

MEET THE CANDIDATES

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I am a 30-year resident of the Town of Chevy Chase, where I have raised three children and where my family still lives. My wife Carole-Ann and I moved with our three children to Chevy Chase from Montreal, Quebec in 1984. We stayed in the United States and became American citizens because the Town provided our family with the building blocks for success. I began my own management consulting business, growing it from my basement to 25 employees. I have also served as CEO of Teaching Strategies, an internationally renowned publisher of early childhood education material. Two of my three children now own homes and live in the Town, along with three of my five grandchildren. My family and I are deeply invested in our community and committed to making sure that it continues to offer a vision where ALL residents can thrive like my family did.

I am running for Town Council for the following reasons:

First, we need to be smart about managing our Town's resources. We need to take greater care with how we budget and spend our resources and how we care for and expand our public facilities. Many of our newer homeowners have young families and we need to make our Town a welcome place for them.

Second, we need to make sure that we are including all of the Town's residents in its governance, not just the minority that attend our Council or committee meetings. In this age of technology, we need to be smarter about getting input from more residents. Every resident deserves to be heard.

Third, we need to improve the Town's image with the public and the rest of the county. We have always been advocates for good government and considering the needs of the larger community. Our mishandling of our advocacy against the Purple line has given the Town an unwarranted black eye.

My commitment and leadership in civic organizations and my extensive management experience could be put to good use on the Council. I've served in leadership positions on civic associations, including key positions with the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association and the American Hospice Foundation. As the owner of a small and highly successful business, I bring important business skills to the Town regarding contracting, budgeting, and management.

Our Council can do a better job of marshaling our resources, listening to our neighbors and improving the quality of life. I believe as member of the Council, I can make these goals a reality.