



2021 NYC Mayoral Election

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Imagine the Enormous Difference!

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After a 50-year string of New York City mayors incapable of solving the serious problems of poverty, homelessness, violence, a high criminal recidivism rate, addiction, high taxes, and a generally low level of education in the public schools with high dropout rates and low graduation rates, New York needs a candidate for mayor with an enlightened, detailed, practical, effective plan to solve those problems quickly and sustainably. An enlightened capitalist candidate with a win-win platform combining pro-business solutions with social solutions, leading to much greater prosperity for all New Yorkers. Not a soak-the-rich attitude, rather a conviction that while social prosperity is essential, it cannot exist without economic prosperity. **A prosperous city needs all its citizens to be well educated. It also needs many wealthy residents and many highly profitable businesses.** Chasing them away with high taxes is counterproductive. Once social problems are solved, all taxes can be reduced dramatically. **Here are my platform priorities:**

Education Reform: **A)** All our public schools will become **elite** schools. The formula of all successful schools is strict class discipline, lots of homework/study hall, and an enlightened curriculum. NYC needs an ambitious public school curriculum optimized for the complex, highly competitive global economy. **Essential** high school courses: **1)** The United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the history of human rights violations; **2)** economics/finance/investments; **3)** 20th Century world history in great detail (all students must understand the causes of World War I, the causes of the Great Depression, the causes of communism and fascism and why they failed, the causes of World War II, anti-Semitism and the Holocaust, the causes of the Cold War, the causes of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, the causes of Islamic terrorism); **4)** history of art/architecture/design; **5)** history of music; **6)** logic and critical thinking; **7)** ethics and empathy; **8)** introductory and Constitutional law; **9)** foreign languages/cultures; **10)** comparative religion; **11)** psychology, including “group therapy” and “good parenting” workshops; **12)** the major mistakes in economic, social, and foreign policy over the past 100 years, and which would have been the correct policies. **B)** All-day public school, from nursery through high school, to free parents to work and to keep students constructively occupied and out of trouble. **C)** Mandatory afternoon study hall and individual tutors/mentors for students having academic difficulty, and individual psychological assistance for students in need. That’s the only way to prevent dropouts and ensure a high graduation rate. I know that from personal experience, having taught economics/investing in several “failing” NYC public high schools as a volunteer. Academic success combined with being mentally well adjusted is the only way to prevent poverty, addiction, and violent crime. **D)** Very well organized arts and sports activities, as well as vocational training in multiple fields, on weekends, holidays, and during the entire summer break, to enrich the students and keep them off the streets. Annual citywide competitions. **E)** Promote high quality charter schools. Competition makes public schools better. Importance of school choice. **F)** A voluntary, demanding, prestigious Mayor’s High School Graduation Exam, certifying a high level of academic achievement for those who pass it, and providing scholarships to city universities. **This comprehensive education reform would lead to a dramatic reduction in poverty, homelessness, crime, violence, abusive behavior, addiction, and to a dramatic increase in economic prosperity and much lower taxes.**

Public Safety Reform: **1)** Implement the highest level of training and screening for police officers, a model for the nation. **2)** Have neighborhood beats wherever there is crime. Crime must be eradicated quickly and sustainably. **3)** Rikers Island Prison is a disgrace. Immediately institute high quality educational and psychological rehabilitation programs. Make Rikers Island a model prison, where inmates spend the entire day getting educated and being helped to overcome psychological problems.

Criminal recidivism is unconscionably high and must be eliminated through effective rehabilitation programs. Provide socially productive city jobs and strictly supervised housing for parolees unable to find employment and lodging in the private sector.

Beautification of NYC: 1) Create a NYC Beautification Corps open to all comers, both to beautify New York and to reduce unemployment. All city blocks with wider sidewalks, beautiful pavements and plantings, and atmospheric lighting. Make all subway stations stylish. All roads beautifully landscaped. 2) Multiply outdoor public swimming pools in the parks. They must be large, beautifully landscaped, and very well run, some for families with children, others only for adults. 3) Use the Manhattan Central Park Reservoir as a swimming oasis, with multiple well run “beach establishments”. 4) The city’s entire riverfront beautifully landscaped. 5) All public housing beautified and upgraded for safety. 6) Allow outdoor restaurant seating permanently.

“Green” New York City: 1) Have dedicated street lanes and parking spaces with charging stations for electric vehicles. 2) All trucks/buses in New York City electric by 2030. 3) Clean up the Hudson/East River so that it is good for swimming and fishing. Create many more marinas!

Welfare/Homeless Reform: 1) Create well-run, basic yet attractive, strictly supervised welfare housing campuses with on site schools and health clinics. Separate housing for families with children. No more shuttling homeless people between SRO’s or hotels/motels. Stability is required for homeless people to develop productive lives for themselves and their children. Adults required to work, provided with socially productive city jobs (such as with the NYC Beautification Corps) if unable to find employment in private sector. Children in school all day long, getting very well educated and benefiting from organized afterschool activities in the arts and sports. 2) No more welfare/SRO housing in established residential neighborhoods since that is unfair to residents and counterproductive, reducing real estate values and the city’s real estate tax revenues.

Health Care Reform: 1) Have highly competent 24/7 health clinics in all neighborhoods to relieve hospital emergency rooms. 2) Mandate health insurance transparency, no “surprise” bills! 3) Create a very efficient NYC agency to review consumer complaints.

Tax Reform: Push for the elimination of long-term capital gains taxes, since unfair and economically counterproductive.

Shelter Animal Reform: Create companionship and adoption program linked to NYC public schools.

These reforms would lead to enormous social and economic prosperity, faster than most would imagine. NYC can afford them through efficiency and creativity, without raising taxes. In any case, over \$3 trillion of QE financing was used by the federal government in recent years to save the banks. When required, QE financing by the federal government should also be used to help cities finance education and infrastructure. In addition, our billionaire philanthropists would contribute large amounts if presented with a convincing comprehensive program to greatly improve public education and eliminate poverty, homelessness, addiction, and violent crime, while greatly beautifying New York, making it a model for the world.

I hope you are persuaded! If so, spread the word. Volunteer. Visit my campaign website.

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