

Centerists and Center Left

Issue	Richard Boykin	Rory Hoskins	Jason Friedman
Platform	“put the needs and concerns of our most vulnerable communities first” “Lower costs, end corruption, more Jobs, safe streets”	Emphasises Transportation access, & Climate	Create good-paying jobs, ensure affordable health care, Make housing affordable, restore cuts to SNAP, Medicare, and Medicaid, reverse Trump’s destructive tariffs; Our workers deserve a raise
Healthcare	Restore funding; expand community health centers, end food deserts, lower cost of food, support vaccines, reduce harm caused by controlled substances including cannabis, promote nursing home access and safety	Defend and expand ACA, strengthen Medicaid, close the coverage gap for older workers and immigrants, targeted funding for community health centers, mental health integration, promote maternal health programs for mothers of color; deliver healthcare where it is needed most	Healthcare is a right not a privilege; restore Medicare and Medicaid cuts; promote health security; lower prescription drug costs; expand access
Housing	Expand affordable housing		Make it easier to create more quality housing
Immigration		Pathway to Citizenship; expand legal aid and community navigator program, rebuild refugee resettlement, prevent deportation of long-time community members, keep families together, build inclusive thriving neighborhoods; reform ICE, Discipline those responsible for illegal arrests and detentions	
Taxes	History of fighting regressive taxes (e.g., Pop Tax)		
Business	launch training and trade programs, prioritize neighborhoods with high unemployment for investment, attract manufacturing to the west side, prioritize industries and sectors that create good paying, union jobs	Support targeted job training, apprenticeships, & microloans, especially in clean energy and tech; champion wage protections for low income workers; cut red tape for minority owned startups	Talks of having created 40,000 good paying union jobs; Create good-paying jobs, ensure affordable health care, Make housing affordable, restore cuts to SNAP, Medicare, and Medicaid, reverse Trump’s destructive tariffs
Environment / Climate		Grants for green urban infrastructure, expand access to RESTORE & Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds, protect environmentally stressed communities; back clean energy tax credits, energy assistance for low income households; promote climate ready public buildings	Restore Trump Cuts to EPA, prioritize environmental justice, green infrastructure; promote innovation
Education		Fully Fund Title I, push for Universal Pre-K for working parents, invest in broadband and mental health in schools, student loan forgiveness for educators, incentives to place teachers in underserved schools,	Restore Trump Cuts to DOE; Equitable funding; equal access to wrap around services in public schools; increase access to federal student aid; stricter cost controls on colleges; expand access to low cost to no cost trade programs
Public Safety	Expand federal prosecution of gun crimes, increase funding for victim/witness protection program, require firearm safety features, improve collaboration, fund community violence interruption programs, support gun buyback programs, reduce access to guns, remember the victims of gun violence		Combat gun violence; common sense gun control, tackle root causes of crime; hold manufacturers and republicans accountable; improve infrastructure;
Childcare		push for universal childcare with sliding scale subsidies, enhanced stipends and training for foster caregivers, investments in home and center based early childhood programs; paid family leave	Promote universal childcare including cost caps, expansive funding sources; workforce development

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AIPAC and other fundraising limitations	Doesn't take money from AIPAC		No litmus test on donors but not supported by AIPAC directly (nor has he been involved with AIPAC)
Other	Grew up in Englewood and family depended on SNAP when he was a child	Fight for safer, more equitable transit, emphasizing public safety; more equitable transit; fully fund VA hospitals; support for homeless vets	