18th Avenue Family Enrichment Center
ALKEBU-LAN AFRICAN Bookstore
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Cathedral of Praise Church
CivicTN
Coneheads
Conexion Americas
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.
District 3 Connect
Indivisible
Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship
Kernel's Gourmet Popcorn
Kingdom Cafe
Lee Chapel AME Church
The Local Distro
Master's Barbershop
Mogul's Barbershop
Mount Zion Baptist Church
National Association of Women Business Owners
New Covenant Church
New Life Church
The New Life Program
Organize Tennessee
Pruitt's Pharmacy
State Senator Brenda Gilmore
Stand Up Nashville
Slim & Husky's Pizzeria
Swett's Restaurant
The Temple Church
Tennessee Equality Project
Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition
Urban League of Middle Tennessee
Ware's Barbershop
Women's Political Collaborative
YWCA of Middle Tennessee

The Equity Alliance Board, Staff and Volunteers

As part of our voter education and outreach programs, our goal is to expand the electorate by creating new and informed voters. The Nashville Voter Guide is a free, nonpartisan, public resource to help Nashville voters make an informed decision in the voting booth on Election Day. The widely popular publication is produced by The Equity Alliance in partnership with DENOR Brands + Public Relations and Tell Publishing and is distributed by a host of community partners.

This is a free, nonpartisan publication. The Equity Alliance does not endorse or financially support candidates. Every effort was made to contact each candidate to obtain their profile information. In the event we couldn't reach a candidate, ready available information was captured from the internet. Due to the large number of candidates, candidates campaign platforms may be edited; Community Affiliations: were limited to five; and those who did not return a profile were only listed by name. Profiles were printed as-is and were only edited for word count, grammar or clarity.
What a time to be alive! At the start of 2020, we already expected this year’s election to be the most important of our lifetime. What we didn't expect was to be voting during an unprecedented global pandemic and amid widespread civil unrest and protests against racism. This historical moment is calling for all of us to take direct action that reflects our morals and values. The buck stops with you on Election Day.

Decisions are made everyday on behalf of you, me and our community at different levels of government. As constituents of elected officials, it is our right to choose the best person to represent our interest on issues such as policing, public health, school reopening, voting accessibility amid a pandemic, infrastructure, disbursement of the city budget, and a host of other issues. It is our right to choose the best person who chooses to show up to the table to be our extended voice.

This upcoming Aug 6 election will be your opportunity to say who you want to vouch for you at the state and federal levels. Nashville is choosing United States Senators, House of Representatives, State Senators, State House of Representatives, Metro School Board Members and an Oak Hill Commissioner. We need to make sure the people in our circle are registered to vote by the July 7 deadline. We also need to stay vigilant and stay informed on the real-time changes happening to our voting process. A Nashville judge ruled that COVID-19 is a valid reason for every Tennessee voter to request an absentee ballot. No one should have to choose between their health and their right to vote, so be sure to complete your absentee ballot application by July 30. Detailed instructions can be found in this Guide.

No candidate is perfect but who will best represent your beliefs and values? Who is making what's important to you important to them? Who has the better plan to engage the community in reopening the schools and businesses amid the COVID-19 pandemic? Who has the better healthcare policy plan? Who has the better plan to reform or abolish policing. Who is collaborating with other elected officials to maximize their policy change efforts? Who is truly going to bring hope to our communities beyond words, tweets and fancy slogans?

The Equity Alliance equips Black Tennesseans and other communities of color with the proper information in the civic process so we all can show up informed on Election Day. The Equity Alliance is proud to provide you our 2020 Tennessee Voter Guide, a free, nonpartisan, public resource for Nashville voters to be informed. In this guide, you’ll find unbiased candidate profiles, a description of what each elected office does, polling locations and hours, voter ID requirements, a reminder to fill out your Census form. Our goal is to empower you to exercise your right to vote as a means to bring a balance of power to these public offices.

Thank you to our community partners, DENOR Brands and Public Relations, 529 Graphics, Tell Publishing, and our volunteers and distribution partners for their contributions to the 2020 Tennessee Voter Guide. Be sure to share the guide with your family, neighbors, friends, customers and on social media. Visit www.TNVoterguides.com to access our mobile-friendly site and obtain your free copy.

Stay vigilant,

Charlane Oliver
Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director
The Equity Alliance
Friends:

I'd like to thank the Equity Alliance for creating this valuable voter education booklet. I hope that you will read it and share it widely.

The past few months have provided a unique opportunity for us to witness how interconnected we are: As neighbors helping neighbors after the March 3rd tornadoes, as fellow citizens capable of spreading an invisible virus to family and strangers alike, as a community collectively confronting injustice in powerful and wrenching ways. We are in this American experiment of democracy together – for better and for worse.

We need every voice to be heard and counted. There are as many reasons to vote as there are voters. Whatever issue matters to you is a reason to cast a ballot.

If you care about your community – vote!
If you care about how your tax money is spent – vote!
If you care about clean water, clean air, clean soil – vote!
If you are frustrated or disgusted or angry – vote!
If you care about our country's standing in the world – vote!
If your candidate wins – hold him or her accountable!
If your candidate loses – keep voting!

If you are waiting for the perfect candidate, I can assure you that you will wait in vain. We are not perfect and we likely will disappoint you at some point. We learn quickly that you will hold us accountable, and that is precisely correct.

I urge you to educate yourself about the candidates and about the issues that matter to you. I urge you to register to vote and to confirm that you are properly registered. I urge you to use your voice at the ballot box. We need you.

Sincerely,

John Cooper
Mayor
To be eligible to register to vote in Davidson County, Tennessee, all of the following qualifications must be met:

- You must be a United States citizen,
- You must be a legal resident of Davidson County when submitting a voter registration application,
- You must be 18 years of age or older by the date of the next election,
- You must not have been convicted of a felony or, if you have such a conviction, have your voting rights restored as required by state law, and
- You must submit a properly completed voter registration application at least 30 days before an upcoming election.

Voter Registration Deadlines

The August 6 election's voter registration deadline is **Tuesday, July 7** by close of business. Deadlines can creep up quickly. Make sure you’re registered to vote! New registrations must be postmarked or delivered to the Davidson County Election Commission no later than thirty (30) days before an election, in order to vote in that election; that is state law.

Voter ID Requirements

All voters must present a federal or Tennessee state ID containing the voter's name and photograph when voting at the polls, whether voting early or on Election Day unless an exemption applies. Acceptable forms of ID include, even if expired:

- Tennessee driver's license with your photo
- United States passport
- Tennessee Department of Safety photo ID
- Photo ID* issued by the federal or Tennessee state government
- United States Military photo ID (active or retired)
- Tennessee handgun carry permit with your photo

These photo IDs may be expired, unless you are voting in Davidson County for the first time. Student IDs, library cards and photo IDs issued by cities, counties and other states **may not** be used.

Ways To Register To Vote

**Online Voter Registration:** [https://ovr.govote.tn.gov/](https://ovr.govote.tn.gov/) You must have a Tennessee driver’s license or identification issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security in order to submit this application online. If you do not have a Tennessee driver’s license or Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security ID, you will be able to print the voter registration form and submit by mail.

**Register in Person:**

Paper Registration: You may complete a paper form at the Davidson County Election commission office, Department of Safety (motor vehicles division), Department of Health (WIC program), public libraries, many other designated government agencies, or at a third-party voter registration drive in your community.

Once you complete the form, you may either **mail-in** the application to:

Davidson County Election Commission:  
PO Box 650  
Nashville, TN 37202

or **hand-deliver** applications to:  
Davidson County Election Commission - Main Office  
1417 Murfreesboro Pike  
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday

**OR**

Metro Office Building  
800 2nd Avenue South, 4th Floor  
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

DID YOU KNOW:

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Absentee Ballots Now Available for Request due to COVID-19 Pandemic Reason

Tips for Voting During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Absentee Ballots Now Available for Request due to COVID-19 Pandemic Reason

**Chancery Court Order**
On June 4, Davidson County Chancellor Ellen Hobbs Lyle ruled that the state must provide all eligible voters the option to vote absentee in the August and November elections this year. The court ordered the state to:

- ★ Provide any eligible voter who applies to vote by mail in order to avoid transmission or contraction of COVID-19, an absentee ballot in upcoming elections during the pendency of pandemic circumstances.
- ★ Allow those voters who determine it is impossible or unreasonable to vote in-person at a polling place due to the COVID-19 situation to check the box on the absentee ballot application that says they are ill and have that absentee voting request duly processed by the State in accordance with Tennessee law.
- ★ Prominently post on their websites and disseminate to county election officials that voters who do not wish to vote in person due to COVID-19 are eligible to request an absentee ballot.

**The Coordinator of Elections issued guidance to local officials the following morning to not immediately comply with the court’s decision:**
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- ★ The state told locals not to send out any absentee applications or update their websites or forms yet as the state was working on language.
- ★ If a voter asks for an absentee application because of COVID-19, locals were instructed to take the information but wait until either the state form had been updated or a stay is not granted.

That same evening, the Coordinator of Elections informed locals that the state website and application form had been updated and instructed counties to either use the state form or update theirs with the same language:

- ★ The state website now reads, “Pursuant to the June 4, 2020 Order of the Davidson County Chancery Court, if you are a registered voter and do not wish to vote in-person due to the COVID-19 situation, you are eligible to request an absentee ballot by mail. You also have the option to vote in-person during early voting or on Election Day.”

**Email:** moaballot@nashville.gov  
**Phone:** (615) 862-8815  
**Fax:** 615-880-1729  
**Mail:** Davidson County Election Commission  
Attn: Absentee Department  
P.O. Box 650  
Nashville, TN 37202-0650  

- ★ New language has also been added to the absentee eligibility categories
On June 6, the Attorney General filed motions in Davidson County Chancery Court seeking an immediate appeal and a stay pending the appeal. The state argues that the injunction will cause irreparable harm in multiple ways:

- From the burden that it places on counties to process “a dramatic influx” of absentee ballot requests and the need to hire people to count the ballots and acquire the space needed to process more ballots.
- From the costs to counties (while simultaneously cutting budgets across the board) for purchasing and mailing “thousands, if not millions” of absentee ballots that cannot be recovered (if the ruling is overturned).
- And to the integrity of the elections. The state argues that rushing to expand absentee leads to disenfranchisement and points to examples from other states expanding absentee this year where ballots were not received or returned in time, discovered after Election Day and rejected. The state also requested the court to stay the preliminary injunction pending appeal in order to prevent the above irreparable harm.

**Attorney General Appeal**

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**On June 9, plaintiffs filed a contempt motion against the state for alleged violations of the judge’s order to immediately begin supplying mail-in ballots to voters who request one.**

- The plaintiff's argue the state's creation of a new eligibility category (rather than allowing voters to check the “illness” excuse) wasn't permitted by the court order and allows election officials to segregate these voters' requests and refrain from processing them.
- Chancellor Lyle is expected to hold a hearing on the contempt charge on June 11.

**What This Means for Absentee Voting**

If and until the court stays the injunction, the Chancery Court Order stands. Any voter may now request an absentee ballot if she is concerned about appearing in person at a polling place because of COVID-19.

While the state has updated the eligibility language on its website and absentee ballot request form, the Coordinator of Elections has indicated that counties will only send out absentee ballots if the court's later decisions require it. Voters who submit absentee ballot requests indicating COVID-19 concerns as their reason will thus not immediately have their applications processed.

What happens next could confuse many voters: If courts ultimately side with the state, counties may or may not be required to mail ballots to those voters who applied for them during the time Chancellor Lyle allowed it. The state emphasized this potential confusion in its motion to stay Chancellor Lyle's Ruling.

The timeline of these actions is unclear: We do not yet know when the state's appeals will be exhausted or how long the state will wait to mail absentee ballots to voters pending a final decision from the courts.

**Important Reminders:**

- Counties will accept absentee ballot requests until July 30.
- Voters are required to mail absentee ballots to the election commission so that it is received by Election Day (August 6). Voters should submit requests and return ballots as soon as possible.
- If a voter is mailed an absentee ballot and then decides to vote in person (either because they changed their mind or they didn't receive the ballot), they will be required to vote a provisional ballot.
TIPS FOR VOTING DURING THE COVID-19 Pandemic

While voting is important, voting safely is more important while COVID-19 is still running rampant. As you decide which method of voting is suitable for you, keep these tips in mind for the upcoming August 6 State and Federal Primary, Local General Election.

★ Mail-in Absentee Ballots are optional. The new law requires an option to list COVID-19 as a reason to mail-in your vote. Must apply for the ballot at [https://www.nashville.gov/election-commission.aspx](https://www.nashville.gov/election-commission.aspx) by July 30. Once approved, the completed ballot must be mailed in by Election Day at 7 p.m. to be counted.

★ If you're going to do in-person voting, make sure your address is updated to limit the amount of time you have to be in the polling station. Use this link to update your address: [https://ovr.govote.tn.gov](https://ovr.govote.tn.gov)

★ Consider early voting during times when there aren't huge crowds and you have the option to choose which polling location to vote. Visit page 38 of this guide for early voting locations and times.

★ To minimize the amount of time at the polling station, review the Nashville Voter Guide so you'll know who you're voting for before you get there.

★ Follow guidelines issued by public health officials, including safe practices when in a public setting like wearing a mask and gloves and practicing social distancing - staying 6 feet apart from everyone.

★ Bring your own ink pen to sign documents

★ Bring your own disposable gloves and stylus pen to use on the touchscreen while using the voting machine

★ Do not take additional people with you who are unable to vote

★ Use hand sanitizer before and after you use the voting machine

★ If you are sick or test positive for COVID-19, please stay home

Did you know that the Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends a cloth face mask that covers your mouth and nose that is secured under your chin? Make sure you can breathe easily and do not touch the mask once you put it on; if you do, wash your hands in soap and water immediately.
2020 Election Calendar

- July 7: Voter Registration Deadline
- July 17: Early Voting Begins
- July 30: Last Day to Request an Absentee Ballot
- August 1: Early Voting Ends
- **August 6**: Election Day

AUGUST 6TH BALLOT

NASHVILLE-METRO DAVIDSON COUNTY ELECTIONS

- **FEDERAL PRIMARIES**
  - United States Senate
  - United States House of Representatives - Congressional District 5

- **STATE PRIMARIES**
  - Tennessee State Senate District 18 • 20
  - Tennessee State House of Representatives Districts 50 • 51 • 52 • 53 • 54 • 55 • 56 • 58 • 59 • 60
  - Tennessee State Executive Committee 18 • 19

- **LOCAL GENERAL ELECTION**
  - Metro School Board District 1 • 3 • 5 • 7 • 9

- **OAK HILL MUNICIPAL ELECTION**
  - Oak Hill City Commissioner
Each state is represented by two (2) Senators; therefore there are a total of 100 Senators in Congress. A Senator helps create laws with the House of Representatives and serve on committees. Due to the high volume and complexity of its work, the Senate divides its tasks among 20 permanent committees, 4 joint committees, and occasionally temporary committees. The majority leader and minority leader are elected by their respective party conferences to serve as the chief Senate spokesmen for their parties and to manage and schedule the legislative and executive business of the Senate. The Senate has the power to confirm federal judges and try impeachment hearings that the House will start. U.S. Senators are elected to 6-year terms, and approximately one-third of the total membership of the Senate is elected every two years.
**DID YOU KNOW:**

Early voting is a great way to beat the long lines on Election Day. You can vote at any one of the 11 locations open, and it gives you more control over fitting voting into your busy schedule.

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**MARQUITA BRADSHAW**

*Candidate Status: Challenger  Previous elected offices held: None*

Employment/Occupation: I have extensive experience in the environmental justice movement and as an advocate for human rights.

Education: University of Memphis

Community Affiliations: Defense Depot Memphis, TN-Concerned Citizens Committee Youth Terminating Pollution (Founding member) Mid-South Peace & Justice Center.

Top Three Issues:

- Education
- Healthcare
- Environment

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**GARY G. DAVIS**

*Candidate Status: Challenger  Previous elected offices held: None*

Employment/Occupation: financial advisor, part-time bakery worker.

Education: Attended Marshall University

Top Three Issues:

- Partisan Gridlock
- Deficit Spending
- Affordable Care Act

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**ROBIN KIMBROUGH HAYES**

*Candidate Status: Challenger  Previous elected offices held: None*

Employment/Occupation: Meharry Medical College, Chaplain and Ombudsman

Education: Bachelor of Arts from Fisk University, Doctor of Jurisprudence from Emory School of Law, Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt Divinity School

Community Affiliations: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc, NAACP, Nashville Branch, Women’s Political Caucus, Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship, Nashville Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

Top Three Issues:

- Criminal Justice Reform: Fight for racial equity in policing, sentencing, courts, decriminalizing marijuana, increased funding for neighborhoods through housing and education, and reducing domestic and gun violence.
- Healthcare: Support Medicare for All, increased funding for mental health, a woman’s right to choose and full rights for LGBTQIA, innovative farming practices for our food supply, and adoption of the Green New Deal to address the health of our climate.
- Labor: Work to increase the minimum wage to at least $15, protect rights of workers, social security, and the Older Americans Act. Pass equal pay for equal work.
Employment/Occupation: Attorney, U.S. Army veteran (helicopter pilot in the 101st Airborne Division, enlisted after 9/11)

Education: Duke University and law degree from University of Washington

Community Affiliations: Active member of the Tennessee Air National guard, member of Reform Synagogue The Temple; married to Rabbi Shana Goldstein Mackler

Top Three Issues:
- Without change I am worried about the future for my family and yours. My wife and I want to raise our two daughters in a nation that celebrates the best of America: an open and welcoming place that is driven by opportunity and ingenuity; a country motivated by courage, not fear; a society where we seek justice, strive for equality, and embrace our neighbors.

Employment/Occupation: Attorney, Entrepreneur

Education: Austin Peay University

Community Affiliations: Adjunct Professor of Law at Vanderbilt Law School; coaches the Vanderbilt National Moot Court Team; ordained Baptist deacon; teaches Sunday School to youth; member of First Baptist Church, Nashville.

Top Three Issues:
- Emergency Action — stabilize the economy and protect the American people, without bailing out Wall Street
- Financial Market Reform — build a more stable foundation for our economy
- Health Insurance — improve availability and flexibility, while reducing costs

Employment/Occupation: Owner/Director of The Brooks Academy, a home-school institution

Education: Prairie View A&M University,

Top Three Issues:
- I believe in better living and health benefits for Military Veterans
- I support the funding of mental health services for Americans living in certain circumstances.
- I believe that future college tuition ought to be determined by the current annual cost-of-living.

Employment/Occupation: Dentist, educator

Education: Tennessee State University, Meharry Medical College, Trevecca Nazarene University

Community Affiliations: Governor’s Alliance for a Drug Free Tennessee Founder, Never Ever Drugs campaign Save the Children Coalition, Tennessee Republican Party Statewide Issues and Platform Committee Chairman, Tennessee delegate to two Presidential Conventions, Board member of Nashville’s First Church of the Nazarene

Top Three Issues:
- Tennessee Values - Faith, Family and Truth
- Judicial Integrity - I will work to Drain the Swamp in D.C. and Tennessee!
- Jobs and Opportunity - I will fight back against Big Government
ROY DALE COPE

Employment/Occupation: Pharmacist  
Education: Doctor of Pharmacy  
Community Affiliations: Member ICBC (International Community Baptist Church), FAAGC (Filipino American Association of Greater Chattanooga)  
Top Three Issues:  
- Giving a voice back to the forgotten working/middle-class and not the choice of special interest or the political elite in Washington.  
- All things Healthcare; Preventative, Affordable, and Access including TN's high rural hospital closures rate and mergers.  
- The practice of pharmacy transparency, drug prices, and the disenfranchising of patients and undue burdens on staff. ***Bonus Student loan repayments missing tax expense benefits.

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TOM EMERSON JR.

Employment/Occupation: Retired after 44 years in Information Technology; U.S. Navy veteran  
Community Affiliations: Treasurer, Secretary, and Chairperson of a Republican District in Shelby County (Memphis); Treasurer and Secretary in the Tipton County Republican Party.  
Top Three Issues:  
- Term Limits  
- Veterans Affairs  
- Health Insurance

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TERRY DICUS

Employment/Occupation: Attorney & Former TBI Criminal Investigator  
Top Three Issues:  
- Push legislation to end all war  
- Propose legislation to end racism by ending the concept of race  
- Propose legislation that will establish a national identification system

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GEORGE FLINN JR.

Employment/Occupation: Flinn, an electrical engineer turned physician, established a chain of radiology clinics in Tennessee. He also founded Flinn Broadcasting, which owns 40 radio and television stations across the United States.  
Education: Bachelor’s from the University of Mississippi; Medical degree from the University of Tennessee  
Community Affiliations: West Tennessee Director for the Board of the Tennessee Broadcasters Association  
Top Three Issues:  
- Support judicial appointments that respect the rule of law, and defend the rights of people expressed in the Constitution and Declaration of Independence.  
- Defend the rights to free speech, religious liberty and freedom of the press as put forth in the First Amendment of the Constitution.  
- Without equivocation, every law-abiding citizen in this country has the right to own and bear arms as stated in the Second Amendment, and I will make sure that the federal government does not take those rights away.

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Candidate Status: Challenger  
Previous elected offices held: None

Candidate Status: Open Seat  
Previous elected offices held: None

Candidate Status: Open Seat  
Previous elected offices held: None

Candidate Status: Open Seat  
Previous elected offices held: None

Candidate Status: Open Seat  
Previous elected offices held: Shelby County Commissioner for six years

Candidate Status: Open Seat  
Previous elected offices held: None
**BILL HAGERTY**

**Employment/Occupation:** Former U.S. Ambassador to Japan under President Donald Trump; senior leader in the Trump Transition Team; Donald Trump's Tennessee Victory Chair; Former Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development; Businessman

**Top Three Issues:**
- Bill will work to strengthen our economy bring more jobs to our communities
- Stop illegal immigration
- Defend our Second Amendment rights.

**Candidate Status:** Open Seat  
**Previous elected offices held:** None

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**KENT MORRELL**

**Employment/Occupation:** President and CEO of Indoor Oceans, an aquarium design firm he founded in 1993

**Community Affiliations:** Board Member of Safe Access Tennessee, which provides science-based educational resources about the importance of treatment options, including medical cannabis for pain management, to legislators and offers advocacy training across the state.

**Top Three Issues:**
- Healthcare reform
- Support for Veterans
- Education

**Candidate Status:** Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held:** None

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**JON HENRY**

**Employment/Occupation:** Retired U.S. Marine Corp

**Education:** Associate's degree in General Studies, Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Master's Degree in Public Administration & current Ph.D student in Leadership Studies

**Top Three Issues:**
- Ethic and moral representation
- 2. Policies that support the safety and security of the American people
- 3. Protect the freedoms of our rights to defend oneself, freedom of speech, & freedom of religion

**Candidate Status:** Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held:** None

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**GLEN L. NEAL JR.**

**Employment/Occupation:** Pharmacist

**Education:** Doctor of Pharmacy

**Community Affiliations:** Member ICBC (International Community Baptist Church), FAAGC (Filipino American Association of Greater Chattanooga)

**Top Three Issues:**
- Giving a voice back to the forgotten working/middle-class and not the choice of special interest or the political elite in Washington.
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- The practice of pharmacy transparency, drug prices, and the disenfranchising of patients and undue burdens on staff. ***Bonus Student loan repayments missing tax expense benefits.

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**Previous elected offices held:** None

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Employment/Occupation: Owner of the Piggly Wiggly grocery store brand
Education: Middle Tennessee State University, degrees in Political Science & Social Economics
Community Affiliations:
Top Three Issues:
• Government reform
• Immigration
• Healthcare

Employment/Occupation: Truck Driver
Education: High School and self-educated Constitutional Scholar (With guidance.)
Community Affiliations: National Rifle Association, Tennessee Firearms Association, 917 Society, Truckers Against Trafficking and Constitutional Patriots
Top Three Issues:
• Restoring Constitutional limits on our Federal Government to protect our Rights and State Sovereignty.
• Cutting Government spending by cleaning up Unconstitutional Federal agencies and streamlining those that are, which will also reduce the ability for them to use regulations as Unconstitutional Law.
• Term limits and ending the lifetime benefits of those serving in both Chambers of Congress, it is a privilege and honor to serve and should not be a lifelong career and retirement plan, paying them well to live in two places is one thing, a lifelong burden on taxpayers is another.

Employment/Occupation: Orthopedic trauma surgeon and associate professor
Education: Bachelor’s from Brown University, M.D. from Harvard Medical School
Community Affiliations: Founder of the nonprofit, Healthy Tennessee
Top Three Issues:
• Pro-Life
• Opioid Crisis
• Immigration
The U.S. House of Representatives makes and passes federal laws. The House is one of Congress’s two chambers (the other is the U.S. Senate), and part of the federal government’s legislative branch. Also referred to as a congressman or congresswoman, each representative is elected to a two-year term serving the people of a specific congressional district. Among other duties, representatives introduce bills and resolutions, offer amendments and serve on committees. The number of representatives with full voting rights is 435, and is proportionate to population per state. Currently, there are five delegates representing the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. A resident commissioner represents Puerto Rico. The delegates and resident commissioner possess the same powers as other members of the House, except that they may not vote. The Speaker of the House is the leader of the House, and majority and minority leaders represent their respective parties on the House floor.
**JIM COOPER**

**Employment/Occupation:** U.S. Congressman Tennessee District 5


**Community Affiliations:** Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship, member. Rotary Club of Nashville, member. NAACP - Nashville Chapter, member. Leadership Music Alumni, St. George's Episcopal Church, member.

**Top Three Issues:**
- Trump is the worst president in U.S. history. I proudly voted to impeach him and work hard every day to stop his abuse of power.
- As one of President Obama's earliest and strongest supporters, I proudly voted for the Affordable Care Act. Everyone has a right to quality health care, and the fastest way to get universal health insurance in Tennessee is by expanding Medicaid under the ACA.
- I listen to voters every day. My personal cell phone number is 615-714-1719. No one else in Congress gives their number out.

**Candidate Status:** Incumbent

**Previous elected offices held:** U.S. Congress

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**KEEDA HAYNES**

**Employment/Occupation:** Senior Legal Counsel at Free Hearts

**Education:** Tennessee State University - Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice; Minor in Psychology, 2002. Nashville School of Law - Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2012. Stetson University - LL.M. - Trial Advocacy, 2016

**Community Affiliations:** Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Free Hearts, Tennessee Organizing for Power

**Top Three Issues:**
- Criminal Justice Reform - I will work to dismantle the criminal justice system by fighting to end mass incarceration, repeal mandatory minimum sentences, remove barriers to successful re-entry and any other policy or procedure that disproportionately affects the black, brown and low-income communities.
- Economic Justice - No one who works a full-time job should have to live in or near poverty. Raising the minimum wage is one of the best tools we have to lift incomes and grow our economy.
- Healthcare Justice - Healthcare should be equitable for everyone and all communities regardless of race or income; we must have Medicare for All.

**Candidate Status:** Challenger

**Previous elected offices held:** None

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**JOSHUA RAWLING**

**Employment/Occupation:** Small business owner, musician

**Top Three Issues:**
- Kicking corruption
- Universal healthcare
- Environmental Leadership

**Candidate Status:** Challenger

**Previous elected offices held:** None

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The Senate is the upper house of the Tennessee General Assembly and is composed of 33 members who are elected to four-year terms of office. They are elected by the voters of their Senate legislative district. A senator must be a citizen of the United States, at least 30 years old, a citizen of Tennessee for at least three years and a resident of the county or district he represents for at least one year before the election. The functions of the Legislature are to enact, amend, and repeal the laws of Tennessee. Some of the specific powers granted to the Tennessee General Assembly by the state Constitution include: the appropriation of all money to be paid out of the state treasury; the levy and collection of taxes; and the right to authorize counties and incorporated towns to levy taxes.
DISTRICT 18

FERRELL HAILE

Employment/Occupation: Owner, Haile Farms
Education: B.S. in Pharmacy from the University of Tennessee
Community Affiliations: Tennessee Pharmacist Association, Gallatin Morning Rotary Club, Elder at Station Camp Church of Christ & Tennessee Cattlemen's Association

Top Three Issues:
- Small businesses
- Farming
- Healthcare system

Candidate Status: Incumbent
Previous elected offices held: None

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HEIDI CAMPBELL

Employment/Occupation: Marketing Director
Education: MBA from Vanderbilt University
Community Affiliations: Stepping Stone Theater for at-risk youth

Top Three Issues:
- Standing up to a radical legislature
- Leadership in the time of COVID-19 crisis
- Education

Candidate Status: Challenger
Previous elected offices held: Mayor of Oak Hill

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DISTRICT 20

KIMI ABERNATHY

Employment/Occupation: Independent Educational Consultant, Educational Counselor
Education: B.S., MTSU; Certification, Educational Counseling 2-yr program with Honors, UCLA
Community Affiliations: Alignment Nashville, The Equity Alliance, Davidson County Democratic Party, Women's Political Collaborative, Foster Care Review Board

Top Three Issues:
- Medicaid Expansion: Like the overwhelming majority of Tennesseans from both parties, I support Medicaid expansion. I have lived in rural, suburban and urban areas and have seen first hand what the lack of medical services does to a family, to entire communities and to our economy.
- Public Schools: I have worked in public and independent schools. I support our public schools and believe strongly in equitable funding. I am absolutely opposed to vouchers.
- Clean air and water: Tennessee's natural resources and beauty are among the most spectacular in the nation. Beyond our enjoyment, however, I want to make sure we have clean water flowing from our taps, clean air to breathe and towns that allow healthy living.

Candidate Status: Challenger
Previous elected offices held: Appointed to Ft. Bragg School Board

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STEVEN DICKERSON

Employment/Occupation: Anesthesiologist
Education: University of the South, BA; Wake Forest, MD
Community Affiliations: TN Domestic Violence State Coordinating Council

Top Three Issues:
- Medical cannabis
- Criminal justice reform
- Enhancing voters' rights

Candidate Status: Incumbent
Previous elected offices held: State Senate 20th district

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The House of Representatives is the lower house of the Tennessee General Assembly, composed of 99 members who are elected to two-year terms of office. They are elected by the voters of their House legislative district. A representative must be a citizen of the United States, at least 21 years old, a citizen of Tennessee for at least three years and a resident of the county he represents for at least one year before the election. In general, the functions of the Legislature are to enact, amend, and repeal the laws of Tennessee, and they can create changes in the form of bills, resolutions and joint resolutions. Some of the specific powers granted to the General Assembly by the state Constitution include: the appropriation of all money to be paid out of the state treasury; the levy and collection of taxes; and the right to authorize counties and incorporated towns to levy taxes. The House also has the power to start impeachment hearings.
**DISTRICT 50**

**BO MITCHELL**

**Candidate Status**: Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held**: None

**Employment/Occupation**: Small business owner

**Education**: Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science from David Lipscomb; law degree from Nashville School of Law

**Community Affiliations**: Member, Bellevue Harpeth Chamber, Goodlettsville Chamber, Joelton Civitan, Tennessee Conservation Voters, & Tennessee Farm Bureau

**Top Three Issues**:
- Education excellence
- Healthcare affordability
- Infrastructure upgrades

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**DISTRICT 52**

**MIKE STEWART**

**Candidate Status**: Incumbent  
**Previous elected offices held**: State Representative District 52

**Employment/Occupation**: Attorney

**Education**: University of Pennsylvania - B.A., History; University of Tennessee College of Law - J.D.

**Community Affiliations**: East End United Methodist Church  
Tennessee House Democratic Caucus - Chairman  
American, Tennessee, & Nashville Bar Associations  
Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association - past president  
Metro Emergency Communication District Board - past member

**Top Three Issues**:
- Healthcare - we need to use every resource available to get coronavirus under control so that people can get back to work and school without being in danger. Essential to this is expanding Medicaid under President Obama’s Affordable Care Act.
- Unemployment - we need to take aggressive action to get unemployment relief paid and to get the economy back normal.
- Essential values - at a time when the Trump Administration is routinely promoting bigotry and division, we need to uphold our core values of inclusion, justice, and respect for all citizens.

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**DISTRICT 51**

**BILL BECK**

**Candidate Status**: Incumbent  
**Previous elected offices held**: None

**Employment/Occupation**: Attorney

**Education**: B.S. Business Administration, Belmont University J.D., Nashville School of Law

**Community Affiliations**: Member, Nashville Bar Association  
Kiwanis Club of Madison Board of Directors, Allegro School of Music  
Inglewood Homeowner’s Association, HEMA-Historic East Nashville Merchants Association

**Top Three Issues**:
- I campaigned on putting people before politics and that’s what I’ve done as State Representative. Every bill I vote on I always ask, will this help people rather than corporations? I’m here to help people, not special interests.

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**DONNA TEES**

**Candidate Status**: Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held**: None

**Employment/Occupation**: Paralegal

**Education**: Associates General Studies/ Bachelor of Science Legal Studies / J.D. 2022

**Community Affiliations**: Davidson County Republican Party, Davidson County Republican Women, Tennessee Firearms Association, Tennessee Republican Assembly

**Top Three Issues**:
- Veterans Rights and offering substantial additional benefits to those who have served our country
- Improving public school education for our youth
- Limiting taxes and government involvement while supporting small business owners.

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JAMES C. TURNER, II  

**Candidate Status:** Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held:** None

**Employment/Occupation:** Senior Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church

**Education:**  
- Tennessee State University  
  B.A., Business Administration and Management, May 1998  
- Morehouse School of Religion, ITC Atlanta, GA  
  M.Div., Ethics and Homiletics, May 2000  
- Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School Rochester, NY  
  D.Min., Transformational Leadership, May 2020

**Community Affiliations:** Immediate Past President of the Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship, Nashville NAACP Branch Member, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated, Murfreesboro Alumni Chapter, Member

**Top Three Issues:**  
- **FIGHT FOR QUALITY, AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE FOR ALL** and expand Medicaid.  
- **CREATE AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE** by attracting good paying jobs with strong benefits, and strengthening unions.  
- **INVEST IN PUBLIC EDUCATION,** strengthening local public school funding, increase teacher pay and give teachers a voice in education policy reform.

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JASON POWELL

**Candidate Status:** Incumbent  
**Previous elected offices held:** None

**Employment/Occupation:** Real Estate

**Education:**  
- University of Memphis, MBA  
- Tennessee State University, MPA

**Community Affiliations:**  
- Tennessee House Democratic Caucus  
- McMurray-Edmondson Area Neighborhood  
- Caldwell-Abbey Hall Neighborhood Association  
- Glencliff Neighborhood Association

**Top Three Issues:**  
- Economic Access & Empowerment for Tennesseans  
- Medicaid Expansion  
- Expansion of Voter Rights and Protections

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TERRY R. CLAYTON  

**Candidate Status:** Challenger  
**Previous elected offices held:** 19th Senatorial District Democratic Committeeeman

**Employment/Occupation:** Attorney

**Education:**  
- Law Degree (J.D.), Howard University; Bachelors of Science, Political Science and Criminal Justice, Tennessee State University

**Community Affiliations:**  
- Tennessee State University Foundation Board of Directors; Samaritan Ministries of Temple Baptist Church; NOAH, Criminal Justice Working Group; President, Southeast Center for Cooperative Development and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

**Top Three Issues:**  
- Healthcare. We must expand Medicaid; our recent Covid 19 epidemic demonstrates that everyone should have access to public healthcare. But this state has refused to accept federal dollars so that we can cover health care for those individuals who cannot afford health insurance.  
- Equal Justice. I will work to change laws that have a disparaging effect on people of color for example decriminalizing laws regarding marijuana use and possession.

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VINCENT DIXIE  

**Candidate Status:** Incumbent  
**Previous elected offices held:** State Representative

**Employment/Occupation:** Bondsmen

**Education:**  
- Bachelors in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting, Tennessee State University (1997); Masters of Business Administration, Tennessee State University (2004)

**Community Affiliations:**  
- Member of Omega Psi Phi, St. Vincent DePaul, New Leaders Council, Nashville North Collaborative

**Top Three Issues:**  
- Equity in education for our children- Many schools in my district are on the MNPS Priority List. We must work together with the elected school board officials and Metro Council to ensure our schools are properly funded and allocated the appropriate resources.
- Healthcare for seniors - Our most vulnerable population deserves quality healthcare. This COVID-19 pandemic has made evident the disparities in healthcare in the Black community. We see the detrimental impact when health insurance is tied to a job.
- Criminal justice reform - People deserve a second chance and should be given the opportunity to redeem themselves.

**DISTRICT 55**

**JOHN RAY CLEMMONS**

Employment/Occupation: Attorney

Education: Columbia University in NYC, University of Memphis Law

Community Affiliations: Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee, Friends of Sevier Park, Metro Board of Fair Commissioners

Top Three Issues:
- Healthcare
- Jobs/Economy
- Infrastructure

**DISTRICT 56**

**DIANE MICHEL CANADA**

Previous elected offices held: This will be my first elected position. I've served on the Mayor’s Minority Business Advisory Council. I've served as Political Advocate for the Nashville Chapter of National Association of Women Business Owners.

Employment/Occupation: Speaker and Author

Education: Graduated 6 months ahead of my class in H.S. Attended College twice, but did not finish. Took the entrepreneur path and benefited from Apprenticeships. I have had significant training in Management and Leadership. I am currently taking Political and Constitutional Classes.

**DISTRICT 58**

**HAROLD M. LOVE, JR.**

Employment/Occupation: Pastor Lee Chapel AME Church

Education: Bachelor’s (Economic and Finance) - Tennessee State University Masters (Theology) - Vanderbilt University Ph.D. (Public Policy) - Tennessee State University

Community Affiliations: NAACP, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., 18th Ave Family Enrichment Center
Top Three Issues:
- Education is one of my top priorities and I have sponsored legislation to increase funding for schools, improve access to technology for students and Criminal justice reform is also a priority for me and I have sponsored legislation to update sentencing guidelines, increase expungement opportunities and improve conditions of those incarcerated. Health care is my final priority with particular emphasis on reducing health disparities.

DISTRICT 59

JASON POTTS

Candidate Status: Challenger  |  Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Small business owner, general contractor, & real estate professional
Education: UT Martin
Community Affiliations: Haywood Lane Elementary Garden Club, Hands On Nashville and Habitat for Humanity.
Top Three Issues:
- Education, Infrastructure, & healthcare

DISTRICT 60

DARREN JERNIGAN

Candidate Status: Incumbent  |  Previous elected offices held: Metro Council, 2007-2014

Employment/Occupation: Small Business Owner
Education: BS, Political Science, Austin Peay (95); Masters, Criminal Justice, TSU/MTSU (00)
Community Affiliations: Donelson/Hermitage Chamber of Commerce
L'Evate (Donelson/Hermitage Leadership)
Women's Political Collaborative of Tennessee
Men's Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 1291
Hermitage Church of Nazarene

Top Three Issues:
- Health Care
- 2. Education
- 3. Criminal Justice Reform

GRANT THOMAS MEDEIROS

Candidate Status: Challenger  |  Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Human Resources
Education: Some College
Community Affiliations: MTSHRM, Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce, Donelson-Hermitage Neighborhood Alliance, McWhirtersville Lodge F.& A. M. #375 (Donelson)
Top Three Issues:
- Prior to the Covid-19 Global Pandemic, my conversations with constituents revolved around improving Healthcare, Education, and the Criminal Justice System in TN. Those issues still remain of highest importance. Now we have other complex issues surfacing that have been ignored for too long, such Unemployment in TN, and a property tax increase from Metro Nashville when people are already hurting. All this to say that just because our leaders ignore problems, that doesn’t mean they just go away. We need to do something, we’ve had inactive legislators for too long.
The Republican State Executive Committee shall consist of sixty-six (66) members. One bona fide Republican man and one bona fide Republican woman shall be elected to the SEC from each of the thirty-three (33) State Senatorial Districts, by the voters of each respective District qualified to vote in such Republican primary. Each SEC member shall have voted in the last three Republican primaries in his county of residence during those primary elections. The duties and powers of the SEC include to serve as the Tennessee Republican Party’s state primary board; to have immediate charge and full control of the political affairs of the TRP and establish policy to guide and direct County Republican Parties. The SEC shall serve a four-year term.
**DAVID BIRDSONG**

Candidate Status: Challenger

Employment/Occupation: Small business owner

Education: Antioch High School

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**CHARLES MONTGOMERY**

Candidate Status: Challenger

Community Affiliations: Republican Party Executive Committee

Top Three Issues:

- Charles looks forward to representing the Republicans in State Senate District 19 by solidifying the party position on legal Immigration, constitutional carry, and criminal justice reform. “It is important that we have a strong unified message going forward of what values we expect our Republican candidates in Tennessee to uphold. It is also important that those of us elected to serve and represent our communities be able to communicate those values effectively to all of our constituents.”
The Democratic State Executive Committee is composed of one man and one woman elected from each of the 35 Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Councilmanic districts. This committee is the governing body and manages and operates the State Party, establishes and approves the budget, and establishes procedure for picking Party nominees for offices, selecting members of the National Committee, and selecting delegates for the National Convention, which is where support for a particular presidential candidate is chosen.
KRISTI CORNETT

Candidate Status: Challenger

Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Metro Nashville Government

Education: BA, American Baptist College
MTS, Vanderbilt Divinity School
MA, Vanderbilt University

Community Affiliations: New Leader's Council, Give Black, Give Back Community Initiative, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Rotary Club, Vanderbilt Divinity School Advisory Board

Top Three Issues:
- Fairness
- Transparency
- Representation

ERIC BROWN

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Candidate Status: Incumbent

Previous elected offices held: Davidson County Democratic Party Executive Committeewoman, District 2

Employment/Occupation: Political Consultant

Education: University of Tennessee-Knoxville, B.A. in Rhetoric & Writing

Community Affiliations: New Leaders Council Nashville (Board Member, 2015 Alum), Davidson County Young Democrats (former President, current member), Emerge Tennessee (2017 Alum), Mayor Cooper's Census Committee

Top Three Issues:
- As a TNDP Executive Committeemember, I've advocated for:
  - Better transparency
  - Smarter spending/budgeting
  - Most importantly, for change

The Democratic Party of today is not the same as it was even 15 years ago, and the TNDP must reflect that. We won't succeed if we keep trying to recapture old "glory days" - we must move forward. That means being strategic. That means respecting our party's base, instead of chasing people who abandoned Democratic principles a long time ago. And it means thinking about the next 20 years, not just the next 20 months. Let's fight for these changes together.

KATHARINE HERIGES

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Candidate Status: Incumbent

Previous elected offices held: Davidson County Democratic Party Executive Committeewoman, District 2

Employment/Occupation: Political Consultant

Education: University of Tennessee-Knoxville, B.A. in Rhetoric & Writing

Community Affiliations: New Leaders Council Nashville (Board Member, 2015 Alum), Davidson County Young Democrats (former President, current member), Emerge Tennessee (2017 Alum), Mayor Cooper's Census Committee

Top Three Issues:
School board members are locally elected public officials entrusted with governing a community's public schools. The role of the school board is to ensure that school districts are responsive to the values, beliefs and priorities of their communities. They set the vision and goals for the district, adopt policies that give the district direction to set priorities and achieve its goals, hire and evaluate the superintendent, adopt and oversee the annual budget, and manage the collective bargaining process for employees of the district.
**DISTRICT 1**

**BARRY BARLOW**

Candidate Status: Challenger  
Previous elected offices held: Democratic Committeeman Council District #3

Employment/Occupation: Retired

Education: M.A. Pastoral Care & Counseling, B.Th. Bachelor of Theology, B.S. in Sociology

Community Affiliations: President, PAC Parent Advisory Council MNPS  
Member Steam Advisory Council MNPS  
Past Chair, Religious Affairs Committee for the Nashville Branch of the NAACP.  
Past Chair, Religious Affairs Committee for the Nashville Branch of the NAACP.

Top Three Issues:
- Ensure that every MNPS student has access to a quality education every day.
- Ensure that MNPS parents and students have access to school choice.
- Ensure that MNPS Administrators, Staff, and Teachers have the resources they need.

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**SHARON DIXON GENTRY**

Candidate Status: Incumbent  
Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: HCA Healthcare

Education: B.S. Physics; Masters - Mechanical Engineering; Doctorate - Higher Education Administration

Community Affiliations: Women of Color for Education Equity; The Links, Incorporated; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; Middle TN Council Boy Scouts of America.

Top Three Issues:
- Equitable educational opportunities and resources for DI Community Schools
- Increased funding/improved budget management
- Retention strategies for teachers and staff

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**DISTRICT 3**

**BRIAN HUBERT**

Candidate Status: Challenger  
Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Cartridge World Nashville - Partner/C.O.O.

Education: BA from University of Tennessee (Knoxville) Major- History , Minor - Philosophy

Community Affiliations: Leadership Goodlettsville  
Citizens Leadership Academy - City of Goodlettsville  
Goodlettsville Chamber of Commerce  
Goodlettsville Elementary School PTO, MNPS graduate and parent of children that attend our locally-zoned school

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**ROBERT TAYLOR**

Candidate Status: Challenger  
Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: President, The New Life Center

Education: BA Biology, Fisk University; MPA Public Policy, Bowie State University

Community Affiliations: Board Chair, Jordan Ridge HOA  
Board Member, Rejoice School of Ballet  
Church Administrator/Advisory Board, Word of Life Christian Center International Advisory Council, The Metro Public Health Department’s Strong Babies Program  
Member of Tennessee Educators of Color

Top Three Issues:
- Family and Community Engagement-As a former MNPS employee, I understand the importance of responsive Family Engagement. I will continue to work with parents as partners to achieve the educational outcomes we all desire.
- Accountability-As a seasoned public administrator, I will utilize my skills to provide fiscally responsible oversight to ensure the equitable distribution of resources to specifically support the schools in District I.
- Student Focused-Throughout my career I have worked to provide programs and activities to support student achievement. While relying on data, I will always make sure students are the primary focus in the decision-making process.

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**DISTRICT 5**

**CHRISTIANE BUGGS**

- **Candidate Status:** Incumbent
- **Previous elected offices held:** None

**Employment/Occupation:** United Way of Greater Nashville

**Education:** B.S. Physics, M.Ed. Curriculum & Instruction, M.Ed. Urban Education

**Community Affiliations:** The Equity Alliance founder
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc
- Lee Chapel AME Church member
- TN Educators of Color Alliance board member
- Educators Cooperative board member

**Top Three Issues:**
- Ensuring the safety of students and teachers in return to school during a pandemic.
- Providing Equity in Education by focusing on locally zoned schools that need more support and ensuring universal access to remote learning technology.
- Bolstering community support of locally zoned schools by encouraging sponsorship and partnership with local businesses and organizations in order to make up for budgetary shortfalls.

**DISTRICT 7**

**FREDA PLAYER-PETERS**

- **Candidate Status:** Incumbent
- **Previous elected offices held:** None

**Employment/Occupation:** Emerge Tennessee/Executive Director

**Education:** BA - Fisk University and MA - George Washington University

**Community Affiliations:** Freda Player-Peters have served as the Chair of the Tennessee Health Care Campaign, co-founder of Fisk University Young Alumni Association, former co-founder and co-chair Nashville New Leaders Council, former Membership Chair of Nashville League of Voters, former Member At-Large Board Member of the Tennessee League of Voters and a former Steering Committee Member of A.W.A.K.E, former Treasurer of Tennessee Citizen Action and co-founder and Vice Chair of Emerge Tennessee.

**Top Three Issues:**
- Recovering from the learning loss due to COVID closure
- Creating and implementing a multi-year strategic funding plan regarding the sustained funding for textbooks, education technology and building infrastructure.
- Creating a culture of dignity and respect for students, parents and employees.

**DISTRICT 9**

**RUSSELLE ANN BRADBURY**

- **Candidate Status:** Challenger
- **Previous elected offices held:** None

**Employment/Occupation:** Nonprofit and grants consultant / Parent

**Education:** Duke University, B.A.
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Masters in Social Work

**Top Three Issues:**
- Equitable distribution of resources
- Collaboration across schools & school types
- Accessibility
Community Affiliations: District 9 MNPS School Parent-Teacher Organization Co-Fundraising Chair
MNPS Parent Advisory Committee representative
Graduate of Nashville Young Leaders Council
Active Co-Chair of the Nashville Duke Women's Forum
Founding & Active Regional Board Member of Duke Nashville

Top Three Issues:
• Crisis-Ready Strategies: Our schools were in crisis before we were hit with unprecedented safety and further financial challenges. A steady focus on surviving and thriving beyond crisis is vital. I'm ready to champion our strengths, involve everyone in the conversation, and harness our city's innovative spirit.
• Budget for Educators: It is essential to heavily invest in human resources—lessons learned from my career managing budgets. I will advocate for increased salaries and recognition for all MNPS employees.
• Promote Equity and Collaboration: I will passionately advocate for equitable, collaborative and inclusive policies to improve public education for Nashville's children, educators and families.

Candidate Status: Challenger
Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Former Public School Teacher
Education: B.S. in Elementary Education from Centre College, Master's of Education from Vanderbilt University
Community Affiliations: Rebuilding Together Nashville
Metropolitan Nashville Education Association
PTO member at Harpeth Valley Elementary and Head Middle School
Environmental Defense Fund Action Ambassador
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

Top Three Issues:
• Value Our Teachers: Teachers deserve to be paid what they're worth, trusted to know how to do their jobs, and given respect/support for their increasingly difficult work.
• Fully Fund MNPS, Increase Social & Emotional Learning Supports: Children who are homeless, hungry, struggling, or dealing with trauma must be cared for before we can expect them to turn the energy they spend surviving into learning.
• Reduce Standardized Testing: I'll fight for transparency around all high stakes testing and demand testing time be developmentally appropriate.
The City of Oak Hill has a manager/commission form of government, with an elected board of commissioners, which selects the mayor and vice mayor, and a planning commission and board of zoning appeals appointed by the mayor.
ZACH BALDWIN

Candidate Status: Challenger  Previous elected offices held: None

Employment/Occupation: Senior Project Manager at American Constructors
Education: B.S. Construction Engineering Technology - Murray State University - 2006

Community Affiliations: Board of Zoning Appeals - City of Oak Hill; Member of Board of Directors – Great Expectations Community Development Corporation; Program Committee Member of Rebuilding Together Nashville; Member of Board of Directors – Nashville Inner City Ministry; Member of Local Missions Steering Committee and former Deacon over Local Missions – Harpeth Hills Church of Christ

Top Three Issues:
• Commitment to keep Oak Hill residential
• Smart, pro-active infrastructure improvements
• Bring unity to our city

ELIZABETH “LIZ” BEAVERS

I am running because I love the City of Oak Hill. As a member of the Oak Hill Planning Commission for the past 4 years, I will be able to represent our residents with experience, knowledge, impartiality, and honesty. My goal, if elected, is to foster good relationships among commissioners, city management, and residents by maintaining a respectful, unbiased attitude toward all. I am 100% against commercial development of any kind. I want to make sure our roads and infrastructure are maintained, and that our building codes are up-to-date in order to keep our city the lovely jewel that it is!

JOHN DELUCA

• Preserve the beauty and tranquility of Oak Hill
• To oppose commercial development,
• To transform the city’s daily operations and decisions into a business model mindset

DAVID P. DEMARCO

Candidate Status: Challenger

Employment/Occupation: Accountant
Education: BS from George Peabody College; MBA from the University of Tennessee

Community Affiliations: Oak Hill Citizens Advisory Committee, Franklin Road Academy, St. Paul Christian Academy, & St. Paul Southern Methodist Church

Top Three Issues:
• Oak Hill has been my home for over 50 years. I want to help ensure that Oak Hill remains the oasis of green that all of us enjoy. The number one issue is protecting our zoning. Our zoning is the firewall that keeps Oak Hill from looking like some other parts of Nashville. There are many assaults on our green space. I want to protect Oak Hill from spec builders whose sole interest is how many square feet of house they can get on a lot. I want to help keep Oak Hill 100% Residential. I am 100% against Commercial Development.

Winston Evans

Candidate Status: Challenger

Employment/Occupation: Civil Engineering degree from Vanderbilt. MBA in Finance from the University of Pennsylvania, JD from Vanderbilt
Education: Founding member/attorney at Evans, Jones & Reynolds.

Community Affiliations: Nashville & Tennessee Bar Associations

STACY WIDELITZ

Candidate Status: Challenger

Previous elected offices held: He was elected commissioner in June 2016 and named Vice-Mayor in June 2016. He has served as Vice Chair of the Planning Commission since August 2014.

Employment/Occupation: Stacy is an Emmy-nominated composer and songwriter who has called Oak Hill home since 2000.

Community Affiliations: He has served as president of the boards of Nashville Film Festival and ALIAS Chamber Ensemble. Stacy is currently on the boards of Nashville Opera and Leadership Music.
Early voting is a great way to beat the long lines on Election Day. You can vote at any one of the 11 locations, and it gives you more control over fitting voting into your busy schedule. Here are the early voting times and locations.

Early Voting Dates Friday:
July 17, 2020 - Saturday, August 1, 2020

- FRIDAY, JULY 17 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
- SATURDAY, JULY 18 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- MONDAY, JULY 20 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
- TUESDAY, JULY 21 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- THURSDAY, JULY 23 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- FRIDAY, JULY 24 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
- SATURDAY, JULY 25 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- MONDAY, JULY 27 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
- TUESDAY, JULY 28 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
- THURSDAY, JULY 30 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- FRIDAY, JULY 31 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

ALL EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS & TIMES

Locations

- Belle Meade City Hall
  4705 Harding Pike, Nashville, TN 37205
- Bellevue Library 720
  Baugh Road, Nashville, TN 37221
- Bordeaux Library
  4000 Clarksville Pike, Nashville, TN 37218
- Casa Azafrán Community Center
  2195 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN 37211
- Edmondson Pike Library
  5501 Edmondson Pike, Nashville, TN 37211
- Goodlettsville Community Center
  200 Memorial Drive, Goodlettsville, TN 37072
- Green Hills Library
  3701 Benham Avenue, Nashville, TN 37215
- Hermitage Library
  3700 James Kay Lane, Hermitage, TN 37076
- Howard Office Building
  700 2nd Avenue S, Nashville, TN 37210
- Madison Library
  610 Gallatin Pike S, Madison, TN 37115
- Southeast Library
  5260 Hickory Hollow Pkwy, Antioch, TN 37013

Election Day
Thursday, August 6 • Polls are open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. You must vote at your assigned Election Day polling locations, which can be found on your voter registration card or at this link:

http://maps.nashville.gov/pollingplacefinder/
Voters will be provided disposable marking devices to make their ballot choices, enabling touchless voting. Simple and easy, here's how it works:

**INSERT PAPER BALLOT**
Insert the blank paper ballot given to you by the Poll Official.

**MAKE SELECTIONS**
Make your selections on the screen, using the disposable marking device provided.

**REVIEW & PRINT**
Review your choices and make changes, if necessary. Tap PRINT and remove your ballot. Review your marked paper ballot.

**DEPOSIT BALLOT**
Insert your marked paper ballot face down in the secure scanner to cast your vote. Voting is complete!
You may be eligible to get your voting rights restored if:

- You received a pardon
- You completed the maximum sentence imposed for the crime
- You were granted final release from incarceration or supervision by the board of parolees, the department of correction, or county correction authority
- You paid back any court order restitution
- You paid off all child support obligations
- You paid all court ordered court costs

Conditions under which you cannot have your voting rights restored:

- You were convicted between July 1, 1986 and June 30, 1996 of first degree murder, aggravated rape, treason or voter fraud
- You were convicted between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 2006 of murder, rape, treason or voter fraud
- You were convicted on or after July 1, 2006 of any of the above, or any degree murder or rape or any offense under TCA Title 39, Chapter 16, parts 1, 4 or 5 designated as a felony or any violation containing the same elements and designated as a felony in any other state or federal court; or any sexual offense under TCA S 40-39-202 or any violent sexual offense under TCA S 40-39-202 designated as a felony or any violation containing the same elements and designated as a felony in any other state or federal court and where the victim of such offense was a minor

If you meet the requirements in above, you have two (2) options for restoring your voting rights:

1. Court Order
   a) Obtain a certified court order restoring your rights in either the county in which you currently reside or the county in which you were convicted.
   b) Bring the certified copy of that original order to the office of the county election commission in the county in which you reside.

2. Certificate of Restoration (recommended):
   a) Access the Certificate of Restoration of Voting Rights on the Tennessee Secretary of State's Website: https://sos.tn.gov/products/elections/if-i-have-felony-conviction-can-i-vote. Have the Certificate of Restoration of Voting Rights completed by:
      i. The pardoning authority or an agent or officer of the supervising or incarcerating authority; and/or
      ii. An agent of the circuit/criminal court clerk

Your parole officer should be able to complete this for you upon your completion of your parole responsibilities. If not, we recommend you call to set up an appointment with the following agent for Davidson County:

Marty Dreher
State of Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole Manager
220 Blanton Ave.
Nashville, TN 37210
Direct Line: 615-253-5088
Email: Marty.Dreher@tn.gov

b) Verify that you do not owe any court costs, fines, fees, restitution, or child support. Contact the Davidson County Criminal Court Clerk's Office:

Lillian Machado
Front Counter Team Lead
Phone: 615-862-5601 ext. 71412
Email: lillian.machado@nashville.gov
Email: LillianMachado@jis.nashville.org

c) Bring the completed Certificate of Restoration of Voting Rights to the office of the county election commission in the county in which you reside during business hours

Davidson County Election Commission
417 Murfreesboro Pike
Nashville, TN 37217

Once you have completed either #1 or #2 above, the county administrator of elections shall send a copy of the Certificate to the TN Coordinator of Elections Mark Goins for verification. Upon verification that you do not have any outstanding child support obligations due, you may be registered to vote and sent a voter registration card in the mail.
Voting as a college student is important and can be confusing. Here’s some information on what to do:

Registering To Vote

College students should register to vote in the county/state of your permanent residence address (the address you consider to be your permanent home while enrolled). Students do not lose their residence solely by attending college away from home. If your permanent address is out-of-state, you may use your campus address to register to vote in Tennessee. Once you decide to register, you now become a resident of Tennessee. You are allowed to use your campus address on the voter registration form. No photo identification is required to register to vote as an out-of-state student.

If you have taken actions to make your school address your permanent residence address (moving your car registration, driver license, etc.), then you should register in the applicable county/state using your school address.

Out-Of-State Students

If your permanent residence address is out-of-state, you should go to an ROTC office or military recruitment office. If you need to register in person (in order to obtain an absentee ballot), but will not return to your home state before the registration deadline, go to an ROTC office on a college campus or military recruitment office to submit an in-person registration. The ROTC/Recruitment Office will mail your voter registration application to your local county election office marked as ‘in-person.’

You must be cautious of any college scholarships you receive that requires you to be a resident of your home state. You could lose those scholarships! For this reason, the Election Commission encourages students to register in their home state whenever possible, but it is your choice.

Going To The Polls:

You cannot go vote at your polling place with an out-of-state driver’s license. You must bring a federally-issued government ID, such as a passport or military ID. A college ID is not an acceptable form of identification to vote in Tennessee. If you are a registered voter and do not have a government-issued photo ID, the Department of Safety and Homeland Security will provide you with a photo ID at no charge. Visit the Department of Safety and Homeland Security’s website to learn more: https://www.tn.gov/safety(driver-services/photoids.html

Voting Absentee

If a student or their spouse is outside of the county during the time of the election, they have the option of completing an absentee vote. If you registered to vote by mail, you must vote in person the first time you vote. If this is not your first time voting, you may request an absentee ballot and vote by mail. You can find the Absentee Ballot Request Form online at http://www.nashville.gov/Election-Commission/Voters.aspx. You must request an absentee ballot by July 30, 2020 to vote in the August 6 Election.

POLL WATCH: IF YOU ARE BEING TURNED AWAY

Being turned away at the polls CAN and DOES happen. If you are turned away, stay calm, and contact the following IMMEDIATELY before leaving the polling location:

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<th>Tennessee Secretary of State</th>
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US Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Voting Section 800-253-3931 voting.section@usdoj.gov
THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS
YOU DESERVE TO BE COUNTED

The U.S. Constitution requires that we take a count – or a census – of America’s population every ten years. The 2020 Census goal is to count everyone once, only once, and in the right place. The U.S. Census Bureau conducts the count and serves as the nation’s leading provider of quality data about its people and economy. The Decennial Census is the once-a-decade population and housing count of all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.

Visit www.2020census.gov to complete the census. The deadline to respond is October 31, 2020.

What to Expect: The census is a simple survey. 95 percent of households will receive their census invitation in the mail; Almost 5 percent of homes receive their invitation from a census taker going door-to-door; and less than 1 percent will be counted in person by a census taker. The Census Bureau is offering online responses in 2020. Every household will have the option of responding online, by mail or by phone.

Confidentiality: All information provided to the Census Bureau is confidential and protected under Title 13 of the U.S. Code. All Census Bureau employees swear a lifetime oath to protect respondent data, and they face a felony conviction if this oath is broken.

Why Being Counted Matters: The data collected in the census is used to determine where and how billions of dollars are spent on critical programs, such as Medicaid, Head Start, SNAP, and more. It’s also used by businesses to decide where to open new stores, offices, and factories – creating jobs in many communities.

Redistricting: In Tennessee, the congressional and state legislature districts are redrawn based on Census data. When population distribution changes in the state, political district boundaries must shift too to ensure each district has roughly the same population. The Tennessee General Assembly will draw the new district lines in time for the 2022 election.

Reapportionment: The number of congressional districts in a state may shift based on increases or decreases in population over the previous decade, which affects congressional representation and state electoral votes. This reapportionment of seats in the House of Representatives and resulting change in electoral votes helps dictate the geographic shift in political power within the United States.

Government Resource Allocation: Over $400 billion per year is allocated throughout the nation with help from census data, including programs such as public health, education and infrastructure, as well as academic and commercial research. State and local funds are often distributed based on population; every person is important when advocating for funding. The strength of census statistics and data also helps inform many public policy proposals at all levels of government.

The census is about money and power and representation. This survey is critical to ensuring our communities get the resources and support needed to thrive. The census is how we get access to resources. It’s how we get access to power. It’s how we leverage our presence.
Election Commission Contact Info

Questions? Concerns? Address all confusion by contacting the Election Commission.

Below are their office hours, contact information, and locations.

Office Hours: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

On Election Day the polls are open from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Email: vote.questions@nashville.gov
Website: www.nashville.gov/vote
Phone: 615-862-8800 - General Information

Main Office
1417 Murfreesboro Pike
Nashville, TN 37217
All candidate and voter services are available at the Main Office.

Satellite Office
Metro Office Building
4th Floor
800 2nd Avenue South
Nashville, TN 37210
Only voter registration and voter record changes are available at the Satellite Office.

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 650
Nashville, TN 37202-0650

Established in November 2016, The Equity Alliance proactively advocates for communities of color to have a fair and just opportunity at realizing the American dream. We are a Nashville-based, nonpartisan, 501(c)3 non-profit organization that seeks to equip citizens with tools and strategies to engage in the civic process and empower them to take action on issues affecting their daily lives.

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