

**2016**  
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General Elections

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**VOTER  
GUIDE**

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CAIR-Chicago seeks to empower the Muslim American community with its 2016 Primary General Election Voter Guide, providing general information about the election such as candidate positions and biographies. CAIR-Chicago encourages Muslims to support candidates whose positions they agree with.

Further, as a nonpartisan organization, CAIR-Chicago encourages Muslims to participate in national and state elections, conduct voter registrations, candidate forums, volunteer in campaigns, and get out the vote drives. Non-profits cannot engage in political activities that support one candidate or party over another, but we are committed to making our community's voice heard.

**CAIR-Chicago does not endorse any campaigns or candidates.**

For this election guide, CAIR-Chicago chose to focus on districts close to mosques and community centers. For a complete list of candidates running for public office during the 2016 Primary Elections, please visit the Illinois State Board of Elections website at: [www.elections.il.gov](http://www.elections.il.gov)

***Click on candidate photos to access campaign websites, which provide additional biographical information and explanation of political positions. Additionally, click on district maps for full-size images.***

*\*denotes an incumbent candidate*

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# Forward

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It is crucial for all U.S. citizens over the age of eighteen to participate actively in the political process. Voting is a right that every citizen possesses in order to make a difference in the political process and to help their community. Before the coming election you should make sure that you are registered to vote. You can click [here](#) to check if you are registered and learn how you can get registered.

As part of an ongoing project toward empowering the American-Muslim community and enabling it to solve its problems proactively, CAIR-Chicago has compiled a profile of the candidates running for major office throughout Illinois, and in the U.S. Congress. We have made the effort to highlight the issues we think are important not only to Muslims, but to all Americans.

The CAIR-Chicago Voter Education Guide for the 2016 General Primary Elections is designed to make voting easier for you by informing you of your choices and the backgrounds of candidates. We have also made an effort to connect you to the candidate's personal website so that you may take a closer look at each candidate.

This year voting is as important as it has ever been. The districts in Illinois have been redrawn and established politicians will have new challengers. There are major issues at all levels of government with the National Defense and Authorization Act, End Racial Profiling Act, health care reform and anti-Sharia legislation efforts. It is your job to educate yourself and others so that your voice can be heard.

## How to Use the Voter Guide

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The 2016 Primary General Election Voter's Guide consists of information and links about primary candidates for the Illinois House of Representatives, Illinois Senate, Illinois judges, United States House of Representatives, and the Republican candidates for the US Presidency. Although we encourage you to learn about political primaries outside of your own districts, you are probably concerned about the races occurring in your own districts. Your Illinois Representative district will likely be different from your Illinois Senate district and your US Representative's district. Make sure to take into account that redistricting has just occurred in Illinois. As a result of the 2010 census, Illinois lost one seat in the House of Representative, which means many districts changed from the last election. The maps that we provide are up to date with the districts that will go into effect for the 2012 election. Click on the maps to enlarge them. If you are unsure of your districts, click [here](#) and enter your address.

Once you know your district for a specific primary, scroll to that district. Each candidate will have a blue or red border around their picture. This represents the party of each candidate: red for Republican, and blue for Democrat. We have provided short summary of each candidate that is running for the position. We have made the effort to provide the most informative descriptions of each candidate. Some candidates did not provide information, so no information is provided. If you want to learn more about the candidate than we provide, click on the picture of the candidate. It will take you to the candidate's campaign website or a website provided by the Illinois government. Some candidates have no official website or sometimes no website at all.

# Basic Information

## How do primaries work?

Primary elections decide which candidate will run for each party during the general election. Illinois holds a closed primary, which means voters must formally affiliate with parties on the day of a primary election. You can vote in either the Republican or the Democratic primary, but not both. You cannot vote in the Republican primary for president but in the Democratic primary for congressional races, for example. Voters can be challenged as not being genuine members of a party. Voters declare their party affiliation at the polling place to a judge who must then announce it “in a distinct tone of voice, sufficiently loud to be heard by all persons in the polling place.” If there is no “challenge,” the voter is given the primary ballot for his or her declared party.

**When:** Illinois hold its primary elections on March 15th. The polls are open 6 AM – 7 PM.

**Where:** To find your polling place, contact your county clerk or visit [www.vote411.org/pollfinder.php](http://www.vote411.org/pollfinder.php)

## Eligibility Requirements:

- *A U.S. citizen*
- *At least 18 years of age by Election Day*
- *Have been a resident of the precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day*

## ID Needed for Voting

In general, identification is not required to vote at the polls, although you will be required to verify your signature. However, there are individual circumstances that may require that identification be shown. In those cases, you must present a photo ID, and if the photo ID has an address, it must match the registration address. If a photo ID is not used, the document (examples of which are listed below) must show your name and address. This must be presented to an election judge before being permitted to vote.

If you registered to vote by mail after January 1, 2003, and you did not submit a copy of the required identification with the registration application at that time, and you will be voting in a jurisdiction for the first time, then you will be required to submit a copy of one of the following:

- *Current and valid photo identification*
- *Utility bill*
- *Government check*
- *Paycheck*
- *Government document*

## Early Voting

Early voting is available from the 22nd day through the 5th day preceding the election. Illinois voters who vote during the early voting period must vote in person and must provide a valid identification. Valid forms of identification for this purpose include a current driver’s license, state-issued identification card, or another government-issued identification card.

## Provisions for Voters with Disabilities

Numerous provisions are available to aid voters with disabilities. If you are a disabled voter you may request the opportunity to register at home and have registration materials brought to you. You may also request to register to vote by mail. If you are permanently physically disabled, in a nursing home or in a hospital, you may also be eligible for absentee voting.

The *Help America Vote Act* requires that election authorities have voting equipment in place for voters with disabilities to vote privately and independently, and Illinois is no exception. Additionally, there are options for a seated voting booth, voting assistance from a friend, relative, or two election judges (one from each party), and curbside voting. Language assistance is also available where required under amendments to the Federal Voting Act of 1992.

## Time Off To Vote

Employers must grant employees two hours to vote during their regular working shift. This time off is unpaid unless specified otherwise by the employer.

## Provisional Voting

An election judge will issue you a provisional ballot at your polling place if:

- Your name does not appear on the lists of registered voters for the precinct
- Your voting status has been challenged by an election judge, poll watcher or another voter and a majority of election judges agree
- A court order is issued instructing your polling place to remain open after 7:00 pm (if this occurs everyone voting after 7:00 pm must cast a provisional ballot)
- You are required to show identification because you registered by mail, but you did not bring ID to the polling place on Election Day or early voting site. In this instance you must supply the election authority with a copy of acceptable identification by 7:00 pm the Thursday after Election Day.

By law, you must vote in your assigned precinct for all votes on your provisional ballot to count. Provisional ballots are counted after Election Day. The election authority receives all provisional ballots and determines the registration status for each provisional voter within two weeks after the election. If it is determined that you are registered and eligible to vote, your vote will be counted. If you are not registered, your vote will not be counted, but the information you supplied on the affidavit form will serve as a registration application for the next election.

If your name is not in the registration book or your registration is challenged, you should verify that you are at the correct polling place. If you are in the wrong polling place, then poll workers will help direct you to the correct location.

To find out where your polling place is, you can call the Illinois State Board of Elections at:  
(217) 782-4141

If you live in the City of Chicago, call  
(312) 269-7900

If you live in Cook County, call  
(312) 603-0906

If you live in Kane County, call  
(630) 232-5990

If you live in Aurora, call  
(630) 897-4030

or visit [www.vote411.org/pollfinder.php](http://www.vote411.org/pollfinder.php)

# Voter Rights

- Voters whose names do not appear on the poll list, or are unable to comply with the identification requirements for mail-in registrants, are entitled to vote by provisional ballot if they declare they are registered to vote in the jurisdiction and eligible to vote in the election.
- Voters who vote by provisional ballot are entitled to written information describing how they may learn, through a free access system, whether their provisional ballot was counted by election officials, and if it was not counted, why not.
- Voters who vote after the established time for polls to close due to a court order requiring the polls to remain open for extended hours will have to vote by provisional ballot (unless those voters were in line at the time polls closed).
- Voters whose voting status has been challenged by an election judge, a pollwatcher, or any legal voter and that challenge has been sustained by a majority of the election judges may vote provisionally.
- Voters who are registered to vote and who have moved within their election authority's jurisdiction more than 30 days before an election for federal office may vote in that election (for federal offices) under the failsafe procedures set forth in NVRA. Such voters must vote in the polling place for the residence from which the voter most recently registered even if they did not advise the election authority of the move.
- Voters who have submitted to the appropriate election authority (either in-person or by mail) their completed registration application by the close of registration as permitted by state law, and such registration application has been determined to be valid by the election authority, are entitled to be registered and vote in that election.
- Voters are entitled to notice of the disposition of their voter registration application.
- Voters who are otherwise qualified to vote may be entitled to register and vote absentee in an election for if they are in the military or are residing overseas.
- Voters in jurisdictions with a statutorily-specified minimum number of voters who speak a primary language other than English may be entitled to receive a written ballot or other election materials or assistance in a language other than English.
- Voters who require assistance due to blindness, disability or inability to read or write may receive assistance from a person of the voter's choice other than the voter's employer or union (or agent thereof).
- Voters who are confined or detained in a jail or prison pending a trial are not disqualified from voting.
- Jurisdictions must not apply standards or practices which deny or abridge the right to vote in violation of the U.S. or Illinois Constitution (denial on the bases of race, religion, gender, etc.).
- Jurisdictions must take steps to make the registration and voting process accessible to the elderly and to individuals with disabilities.
- Persons must not intimidate, threaten or coerce any other person for registering or voting; for urging or aiding persons in registering or voting; for purposes of interfering or influencing how a person chooses to vote; or for purposes of preventing a person from voting.
- Election officials must not unlawfully fail or refuse to permit a person to vote who is entitled to vote and must not refuse to tabulate, count and report such person's vote.

# Prohibited Acts of Fraud and Misrepresentation

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- Persons must not make any false statement or falsely claim that they are citizens of the United States in order to register or vote in any Federal, State, or local election.
- Persons must not vote more than once in any election (note: this does not include voting a replacement ballot after a spoiled ballot was invalidated).
- Persons must not procure or submit materially false, fraudulent or fictitious voter registration applications in any election.
- Persons must not submit false information as to name, address or period of residence in a voting district for the purpose of establishing eligibility to register or vote in any election.
- Persons must not procure, cast or tabulate materially false, fraudulent or fictitious ballots in any election.
- Persons must not pay, offer to pay or accept payment for voting, registering to vote, withholding their vote, or voting for or against any candidate in any election.

## Violation of Voting Rights

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- If you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office, the nearest office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Illinois State Board of Elections complaint hotline at 1-866-513-1121, the Illinois Attorney General's office or the office of your election authority.
- The administrative complaint procedure applies to alleged violations of Title III of the Help America Vote Act of 2002. Any alleged violation(s) of Title III that have occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur may be reported to the IL State Board of Elections. Alleged violations under Title III include, but are not limited to, voting systems standards, accessibility for those persons with disabilities, and voter registration.
- If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at 1-800-253-3931.



# President of the United States of America



## Hillary Clinton

Clinton was the 67th U.S. Secretary of State from 2009 to 2013 and is the wife of the 42nd President of the U.S. Bill Clinton, making her the First Lady for eight years during his tenure. In education, she wants to make public college debt-free and fund universal pre-K. She wants to ban assault weapons, repeal protection for gun makers, and supports an extensive background check to mitigate and ultimately, end all loopholes. In healthcare, she supports the Affordable Care Act and would like to expand it. However, she believes that a universal healthcare plan is not a good idea for the time being. In immigration, she wants to form a path towards gaining citizenship and also waiving deportation for those brought here as children. She fully supports abortion and same-sex marriages. In taxes, she believes in a series of targeted tax credits for the middle class and raising capital gains in taxes. In foreign policy, she supports the two-state solution in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict but stresses the importance of America's involvement and influence in the region. She also supports the framework for the Iran nuclear deal and advocates for continued diplomatic efforts with some sanctions.



## Bernie Sanders

Sanders is the longest-serving independent in U.S. congressional history and the ranking minority member on the Senate Budget Committee. He believes that shifting global temperatures are caused by human activity. He has moved towards sponsoring a bill charging companies for their carbon emissions and then inputting that profit into increasing renewable energy technology. He advocates for free, universal preschool and also free tuition at public colleges and universities. In healthcare, he would like to institute government-provided service to all Americans. He supports an improved version of the Affordable Care Act. His view on assault weapons is to ban them. Additionally, he will strive to repeal law protecting some gun manufacturers. He stands with offering a path to citizenship and also waiving some deportations, such as those who were brought here as children. He favors a more progressive tax system, which will tax those making over \$250,000 more. His foreign policy stances are generally focused on pulling out troops and excessive involvement on international conflict and rather want the U.S. to focus on domestic issues. He also agrees with the current deal with Iran.



## Donald J. Trump

Trump is the chairman and the president of The Trump Organization and the founder of Trump Entertainment Resorts. Trump believes that climate change is a hoax. He believes that wind turbines are an environmental and aesthetic problem. His stances are pro-life and favors a ban on late-term abortions except in cases of rape, incest, or health; favors cutting federal funding for Planned Parenthood, he is opposed to gun control in general. In healthcare and education, trump favors replacing the Affordable Care Act with a free-market plan and competition to lower costs and he supports school choice and local control for primary and secondary schools. On economic issues, he believes in reducing the corporate tax rate to 15% and that the minimum wage should not be raised. He wants to increase U.S. border security, he opposes birthright citizenship and believes in deporting all illegal immigrants and the case of their return should be discussed once the border has been strengthened. He also believes in banning the entrance of all Muslims in the U.S. temporarily. On foreign policy, he believes in walking away from nuclear talks and increasing sanctions and last but not least, he encourages sending U.S. troops to target oil-rich areas.



### **Ted Cruz**

Cruz is the junior U.S. Senator of Texas. His economical stances are that he wants to mandate a balanced budget, and he would also like to end corporate income taxes. He calls for ending Common Core education standards placed on sales from the federal government. In immigration issues, he states that any efforts that let undocumented immigrant legally remain in the U.S. to be blocked. In social issues, he believes that only the four states specifically named in the Supreme Court decision on gay marriage must abide by the ruling but that in general, state should be allowed to define “marriage.” He also believes in enforcing strict limits on abortion. In healthcare, he believes the Affordable Care Act should be repealed. His foreign policy views are to increase and toughen sanctions regarding Iran and to end current nuclear talks until Congress approves the outlines of the deal. Regarding the Islamic State, he stands with not sending U.S. ground troops yet but to still use overpowering force, such as carpet-bombing. Cruz believes waterboarding isn’t torture, and supports Guantamo prison should remain open with more captured individuals.



### **Marco Rubio**

Rubio is the junior U.S. Senator of Florida. He favors balancing the federal budget and cut spending. e wants to cut corporate taxes to 25 percent, reform the tax code, and cap economic regulations. He wants to repeal the Affordable Care Act and proposes new tax credits that help people purchase insurance, revising health insurance regulations and reforming Medicare and Medicaid. In immigration, Rubio supports a legal status for undocumented immigrants, but only after the U.S. border is secure. He wants to enhance vetting processes in order to block many asylum seekers from resettling in the U.S. However, he does also believe in what he calls “commonsense” vetting standards that would allow very young and very old refugees into the country with fewer background check requirement than other refugees. He opposes same-sex marriage, but since the 2015 Supreme Court ruling striking state bans making this the law of the land he believes in abiding by it. He also believes that abortions should be banned after 20 weeks of fertilization. His foreign policy views reflect on a tough handling of Iran by increasing sanctions and eliminate the nuclear deal. In regards to the Islamic State, he believes in aiding local forces in Syria and Iraq by providing weaponry to local and Kurdish forces in Iraq. He would also like a permanent U.S. presence in Iraq.



### **John R. Kasich**

Kasich is the 69th and current governor of Ohio. He believes that climate change is real but that the Environmental Protection Agency should not regulate emissions. Instead, states and private companies should work to contain carbon output from coal-burning power plants. In criminal justice issues, he would like to reduce prison time for nonviolent offenders while focusing on rehabilitation and treatment programs. In Education, he believes in continuing the common core and cutting Education spending. In Immigration, he prefers in allowing undocumented immigrants stay in the country legally stating that although a path to citizenship is not preferable, it may have to be a part of the compromise. In healthcare, he advocates for keeping the federal Medicaid expansion. However, he would like to repeal and replace the rest of the Affordable Healthcare Act. In economic matters, he will strive to cut income and corporate taxes and move towards increasing consumption taxes, including sales taxes. His foreign policy views vary between concern over the proposed Iran nuclear deal and focusing on not pushing pressure on Israel to peace negotiations. In the case of the Islamic State, he advocates for U.S. boots on the ground and calls for the necessity of a better international plan to combat the terrorist group.

# U.S. Senate - IL

## Andrea Zopp



Zopp is the former President and CEO of the Chicago Urban League. She is focused on addressing the economic challenges faced by women and opposes efforts to eliminate funding for Title X that pays for family planning and reproductive health services. Zopp is an advocate for criminal justice reform, early childhood education, gun control, and strengthening the business ecosystem. She is a supporter of President Obama's Affordable Care Act and the Iran Nuclear Deal.

## Tammy Duckworth



Duckworth, currently in her second term, serves the Illinois 8th congressional district. As a former helicopter pilot in the U.S. Army, she advocates for veterans at the state and federal level, including implementing programs to eliminate suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and reducing homelessness. Congresswoman Duckworth supports small businesses, investing in infrastructure, and cutting government waste and fraud.

## Napoleon Harris



Harris is the current state senator from the Illinois 15th senate district in the south suburbs. He has focused on improving education, the local business climate, and neighborhoods, as well as bring jobs to the area. He serves as Vice Chair of the Insurance Committee, and is a sitting member on the Transportation, Public Health and Commerce, and Economic Development committees. He was a supporter of the Urban Flooding Awareness Act. Senator Harris has also supported legislation to decrease the number of harsh penalties in schools that force kids onto the streets.

## James T. Marter



Marter is a former computer analyst with no political background. A conservative Republican, he would seek to repeal Obamacare, balance the budget, eliminate federal funding for the Common Core, and stop the influx of immigrants. Marter identifies as pro-life and a supporter of the 2nd Amendment right to bear arms.

## Mark Steven Kirk



Kirk, the incumbent junior U.S. senator for Illinois, was the representative for the state's 10th congressional district from 2001-2010. He is against the Iran Nuclear Deal and supports local jobs. Legislation he has backed or proposed includes the Fairness in Federal Disaster Declarations Act which ensures fair distribution of federal aid after natural disasters, Frontlines to Lifelines Bill, and connecting wounded warriors to the care of fellow veterans. Kirk also supports family farms and small businesses by backing legislation to repeal the death tax and allow families to keep their property in the event of a death in the family.

# U.S. House of Representatives - IL

## 1st Congressional District

includes Calumet Park, Evergreen Park, Tinley Park, and parts of Chicago's South and Southwest Side communities such as Hyde Park, Auburn-Gresham, Greater Grand Crossing, and Beverly.



### Bobby Rush\*



Rush has served as the U.S. Representative for Illinois' 1st Congressional District since 1993. He is the Ranking Democratic member of the House Subcommittee on Energy and Power. He is against Environmental Protection Agency budget cuts and for maintaining the Clean Air Act, promoting the Restoration of the Great Lakes, passing Chicago Clean Power Ordinance, and regulating Greenhouse Gases. He has also re-introduced legislation to reduce youth unemployment and co-sponsored the Public Safety and Second Amendment Rights Protection Act of 2013 to improve mental health record's connection to background checks.

### **O. Patrick Brutus**



Brutus has served nine years as the Coordinator of Economic Development for the City of Chicago in the Department of Planning and Development. He vows to improve economic development, job creation, and quality of life. He plans to focus on regional planning by lowering property taxes and real health care for the uninsured. To fight corruption in government, Brutus plans to introduce a bill calling for broader transparency requirements for municipalities with over 25,000 residents that receive federal funds and utilize at least 5% of those funds as part of their operating budget.

### **Howard B. Brookins, Jr.**



Brookins is serving his fourth term as Alderman of the 21st Ward in Chicago. He is the Chairman of the Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development and past chair of the Chicago City Council Black Caucus. Brookins works to promote new employment opportunities and job creation and is concerned with public education and working to improve community schools.

### **August (O'Neill) Deuser**



Republican candidate Deuser is a former police officer and teacher from Chicago's South Side. He supports government spending reform and term limits for all political offices. Deuser's focus is on education, fixing Social Security, and developing a health care system that is affordable to all. He also advocates for better support for veterans.

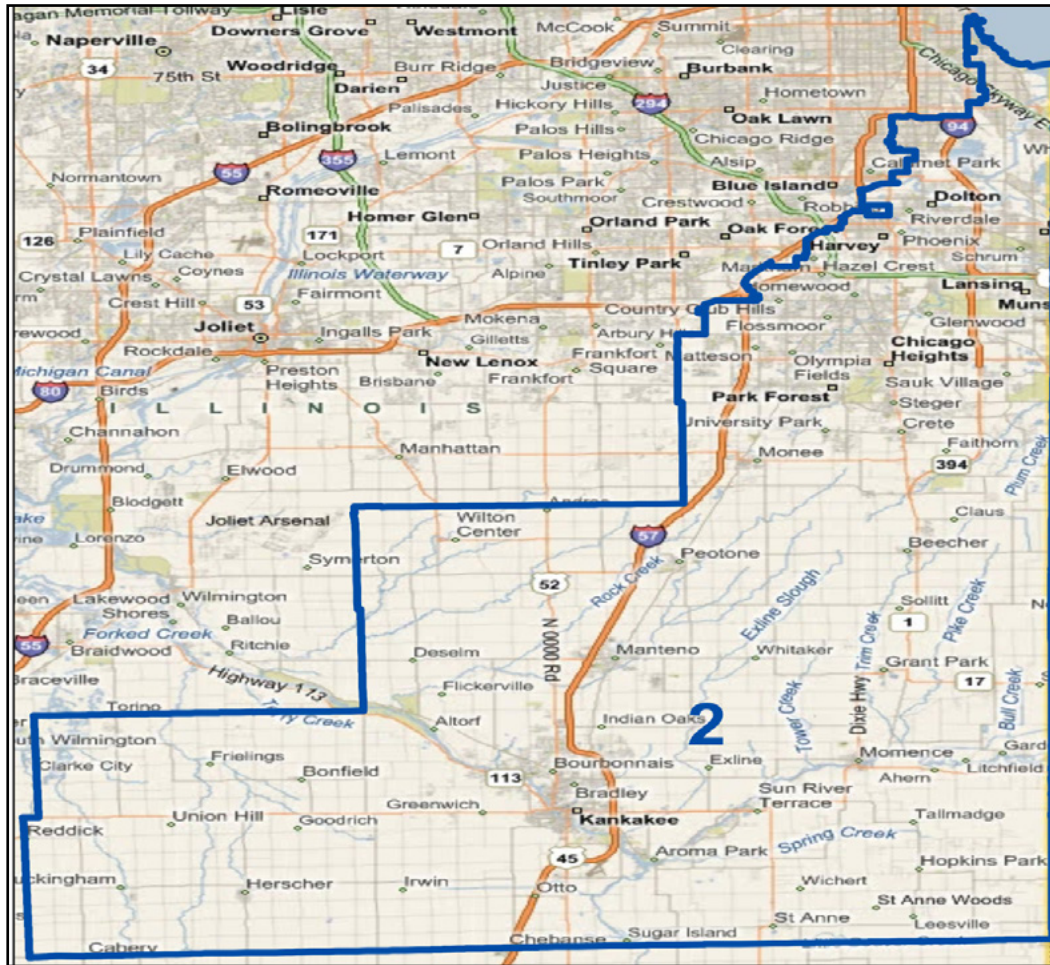
### **Jimmy Lee Tillmann II**



Tillmann is a 2016 Republican whose views include reauthorizing the Voting Rights Act of 1965, demilitarizing police, and making it easier for low level drug felons to reenter society. He advocates for greater state control over school curriculums and funding and opposes the insurance mandate of the Affordable Care Act. If he is elected into office, Tillmann is focused on addressing issues surrounding homeless youth, formerly incarcerated mothers, families in mental health crises, and economic empowerment.

# 2nd Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Bradley, Bourbonnais, Calumet City, Chicago, Chicago Heights, Country Club Hills, Dolton, Harvey, Hazel Crest, Homewood, Kankakee, Lansing, Markham, Matteson, Park Forest, Richton Park, Riverdale, Sauk Village and Steger



## Marcus Lewis



Lewis is plans to work to produce new jobs, to rebuild the economy, and to increase investment in the 2nd District. In support of equal access to education, Lewis advocates for the expansion of Pell Grants and student loan

forgiveness. Lewis is in support of the public option to ObamaCare and, if elected, would promote legislation to transform the Affordable Care Act to the Medicare for All Act. Lewis would also like to strengthen civil rights laws and protect Social Security benefits for those who paid into the system.

## Robin Kelly\*



Kelly is the incumbent representing Illinois' 2nd congressional district. She supports the Affordable Care Act, opposes cuts to Medicaid, plans to extend the 2009 Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and Child Tax Credit (CTC). She

opposes changes to the SNAP program and vows to protect Social Security. Kelly is pro-gun control, proposing a "five point promise" involving banning assault weapons, eliminating the gun show loophole and supporting laws that prohibit concealed carry permits. She vows to help small businesses, specifically through her support of the construction of the South Street Suburban Airport and the Red Line train expansion into Chicago's far south side.

## Dorian C.L. Myrickes

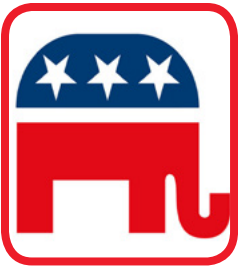


Myrickes has twenty years of experience in the private sector in education, accounting, and political consulting. Myrickes holds a Bachelors of Science in History and Education, as well as a Masters in Education. He has founded a non-profit organization called the Project Tiers Foundation where he mentors young adults with artistic endeavors in community and social skills and provides them with scholarships and educational assistance.

## Charles Rayburn

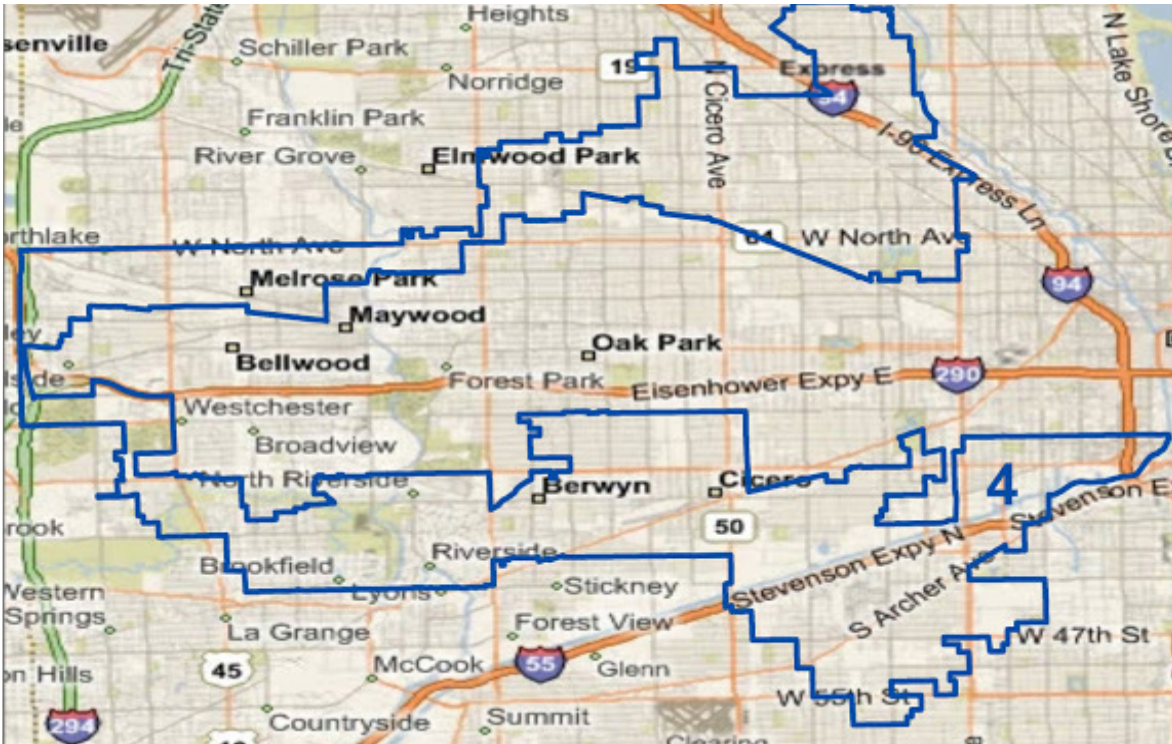


Rayburn is interested in reforming and saving Obama Care, advocating for good pay and benefits and ensuring job security to all. He's currently supporting Chicago State University from being closed.



# 4th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Brighton Park, Hermosa, Lower West Side, Gage Park, Albany Park, Irving Park, Avondale, Logan Square, West Town, Humboldt Park, Belmont Cragin, Austin, McKinley Park, South Lawndale, New City, West Elsdon



## Luis V. Gutiérrez\*



Gutiérrez has represented the 4th congressional district of Illinois for ten terms. He supports efforts in clean energy and protecting our environment as well as increasing funding for public education; including building more schools. He wants to strengthen regulations on big financial institutions. Gutiérrez strongly supports immigration reform. He has served on the Judiciary Committee on Immigration as well as chairman for the Immigration Task force for the Democratic Caucus. He currently serves as chairman for the Immigration Task force for the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

## Javier Salas

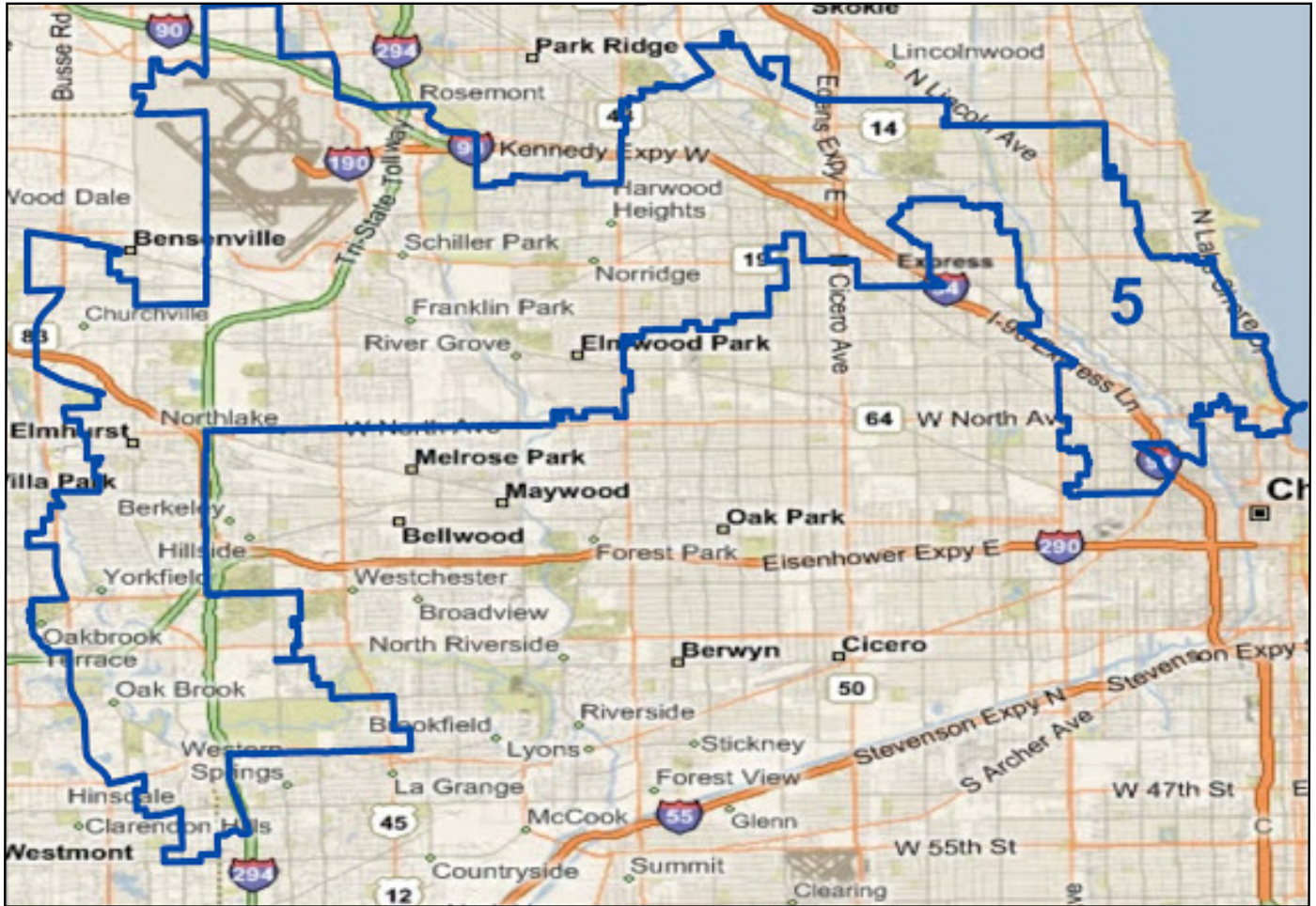


Salas is a former radio and TV host who served as a Senior Policy Advisor for Governor Pat Quinn from 2013 to 2015. Salas' core ideals center around affordable and accessible education and health care and increasing job creation and economic opportunity. As an immigrant himself, Salas wants to work towards immigration reform and fights to end hate and discrimination. In 2007, he collected signatures for Senator Dick Durbin's Dream Act.



# 5th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Chicago's northwest side, Norridge, Elmwood Park Franklin Park, Berkeley and Harwood Heights



## Rob Sherman



Sherman plans to sponsor legislation to reduce air and water pollution by big corporations. He will also sponsor legislation to eliminate tax breaks for big corporations that export jobs. Sherman will propose legislation to stop the increase of the national debt. He also is a strong advocate of the separation of church and state.

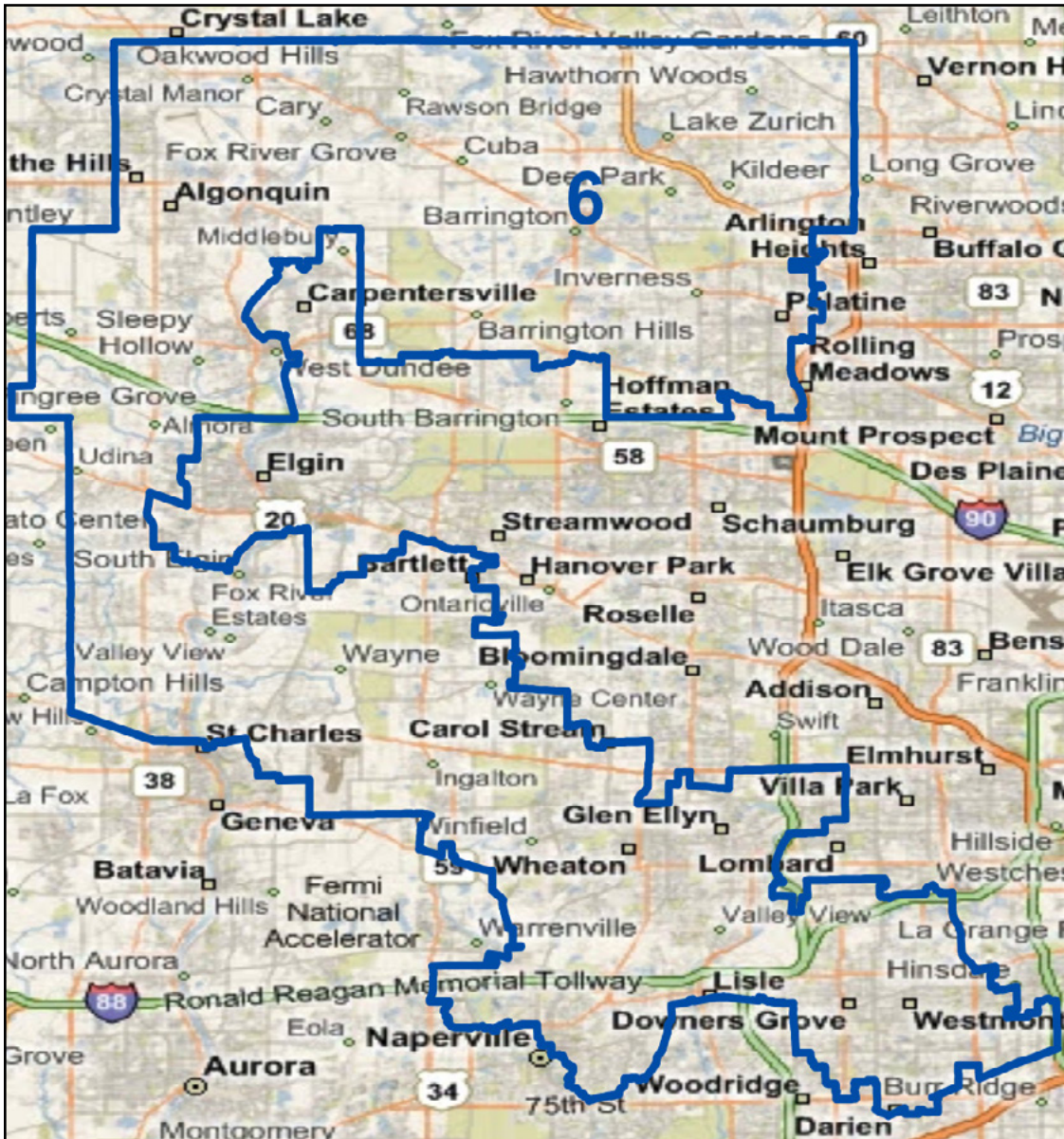
## Warren "Grizz" Grimsley



Grimsley proposes higher wages and income supplements for the working class. He wants to lower CO2 emissions by shifting to renewable energy and by taxing CO2 polluters. He seeks to expand the judicial system through the creation of a community arbitration panel, staffed and elected by citizens. Grimsley also proposes disabling a system he says promotes fear within America and destabilizes the world under the label of fighting a war on terrorism.

# 6th Congressional District

Includes All or parts of Algonquin, Barrington, Cary, Downers Grove, Glen Ellyn, Lake in the Hills, Lake Zurich, Palatine, South Elgin, West Chicago, Westmont and Wheaton



## Robert Marshall



Marshall supports term limits for Congressional members, public support of political campaigns to minimize the influence of politically and financially powered interest groups, and the repeal of Citizens United. He is a supporter of the Affordable Care Act and hopes to expand coverage and decrease the Medicare age to 62. Marshall is a proponent of LGBT and Women's rights. He lends his support to green initiatives, alternative fuel sources, and research in sustainable energies.



### **Amanda Howland**

Howland is a 2016 Democratic candidate seeking election to the U.S. House to represent the 6th Congressional District of Illinois. She aims to support the middle class through tax and spending policies that reflect their priorities and values. She supports Social Security and Medicare and their protection from defunding and privatization. Howland wants to make college more affordable and to reform student loans. She supports women's right to make their own healthcare decisions. She hopes to reform the Affordable Care Act so it adapts to a changing market and provides all Americans with access to quality healthcare.



### **Peter Roskam\***

Roskam is the incumbent of the Illinois' 6th Congressional District. Roskam does not support the Affordable Care Act, proposes other means to lower healthcare costs and increase access to coverage such as liability reform and anti-fraud technology for Medicare payments. Roskam aims to fix the economy by permanently extending 2001 and 2003 tax relief and giving small businesses a 20% tax reduction, among other policies. Roskam believes the country's borders must be secured and that we must commit to our troops to preserve the safety of the nation. To deal with the nation's debt, Roskam proposes cutting Congress' budget, rescinding unspent stimulus funds, and eliminating wasteful spending.



### **Gordon (Jay) Kinzler**

Kinzler is a doctor and Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army. Kinzler proposes improved accountability in government through term limits, challenging incumbents, government transparency, and pension reform. To ameliorate the economic struggles of the country, he proposes reducing debt and taxes, balancing the budgets, spending limits, and post spending analysis. Kinzler proposes more choice for health care, personalized care, less bureaucracy, and repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act. He also would like to strengthen the military and protect the homeland by securing the borders.

# 7th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Bellwood, Chicago, Forest Park, Bellwood, Maywood, Oak Park, and Maywood



## Danny Davis\*



Davis represents the Illinois 7th Congressional District. His focuses include job creation, poverty, healthcare, education, youth, and criminal justice reform. David is a supporter of the Health Care & Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010. He serves on the Committee on Ways and Means, as well as the Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Human Resources. Davis is also a member of many caucuses, including the Community Health Center's Caucus and the Children's Caucus.

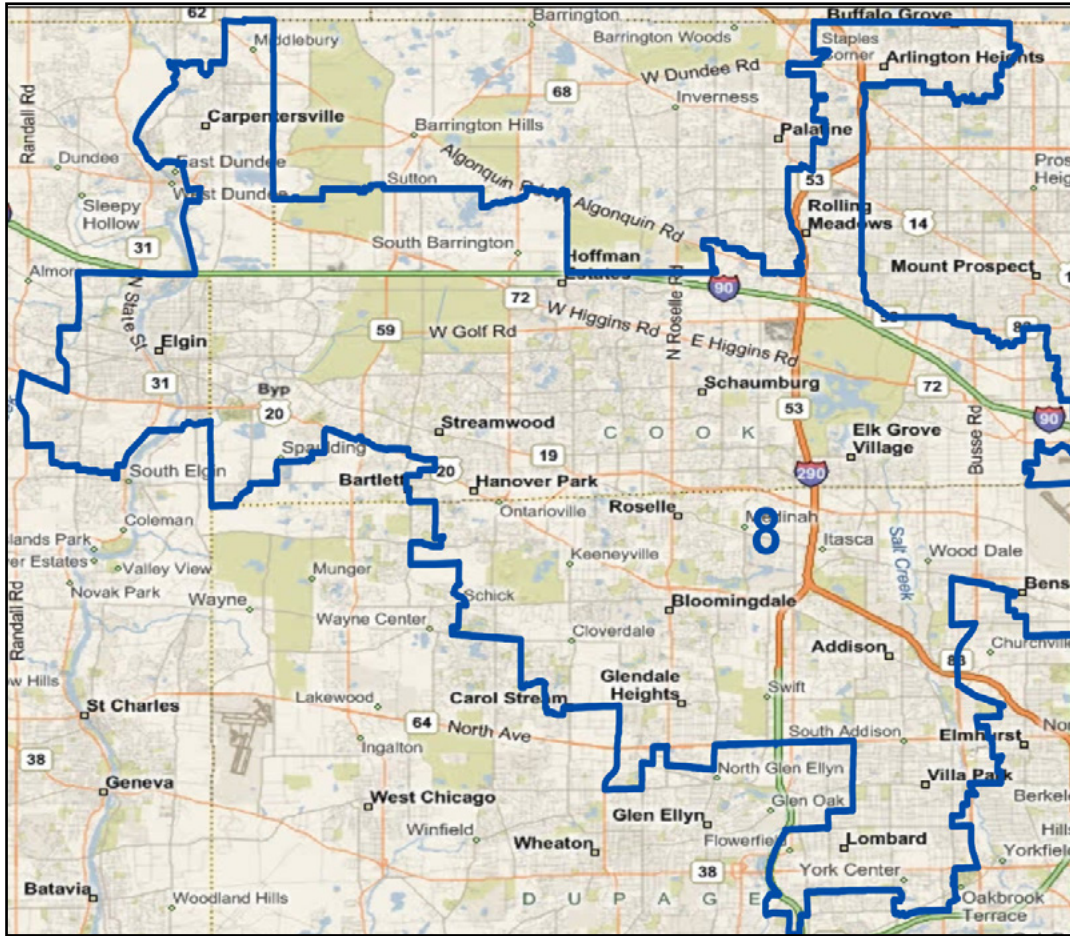
## Thomas Day



Day is a 2016 Democratic candidate seeking election to the U.S. House to represent the 7th Congressional District of Illinois. He is a former Army soldier and journalist as well as a creator of a nonprofit business community called The Bunker, dedicated to supporting veteran entrepreneurs and small business owners. Day supports raising the minimum wage, veteran assistance, education aid, and economic mobility to create jobs.

# 8th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Addison, Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Elgin, Elk Grove Village, Glendale Heights, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Lombard, Roselle, Schaumburg, Streamwood, Villa Park and Wood Dale



## Michael Noland



Noland is the incumbent state senator of the 22nd district. He supported campaign finance reform, infrastructure programs for transportation solutions, and education investments. Noland sponsored and helped pass legislation calling for publicly financed campaigns and greater transparency. He's also pro-choice, a supporter of gay rights, sensible gun laws, and the expansion of quality healthcare.

## Raja Krishnamoohi



Krishnamoorthi has served as Special Assistant Attorney General in Illinois Attorney General Office's Public Integrity Unit, and as Illinois Deputy Treasurer for two years. He supports the fight against climate change, supporting America's seniors, strengthening working families, women's right to choose, common sense gun laws, and making college affordable.

## Deborah M. Bullwinkel



Bullwinkel is the current Village President of Villa Park. She has also served as Village Trustee, a position she was elected to in 2009. During her time in local government, Bullwinkel has focused on business development, investing in infrastructure, and fighting for the underserved. Her previous experience also includes small business ownership, non-profit management, and working as a community newspaper reporter.

# 10th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Beach Park, Buffalo Grove, Deerfield, Fox Lake, Grayslake, Highland Park, Lake Forest, Lindenhurst, Libertyville, Mundelein, North Chicago, Northbrook, Prospect Heights, Round Lake, Round Lake Beach, Waukegan, Wheeling and Zion



## Brad Schneider



Schneider was the representative of the 10th District from 2013-2015. He has focused on strengthening the middle class, rebuilding the economy, and working across party lines. Schneider served on the House Committee on Small Business

and the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. He advocates for an engaged foreign policy and strong U.S.-Israel relationship. Schneider supports the Affordable Care Act, Social Security, Medicare, women's right to choose, green initiatives, and LGBT equality.



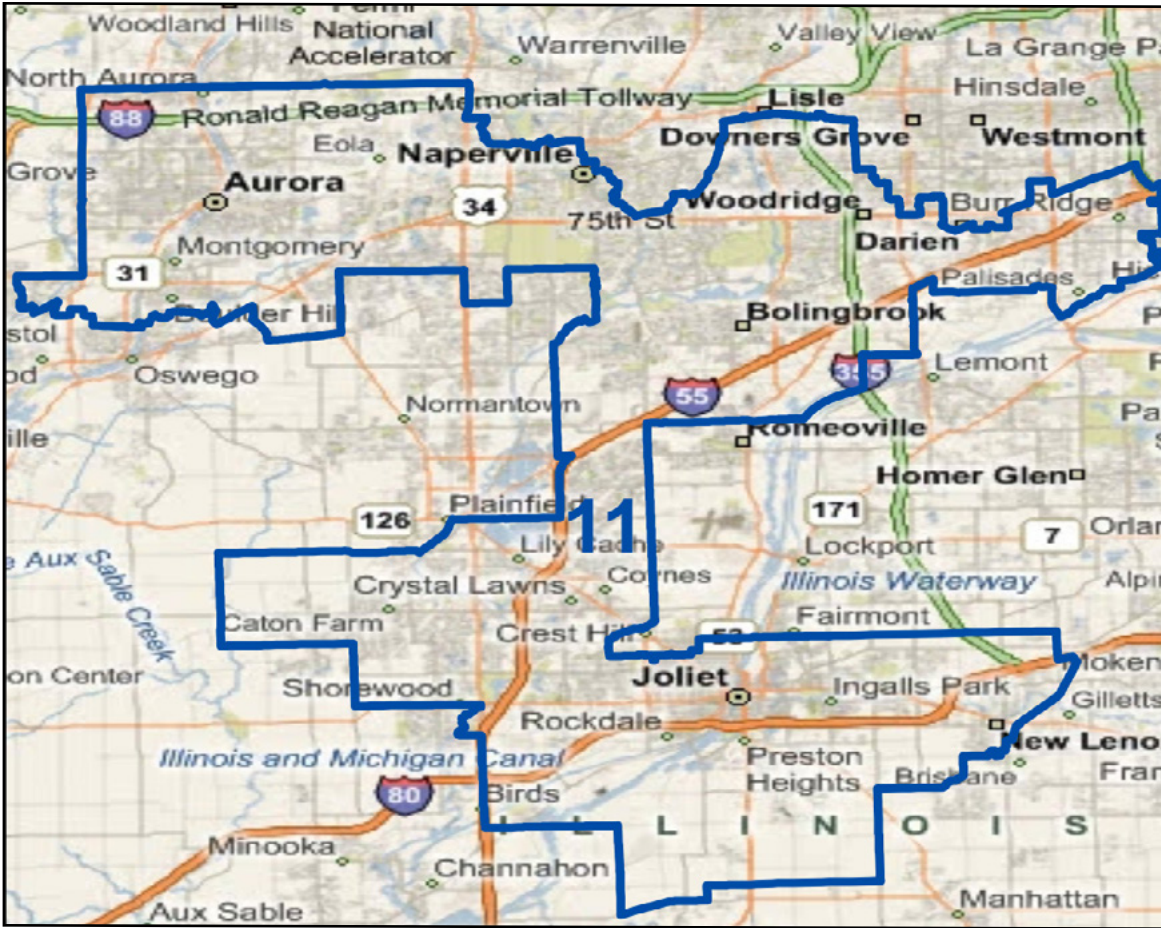
## Nancy Rotering

Rotering is currently serving her first term as mayor of Highland Park, where she was also a member of its City Council. She has passed major reform to increase accountability and transparency, balanced

five budgets, and banned assault weapons. She puts quality education first by introducing unique programs in her school district. Rotering is also pro-choice, LGBT supportive, a supporter of Israel, and an advocate for quality healthcare.

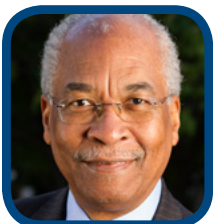
# 11th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Aurora, Bolingbrook, Darien, Joliet, Montgomery, Naperville, New Lenox, Shorewood & Woodridge



## Tonia Khouri

Khouri is focused on improving the lives of people in her community through education, workforce development, and job creation. Given that she and her husband own a business together, she wants to fight for job growth and less business regulation. Within her community,



## Herman B. White

White is a scientist with United States Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. He promotes a “back to basics” approach to politics, including an accountable, limited government, economic freedom, and tax reform. He would like to create a comprehensive, sensible energy program with a scope of 50 years and to support education by revitalizing the partnership between teacher training and hiring institutions, and proposes a partnership people who intend to pursue healthcare careers to create adequate personnel to care for our citizens.

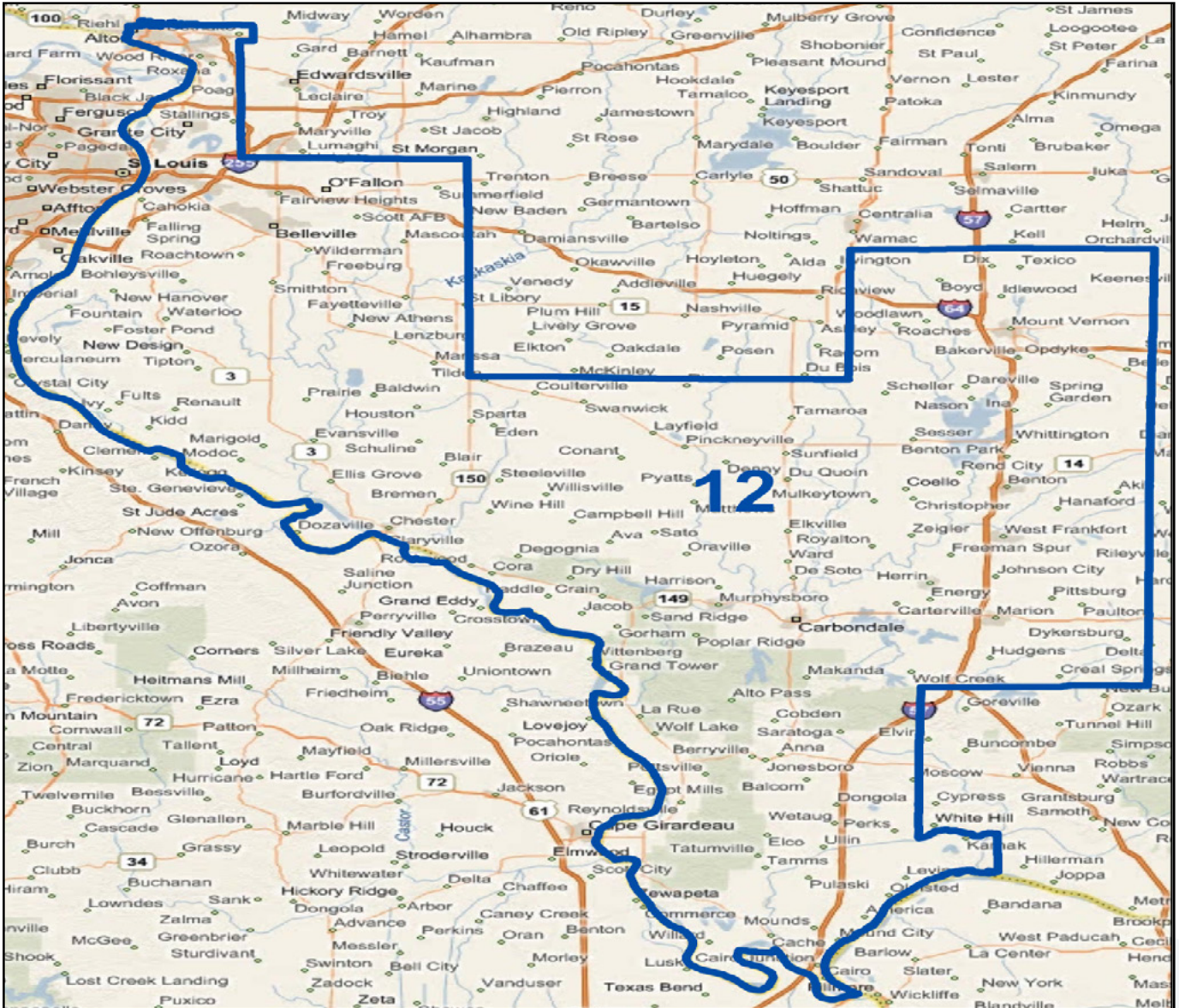


## Nick Stella

Stella proposes that the Affordable Care Act be repealed and replaced with a system that provides quality and affordable coverage. He supports education by offering ideas of streamlining financial assistance programs for college students. He does not support the current Iran Nuclear Deal but does agree that a joint comprehensive plan of action is necessary to protect national interests and safety. Finally, Stella would like to secure the country’s borders, simplify the tax code, and cultivate small businesses.

# 12th Congressional District

Includes all or parts of Belleville, Cahokia, Carbondale, Collinsville, Granite City, Herrin, Marion, Mt. Vernon, O'Fallon, Shiloh and Swansea



**Paula Bradshaw**



Bradshaw represents the ideas of the Green Party. She envisions a programs to eliminate carbons and nuclear materials from our energy and transportation system. Bradshaw is in favor of creating more jobs and raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. She believes in replacing the Affordable Care Act with a Medicare-for-all system to remove private insurance companies and replace them with the federal government.

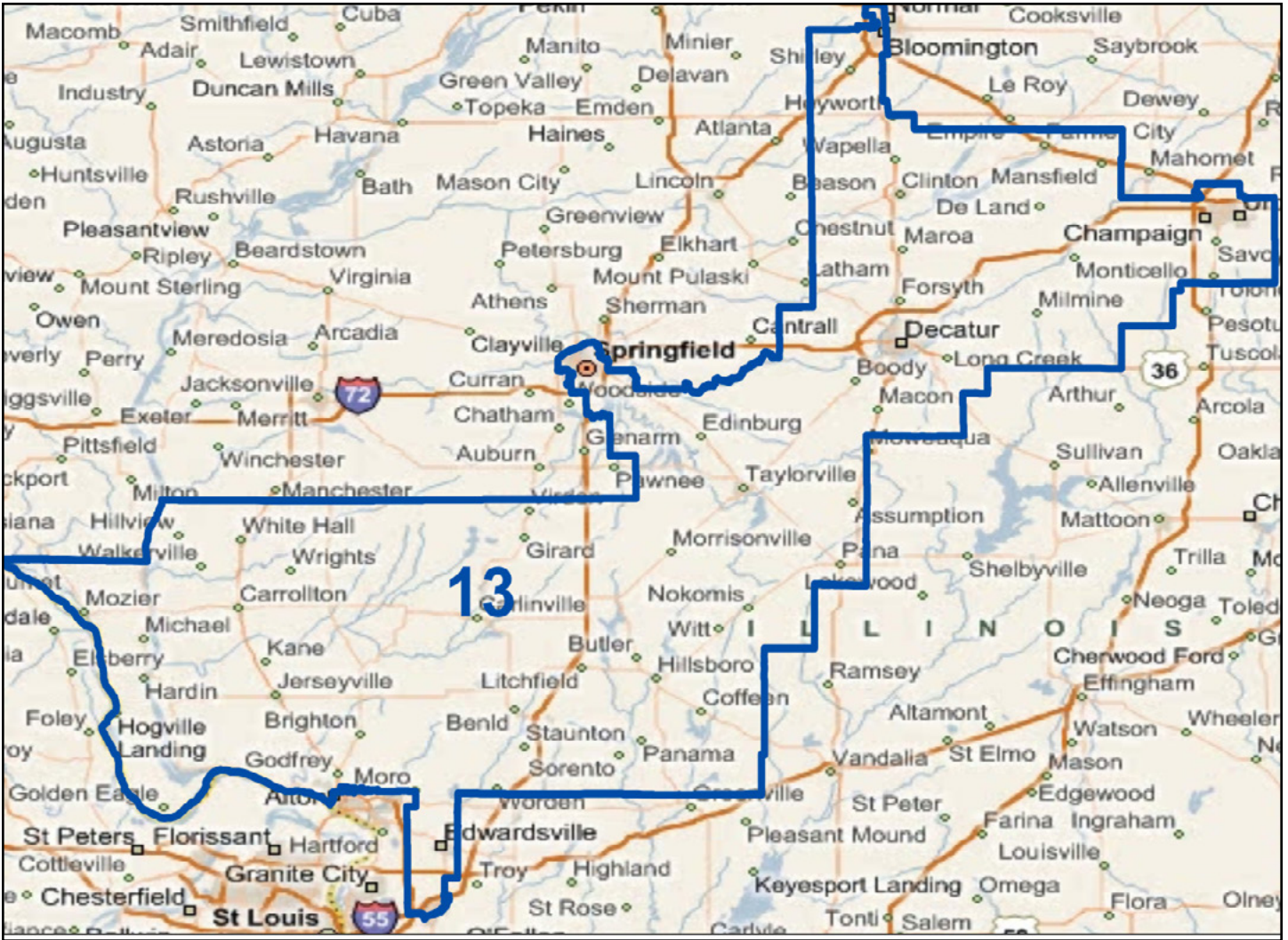
**Sadona Folkner**

Sadona Folkner is running for this office.



# 13th Congressional District

Includes parts of Bond, Champaign, Madison, McLean and Sangamon counties, and all of Calhoun, Calhoun, De Witt, Greene, Jersey, Macon, Macoupin, Montgomery and Piatt counties



## Rodney Davis\*



Davis is the current congressman for the 13th District of Illinois. He serves on the House Committees on Agriculture, Transportation & Infrastructure and Administration. He vows to work to end overspending, address the nation's debt crisis, and improve the economy. Davis does not support the Affordable Care Act and believes in a market-based, patient-centered approach that provides choice and addresses the needs of the uninsured. He also fights to keep student loan rates low and make college more affordable.



## Ethan Vandersand

Vandersand is a pharmacist and business owner in Jerseyville. He has political experience from when he brought a lawsuit and successfully defended a pharmacist's protection under the Illinois "Right of Conscience Act". He would like to restore the federal government to its constitutional limits and bring back the idea of a citizen legislature.

# 14th Congressional District

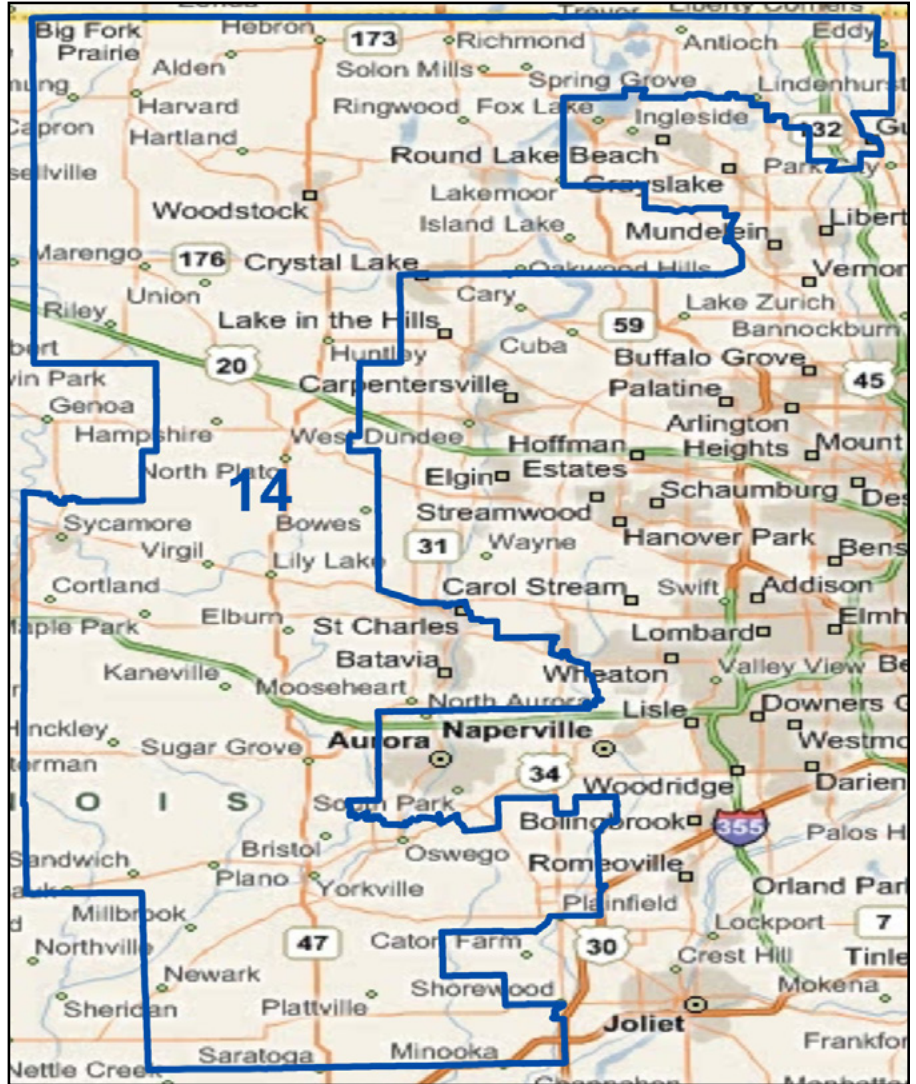
includes all or parts of Batavia, Campton Hills, Crystal Lake, Geneva, Huntley, McHenry, North Aurora, Oswego, Plainfield, Plano, Sycamore, Warrenville, Wauconda, Woodstock, and Yorkville

## Jim Walz



Walz is a sales representative for a regional wholesale distributor. He supports increased wages for the middle class and cutting key

taxes on small businesses to make it easier for them to create jobs. He is not a supporter of Citizens United, believes that corporations are not people, and money is not free speech. Walz does not support the dismantling of Social Security. He is a proponent of expanding programs and tax credits designed to employ veterans.



## John J. Hosta



John Hosta is a business owner and stock trader for private accounts. He is a great proponent of Free Trade and will oppose and “fast track trade bill”. In conjunction with this, Hosta will support traditional trade policies and strong measures to help regain U.S. auto manufacturers’ market. He guarantees support for Social Security and Medicare benefits and will attempt to repeal the Common Core learning standard in order to empower parents and local teachers.

## Jesse Lee Maggitt

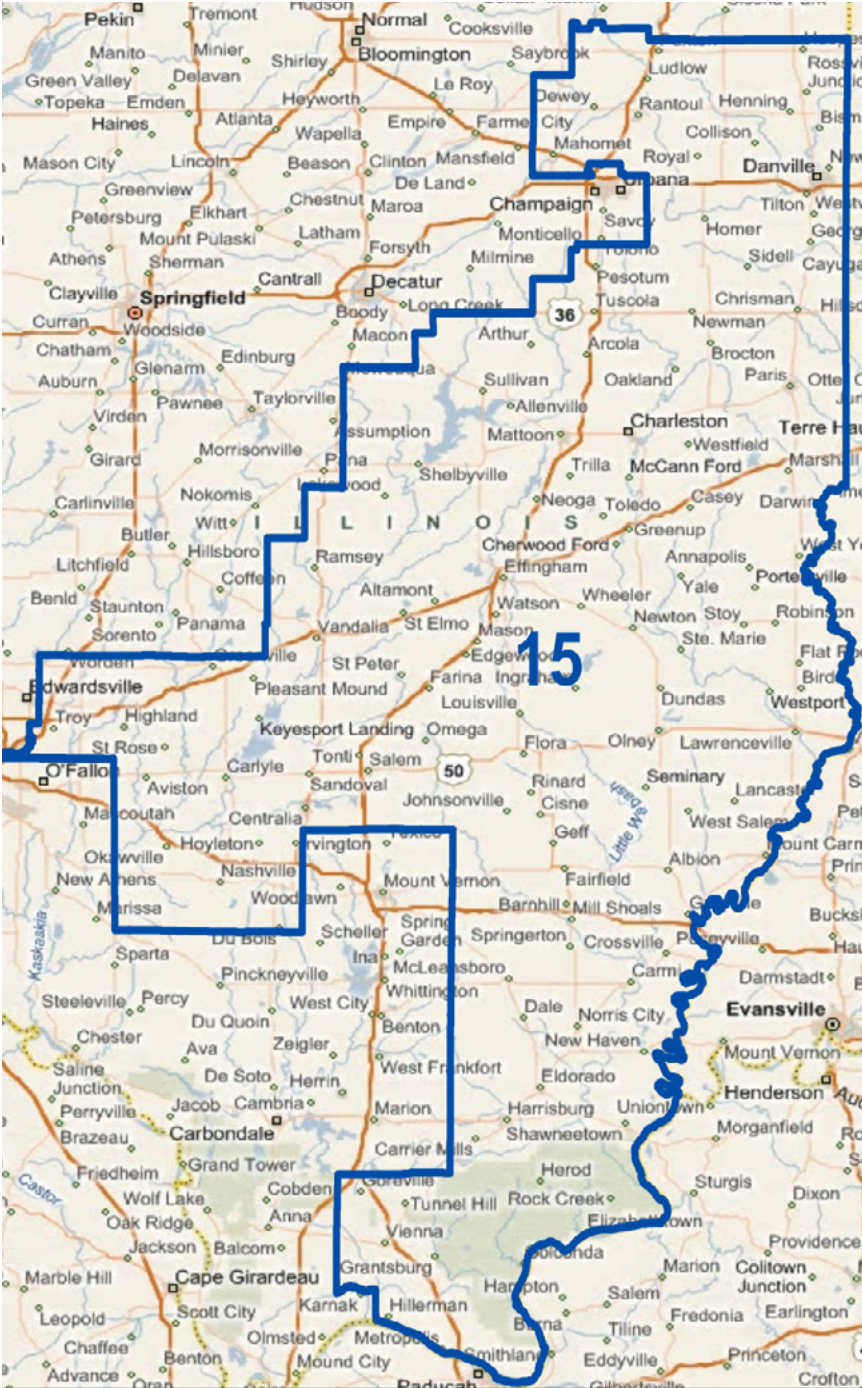


Maggitt is a business operations efficiency manager and retired senior military officer. He believes the U.S. border should be secured, that local law enforcement should work smarter to build trust as the first defense against crime

and civil unrest, and marriage equality is a right all should have. In terms of immigration, Maggitt supports those who enter legally but believes illegal immigrants should be taxed or deported if they have broken laws. He is pro-choice, considering the circumstances of the pregnancy. Finally, Maggitt supports quality education and healthcare for all.

# 15th Congressional District

Includes parts of Bond, Champaign, Madison, McLean and Sangamon counties, and all of Calhoun, Calhoun, De Witt, Greene, Jersey, Macon, Macoupin, Montgomery and Piatt counties



## John Shimkus\*



Shimkus is the incumbent representative for the 15th Congressional District of Illinois.

He serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee and as Chairman of its Subcommittee on the Environment and the Economy. Shimkus has advanced legislation to make America energy independent, improve public safety through enhanced 9-1-1 services, and lower the cost of healthcare.

## Kyle McCarter

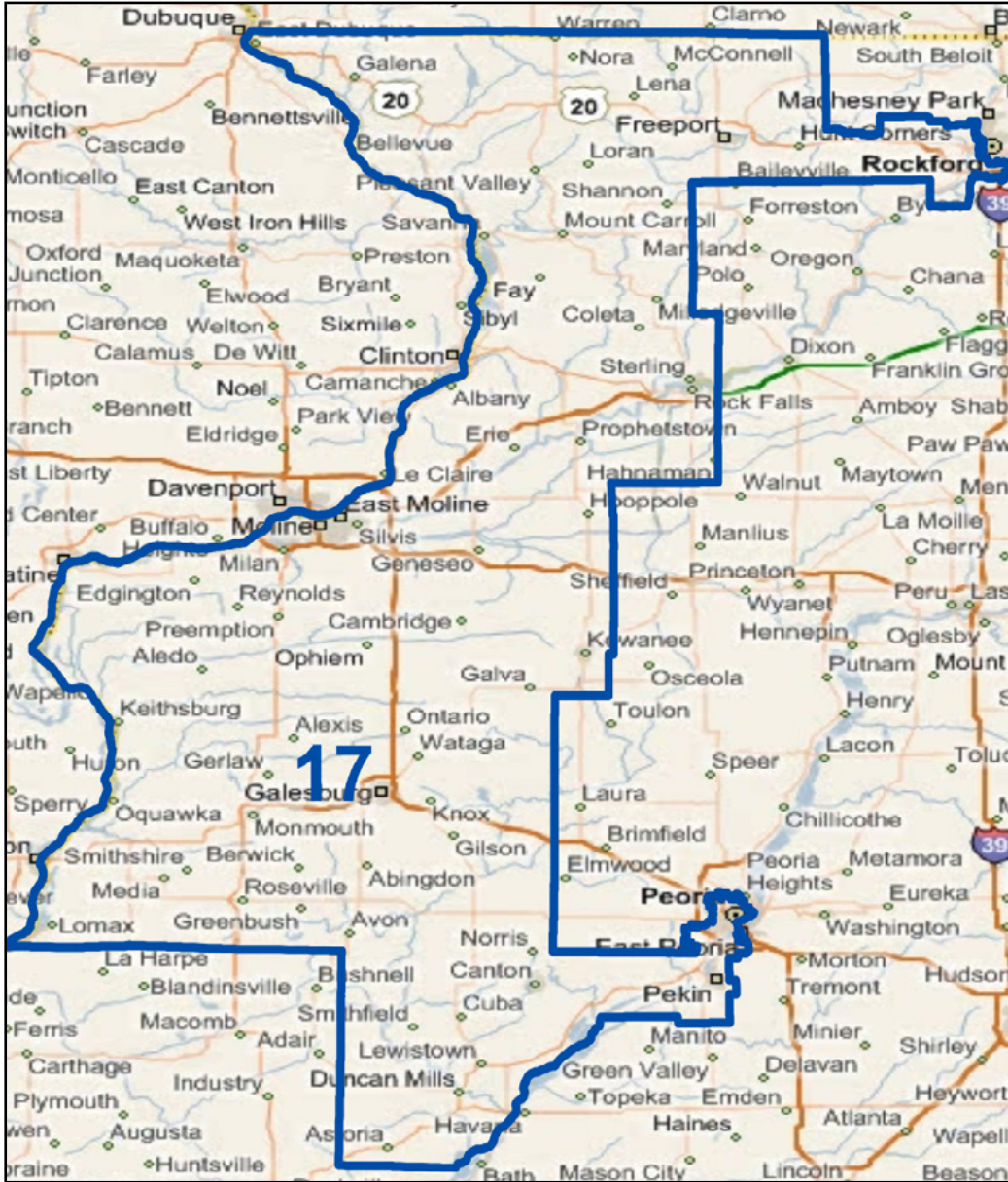


McCarter is an advocate for term limits, control of property taxes, and making a strong economy.

McCarter is pro-life and does not support the funding of Planned Parenthood. He vows to fight the trend of government growth and expansion by regulating spending and debt. A Second Amendment supporter, McCarter co-sponsored the Conceal Carry Bill in Illinois. He proposes a pause on accepting Syrian refugees and insists on legal immigration only, condoning deportation of illegal immigrants and penalties for employers who hire illegal workers.

# 17th Congressional District

includes all or parts of Canton, East Moline, Freeport, Galesburg, Kewanee, Moline, Rock Island, Rockford, Pekin and Sterling



## Patrick Harlan



Harlan is a truck driver. He values include support of the Second Amendment, a strong national defense, anti-abortion stance, limited government, a term limits on Congress. He is also not a supporter of marriage equality.

## Jack Boccarossa



Boccarossa is a retired Rock Island Arsenal employee and Christmas tree farmer. He's a strong proponent of the Second Amendment and wants to change the narrative on mass shootings from gun control to rather focusing on the "deranged person," doing the

shooting. He's also pro-life.

# Illinois State Senate

## 2nd Senate District



### Angelica Alfaro

Alfaro is an advocate for a strong education system and has served as a counselor to first generation college students. She has also helped implement the expansion of scholarship opportunities

for Latino students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She does not support increases in sales or property taxes. She is also an advocate for affordable healthcare for all.

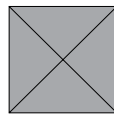


### Omar Aquino

Aquino served as the Illinois House of Representatives legislative aide. He also worked with Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth on issues like unemployment, immigration, education and

minimum wage.

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## 5th Senate District

### Patricia Van Pelt\*



Van Pelt began her political career in November of 2012 when she was elected as the Illinois Senate. She earned her bachelor's degree in public administration and a masters in human services administration. She

is a certified public accountant and has obtained a doctorate in management of non-profit agencies.



### Robert "Bob" Fioretti

Fioretti is a civil rights attorney and a former Chicago alderman who ran for mayor in 2015. He believes in making neighborhoods safer as well as adequately funding for schools and creating jobs and wages. As an attorney, he has

been involved in more than 500 civil rights cases. He is widely involved in the community of Chicago and has served as president of the historic Pullman Foundation, as well as Judicial Evaluation Committee of the Chicago Bar Association and Executive Committee.

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# 19th Senate District

## McStephen “Max” Solomon



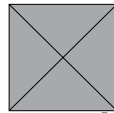
Solomon earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and a masters degree in theology as well as a law degree from Valparaiso University School of Law. A practicing attorney, who believes in reducing property taxes and in reforming and funding education for children’s education, He advocates for reforming jobs and the economy so that the job market is open to all.



## Michael E. Hastings\*

Hastings was deployed to Iraq after the September 9, 2011 attacks and obtained the rank of Captain. He was awarded the bronze star medal for his service. He began his public service career when elected to the board of Education for High School District 230. Following, he was elected as the Vice-President and Co-Chairman of the district’s Financial and Education committees. He is an advocate of pension and education reform.

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# 22nd Senate District

## Cristina Castro



Castro is a native of Elgin and has served as the commissioner on the Kane County Board. Her main concerns are improving public services as well as the economic development of the state.



## Steve Caramelli

Caramelli obtained a Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice and has served as a Illinois state trooper since 2005. He is the Commissioner of the Planning and Zoning Board for the village of Hoffman Estates. He does not advocate opposing property tax increase and believes in government transparency.

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# 26th Senate District

## Dan McConchie



McConchie is a native mid-westerner who started his first business at the age of 15. He believes in reforming the state pension system and balancing the state budget by cutting the taxes and reducing spending. He believes in

the expansion of charter schools and decreasing costs of college to make it more affordable.

## Casey Urlacher



Urlacher is a former semi-professional football player and has a background in business. He is the director of business development for englewood construction company. He is currently the unpaid mayor of Mettawa an active

supporter of St. Jude's Research Hospital and a Republican Committeeman of the Liberty Township. He is pro-choice and opposes any increase in the sales tax.

## Martin McLaughlin



McLaughlin was elected village president of Barrington Hills two years ago and intends on bringing his business and financial experience in running for Senate. He is an advocate of cutting government spending and taxes.

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# 50th Senate District

## William “Sam” McCann\*



McCann, the owner and president of McCann Construction in Carlinville, has served as the 49th District Senator since January 2011. He has also served on the Illinois Department of Health, Division of Environmental

Health and the Advisory Board. In addition, he had participated in Habitat for Humanity in Springfield. He intends to repeal the income tax increase and building a better business climate.

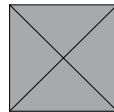
## Bryce Benton



Benton is Taylorville native who majored in economics and eventually became a law enforcement officer. He is Pro-Life and believes it is important to throw out career politicians and end corruption. He believes every

person has the right to own firearms. He is opposed to increasing taxes and believes educating children is very important and reforming schools would be the way to do so.

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# 55th Senate District

## Dale A. Righter\*

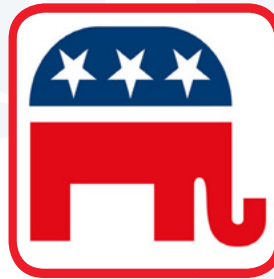


Righter has served in the 55th Senate District since 2003 after serving in the Illinois house of representatives from 1997-2003. He currently serves as the Republican Spokesperson for the Senate Committee on Assignments.

He has recently served as a drug crimes prosecutor in the State’s Attorney Appellate Prosecutor’s Office.

## Mike Parsons

Parsons is a 55th Senate Republican nominee.



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# 58th Senate District

## Paul Schimpf



Schimpf is a former Marine and practicing attorney who specializes in family law and consumer protection law for service members. He has also served as the primary advisor to Congressman Kline. He then worked for the Office

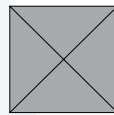
of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. He believes in limited government, individual freedom, respect for life and religious liberty.

## Sharee Langenstein



Langenstein is a practicing attorney who believes the rule of law should be restored. She does not believe a tax increase will improve the local economy, and supports freezing real estate taxes. She is pro-life and is a strong be-

liever in traditional families. She is an advocate of children going to the school of their choice, supports charter schools and the right to homeschool. She is an advocate of the second amendment.



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# Illinois House of Representatives

## 2nd State Representative District



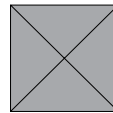
**Theresa Mah**

Mah is a former college professor and understands the importance of investing in education. She serves on the local school council and has served in the administration of Governor Pat Quinn.



**Alexander Acevedo**

Acevedo is a registered nurse and through his experience started a non-for-profit foundation that sends asthma vans across the city. He has served on the Chicago Scholars Association. He intends to fight for equality of healthcare.



## 4th State Representative District

**Cynthia Soto\***



Soto is the state representative for the 4th district. She sponsored a law that expanded Medicaid in 2013. She has also hosted senior citizen health fairs like Diabetes Awareness Workshop where health information

legislation for those who have the responsibility of child support.



**Robert Zwolinski**

Zwolinski, a businessman, plans on creating an elected school board from the community within. He wants to help ensure a timely budget for the 4th district. He intends to lower the gasoline tax, as well as create more business friendly programs. Furthermore, he would like to build more trust between communities and police officers.

# 5th State Representative District

## Kenneth Dunkin\*

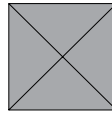


Dunkin has been state representative since 2002. He has worked on supporting a bill that provided tax breaks for businesses. He also sponsored a bill encouraging businesses to promote diversity in their companies. In addition, Dunkin is committed to providing the state colleges and universities with the funding they need.

## Juliana Stratton



Stratton is the director at the Center for Public Safety and Justice at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She advocates for stronger gun background checks. She supports a progressive income tax and wants to avoid cutting services, such as education, health care and vital services for seniors.



# 6th State Representative District

## Darryl D. Smith



Smith, a union laborer, wants to maintain existing businesses and increase new growth in the 6th district. He believes all school types should have equal funding and resource allocation. He advocates community policing while supporting stronger penalties on crimes against vulnerable victims. He wants to ensure more support for seniors.

## Kenyatta Vaughn



Vaughn is an Englewood resident and an entrepreneur with a Masters degree in Human Resource Management. She has founded an organization that provides the community of Englewood with resources to raise awareness of health-care and safety. She intends to ensure a high quality education for children and reform the criminal justice system, as well as, strive to make neighborhoods safer.

## Genita Robinson



Robinson, an Assistant Dean of Admissions at the University of Chicago Law School, had practiced law and worked in Chicago Public Schools. Her main concerns are growing the economy in terms of investing in infrastructure as well as planning a budget. She has been an advocate of smart gun laws in the country and pushes for federal universal background checks. In addition, she is pro-choice.

## Sonya Harper\*



Harper is the incumbent representative of the 6th district, following the death of Esther Golar. She has been an executive director of Grow Greater Englewood as well as the president of Sharper PR Communications. She holds a bachelor's in Journalism and Broadcast News, later becoming a former news producer of Fox 19, KOMU-TV, and KOPN before becoming a community activist.

# 7th State Representative District

## Emanuel “Chris” Welch\*



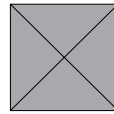
Welch is serving his first term as the Illinois state representative for the 7th District. He advocates for improving classroom education, streamlining services, protecting families from foreclosures and providing safer streets in

our communities. He is also a partner at the law firm of Sanchez, Daniels & Hoffman, LLP.



## Chris Harris

Chris Harris is running for Illinois state representative of the 7th district.



# 15th State Representative District

## John C D’Amico\*



D’Amico is currently serving as the Illinois state representative of the 15th district. D’Amico successfully passed legislation prohibiting drivers from using hand-held electronic devices, including cell phones.



## Jac Charlier

Jac Charlier is running for the Illinois state representative of the 15th district. Charlier is endorsed by “Northside Democracy for America” and the 41st Ward Citizens Blog”. He is a veteran.

# 22nd State Representative District

## Michael Madigan\*



Madigan, the incumbent of the 22nd district, is the House Majority Leader. He advocates for honest government and believes in bipartisanship. He advocates for the middle class and fights for better wages and housing. In

addition, he believes it is important for the state to help students be able to afford college and obtain a degree.

## Jason Gonzales



Jason Gonzales is running for Illinois state representative of the 22nd district. He founded the founded AquaVida, a non-profit organization that helped provide clean drinking water to distressed populations in developing countries.

CNN Senior Political Analyst David Gergen nominated Gonzales as a Young Global Leader at the World Economic Forum.

## Joe Barboza



Joe G. Barboza is running for Illinois state representative of the 22nd district.

## Grasiela Rodriguez



Grasiela Rodriguez is running for Illinois state representative of the 22nd district.

# 26th State Representative District

**Jhatayn Travis**

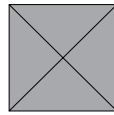


Travis has worked as a civic activist and organizer for more than two decades to improve life in the neighborhoods of Chicago's 26th District. As the leader of the Kenwood Oakland Community Organization (KOCO), Travis has advocated for residents' access to living-wage jobs, quality local public schools, safe and stable communities and a path to economic dignity.

**Christian Mitchell**



Mitchell was elected to the Illinois General Assembly in 2012 and is currently serving as the State Representative for the 26th District. He currently is a member on the Agriculture and Conservation, Energy, Health Care Availability Access, and State Government Administration committees.



# 29th State Representative District

**Wilbur Tillman**



Wilbur "Will" Tillman is running for Illinois state representative of the 29th district.

**Thaddeus Jones\***



Jones is the incumbent for the 29th district. Jones has been a part of the following committees: Community College Access & Afford (Chairperson); Labor & Commerce Committee (Vice-Chairperson); Workers Compensation Subcommittee (Sub-Chairperson). He was the first African American alderman of Calumet City's third ward, as well as the founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Jones Foundation.

**Kenneth Williams**



Williams and his wife are owners of the Silk n Classy Barber College located in Dolton. Williams holds leadership as President of the Board of Education for Thornton Township High School.

# 40th State Representative District



## Harish Patel

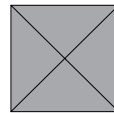
Patel launched his own clothing company, Ishi Vest, and co-founded Chicago Votes, which is a non-profit civics organization. Patel is campaigning on a platform of keep neighborhoods safe, balancing our state budget,

investing in public education, expanding immigrant rights, defending democracy and worker's rights.



## Jamie Andrade, Jr.\*

Andrade is currently serving as the State Representative for the 40th district. He has worked on ethics reform legislation as legislative aide for the Chicago City Council's Rules and Ethics Committee.

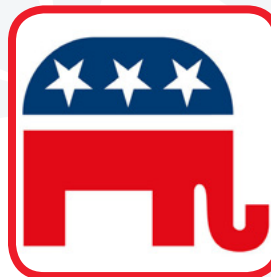


# 63rd State Representative District



## Steven Reick

Reick is concerned with higher property taxes in Mchenry County. He's strongly challenging for a reform in Springfield politics.



## Jeffery Lichte

Lichte believes in lesser government and taxing agencies. He supports lowering income and corporate income taxes. He advocates for smaller, more efficient government with transparency and accountability.

# 66th State Representative District

## Paul Serwatka



Serwatka supports and defends all constitutionally protected rights. This includes 2nd amendment rights. He defends the rights of the family as well as the rights of the unborn. He defends choice in schools and

education methods, to return control locally and to do away with Common Core Standards. Serwatka pledges to limit himself to no more than five terms (10 years total), to reject all state pensions and benefits and fight for legislation to end them, to expose and put an end to the waste, abuse and corruption that is crippling the families of Illinois, and to base all policy and votes on Constitutional compliance and the well being of the taxpaying families

## Dan WilBrandt



Wilbrandt is currently the Assistant State's Attorney in McHenry County and a West Dundee Village Trustee. He says he will fight for fiscal responsibility by balancing the budget, demand meaningful pension reform, work towards

smaller government, support pro-gun rights / conceal carry, protect and defend the unborn (pro-life) and pledges to oppose tax increases and work to lower the tax burden on families and businesses, reduce spending and borrowing, forcing Springfield to pass balanced budgets, encourage business development and job creation, demand fiscal accountability of employees and elected officials, improve and maintain roads and infrastructure, support term limits for state legislators, and refuse legislator pension and health care benefits.

## Allen Skillicorn



Skillicorn is a trustee for the Village of East Dundee. He has worked to keep the property tax levy frozen since he was first elected in 2011. This work combined with local economic growth, has dramatically dropped village property taxes per home.

## Carolyn Schofield



Schofield says that the best way to balance the budget is to increase the number of taxpayers by adding jobs. She supports the completion of a comprehensive eligibility audit of the Medicaid system so that only those who meet income, eligibility and other requirements are receiving

benefits. She is an advocate for the protection of both the quantity and the quality of water as a member of the Northwest Water Planning Alliance Executive Board.



# 72nd State Representative District

## Jeffrey Jacobs

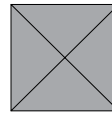


Jacobs is dedicated to making sure citizens are attracted to move or stay in the 72nd district, instead of moving into Iowa. He advocates for lowering property taxes and seeking more educational funding from Springfield.

## Michael Halpin



Haplin's primary areas of practice are labor and municipal law. He serves on the board of directors for Bridging the Gap as well as Stand Down for Homeless Veterans. His main issues are raising the minimum wage and believes middle-class families, elderly residents and veterans need to be heard.



## Katelyn Hotle



Hotle currently serves on the City Council as the 5th Ward Alderman. She studied public policy while enrolled at DePaul University. Her main concerns are trying to engage the community by creating open dialogue between citizens and Springfield. She also believes it is important for the state to provide funding for districts in terms of education and for teachers to be in charge of education rather than those in power. She stresses the need for Illinois to create jobs and invest in infrastructure to prevent people from moving to different states for jobs.

## Glen Evans



Evans is active with the Rock Island County NAACP Religious Affairs ministry and Quad City Interfaith, a social services organization. He previously ran in the Democratic primary for the seat in 2012 and also ran for Rock Island County Clerk in the 2010 election cycle.

### Brandi McGuire

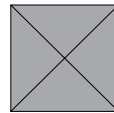


McGuire formed a nonprofit called Ribbons For Kellsey and continues to fight for children with disabilities. She also works with her state senator to write legislation preventing the denial of civil rights and education for children of Illinois.

### Jordan Thoms



Thomas is a marketing manager at the Fyre Lake golf course. He strongly favors term limits for the state legislature. Thoms supports the passage of legislation that would require legislators to pass a balanced budget or forego paychecks until they do.



## 74th State Representative District

### Wayne Saline



Saline is a co-owner of a pork production facility. He was born and raised in the 74th district. He has been a Chief of the Rio Volunteer Fire Department as the Chief; served on the Knox County Board for 11 years; was Finance Chairman for 8 years; and had a balanced budget. He has been Chairman of the Knox County Republican Party for the last two years. His main concerns are fighting wasteful spending that causes the Illinois debt crisis. He believes lowering taxes will fix the Tax problem in Illinois and supports legislative measures that create jobs to boost the economy.

### Daniel Swanson



Swanson returned to active duty to serve with the Army Sustainment Command Rock Island Arsenal and retired in April of 2013. He serves on the board of education and believes education should be in the hands of educators to best serve the needs of students. He believes that raising taxes will not fix the debt problem of Illinois, however job growth and more opportunities will improve the economy. In addition, he believes in protecting the unborn and in a traditional marriage between a man and a woman.

### Michael DeSutter



DeSutter is a farmer, being the owner and operator of DeSutter Farms in Woodhull. He has volunteered with St John's Catholic Church and the Illinois Farm Bureau as a member of the Illinois Agricultural Leadership Program. He was awarded the Illinois Farm Family of the Year in the year 2012. His main goals are to have fair representation of the citizens of Woodhull; building a job creating environment; and reforming school funding.

# 76th State Representative District

## Jacob Bramel



Bramel was a staff sargent in the U.S. Air Force. He intends to promote free market principles for businesses to operate without harsh government regulations and build a more transparent state government to hold lawmakers more ac-

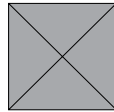
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## Jerry Lee Long



Long, a union truck driver, believes in the Constitution as the supreme authority. He understands being elected is for the representation of people and not himself. He supports economic growth through the reduction of taxes, is pro-life, a strong sup-

porter of the second amendment and believes term limits in Illinois would be an improvement in the government.



# 95th State Representative District

## Dennis Scobbie



Scobbie is a member of the Litchfield school board and leads a dual credit program through Lincoln Land Community College teaching students both in high school and college.

## Avery Bourne



The current representative of Illinois' 95th District, Bourne, was selected to replace retired state representative Wayne Rosenthal in February 2015. Issues of concern for Bourne since her appointment include developing a pro-growth

economic agenda, property tax relief, and education reform solutions. She serves on the following Illinois House Committees: Agriculture & Conservation; Consumer Protection; Counties & Townships; Transportation: Vehicles & Safety; and Veterans' Affairs.

## Christopher Hicks



Christopher Hicks is a candidate for Illinois House of Representatives, District 95.

# 96th State Representative District

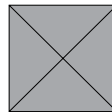
## Cynthia Wolfer

Cindy Wolfer is a candidate for the Illinois House of Representatives, 96th District.



## Gary Pierce

Gary Pierce is a candidate for Illinois' House of Representatives, 96th District.



# 99th State Representative District

## Sara Wojcicki

Sara Wojcicki Jiminez is the current State Representative for Illinois' 99th District, a position she has held since November 25, 2015. She is currently a member of four House committees: Agriculture & Conservation, Appropriation-Higher Education, Business Occupational Licenses, and International Trade & Commerce.



## Kent Gray

Kent Gray is a candidate for Illinois House of Representatives, District 99.



# 102nd State Representative District

## Brad Halbrook



Halbrook has previously served as the state representative in the 110th district from 2012 to 2015. He is a fiscal and social conservative. He believes lower taxes will improve the economy and supports the freezing

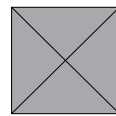
of local property taxes. He is an advocate of a nuclear family of a husband and wife and is also pro-life. He supports redistricting reform and local government accountability.

## Randy A. Peterson



Peterson is currently the Crane Fleet Manager for a construction firm and is heavily involved in the agricultural community through organizations like the Farm Bureau and the Edgar County Fair. Peterson also has a history of

leadership with organizations like the Wild Turkey Foundation, Pheasants Forever, and the National Rifle Association.



## James M. Acklin



Acklin was a high school biology and chemistry teacher for 22 years and a superintendent for 12 years. He is a strong supporter of the 2nd amendment and has an Illinois state concealed carry permit. He would propose

controlling the state's finances by reining in spending and increasing government efficiency. Acklin will also work to promote and expand agribusiness to expand markets for Illinois farmers.

# 109th State Representative District

## David B. Reis\*

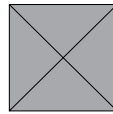


A farmer and businessman from Jasper County, Reis is the state representative for Illinois' 109th District. Reis serves on the following House committees: Insurance (Republican Spokesperson); Small Business Empowerment & Workforce Development (Republican Spokesperson); Appropriations-Public Safety; Energy; and Financial Institutions.

## John Curtis



In his time serving as a president and board member of the Illinois Stewardship Alliance, Curtis transformed a small non-profit into a growing organization which works with legislators from both parties. He has worked on designing programs for his students in Western Illinois University. He is also a farmer and small business owner of Barefoot Gardens CSA that focuses on training people from around the region to become successful gardeners and small scale farmers.



# 110th State Representative District

## Reginald Philips\*



Phillips serves as the State Representative of the 110th House District. His focus includes engaging people residing within the 110th District, having their voices heard in Springfield, ending corruption and addressing the high cost of Illinois government. He strives to make Illinois run like a business and be a more friendly state.

## Jonathan Kaye



Kaye is focused on addressing term limits, redistricting reform, and improve funding downstate schools. He supports Governor Bruce Rauner's agenda, which includes attempting to weaken labor unions as a way to reduce the cost of government.

