

# VOTE EQUITY 2019

## Chicago's Voter Guide for Racial Equity

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Election Day is **Tuesday, February 26, 2019**. Go vote!  
It's time to choose our next:

Mayor  City Treasurer  City Clerk  Aldermen (City Council)

Want to learn more? Visit [VoteEquity.org](http://VoteEquity.org)

The Vote Equity project is a collaborative initiative developed by the following organizations



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Chicago cast more than 50,000 votes to make our city more inclusive, racially just, and better for all of us. **This is what you voted for.**

The Vote Equity Project collected more than 250 reform ideas. **Chicago residents from every ward voted for their top priorities.** We sent the results to all of the mayoral candidates. Here is how they responded.

Please note that the following mayoral candidates did not respond and were therefore not included in this voter guide: Gery Chico, Bill Daley, Jerry Joyce, John Kozlar, Garry McCarthy, Neal Sáles-Griffin, and Willie Wilson.

Please check our website [VoteEquity.org](http://VoteEquity.org) for more information and any additional responses from the candidates listed above.

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Response Key: Yes No No response



AMARA ENYIA



BOB FIORETTI



LASHAWN FORD



LORI LIGHTFOOT



SUSANA MENDOZA



TONI PRECKWINKLE



PAUL VALLAS

## EDUCATION

1. Fund librarians, nurses, and social workers in schools.
2. Fund CPS schools based on student needs, not enrollment.
3. Replace police in schools with wrap around supports.
4. Free, universal public childcare & early education for all.
5. Prioritize and reinvest in neighborhood public high schools.



## SAFETY & JUSTICE

1. Use restorative justice and other alternatives to jail.
2. Invest in public health approaches to end gun violence.
3. Address mental health, bias and corruption in the Chicago Police Department.
4. Invest police funding into mental health, jobs, and youth programs.
5. Invest in community mental health resources based on need.



## HOUSING

1. More Chicago Housing Authority vouchers for families in all areas.
2. Require affordable housing in all developments that receive city funding or approval.
3. Pass rent control.
4. Raise the tax on luxury and commercial real estate to invest \$150 million on homelessness prevention.
5. Establish Community Benefit Agreements for large-scale developments.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1. Prioritize resident-driven community development on South and West sides.
2. Create a city public works jobs program.
3. Raise minimum wage to \$15 per hour immediately.
4. Require Community Benefits Agreements to promote local hiring in large developments.
5. Require city-funded development to create living-wage jobs and hire from high-poverty areas.



## HEALTH

1. Build health centers on south and west sides, working towards universal health care.
2. Reopen Mental Health Clinics and invest \$25 million to expand care.
3. Create green jobs in Black and Brown communities.
4. Fix the infrastructure that is adding lead to the drinking water.
5. Ensure all neighborhoods have access to full grocery stores.



## REVENUE

1. Distribute all TIF revenue in the city equitably, with more money going to areas with low employment and income.
2. End tax breaks and subsidies for wealthy corporations.
3. Tax millionaires in Chicago to fund community investment.
4. Implement a progressive income tax, where tax rates increase for higher income people.
5. Fix the property tax system and raise revenue from downtown commercial and luxury real estate.

