

Vote411.org Candidate Profile
NY State Assembly
54th Assembly District (Queens)

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Q: *Please provide a campaign statement (we ask that you please include the neighborhoods and communities that make up the district you are running for. Your statement is limited to 1,250 characters (approximately 200 words).*

A: Jesus Gonzalez is a community organizer who has educated and mobilized residents of Brooklyn on issues of social justice for the past 13 years. He is a lifelong resident of Bushwick with a deep commitment to the neighborhood. The New York State 54th Assembly District encompasses Bushwick, Bedford-Stuyvesant, Cypress Hills, and East New York. Winning this race will show that a grassroots campaign can take on some of the most powerful politicians in Brooklyn – and win.

Gonzalez's parents struggled to make ends meet. That's how he knows the importance of creating good jobs. He worked hard to graduate from school after getting a second chance, and knows how critical good teachers and strong schools are. That's why he successfully organized to save Bushwick Community High School from closing. He currently works as an organizer at Make the Road New York, a citywide policy, advocacy and service organization that mobilizes on issues important to immigrants, youth, and workers.

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