

CARLOS ALVAREZ  
FOR MAYOR

My name is Carlos Alvarez. I'm a candidate for Los Angeles Mayor. I am a legal assistant for an HIV service nonprofit, a community activist, and a member of the Party for Socialism and Liberation.

Los Angeles is the richest city in the world's richest country. Every person here should have the right to a job, food, decent housing, free healthcare, free education, and a clean environment. Every worker should have the right to be in a union. The minimum wage should be 15 dollars per hour.

Instead, giant banks and corporations are profiting. The rich are getting richer, while most of us find it harder to get by.

The current local administration has only helped increase the wealth of big business, while telling workers to accept cuts. It's time for us to fight back!

We need a planned economy based on meeting people's needs: socialism.

To get there, L.A. must confront the issues that workers face daily.

While L.A.'s massive wealth sits in the pockets of the super-rich, the unemployment rate has jumped to 9 percent. In some areas, unemployment claims are up 77 percent and home foreclosures by 200 percent. This must end.

As a candidate for mayor, I demand an immediate moratorium on all evictions and foreclosures. All people who are currently homeless must be provided free shelter. No one should be homeless, while luxury lofts sit empty downtown.

The city should tax big corporations to increase revenue instead of slashing jobs. The brunt of the economic crisis should be shouldered by rich capitalists, not workers.

My campaign stands against racism, police brutality and the mass incarceration of Black, Latino, Asian and all working-class people.

I call for community control over the police, with an all-elected civilian control board.

I call for full rights for all immigrants, and an immediate end to the racist ICE raids that terrorize Los Angeles.

I call for schools to be fully funded. More teachers should be hired, not fired. Tuition fees for community college and university must be cut in half, and we must move toward providing everyone free education through college.

My campaign defends women's reproductive rights, calls for free abortion on demand, and seeks to repeal the anti-gay Proposition 8. Full equality for everyone can be a reality.

I oppose the U.S. wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and I support the Palestinian people.

All L.A. city funds going to the Pentagon war machine must be redirected to provide social services in this city.

Vote for me, Carlos Alvarez, to be part of the struggle for a better city and world.

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