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# VOTER HANDBOOK

*Meet The Candidates Fighting For Your Rights*



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## *Working Together* **TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

**E**ach election season, the **NYS Laborers** carefully review the candidates up for important statewide positions and identify the leaders that best represent the issues and concerns that are important to our union members. Never before has there been such income inequality in our country, such eagerness to strip working men and women of their rights, pensions and standard of living. As watchdogs for all working men and women, unions are also under attack for standing up and demanding action.

The candidates that you will learn about in this publication, including the most crucial - Hillary Clinton for President of the United States, have been vetted by the New York State Laborers and the Laborers' International Union of North America for their commitment to help working people.

Hillary Clinton is a long-time supporter of restoring the right of working people to join together in unions to improve their lives. Unfortunately, her voting records on issues important to working families have been scrutinized. This is why you need to protect the vote this election cycle for the Presidency and for the other crucial statewide positions herein.

The Democrat, Republican or Independent candidates we endorse must be focused on creating family sustaining jobs, benefits including healthcare, a public education for every child, and a pension to live on after a lifetime of work.

We are proud to offer this guide to assist you when you go to the polls.



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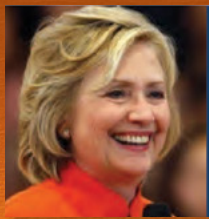
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# Your Union Recommends HILLARY CLINTON

	 <b>HILLARY CLINTON</b>	 <b>DONALD TRUMP</b>
<b>JOBS AND ECONOMY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will strengthen our economy through tax relief for working families, raising wages, closing corporate tax loopholes, and investment in infrastructure.<sup>1</sup></li> <li>Will create millions of jobs rebuilding America's aging infrastructure and through responsible development of domestic energy resources.<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tax plan would increase U.S. deficit by \$9.5 trillion.<sup>13</sup></li> <li>Tax plan gives richest top 0.1% an average of \$1.3 million tax break.<sup>14</sup></li> <li>Has displaced American workers through visa programs.<sup>15</sup></li> <li>Believes workers' wages are too high.<sup>16</sup></li> </ul>
<b>UNIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opposes so-called right-to-work and will champion the right to choose a union.<sup>3</sup></li> <li>Committed to the use of Project Labor Agreements,<sup>4</sup> prevailing wages,<sup>5</sup> and union training and apprenticeship requirements to create good union jobs.</li> <li>Endorsed by 25 national unions because no other candidate will do more to protect our jobs, wages, pensions and healthcare.<sup>6</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Favors so-called "right to work."<sup>17</sup></li> <li>"I fight unions very hard."<sup>18</sup></li> <li>Sued for ripping off LIUNA benefit funds during construction of New York Trump Towers.<sup>19</sup></li> <li>Charged with violating labor law at Las Vegas Trump Hotel.<sup>20</sup></li> <li>Uses non-union contractors to build many Trump properties.</li> </ul>
<b>OUR SECURITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respected nationally and abroad for her foreign affairs knowledge and competence.<sup>7</sup></li> <li>Pledged to defeat ISIS and fight global terrorism.<sup>8</sup></li> <li>Built a global coalition to impose sanctions on Iran,<sup>9</sup> expanded global anti-terrorist efforts,<sup>10</sup> and brokered a ceasefire in Gaza,<sup>11</sup> as Secretary of State.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has no foreign affairs experience.</li> <li>Praised Russian President Putin,<sup>21</sup> advocates ground wars in Middle East,<sup>22</sup> sparked a serious discussion in the United Kingdom of banning him from country.<sup>23</sup></li> <li>Threatens our safety and security by encouraging violence against opponents and treating women, minorities, and people of faith with disrespect.<sup>24,25</sup></li> </ul>
<b>IMMIGRATION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will push for comprehensive immigration reform to create a pathway to citizenship, keep families together, and enable millions of workers to come out of the shadows.<sup>12</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposes wall to stop undocumented immigration, though most undocumented immigrants arrive in U.S. legally and overstay visas.<sup>26</sup></li> <li>Proposed deportation plan would create "police state."<sup>27</sup></li> </ul>

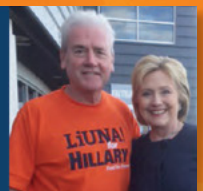
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*"Donald Trump isn't the first billionaire to prey on the fears of hard-working men and women, but we have to make him the last one. Our jobs, our unions, our fundamental rights and everything that makes America great is at stake if he succeeds at fooling us."*

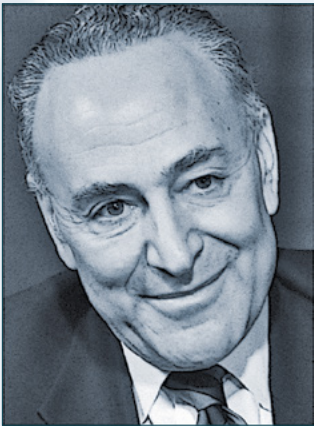
—LIUNA General President Terry O'Sullivan



# OUR ENDORSED US SENATE

CHARLES E. SCHUMER

U.S. SENATE (D)



**Since his election to the United States Senate in 1998, Chuck has** made improving New York’s economy his top priority. Schumer is the senior Senator from New York and a key member of the Senate Democratic Leadership. If the Democrats retake control of the Senate, he will become Majority Leader of the Senate, and from this key position, he will be able to help bring more federal support to New York for infrastructure and other needs.

He is a strong union supporter, longstanding advocate of infrastructure spending, and a champion for the middle class. He was a key ally in negotiating the Extension of the James Zadroga Act providing medical care and compensation to hundreds of LIUNA members who became ill because of their work at the WTC after 9/11.

# OUR ENDORSED REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS

CANDIDATE	PARTY	DISTRICT & COUNTY JURISDICTION
CLARKE, YVETTE	DEM	9 Eastern portion of the state and includes sections of Kings County
CROWLEY, JOSEPH	DEM	14 Eastern Bronx and part of north-central Queens
DONOVAN, DAN	REP	11 Parts of southern Brooklyn: Bay Ridge, Bensonhurst, Dyker Heights & all of Staten Island
ENGEL, ELIOT	DEM	16 Northern Bronx, Westchester County’s southern half: Mount Vernon, Yonkers, & Rye
ESPAILLAT, ADRIANO	DEM	13 Upper Manhattan and a small portion of the western Bronx
HIGGINS, BRIAN	DEM	26 Parts of Erie & Niagara counties, including cities of Buffalo & Niagara Falls
JEFFRIES, HAKEEM	DEM	8 Fort Greene to East New York to the South and East Coastal Sections of Brooklyn
KATKO, JOHN	REP	24 Syracuse, West Oswego County, Cayuga, Onondaga & Wayne counties
KING, PETER	REP	2 Southwestern Suffolk County and a portion of Southeastern Nassau County
LOWEY, NITA	DEM	17 Rockland County, central/northwestern Westchester County: White Plains & Tappan Zee Br.
MALONEY, CAROLYN	DEM	12 Several neighborhoods in the East Side of Manhattan, Greenpoint, and western Queens



CANDIDATE	PARTY	DISTRICT & COUNTY JURISDICTION
MALONEY, SEAN	DEM	18 Orange County, Putnam County, south Dutchess County, northeast Westchester County
MARTINS, JACK	DEM	3 Northwestern Suffolk County, Northern Nassau County, Northeastern Queens
MEEKS, GREGORY	DEM	5 Mostly Queens, Rockaway Peninsula, small portion of Nassau County
MENG, GRACE	DEM	6 Queens: Flushing, Forest Hills, Middle Village, Kew Gardens, Bayside & Murray Hill
NADLER, JERROLD	DEM	10 Parts of Morningside Heights, Upper West Side, Midtown, Lower Manhattan & Borough Park
REED, TOM	REP	23 From shores of Lake Erie in Chautauqua County to Binghamton in Tioga County
RICE, KATHLEEN	DEM	4 Central and Southern Nassau County
SERRANO, JOSÉ	DEM	15 Includes most of the southern and western neighborhoods of The Bronx
SLAUGHTER, LOUISE	DEM	25 Monroe County: centered on the city of Rochester
STEFANIK, ELISE	REP	21 From Clinton, Essex, Franklin & Fulton to St. Lawrence, Warren & Washington counties
TONKO, PAUL	DEM	20 Albany and Schenectady counties, parts of Montgomery, Rensselaer, & Saratoga counties
VELÁZQUEZ, NYDIA	DEM	7 Parts of Brooklyn, Queens, and Manhattan
ZELDIN, LEE	REP	1 Eastern Long Island: from Smithtown to Montauk

## FEATURED CONGRESSIONAL PROFILES

### CAROLYN MALONEY (D)

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 12 - East Side of Manhattan, Greenpoint, & western Queens



**Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney is a Democrat and was first elected to Congress** in 1992, representing New York's 12th Congressional District in New York City. Carolyn is a strong champion for New York, spearheading efforts to marshal federal aid for our post-9/11 recovery and security needs, and she has been a huge advocate to meet the health care needs of 9/11 rescue and recovery workers. She also has succeeded in securing millions of dollars in funding for the Second Avenue Subway project six years in a row. Maloney is leader on many union issues.

**SEAN PATRICK MALONEY** (D)

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 18** - Orange, Putnam, S. Dutchess, N.E. Westchester Counties



**Sean P. Maloney currently represents New York's 18th Congressional district in the U.S.**

House of Representatives in the Hudson Valley. He is a member of the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee and has supported more investment in infrastructure, helping to create construction jobs and rebuild American roads, bridges and mass transit systems. His top priority is fighting for middle-class families to create good paying jobs, and protect access to quality education and healthcare in the Hudson Valley. He is also one of the few Democrats in Congress to vote to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline based on his belief that jobs and economic development outweighed the environmental issues.

**JACK MARTINS** (R)

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3** - Nassau, Suffolk & Queens Counties



**Jack Martins is a Republican, who has represented a Long Island district in the New York State Senate since first winning election in 2010.** In 2016, he is a candidate to represent New York's 3rd Congressional District on Long Island. Senator Martins is the Chairman of the New York Senate's Labor Committee and co-chair of the Senate's Task Force on Workforce Development. Before being elected to the Senate, Jack was a union contractor on Long Island and still is involved in the family business. He understands union construction and has been a strong supporter of issues important to our union and its members.

**ELISE M. STEFANIK** (R)**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 21** - Clinton, Essex, Franklin & Fulton, St. Lawrence, Warren & Washington Counties**Congresswoman Elise M. Stefanik proudly represents New York's 21st District**

(the North Country) in the House of Representatives. She is the youngest woman ever elected to Congress, elected in 2014 at age 30. She has been a strong LIUNA supporter in Congress and has worked hard to bring more infrastructure funding to the North Country. Stefanik voted in favor of the Keystone Pipeline and is a steady supporter of prevailing wage protections for construction workers.

## OUR ENDORSED STATE SENATORS

CANDIDATE	PARTY	DISTRICT & COUNTY JURISDICTION
ADDABBO, JR., JOSEPH	DEM	15 Queens
AKSHAR, II, FREDERICK	REP	52 Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Tioga
ALCANTARA, MARISOL	DEM	31 Manhattan
AVELLA, TONY	DEM	11 Queens
BAILEY, JAMAAL	DEM	36 The Bronx, Westchester
BONACIC, JOHN	REP	42 Delaware, Orange, Sullivan, Ulster
BRESLIN, NEIL	DEM	44 Albany, Rensselaer
CARLUCCI, DAVID	DEM	38 Rockland, Westchester
COMRIE, LEROY	DEM	14 Queens
DÍAZ, SR., RUBÉN	DEM	32 The Bronx
FUNKE, RICH	REP	55 Monroe, Ontario
GIANARIS, MICHAEL	DEM	12 Queens
GOLDEN, MARTIN	REP	22 Brooklyn



CANDIDATE	PARTY	DISTRICT & COUNTY JURISDICTION
GRIFFO, JOSEPH	REP	47 Lewis, Oneida, Saint Lawrence
HAMILTON, JESSE	DEM	20 Brooklyn
HANNON, KEMP	REP	6 Nassau
HOYLMAN, BRAD	DEM	27 Manhattan
KAMINSKY, TODD	DEM	9 Nassau
KENNEDY, TIMOTHY	DEM	63 Erie
KLEIN, JEFFREY	DEM	34 The Bronx, Westchester
LANZA, ANDREW	REP	24 Staten Island
LARKIN, BILL	REP	39 Orange, Rockland, Ulster
LATIMER, GEORGE	DEM	37 Westchester
LAVALLE, KENNETH	REP	1 Suffolk
MALAVE DILAN, MARTIN	DEM	18 Brooklyn
MARCELLINO, CARL	REP	5 Nassau, Suffolk
MONTGOMERY, VELMANETTE	DEM	25 Brooklyn
MURPHY, TERENCE	REP	40 Dutchess, Putnam, Westchester
O'MARA, TOM	REP	58 Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben, Tompkins, Yates
PARKER, KEVIN	DEM	21 Brooklyn
PERALTA, JOSE	DEM	13 Queens
PERKINS, BILL	DEM	30 Manhattan
PERSAUD, ROXANNE	DEM	19 Brooklyn
RITCHIE, PATTY	REP	48 Jefferson, Oswego, Saint Lawrence
RIVERA, GUSTAVO	DEM	33 The Bronx
ROBACH, JOSEPH	REP	56 Monroe
SANDERS, JR., JAMES	DEM	10 Queens
SAVINO, DIANE	DEM	23 Brooklyn, Staten Island
SERRANO, JOSE	DEM	29 Manhattan, The Bronx
SQUADRON, DANIEL	DEM	26 Brooklyn, Manhattan
STAVISKY, TOBY	DEM	16 Queens
STEWART-COUSINS, ANDREA	DEM	35 Westchester
VALESKY, DAVID	DEM	53 Madison, Oneida, Onondaga
YOUNG, CATHARINE	REP	57 Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Livingston

# FEATURED STATE SENATE PROFILES

**TODD KAMINSKY** (D)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 9 - Nassau County



**Todd Kaminsky is a Democrat running for State Senate’s 9th District on Long Island.** He is currently serving in this position after winning a special election this Spring. Kaminsky was elected to the New York State Assembly in November 2014. As assemblyman, he has delivered results for his district including speeding up the state’s reimbursement schedule for Sandy housing reconstruction. While serving in the NYS Legislature, he has been a sound supporter on our union issues including the sponsorship and passage of a mold abatement bill last year.

**TERRENCE MURPHY** (R)

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 40 - Dutchess, Putnam,  
Westchester Counties



**In 2014, Murphy was elected to the New York State Senate representing the 40th District** in the Hudson Valley. His father was a union leader with UWUA 1-2 who worked for Con Edison and taught him the importance of hard work, dedication, and commitment to community. Murphy is running for re-election in the New York State Senate to provide an opportunity for everyone to succeed. Murphy has paved the way for more than \$250 million worth of economic development in his district and has been a strong supporter of our union issues including pipeline construction.





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