



IMPORTANT RACES AND CANDIDATES

County and state elected officials pass laws that affect our infrastructure, school resources, built and natural environments. They determine how much we pay in county and state taxes and how those monies will be spent.

Montgomery County Executive

The job: *The County Executive develops policies and proposes budgets, legislation, plans and programs to the County Council. The County Executive also provides political leadership to the community and executive direction to the county government, and appoints residents to boards, commissions and committees.*

Candidates D: Roger Berliner, David Blair, Marc Elrich, Bill Frick, Rose Krasnow, George Leventhal; **R:** Robin Ficker

Montgomery County Council

The job: *The County Council's nine members (4 At-Large, 5 for separate districts) appropriate money for the County's capital and operating budgets, set the local property tax rate and other local taxes, approve all land-use plans such as the Bethesda Downtown Sector Plan, act on zoning changes, and appoint members of the County Planning Board and Board of Appeals, among other responsibilities.*

District 1

Candidates D: Bill Cook, Pete Fosselman, Andrew Friedson, Ana Sol Gutierrez, Jim McGee, Regina "Reggie" Oldak, Dalbin Osorio, Meredith Wellington; **R:** Richard Banach

At Large

Candidates for 4 seats—D: Gabe Albornoz, Rosemary Arkolan, Marilyn Balcombe, Charles Barkley, Shruti Bhatnagar, Cherri Branson, Brandy Brooks, Craig Carozza-Caviness, Ron Colbert, Bill Conway, Hoan Dang, Lorna Phillips Forde, Loretta Jean Garcia, Paul Geller, Evan Glass, Richard Gottfried, Neil Greenberger, Seth Grimes, Ashwani Jain, Will Jawando, Melissa McKenna, Danielle Meitiv, Hans Riemer (incumbent), Michele Riley, Darwin Romero, Mohammad Siddique, Steve Solomon, Chris Wilhelm; **R:** Chris P. Fiotes, Jr., Penny Musser, Shelly Skolnick

Governor

The job: *The Maryland governor is among the most powerful in the nation. The governor presents a proposed budget to the Maryland General Assembly, which can then decrease but never increase the amount or transfer funds. The governor chairs and sits on the Board of Public Works with two other members—the Comptroller and Treasurer. That Board has broad powers to approve the sale of bonds, allocate funds for school construction and state contracts over \$200,000, and establish the state property tax rate. The Governor appoints, with the State Senate's consent, all judges that serve on the trial and appellate courts of the state's judicial system. The Governor also appoints members of nearly 300 advisory boards, commissions, task forces and committees.*

Candidates D: Rushern Baker, Benjamin Jealous, Kevin Kamenetz, Richard Madaleno, Alec Ross, Jim Shea, Krish Vignarajah; **R:** Larry Hogan (incumbent)

State House

State Senator (MD District 18)

Candidates D: Dana Beyer, Jeff Waldstreicher

State Delegates (MD District 18)

Candidates for 3 Seats—D: Al Carr (incumbent), Ron Franks, Mila Johns, Helga Luest, Leslie Milano, Joel Rubin, Emily Shetty, Jared Solomon