero-to-negative carbon emissions by no later than 2035. We need to act now so that our children and future generations can not only survive, but thrive.

The following candidates were invited to respond but provided no answers prior to the print deadline. Check VOTE411.org for responses submitted after the print deadline.

Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz

D - Democratic
kamalaharris.com

Donald J. Trump / JD Vance

R - Republican
donaldjtrump.com

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. / Nicole Shanahan

Unaffiliated
mahanow.org

(This candidate has suspended his campaign but remains on the Maryland ballot.)

The following candidate has qualified for the Maryland State Ballot according to the Secretary of State of Maryland but did not meet the LWVEF criteria on page 5 for receiving questions.

Chase Oliver / Mike ter Maat

L - Libertarian
votechaseoliver.com

Candidates for President and Vice President of the U.S.

See page 5 for details about the Office of President.

Write-In Candidates

Maryland law allows a voter to write in a candidate's name for offices in the General Election. The following write-in candidates for the Office of President of the U.S. have filed with the State Board of Elections by our publication deadline. Votes for any of these candidates will be counted and reported by candidate name. **Write-in candidates did not meet the LWVEF criteria on page 5 for receiving questions.**

Ralph Jaffe (Democratic)

Paij Boring (Republican)

President R. Boddie (Unaffiliated)

Susan Maude Buchser (Unaffiliated)

Shondra Irving (Unaffiliated)

Douglas Jenkins (Unaffiliated)

Brian Larry Kienitz (Unaffiliated)

André Ramon McNeil, Sr. (Unaffiliated)

Benjamin L. Schwalb (Unaffiliated)

Lester H. Waller, Jr. (Unaffiliated)

Carol Asher (Other)

Jokie Beckett, Jr. (Other)

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On the Ballot

U.S. Senator

(see Candidates on page 9)

Duties

U.S. Senators make laws along with the members of the U.S. House of Representatives, ratify treaties and conduct investigations on issues of national importance. The Senate confirms presidential appointments, including Supreme Court justices.

How Elected

Elected statewide. In 2024, Maryland voters will elect one of our two Senators. About one-third of the 100 members of the Senate is elected every two years.

Term

Six years. No term limit.

Salary

\$174,000 per year.

Website

www.senate.gov

Questions to the candidates for U.S. Senator:

- **QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Senator?
- **PROTECTING DEMOCRACY:** What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?
- **ENVIRONMENT:** How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?
- **IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?
- **FIREARMS:** Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.

See page 9 for candidate responses. Responses appear exactly as submitted by the candidates. No edits have been made.

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Candidates for U.S. Senator

See previous page for details about the Office of U.S. Senator.

Responses were limited to 500 characters. Responses are shown exactly as provided by the candidates.

Candidate

Party
Web

Qualifications

How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Senator?

Protecting Democracy

What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?

Environment

How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?

Immigration

What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

Firearms

Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.

Angela Alsobrooks

D - Democratic
angelaalsobrooks.com

I am proud to have spent my life in public service, first as an Assistant State's Attorney focused on domestic violence cases, then as State's Attorney, where under my tenure violent crime dropped by 50%, and most recently as Prince George's County Executive. I know Marylanders deserve a Senator who both fights for them and shares their concerns. I am running for Senate to be a voice for families like the ones I grew up with and whom I have worked for throughout my life.

I will fight to eliminate the filibuster and pass critical legislation like the John Lewis Voting Rights Act and Freedom to Vote Act. I'm proud to be endorsed by Congressman John Sarbanes and End Citizens United // Let America Vote, two leading voices for protecting voting rights, strengthening election laws and taking money out of politics.

Urgent action is needed to address the climate crisis. I will be a vocal advocate for the Green New Deal, as well as for expanding tax credits for clean energy and ensuring that all U.S. Government purchases, from buildings to vehicles, align with emission goals. As County Executive, I issued an Executive Order for Prince George's County, setting ambitious targets to reduce the 2005 emission levels by half before 2030 and net zero by 2045. I believe the U.S. should adopt a similar timeline.

I will be a strong advocate for comprehensive immigration reform to mend the broken immigration system, including creating a pathway to citizenship for those already living and working in the United States. I will support initiatives such as the American Dream and Promise Act, aimed at safeguarding the rights and future of DREAMers and TPS recipients. I firmly believe these individuals deserve certainty and security, regardless of who holds the office of the President.

As a mother, I have been deeply affected by the tragic loss of too many children to gun violence and am frustrated by the lack of action from Washington. I am committed to fighting for essential gun safety legislation to protect children and communities from gun violence. I will work to implement universal background checks and red flag laws, close the gun show loophole, ban military-style weapons like AR-15s, and prohibit devices like bump stocks.

Larry Hogan

R - Republican
larryhogan.com

Governor Hogan has a long record of solving hard problems and overcoming broken politics—including working with the state's Democratic legislature to cut taxes, lower health care costs, and make generational investments in universal broadband and workforce development; leading the nation's governors through the worst global pandemic in more than a century; and, as co-chair of No Labels, partnering with the Problem Solvers Caucus to advance a historic federal infrastructure bill.

Free and fair elections are the foundation of American democracy and the most basic promise that those in power can pledge to citizens. Governor Hogan supports state and local efforts to ensure safe and secure elections by combating election interference and intimidation. He also looks forward to continuing to work with the League of Women Voters and other leading civic-minded organizations on initiatives to end partisan gerrymandering and restore fairness in the electoral system.

While Washington was failing to address climate change, Maryland was leading under Governor Hogan—enacting cleaner air standards stronger than 48 other states and far stronger than the Paris Agreement. In addition to supporting strong environmental stewardship and sustainability, he believes it is especially critical to bring both state and federal resources to bear in holding upstream polluters accountable and protecting regional Chesapeake Bay cleanup goals.

The humanitarian and security crisis at our southern border underscores the need to fix our broken and badly outdated immigration system. One party alone didn't cause these problems, and one party alone cannot solve them. Governor Hogan will work with any leader willing to set politics aside and work on real solutions—starting with securing the border and addressing the flow of migrants.

Governor Hogan believes it is possible to respect the rights of law-abiding gun owners while making it harder for criminals and the mentally ill to obtain firearms. In addition to red flag legislation, the governor has long called for federal action to institute a federal universal background check system. He also strongly supports providing law enforcement with more tools and resources to protect our communities—including increasing penalties for those who commit a crime with a gun.

Mike Scott

L - Libertarian
mikescott2024.com

I am a long range planner and strategist. I have almost 30 years of combined federal service in the defense, acquisitions, communications, and ethics communities. I've built and managed multi-billion dollar budgets. I have trained and led people. I received a TOP SECRET clearance in 1994. I've forgotten more about federal service than my opponents will ever know. Most important point—I'm not a politician. I will do the work that needs to be done in Senate.

Election Day should be a 2-3 day event. It should be done in person. Early voting should be left to military and absentee voters. We should move away from voting machines that can be hacked. But, the BIG thing: we need term limits and campaign finance reform. That takes away the impetus to cheat in elections. We need money out of politics and there are ways to do it.

When COVID hit, one of the unintended consequences was the Earth got to BREATHE again. I suggest investment in viable, ATTRACTIVE public transportation. We have too many cars and trucks on the road. The use of Nuclear power (the reactors that re-use, not store waste) would also help. I'd encourage investment in Hemp plastics and construction materials. But, to fix pollution & the environment? PEOPLE have to CARE.

The problem with immigration is America's rampant welfare state, and our fractured domestic and foreign policy. We destabilized the middle east (GWOT & Israel policies), destabilized Latin America (Drug War), now we're messing about in Africa (Sudan, Congo) and Europe (Ukraine). In other words, we have a LOT to fix to fix immigration. I'd like an Ellis Island style immigration system to quickly process immigrants. And, eliminate monetary incentives to come to America and NOT work.

I'm unreasonably pro 2A. The Constitution was not meant to give citizen's rights. It was designed to limit government's power to deny rights. They banned fully automatic weapons, in part, because Blacks were protecting our neighborhoods with them. Weapons are not only necessary for self defense, they put a check on government power. With all the corruption and graft in government, I can't IMAGINE what they'd do to us if we disarm. And, both parties want us disarmed.

Write-In Candidate

Maryland law allows a voter to write in a candidate's name for offices in the General Election. The following write-in candidate for U.S. Senate has filed with the State Board of Elections by our publication deadline. His responses to League questions may be found at **VOTE411**. Votes for this candidate will be counted and reported by the candidate's name.

Patrick J. Burke

Other
burke4senate.net



On the Ballot

U.S. Representative in Congress

(see Candidates on pages 11-13)

Duties

U.S. Representatives make laws along with the members of the U.S. Senate and 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.

How Elected

Elected by voters in each Congressional District. Maryland has eight of the 435 congressional districts, based on the state's population in the 2020 Census. Montgomery County residents are represented by three Congressional Districts: 4, 6 and 8.

Term

Two years. No term limit.

Salary

\$174,000 per year

Website

www.house.gov

Candidates for Representative are grouped by Congressional District. Your ballot will be specific to your district.

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To find your Congressional District, go to voterservices.elections.Maryland.gov/VoterSearch

Vote for **one (1)** candidate in your Congressional District.

Questions to the candidates for U.S. Representative:

- **QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Representative?
- **PROTECTING DEMOCRACY:** What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?
- **ENVIRONMENT:** How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?
- **IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?
- **FIREARMS:** Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.

See pages 11 to 13 for candidate responses. Responses appear exactly as submitted by the candidates. No edits have been made.

Candidates for U.S. Representative - District 4

See previous page for details about the Office of U.S. Representative.

Responses were limited to 500 characters. Responses are shown exactly as provided by the candidates.

Candidate

Party

Web

Glenn F. Ivey

D - Democratic

iveyforcongress.com

George McDermott

R - Republican

georgemcdermott.com

Qualifications

How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Representative?

I have extensive experience working on Capitol Hill in various high level capacities. Prior to running for Congress I was twice elected as State's Attorney for Prince George's County where I worked with the Obama Administration to cut crime. In the 218th Congress, I've used this experience to deliver on day one, quickly becoming a leading voice on the House Judiciary and the Homeland Security Committee's. As a member of Congress, I have prioritized constituent services and will continue to.

In my 70+ years of experience as a businessman, entrepreneur, family man, Christian, and unfortunately as a victim of our once trusted legal, judicial, and judicial and legislative branches of our government. Returned this candidate and as a forced victims /rights advocate who has fought for the rights and liberties of his fellow citizens for the last 28 years plus whose record cannot be viewed, but the postings of over 1600 videos@secretjustice.com we cannot allow judicial terrorism succeed.

Protecting Democracy

What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?

Congress has the responsibility to protect the voting rights of all Americans. As a cosponsor of the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act (H.R.14) and the Freedom to Vote Act (H.R.11) in the 118th Congress, I believe that there are several pieces of legislation that Congress should advance to the President's desk to make our democracy stronger ahead of the upcoming election.

The answer to this question is related to the above answer this candidate believes we have all been deliberately lied, to by our corporate government and its corporate agents acting under color of law and authority promoting insurrectionist and treasonous acts by sworn agents of the federal and state corporations who have hijacked our Constitution and rule of law. Abolished our organic Constitution. And replaced it with corporate documents drafted up by lying thieving lawyers, judges + insiders

Environment

How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?

In the 118th Congress there are several bills that I have been proud to cosponsor that seek to address concerns around climate change and its effect on the environment. The Donald McEachin Environmental Justice For All Act (H.R. 1729) is a key piece of legislation that establishes environmental justice requirements and programs to address the disproportionate negative human health and environmental effects of federal law in communities of color, low-income communities and tribal & indigenous com

Climate change will never be allowed to succeed because corporate lobbyist who fund the campaigns of state and federal elective offices hold a higher degree of loyalty to special interest, corporate interest, and corporate lobbyist whose dark money influences candidate that corporate America wants elected who hold a higher degree of loyalty to their donors than they do to the environment, their oath of office, and their legislative duties to uphold and defend all citizens of the United States.

Immigration

What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

Our country's current immigration system poses significant challenges to our security as a nation and to maintaining the dignity and humanity of those individuals seeking to migrate to the United States. Congress should establish humane standards for holding detained immigrants by passing the Dignity for Detained Immigrants Act (H.R. 2760).

Again the candidate search and incorporates by reference the answers in the 3 paragraphs above policy is set aside the welfare of the nation set aside by partisan politicians who use their boat as a weapon against the opposing party and was recently seen by the U.S. Congress killing legislation passed by the Senate which would have led to the most meaningful immigration policy in the last 40 years. Again our Congress has been hijacked by politicians holding their allegiance to party over duty

Firearms

Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.

The first bill that I introduced as a Member of Congress was the Raise the Age Act (H.R.2870) which establishes new restrictions on the sale of semi automatic firearms to individuals under the age of 21- common sense legislation that makes federal laws consistent across weapon types. In addition, I am a cosponsor of the Assault Weapons Ban which criminalizes the importation, sale, manufacturing, or possession of a semiautomatic assault weapon. Lastly, I am proud to support Ethan's Law (H.R.660)

I firmly believe in the Second Amendment as passed by our organic legislature to assured the right to own and bear arms. However again our nation has been influenced by dark money from the NRA and its membership acting irresponsibly to put checks and balances into the laws and statutes. After mass shooting across the nation. Leaving the citizens the burden of pain, loss of life, and loss of family members, also the ABA and its members can defend these wrongdoers as the judges and Ct, get rich.

Candidates for U.S. Representative - District 6

See page 10 for details about the Office of U.S. Representative.

Responses were limited to 500 characters. Responses are shown exactly as provided by the candidates.

Candidate Party Web	April McClain Delaney D - Democratic April4Congress.com	Neil C. Parrott R - Republican www.neilparrott.org
Qualifications How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Representative?	I have 30 years of experience in legal, nonprofit and government work, most recently as a high-level political appointee at Biden's Commerce Department. I founded Common Sense Media's Washington office, where I advocated for kids' online safety and digital literacy. At Commerce, I expanded broadband access and addressed online abuse, enhancing national security. I have shepherded legislation through Congress, met with stakeholders across the country and represented our nation on the world stage.	Having recently completed my 12th year as a member of the House of Delegates, I listen to people and have been privileged to regularly help constituents. I was born in Bethesda, grew up in Maryland, became an Eagle Scout, a professional engineer, an MBA, and a small-business owner. As a husband and father of three, I care about people and work for practical, common-sense solutions.
Protecting Democracy What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?	We are at a critical juncture in our democracy with our elections under attack by MAGA extremists. I support initiatives like HR 1 – the For the People Act – to expand voter access and reform campaign finance and the John Lewis Act which would restore voting rights. Our government must prioritize protecting voting rights and ensuring fair elections.	The US Government should work with the states to make sure that our elections are secure and trustworthy by maintaining their voter files and quickly removing people who have moved or passed away, registering only US citizens to vote, providing signature verification for all votes cast, not allowing bundling or ballot harvesting, and requiring photo ID when voting. As a Delegate, I introduced many of these safeguards in legislation in an effort to increase confidence in our elections.
Environment How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?	The climate crisis poses an existential threat to our planet's future and demands urgent action. We must reduce our carbon footprint so we can slow down the rates of rising global temperatures. As a member of Congress, I will support key legislation like the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act. We also must look at the expanded use of renewable energy, and equity-centered environmental investments.	The primary world polluter is China. They dump over 96% more plastic into the ocean than the US and contribute the largest percentage of the world's CO2. China constructs an average of two new uncontrolled coal plants per week, as opposed to only 201 clean coal plants currently operated in the entire US. We should not sacrifice our jobs to countries that do not have effective environmental laws. Trade laws should be used as one negotiating tactic to get China and other countries to pollute less.
Immigration What changes would you propose in immigration policy?	Our immigration system is in-need of reform, with overburdened, ineffective processes for legal immigration and an overwhelmed border. I believe the blueprint to fixing this lies in 2013's bipartisan immigration reform which would have allocated \$45 billion for border security, reformed visa programs for DREAMers, and offered a pathway to citizenship for law-abiding individuals eager to contribute to our country. I also support recent efforts by the Biden administration to reform the system.	Existing immigration laws need to be followed. Lack of immigration enforcement and a porous southern border have led to suffering from gangs like MS 13 who terrorize our District, opioid and fentanyl deaths, and increased human trafficking. Sanctuary cities need to be stopped, counties like Montgomery County need to work with ICE, the border wall needs to be constructed along with electronic surveillance, and companies who take advantage of illegal aliens should be heavily fined.
Firearms Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.	33,000 Americans die of gun violence every year. No one should be afraid to send their child to school or go to work. We must take action to pass common sense gun safety legislation, while protecting the rights of gun owners. I support universal background checks and limitations on assault weapons. We also must address the connection between our mental health crisis and gun violence.	Access to firearms is guaranteed by the 2nd Amendment. Where states and cities allow those rights to be used more freely, the rate of gun violence decreases even when they have similar populations, like Houston versus Baltimore. By hardening soft targets, the incentive to commit violence goes down. Our country has a violence epidemic in large part because we no longer adequately treat the mentally ill as we should. Earlier intervention measures are needed to help them and our communities.

Candidates for U.S. Representative - District 8

See page 10 for details about the Office of U.S. Representative.

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Candidate
Party
Web

Jamie Raskin
D - Democratic
jamieraskin.com

Cheryl Riley
R - Republican
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Nancy Wallace
G - Green
nancywallace.us

Qualifications

How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Representative?

My motto for my House office is that no job is too big or too small for us. Whether it is leading the impeachment of a dangerously corrupt president, finding a lost Social Security check for a retiree in Bethesda, increasing the NIH budget by billions or obtaining VA benefits for a veteran in Rockville, we act nimbly to get results for our people. I also use my constitutional knowledge and coalition-building experience every day to see America through the complex challenges of our time.

I was born in DC and raised in Montgomery County Maryland and love this Country. I am a public relations professional who has worked with numerous organizations in various industries and have successfully helped develop and execute viable solutions, growth, market share, prioritize issues, offer strategic plans under budget, know and treat each audience for optimum outreach, created concise crisis communications plans and consistently developed pro-active solutions resulting in ROI excellence.

I led national legislative campaigns for 14 years with 5 years for the Sierra Club. I advocated for the environment and women's reproductive health. I created Congressional strategies, drafted legislation, presented testimony before committees, and negotiated final passage. Extensive understanding of scientific and technical issues including climate change, solar power, oceans, endangered species, and telecom. Worked 30 years for federal Executive branch on billion-dollar programs in 4 agencies.

Protecting Democracy

What actions should the United States government take to protect voting rights and ensure the security of elections?

Democracy is not just a static collection of practices and institutions, although it is partly that. Democracy is the dynamic and never-ending process of uniting the people with the power in a "more perfect Union." We must keep American democracy growing to survive. This means we need to add a right-to-vote Amendment to the Constitution and pass the John Lewis Voting Rights Act, and we need statehood for millions of disenfranchised citizens living in Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico.

I believe in voter ID laws, same day voting and same day results. The voting system has lost credibility due to poor chain of command, whereby there needs to be a viable, one vote per person, Citizen voters only process. Mail in voting for those who have no choice must be verifiable via ID as well.

I served 10 years on Verified Voting's Advisory Board, the leading national non-profit on election integrity, and been an activist on voting for decades. Enact Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) to ensure every vote counts towards the final election result and the winner has a majority; no open primaries. Individual outreach to every person eligible to vote but not registered, with focus in poor communities. Add pre-clearance to the Federal Voting Rights Act for states. Prosecute violations as felonies.

Environment

How would you address problems such as climate change and pollution?

Our overarching challenge is to confront the nightmarish effects of climate change, but we can't do that when democracy itself is impaired by special interest control over the levers of political power. To counter climate change, break from the carbon barons and unleash renewable energy technologies like solar and wind, we must redeem majority rule by ending gerrymandering, protecting voting rights and dismantling state-based voter suppression tactics that form a matrix of democracy-repression.

As I am priority focused, our country/state/county is facing numerous urgent crisis situations that should be resolved first and foremost, such as the rise in crime, the economy and the drug crisis. The climate change narrative being pushed as a top priority is not an immediate threat. The USA has some of the strictest laws to combat pollution in the world, such as automobile emissions testing, recycling. I am witnessing "climate change" regulations being imposed on daily necessities including e

The planet is dying, faster than ever after 50 years of Republicans and Democrats talk. I propose an emergency national program to address climate change using the massive government capability we saw with the covid response. Retrofit all homes with super-insulation. Provide grants to electrify our homes and install solar energy, which also provides local jobs. Limit farm tax subsidies to organic farms, which absorb CO2. Link with social justice and economic transformation. Listen to scientists!

Immigration

What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

America is not a great country in spite of immigrants—we are a great country because of immigrants. Immigrants are as essential to our present and our future as they have been to our history, and I am committed to standing against hatred, mistreatment, and scapegoating of immigrants, while forging a bipartisan path forward to rebuild our broken system and provide meaningful pathways to lawful immigration.

We are in the midst of an open border crisis that is totally unacceptable, and threatens the citizens, our economy and the very fabric of what our Country was founded on. Closing the border to regain control of who is walking in unvetted is the top priority that needs to be addressed. Watching American Citizens being considered after illegals from all over the globe must end and is unconstitutional. One American life that has ended due to someone who was allowed to simply walk in is ONE TOO MANY

Our immigration challenge has two sides – international policies creating the need to leave home countries, and treatment of immigrants inside the US. Foreign policy must change to protect, not exploit other countries' environments, cultures, economies, and peoples. In the US, I stand firmly for social justice for all living in this country regardless of immigration status. All immigrants must be granted a pathway to citizenship, stopping abuse. Oversight of denials of political asylum claims.

Firearms

Please provide your position on national gun safety legislation.

It is far past time to end the terrifying epidemic of gun violence in America. I support a universal background check; a ban on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines; and barring violently dangerous people from possessing or purchasing firearms. In Congress, I voted to pass several bills addressing the current lax gun laws and I will not rest until we hold the gun industry properly accountable in tort law for its role in deadly firearm-involved violence.

. I fully support legal, responsible gun ownership. Given the out of control crime and the protecting of criminals over innocent people by politicians, I believe everyone has the right to defend their lives, property and others. The criminals know they are protected via the anti-police electeds who have left Americans defenseless. There are numerous laws surrounding legal gun ownership that work. It is the criminals who don't follow the laws and the false narrative rhetoric pushing politicians w

I support a federal assault weapons ban, including possession and sale of previously-manufactured weapons; and a ban on large capacity magazines and ghost guns. Handguns should be regulated like driver's licenses, and have annual checks in police stations to confirm possession and child locks. Gun sales in stores only, not shows. Just as important, violence in video games and the entertainment industry must be regulated to protect children's mental health and support caring, connected families.



On the Ballot

Judge of the Circuit Court – Sixth Circuit

(see Candidates on page 15-16)

Duties

Judges preside over trials in the Circuit Court, which is a court that hears major civil cases and serious criminal cases, such as those requiring a jury trial. Circuit Courts may decide appeals from the District Court and certain administrative agencies. The Sixth Circuit Court serves Montgomery County.

How Elected

Elected countywide. The state is divided into eight Judicial Circuits. When there is a vacancy, a nominating commission reviews the qualifications of applicants for the judgeship and recommends several names to the Governor, who appoints a person from that list to fill the office. Each newly appointed judge must run for office at the first election that occurs at least one year after the vacancy occurred. Sitting judges must also run for re-election after serving for 15 years. Attorneys who are members of the Maryland Bar may also run to challenge a newly appointed or sitting judge.

Term

Fifteen years. No term limit. Mandatory retirement age of 70 years.

Salary

\$204,433 per year.

Website

www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cct

Questions to the candidates for Judge of the Circuit Court:

- **QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this judgeship?
- **JUVENILE JUSTICE:** How would you address the problem of large numbers of minority youth being imprisoned?
- **DIVERSION PROGRAMS:** What are your views on diversion programs for behavioral problems and substance abuse?
- **CHALLENGES:** What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland’s Circuit Courts and how should they be addressed?

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Candidates for Office of Judge of the Circuit Court

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Candidate Web	Marybeth Ayres www.ElectSittingJudgesMCS.com	Jennifer S. Fairfax www.electsittingjudgesmcs.com
Qualifications How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this judgeship?	Before becoming a judge, I prosecuted murders, robberies, rapes and other serious criminal cases. I have navigated complicated legal issues and I know how to handle both jury and non-jury trials. I have also guided many very vulnerable victims through the legal system in their search for justice. This has taught me that achieving justice requires more than just knowledge of the law; it requires compassion and empathy for people from all walks of life, which I believe I have in abundance.	I litigated family law cases, including divorce, custody, child support, parentage, adoption, contracts, alimony, business and property issues, domestic violence and de facto parent. I was trained as a mediator and collaborative attorney and have a solid understanding of courtroom procedure and the rules of evidence derived from my practice. I spent over 16 years working in the areas of adoption and surrogacy and bring compassion, a calm temperament and passion for justice to the fore.
Juvenile Justice How would you address the problem of large numbers of minority youth being imprisoned?	As a judge, I must decide each case based on the law and the unique facts and circumstances of the individuals before me. In the juvenile justice system, the focus is on rehabilitation of the child who is the Respondent. This requires a holistic view of the case in deciding what is the just outcome, including not just the incident in question, but also the child and the child's life circumstances, including the child's background and life-challenges.	Due to Maryland Rule 18-104.4, I can't answer this question from a public policy perspective as Judges cannot make commitments regarding issues that may come before the court. Decisions are based on the individual facts and circumstances of each case. I understand that the overarching goal of juvenile court is rehabilitation and a judge must determine an appropriate result for each young person. It is beneficial to have as many options as possible.
Diversion Programs What are your views on diversion programs for behavioral problems and substance abuse?	Diversion programs such as the Drug and Mental Health Courts in Montgomery County are excellent programs for providing the necessary services to many individuals who need these programs to be rehabilitated. In my experience as an Assistant State's Attorney, I recommended these programs for many individuals. Often times, these are the exact services that people need to put themselves on a better path forward. I am proud to work in a county that embraces these programs.	Diversion programs are incredibly helpful to people who have mental health or substance abuse challenges and should be utilized when appropriate, based on the facts before the Court. Both the Mental Health and Drug Courts within our courthouse have made decisions that resulted in hundreds of successful outcomes for those who qualified for and embraced the opportunity provided through those diversion programs. These programs have saved lives and helped thousands of people.
Challenges What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's Circuit Courts and how should they be addressed?	During the COVID crisis, many cases got put on hold, and as a result the system is still trying to resolve this backlog. Litigants should not have to wait as long as they do for such important cases as custody of a child to be heard, for example. In order to tackle this problem, we need more personnel, such as judges, clerks and interpreters, to name a few.	The need for more resources is a challenge across the state and nationwide. The pandemic resulted in a delay in cases getting before a Judge, and the court is working hard to catch-up and meet the needs of litigants. We need more mediation and ADR options as well as attorneys to assist in pro bono programs. To leapfrog to where we want to be, the court is continually looking to hire qualified courtroom clerks, interpreters and other staff and to expand its programs that serve the community.

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Candidates for Office of Judge of the Circuit Court

See page 14 for details about the Office of Judge of the Circuit Court.

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Candidate

Web

Louis M. Leibowitz

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J. Bradford McCullough

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Qualifications

How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this judgeship?

I have one of the most varied legal backgrounds of any judge in Maryland. I represented people in civil matters including contract disputes, easements, negligence and fraud cases, landlord-tenant disputes (residential and commercial), and defamation cases. I have tried nearly every type of criminal case from murder to traffic tickets. I have represented both mothers and fathers in custody and divorce matters. Most importantly, I have a calm demeanor to manage the big emotions of the courtroom.

I represented clients in complex high-stakes business litigation, and handled appeals in criminal cases, family law matters, and real estate cases. Working on such a wide range of cases prepared me well for the bench. I was also trained as a mediator and the circuit court frequently appointed me to help parties settle cases. That service helped me develop a fair and calm demeanor. I also served on nonprofits' boards of directors and provided pro bono representation to low-income clients.

Juvenile Justice

How would you address the problem of large numbers of minority youth being imprisoned?

It is important for judges to decide each case based on the individual facts and circumstances of that case and not be influenced by political or other considerations. Juvenile cases are no different. The goal of juvenile court is rehabilitation not punishment. For judges to fashion an appropriate and tailored rehabilitative outcome for each young person, it is beneficial to have as many options as possible including drug treatment, diversion, and mental health counseling.

That is a crucial policy issue for the legislative and executive branches. Candidates for election to a judicial office, however, are bound by Rule 18-104.4 of the Maryland Code of Judicial Conduct. We cannot make commitments, pledges, or promises regarding issues that are likely to come before the court. We must fairly consider each individual case that comes before us, on its own merit, without appearing to have prejudged any issue. But incarceration of juveniles must be a last resort.

Diversion Programs

What are your views on diversion programs for behavioral problems and substance abuse?

Diversion programs are a miraculous benefit for people with behavioral and substance abuse issues. I served as the public defender's Drug Court representative for 3 years. That experience gave me the opportunity to have a small role in helping scores of people overcome their addiction and become productive members of our community. I am still in touch with some of them. It is humbling to see what they have accomplished. Drug Court Graduation is one of the most inspiring events at the courthouse.

Diversion programs are wonderful tools that help individuals with substance abuse or mental health issues address those challenges, get their lives back on the right path, and minimize contact and involvement with the criminal justice system. Our court's programs have served those objectives and have literally saved lives. By helping folks become contributing members of society, those programs serve an important role for the individuals directly involved, as well as the entire community.

Challenges

What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's Circuit Courts and how should they be addressed?

One of the greatest challenges is a lack of resources. Despite closing more cases last year than were filed, the court still is backlogged from the pandemic. People need to wait too long for their cases to be heard. There needs to be more courtroom clerks, interpreters, judges, and other courthouse staff.

When the pandemic struck, courts had to close. That caused a tremendous backlog of cases that we are still trying to address. Mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution are always favored, as they help people solve their problems without time-consuming and expensive litigation. They are especially important tools now. The number of self-represented parties is also a challenge, which could begin to be addressed by increased participation by lawyers in pro bono activities.



On the Ballot

Judge, Appellate Court of Maryland At Large

(see Candidates below)

Duties

Judges of the Appellate Court of Maryland review the actions and decisions of the Circuit Court and Orphans' Court in cases brought before it. The Court, usually sitting in panels of three judges, decides if the trial judge followed the law and legal precedent. The Court is composed of 15 judges: eight at large and one each from seven appellate Judicial districts.

How Elected

When there is a vacancy on the Appellate Court, a nominating commission reviews the qualifications of applicants for the judgeship and recommends several names to the Governor. The Governor appoints a person from that list to fill the office, who must then be confirmed by the State Senate. After serving for one year, the judge is subject to approval or rejection by the voters at the next general election for a ten-year term (yes or no for continuance in office). If the judge is approved, the judge faces another "retention election" every ten years to continue in office. If the incumbent judge is rejected by the voters, the post becomes vacant, and the governor makes a new appointment.

Term

Ten years. No term limit. Mandatory retirement age of 70 years.

Salary

\$213,633 per year.

Website

www.courts.state.md.us/acm

Questions to the candidates for Judge, Appellate Court of Maryland At Large:

- **CHALLENGES:** What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's courts and how should they be addressed?
- **DISCRIMINATION:** How can the courts prevent prejudices based on race, gender, age, or sexuality from affecting the fairness of court proceedings?
- **ACCESS TO JUSTICE:** What actions would you support to provide individuals with more access to the judicial system and legal assistance?

Note: In 2022 voters approved an amendment to the Maryland Constitution that changed the name of this court from "Court of Special Appeals" to "Appellate Court of Maryland."

Vote **YES** or **NO** for continuance in office for each candidate.

The following candidates were invited to respond but provided no answers by the print deadline. Check **VOTE411** for responses submitted after the print deadline.

Candidate
Web

Anne K. Albright
no website provided

Kevin F. Arthur
no website provided

Andrea M. Leahy
no website provided



On the Ballot

Montgomery County Board of Education

(see Candidates on pages 19-21)

Duties

The Montgomery County Board of Education is responsible for the direction and operation of the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS). Board members' responsibilities include, but are not limited to, establishing and enforcing policies that govern MCPS, selecting and appointing the superintendent of schools, adopting operating and capital budgets, establishing curriculum guides and establishing school boundaries.

How Elected

The Board of Education is composed of two At-Large members who may live anywhere in the county and five members who must reside in the districts that they represent. The terms are staggered, with one At Large and two or three district members elected every two years. Elections for Board of Education members are nonpartisan.

All voters, regardless of the district they live in or party affiliation, may vote for one At-Large candidate and one candidate each for Districts 2 and 4 this year.

Term

Four years. No term limit.

Salary

\$25,000 per year.

Website

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/boe

Vote for **one (1)** At-Large candidate,
one (1) candidate for District 2 and **one (1)** for District 4.

Questions for candidates for Montgomery County Board of Education:

- **QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your background prepare you for the duties of this office?
- **PARENTAL INPUT:** What is your position on allowing parents to opt their children out of classroom instruction and materials that those parents might consider inappropriate?
- **TEEN MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS:** What programs and policies, if any, do you propose or support to help our schools address the ongoing concerns around student mental health?
- **OPPORTUNITY GAP:** What specific initiatives, if any, do you propose or support to ensure that all students have equitable access to resources, challenging courses and effective teachers and administrators?
- **TEACHERS:** What strategies would you support to attract and retain effective teachers and administrators?

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Candidates for Montgomery County Board of Education – At Large

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Candidate Web	Lynne Harris Lynne4Students.org	Rita Montoya Montoya4mcps.com
Qualifications	15 years of education advocacy, experience as a nurse, lawyer and MCPS teacher, deep respect for the unique wisdom students bring to every conversation about our schools, and three years of service on the Board of Education, including chairing the Fiscal Management committee, provide a wide, deep understanding of MCPS complexities. Steadfast commitment to the work of creating a truly inclusive and affirming school system. Strong relationships with electeds, advocates, MCPS staff and students	As a parent of 2 young kids (8 & 9), PTA President, nonprofit leader, trained attorney, former Juvenile Public Defender, public servant and policy advocate whose educational journey began in Head Start preschool and progressed to law school via community college, I understand, firsthand, the MCPS community's challenges and how to navigate them. I employ efficient solution-oriented approaches to ensure equitable results and empower others.
Parental Input	Preparing students for college, career and community requires 'windows and mirrors' – an education in which they see themselves, but also gain understanding of those whose experiences and truths are different from their own. Allowing parents to decide they don't want their students to learn about some people isn't consistent with MCPS goals, values and commitment to inclusion. Maryland law only provides opt-out for certain Health units on Family Life & Human Sexuality	To prepare our children to thrive, MCPS classrooms must reflect the world in which we live. In situations where parents deem material inappropriate, parents should have an opportunity to voice their concerns and may use the moment as an opportunity for family conversation with our children about the family's views and values.
Teen Mental Health Crisis	Increase administrative support for licensed wellness professionals – LCSWs, Psychologists, counselors – so that they can maximize time directly supporting students. Widely publicize access to our partner agencies providing wellness services in schools – School Based Wellness Centers, Every Mind, JSSA etc. Support a regular schedule for student-designed in-school activities focused on wellness and wellbeing. Making self-care resources truly available to all students and staff must be prioritized	Connection is key. MCPS must fulfill its commitment to hiring and providing schools with social workers and psychologists and provide them with the flexibility to support their students through methods that resonate with their student population rather than costly, cookie cutter curriculums. MCPS cannot be the sole solution provider for the externalities our students face and we must collaborate further with the County and community groups to include the provision of sufficient funding.
Opportunity Gap	Ensure high quality professional development for teachers teaching ALL content. If we are going to maintain a virtual academy, effectively use it to provide access to unique curricula not widely available in MCPS when Virtual instruction is appropriate and students want it. Franchise great programs like Global Ecology, CAP, VAPA, CASE, IB & STEM Magnets, – so that they are truly geographically accessible. Incentivize talented teachers to work in schools struggling with attendance & access issues	MCPS must meet students where they are and actively support their movement forward. School initiatives like WIN (What I Need) provide students with 30 min., 4x weekly, to group with similarly situated students and a teacher other than their assigned to work on concepts in which they struggle or receive enrichment in subjects where they excel. Teacher led tutoring for teacher-identified struggling students would also provide benefits.
Teachers	Our future diverse, talented workforce is in our classrooms right now – intentionally focus on encouraging them to see education as an exciting, rewarding profession, bring their talent back to MCPS, & support them (scholarships, internships, mentoring) in their post-MCPS journey. Value teacher wisdom – more asking, less telling – empower them to take risks to enhance the art & science of teaching. Work to ensure all feel safe, welcome, valued. Strengthen central support for principals & schools	MCPS asks a lot of its educators and compensation must match. Rising costs of living, especially in Montgomery County, necessitate increases in the MCPS budget if we want to provide our students—our future leaders—with the tools they need to thrive and lead via their educators. More resourcefulness and community collaboration in other budget areas may provide space for reallocation of existing funds to educator compensation but ultimately the budget must increase.

Candidates for Montgomery County Board of Education – District 2

See page 18 for details about the Office of Board of Education.

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Candidate

Web

Qualifications

How does your background prepare you for the duties of this office?

Brenda M. Diaz

diazforboe.com

I bring a wealth of knowledge & insight necessary to rebuild the foundation of academic excellence in MCPS. With over twenty years of teaching experience across various educational settings, from public to private school, the preK classroom to high school, Spanish to Social Studies, substitute to Curriculum Coordinator, and from ESOL to AP, my understanding of different populations positions me to collaborate effectively with students, parents, & teachers.

As a board member, I will respect the inherent right of parents to guide their children's moral compass and cultural beliefs, including supporting them in shaping curriculum and policy input. Parents are the bedrock of society and the cornerstone of our MCPS community, shaping the future through their dedication to their children's development. With parental support, we will meet our main goal as a public school system to provide rigorous academic instruction.

Collaboration between parents, teachers, school counselors, psychologists, social workers, pupil personnel workers, and the school nurse is essential to caring for our children's mental health. Programs such as Linkages to Learning, Identity, and NAMI also play an important role in helping our families in times of crisis. I will support these efforts while also encouraging the County Council to create more opportunities in these areas for our children.

I will conduct a comprehensive review of resource allocation across schools to identify disparities and implement strategies to provide resources based on student needs. I will return highly qualified Central Office staff to the classroom as teachers, subs, or test administrators in schools that report gaps in faculty. I will reinstate access to grade-appropriate assignments, reinforce strong instruction, with teachers who hold our students to high expectations, every day, in every class.

The key to teacher retention, recruitment, & solving the teacher shortage crisis is to first take care of our current teachers. I will boost morale amongst our teachers by providing the tools they need to be successful in the classroom. From functioning copiers to bringing back GoGuardian—our teachers deserve to have fully equipped schools. I will hold open forums & visit classrooms to hear directly from them. I will support teachers & administrators who enforce the student code of conduct.

Natalie Zimmerman

twitter.com/ZimmermanforBOE

My service as a public school teacher prepares me best. I know the system from one of its most crucial points of success, which makes me qualified to speak from it. One of my undergraduate degrees is in political science. I am educated in this field and I can utilize my training as a member of the Board. I am prepared for this office not only because I am experienced as a teacher, but because I come with the experiences of a teacher. I know how to work hard because I work like a teacher.

MCPS should not allow opt-outs of these materials. Should a family wish to provide additional education to their child, they are welcome to do so at home or with their religious organization. As students mature, they will interact with people who may be different from themselves. MCPS's goal with these materials is to provide mirrors (to reflect back on students who see themselves) and windows (for students who do not see themselves to peer into someone else's experience and learn empathy).

Students who are in crisis are not able to learn, so MCPS must act. As a starting point, MCPS needs allocate more behavioral support personnel in each building. The nationally recommended ratios for school counselors (1:250), psychologists (1:500), and social workers (1:250) are not being met by MCPS. MCPS should also consider excusing students for 4 mental health days per year (approx. 1 per quarter) and enhancing the health curriculum from K-12 to include a greater mental health focus.

I would like to propose more implicit bias training for educators across MCPS as a starting point. We know that Black and Brown students are recommended for challenging courses at a lower rate than their White and Asian peers not because of scores, but due to implicit bias from educators. I also propose deeper examination of where resources are spent order to ensure that our most vulnerable students get what they need to thrive, along with more mentorship programs for students and staff.

Educators first deserve a living wage. The county council must fully fund the budget and then the Board must uphold the contract to pay teachers their salaries. Educators must also have a tenable workload. We must reduce the expectations placed on all workers in MCPS so we can retain educators in the system. MCPS already fosters mentorship through the Consulting Teacher program, but this should be expanded and extended to foster a supportive environment for MCPS educators.

Parental Input

What is your position on allowing parents to opt their children out of classroom instruction and materials that those parents might consider inappropriate?

Teen Mental Health Crisis

What programs and policies, if any, do you propose or support to help our schools address the ongoing concerns around student mental health?

Opportunity Gap

What specific initiatives, if any, do you propose or support to ensure that all students have equitable access to resources, challenging courses and effective teachers and administrators?

Teachers

What strategies would you support to attract and retain effective teachers and administrators?

Candidates for Montgomery County Board of Education – District 4

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Candidate Web	Shebra Evans voteshebraevans.com	Laura M. Stewart laurastewart.org
Qualifications How does your background prepare you for the duties of this office?	As a current board member, my track record and eight years of experience has me uniquely positioned to continue moving the district forward with a laser focus on the board priorities to address disparities in student outcomes in the area of math and literacy to ensure success for all students.	I am a mom of two recent MCPS graduates and I have been in PTA and other children’s advocacy leadership positions at the local, county, and state level for over a decade. I have been able to rebuild organizations after controversy and then develop productive relationships with decision makers at every level of government, leading to initiatives like the Safe School Drinking Water Act and funding for construction and wrap-around services. I’ll be ready to achieve results from day one.
Parental Input What is your position on allowing parents to opt their children out of classroom instruction and materials that those parents might consider inappropriate?	My position is consistent with state law.	I am a founding member of the Coalition for Inclusive Schools and Communities, formed to support MCPS’s position that there should not be an opt out policy for approved curriculum and books. We gathered over 3,000 signatures from Montgomery County stating that children should be able to see themselves and others in curricula. Allowing system-wide opt outs would lead to children leaving the classroom during science, language arts, and social studies, creating a chaotic classroom environment.
Teen Mental Health Crisis What programs and policies, if any, do you propose or support to help our schools address the ongoing concerns around student mental health?	COVID caused school and classroom disruptions. Students faced depression, family conflict, anxiety, trauma, and more. As a board member, I fully supported the investments made in counseling and mental health services. The challenges for students remain. Together, the school system and our community at large must address these pressing issues.	I support fostering more student connections to fellow classmates and trusted adults in schools. MCPS should implement intentional direct outreach programs for extracurricular activities, clubs, and lunch bunches. MCPS should also expand mental health services at school, providing more access to telehealth appointments and fully implementing Handle with Care. I have advocated for both initiatives at the state level. Parent support should also be offered through the parent academy.
Opportunity Gap What specific initiatives, if any, do you propose or support to ensure that all students have equitable access to resources, challenging courses and effective teachers and administrators?	As Board president, I supported and testified on the recommendations of the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education back in 2019. The legislation was passed as the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future in 2021. The law ensures equitable outcomes for every student. The pillars are a focus of my work on the board and reflected in past and current budgets.	Work to close the opportunity gap with comprehensive parent resources starting at birth. Universal Pre-K should be prioritized and funded, including offering scholarships for teacher training. Third grade literacy gaps should be a focus by using the science of reading, an early warning system, and intervention teams. In secondary school, equitable access to quality teachers should be ensured through incentives, in cooperation with the union. Close the tutoring gap by partnering with nonprofits.
Teachers What strategies would you support to attract and retain effective teachers and administrators?	On the board, it has been important for Human Resources to strategically use the recruitment calendar, build relationships with colleges, and support staff that needs to work towards certification or hold conditional certifications. Offer a competitive salary to attract highly qualified and diverse teachers. Our “Grow Your Own” initiative can retain staff from within MCPS to become certified teachers.	First, we should implement and fund “Grow Your Own” initiatives. Fully fund the current program that enables MCPS employees to become teachers. We should grow our career program to train students to become effective teachers and then offer scholarships if graduates teach in their home district. We must also look at financial and benefit incentives to remain competitive with neighboring districts. Finally, evaluate exit interviews and ensure that MCPS has a positive growth mindset culture.



On the Ballot

Ballot Questions

Montgomery County voters are asked to mark their ballots FOR or AGAINST one amendment to the Maryland Constitution and one amendment to the Montgomery County Charter. The proposed changes are presented to voters as questions on their ballots. To be enacted, ballot questions require approval by a simple majority of the people voting on the question.

Ballot questions may be initiated in several ways through actions of the legislative body or by citizens. When the General Assembly proposes a change to the Maryland Constitution, it must place a referendum (a vote to approve or disapprove) on the ballot about the change. Citizens can also use a petition to place a ballot question to overturn or change a law passed by the General Assembly. This year the statewide ballot question is a proposed amendment to the Maryland Constitution.

In Montgomery County, the Montgomery County Council may propose changes to the county charter on its own or by accepting recommendations of its Charter Review Commission. Also, Montgomery County citizens have the right to use a petition to bring charter amendments to the county ballot. The Montgomery County charter amendment question is a result of a citizen petition.

Ballot questions summarize proposed changes to the Maryland Constitution and the Montgomery County Charter and will appear on the ballot just as they appear below. Voters often find it hard to understand the meaning of the amendments and whether to vote for or against each question.

ALL Montgomery County voters can vote for or against the State Constitutional Amendment and the Montgomery County Charter Amendment.

Vote **FOR** or **AGAINST** each question.

Each ballot question is explained on the following pages.

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Question A: County Executive-Term Limit – Reduction from Three to Two Consecutive Terms

Statewide Ballot Question – Constitutional Amendment

See previous page for an overview of Ballot Questions.

Question 1

Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 245 of the 2023 Legislative Session)

Declaration of Rights – Right to Reproductive Freedom

The proposed amendment confirms an individual's fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including but not limited to the ability to make and effectuate decisions to prevent, continue, or end the individual's pregnancy,

and provides the State may not, directly or indirectly, deny, burden, or abridge the right unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means. (Adding Article 48 to the Maryland Declaration of Rights.)

FOR the Constitutional Amendment

AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment

Current Law: Maryland law says that the State cannot stop a woman from ending a pregnancy before the fetus can survive outside the womb. A pregnancy also may be ended at any time if needed to protect the woman's life or health, or if the fetus has a serious medical problem. Doctors, nurse practitioners, midwives, and physician assistants can perform abortions. These providers are protected from being sued or charged if they perform an abortion in good faith. Health insurers and Maryland Medicaid must cover the cost of abortion services.

Proposed Change: The ballot question would not change existing law as stated above, but would add a new Article 48 in the Maryland Constitution:

"That every person, as a central component of an individual's rights to liberty and equality, has the fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including but not limited to the ability to make and effectuate decisions to prevent, continue, or end one's own pregnancy. The State may not, directly or indirectly, deny, burden, or abridge the right unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means."

The amendment is designed to protect the entire range of reproductive decisions including birth control, in vitro fertilization, fertility treatments and abortion.

Origin of the ballot question: This amendment was proposed by the Maryland General Assembly in Senate Bill 798 during the 2023 session. It was prompted by the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturned *Roe v. Wade*. The *Dobbs* decision allows states to make their own abortion laws. Neighboring jurisdictions, like West Virginia, have banned abortion, while others, like the District of Columbia, protect the right to abortion.

Arguments FOR the amendment:

- Nearly 70% of Maryland residents disagree with the *Dobbs* decision, and almost 80% support a constitutional amendment to protect abortion rights in Maryland (Washington Post poll, September 2022).

- Because the *Dobbs* decision removed federal constitutional protection for reproductive freedom, a provision in the Maryland Constitution would be the strongest legal protection for this right in the state. Additionally, changing this constitutional provision would require approval by three-fifths of the Maryland General Assembly and a majority of voters.
- Under this provision, abortions and other reproductive procedures would remain safe and legal in Maryland. In states where abortion is outlawed or restricted, the procedure will still take place but under potentially unsafe or deadly circumstances.

Arguments AGAINST the amendment:

- Maryland already allows abortion, so a constitutional amendment is not necessary. If passed, this amendment would restrict future legislators from making new abortion-related laws.
- The proposed amendment goes farther than existing law in that it would permit abortion at any time until birth without limitations.
- This amendment could lead to more abortions and could make Maryland a destination for out-of-state abortions.

A majority vote FOR Question 1 means the Maryland Constitution would affirm that everyone has the right to reproductive freedom, including the right to an abortion and that the state cannot limit this right unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means. Maryland's existing law regarding the right to an abortion would remain in effect but could be changed by the legislature if the change were consistent with this constitutional amendment.

A majority vote AGAINST Question 1 means the Constitution would not be changed. Maryland's current law about abortion would remain the same but could be changed by the legislature in the future.

Montgomery County Ballot Question – Charter Amendment by Petition

See page 22 for an overview of Ballot Questions.

Question A

Charter Amendment by Petition

County Executive-Term Limit – Reduction from Three to Two Consecutive Terms

Amend Section 202 of the County Charter to decrease the term limit that applies to the County Executive from the current three consecutive terms to two consecutive terms.

The decreased limit would apply to anyone who already has served two consecutive terms as of December 2026.

FOR AGAINST

Current Law: The County Executive is currently limited to three consecutive four-year terms.

Proposed Change: The proposed change would revise the text of Section 202 of the County Charter as follows:

Sec. 202. Election and Terms of Office.

The County Executive shall be elected by the qualified voters of the entire County at the same time as the Council and shall serve for a term of office commencing at noon on the first Monday of December next following the election, and ending at noon on the first Monday of December in the fourth year thereafter, or until a successor shall have been qualified. In no case shall a County Executive be permitted to serve more than **three two** consecutive terms. Any County Executive who will have served **three two** or more consecutive terms at noon on the first Monday of December **2018 2026** shall be prohibited from commencing to serve a successive term of office at that time. For purposes of this Section, service of a term includes complete service of a full term and partial service of a full term. Partial service of a full term means service by a County Executive of more than two years of a term.

Origin of the ballot question: A voter petition (signed by the required 10,000 registered Montgomery County voters) proposed this charter amendment.

Arguments FOR the amendment:

- Incumbents have an advantage in elections so a shorter term limit will provide more opportunities for fresh candidates with different perspectives to enter the race with a chance of winning.
- A two-term limit would match the two-term limits that apply to the U.S. President and Maryland’s governor.
- Increased turnover for the office could make races more competitive and increase voter turnout. When voters think an election result is not in doubt, they may choose not to vote.

Arguments AGAINST the amendment:

- Voters already have the power to replace officials through the electoral process. The amendment would eliminate the voters’ right to retain in office an executive they think is doing a good job.
- Partisan animosity against the current County Executive motivated the proposal; an unsuccessful candidate for County Executive led the group that submitted the petition.
- Of Maryland’s 24 counties, 18 have either no term limits or a three-term limit for their County Executives.

A majority vote FOR Question A means the County Charter would be amended to reduce the term limit for the County Executive from three consecutive terms to two consecutive terms.

A majority vote AGAINST Question A means the County Charter would not be amended and the existing three-term limit would remain in effect.

Reminders!



CELL PHONE USE IS NOT PERMITTED IN POLLING PLACES

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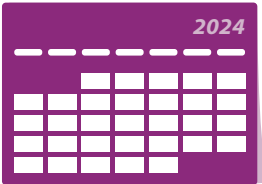
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Questions about the voting process?

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“When do I need to...?”

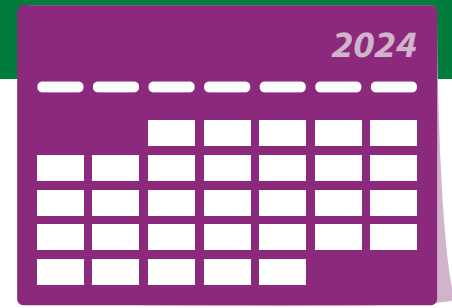
What are the early voting dates? When is an application for a mail-in ballot due? What day is election day? **See all of the Important Dates on page 26!**



Mail-in Ballots *RETURNING YOUR BALLOT:*

As soon as you have voted your ballot, return it by U.S. mail or at one of the official drop boxes across the county. **See page 4.**

Important Dates



- **GENERAL ELECTION DAY**
Tuesday, November 5, 2024, 7 am - 8 pm
- **Register online to Vote or Change your Name or Address by *Tuesday, October 15***
(New residents may register in person during Early Voting or on Election Day with appropriate identification. See registration process at elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/index.html)
- **Early Voting**
Thursday, October 24 – Thursday, October 31, 7 am - 8 pm
- **Submit your Application for a Mail-in Ballot by**
Tuesday, October 29, for mail or fax delivery of your ballot,
Friday, November 1, for internet delivery of your ballot,
Tuesday, November 5, in person at the Board of Elections.
(This does not apply to those on the permanent Mail-in Ballot list.)
- **Mail-in Ballots due by**
8 pm, Tuesday, November 5
Ballots must be deposited in any drop box, at an Early Voting Center or Board of Elections, or your local precinct by 8:00 pm on Election Day.
Mailed ballots must be *postmarked* no later than *8 pm, Tuesday, November 5*.

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2. VOTE IN PERSON ON ELECTION DAY AT YOUR ASSIGNED POLLING PLACE. On Tuesday, November 5, polls are open 7 am to 8 pm. Check for your assigned polling place on your Official Sample Ballot mailing label or visit voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch.

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