

Bronx Borough President

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Hi. My name is Carl Lundgren and I'm running for the office of Bronx Boro President. Although a boro president has no legislative or executive powers, the office is important in advocating for and promoting the interests of the people of the Bronx. Past BPs have not done a particularly good job on that score. The Bronx remains the poorest urban county in the US. Residents of the Bronx, particularly, those in the South Bronx, know all too well that we're ignored when it comes to being provided with basic services and resources to address homelessness, joblessness, crime and health issues. Deals are made to relocate outside businesses to the Bronx while little help is given to entrepreneurs to encourage, promote and grow Bronx businesses. Deals are most often made with little to no input from residents. These businesses generally offer no benefit to the surrounding neighborhood, environment or the people. They offer few jobs for Bronxites and add to the pollution and congestion. As Bronx BP, I'll work with community activists and organizations to tap the great but under appreciated and under utilized resources of people, ideas and initiative in the Bronx. I'll promote worker coops, community gardens, urban farms and green businesses. I'll encourage green building by use of recycled and reclaimed materials in conjunction with new technologies, and help lead the boro to a sustainable green future, self sufficiency, renewed pride in ourselves, and the respect we deserve.

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