

Greetings my name is Andy King and I am running for the New York City Council, District 12.

As a lifetime resident of the 12th District, a former Caseworker for Local DC37, Local 371, the founder and volunteer Director of the Bronx Youth Empowerment Program, and currently a lead community organizer for 1199 SEIU/HEP, my passion is and always has been serving our New York community, especially the Bronx.

If elected to the City Council, I will continue to empower and motivate our youth by offering hope to our youth through education, engaging young people in community service, deterring our youth from joining gangs and creating and supporting quality youth programs.

Secondly, I will work towards improving access to healthcare by helping our communities obtain affordable and quality healthcare, protecting healthcare for working families and fighting against cuts to healthcare services for our children.

Thirdly, I am committed to providing care for our senior citizens through advocating for programs to connect our youth with seniors, supporting exemptions to rent increases for low income seniors, pushing for increases in services and programs for our senior centers and helping our seniors receive quality healthcare.

Finally, our President Barack Obama has asked us to invest more time in servicing our community and organizing for positive change. In order for this change to happen we must all engage in change behavior. I vow to engage our community residents to solve community problems, work with community based organizations to improve services, collaborate with businesses to enhance economic development and join hand in hand with leaders in our NYCHA developments to protect community housing and bring unity back to our community.

In these times of change and uncertainty, we need new leadership in our community. Our neighborhoods are in dire need of revitalization. But I am

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optimistic that if we come together to focus on our common goals, values and beliefs we will be able to solve these problems that we face. It is time that the people's interest is placed above personal gains. Together we can bring positive change to the Northeast Bronx.

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