

28th City Council District

Ruben Wills (D)

Hello. I'm Council Member Ruben Wills of the 28th Council District, which covers the neighborhoods of Jamaica, Rochdale Village, Richmond Hill and South Ozone Park.

From Campaign, to election, to governing, we have built partnerships with civic leaders, elected officials and educators to lay a foundation for the reformation of District 28. As your Councilman, I have worked with neighborhood groups to unite our very diverse communities.

We all want first-rate schools for our children, better paying jobs for our working men and women and safe streets for our families. That's why we are changing the conversation.

Working with my colleagues at every level of government, we have provided upwards of \$10 million in capital money to fund technology upgrades to every school in the district.

This funding has allowed us to provide over 80% of our classrooms with smartboards, Mac and computer labs, bandwidth upgrades, laptops and libraries.

As your Councilman, I have authored legislation, the Community Violence Prevention Act, to establish a commission to develop a plan to combat the rise of crime through the duties and obligations of the city's social services.

I intend to hold the next administration responsible for the funding of youth activities in our district, more summer youth jobs, afterschool events, tutoring, Saturday school programming, more seats for full day universal pre k, and more.

We cannot expect our district to become self-sufficient if barriers to growth continue to impede our way.

That's why I'm running for re-election. We aren't done yet. There is so much more to do and now is not the time for on the job training.

This is Council Member Ruben Wills. Join our movement and get involved in changing the conversation. I ask for your vote on September 10th. Thank you.

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