

## STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 40

### State Sen. Dwight Bullard:

Champions reproductive rights, LGBT equality, equal pay for equal work, keeping guns off college campuses, and a fair living wage for workers.



**Dwight Bullard**  
(D)



**Frank Artiles**  
(R)

**Frank Artiles** is notorious for his bill to humiliate transgender people & basically require pant checks before you pee. Artiles' legislative record is also criticized for being anti-choice, bigoted against people of different faiths, and dangerous on gun safety.

### Opa-Locka City Commissioner

*(2 commission seats will be up for election – currently held by Joseph L. Kelley and Luis B. Santiago)*



**Joseph Kelley** - Incumbent. Wants to fix city charter, plans to enhance ethics through leadership.



**Matthew Pigatt** - Managed \$3.2m budget at Florida Memorial Univ. Co-President of 100 Black Men of South Florida Leadership Academy.



**Damos Demerritt** - Minister / Teacher at New Birth Baptist Church Elementary School. Supports youth & elder activities.

## STATE AMENDMENTS

### #1 Rights of Electricity Consumers

#### Regarding Solar Energy Choice

- Reduces Affordability of Solar Panels
- Prevents consumers from purchasing electricity from third-party solar providers
- Protects the monopolies of utility companies

**Personal Vote: No**

### #2 Use of Marijuana for Debilitating

#### Medical Conditions

- Legalizes the use of medical marijuana

**Personal Vote: Yes**

### #3 Tax Exemption for First

#### Responders

- Extends tax breaks to wounded first responders & surviving spouses of first responders killed in line of duty

### #5 Tax Exemption for Low-Income

#### Seniors

- Extends tax breaks to certain 65 and older whose homes are valued at less than \$250,000, and who have lived in their home for at least 25 years



# DREAM DEFENDERS VOTER GUIDE

**EARLY VOTING**  
OCT 24 - NOV 6

**ELECTION DAY**  
NOVEMBER 8

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## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### District 25

**Dr. Alina Valdes (D)** is a physician who's challenging the current U.S. Representative for the 25th district, **Mario Diaz-Balart (R)**. **Dr. Valdes** touts progressive change for younger generations as her great cause; she supports low cost public college, \$15/hour minimum wage, equal pay for women, tackling climate change, and many other progressive priorities. Her endorsements include State Sen. Dwight Bullard, NOW, Democratic Progressive Caucus of Florida, and many others.

### District 26

**Carlos Curbelo (R)** is the incumbent running for re-election. **Joe Garcia (D)**, the former U.S Representative for the 26th District, is also running. As a congressman, **Joe Garcia** successfully passed bill to reduce student loan interest rates by almost half; he also supports a \$15/hour minimum wage & equal pay for women.

### District 27

**Scott Fuhrman (D)**, a business owner, is challenging incumbent **Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R)** for this U.S. House seat. **Scott Fuhrman** strongly supports Social Security & Medicare and believes in women's equal pay for equal work. He also says we need to do much more to tackle climate change and sea level rise, which threaten South Florida but also position the state to lead in new technologies that counter the problem.

## U.S SENATE ELECTION

Rep. Murphy's top priorities include workers' rights, a higher minimum wage, pay equality for women, and Social Security & Medicare.

Endorsements include Congressional Black Caucus PAC, AFL-CIO, SEIU, Equality PAC, and End Citizens United.



Patrick  
Murphy  
(D)

Marco  
Rubio  
(R)



"Marco Rubio Cowardly Encourages America to Vote for Donald Trump"  
—Miami New Times, July 2016

"Sen. Rubio has been a disappointment" & has "disastrous record" on LGBT issues." Has "refused to issue a clear, unequivocal statement on whether he will finish out his term."  
—Miami Herald, Oct. 2016

## DOWN-BALLOT CANDIDATES

### PRESIDENT OBAMA SUPPORTS & WANTS YOU TO KNOW

#### State Senate District 37

**Jose Javier Rodriguez (D)** is a two-term state representative, former Peace Corps member & legal aid lawyer. This rising star's opponent is incumbent **Miguel Diaz de la Portilla (R)**.

#### State Senate District 39

**Debbie Mucarsel-Powell (D)** is the president of a firm that assists nonprofits; she's running to make Florida's public schools the best in the US, protect the environment, and safeguard women's rights. Her opponent is **Anitere Flores (R)**.

#### State House District 103

**Ivette Gonzalez-Petkovich (D)** is an attorney who runs her own law firm. Her priorities include education, especially protecting public schools; criminal justice reform; and health care reform. She's running against **Manny Diaz Jr. (R)**.

#### State House District 112

**Nick Duran (D)** is a nonprofit leader who now runs the Florida Association of Free and Charitable Clinics. He's running against **Rosa Maria "Rosy" Palomino (R)**.

#### State House District 114

**Daisy Baez (D)** is a military veteran & healthcare executive who champions equal pay for women, public schools & stronger economic development. Her opponent is **John Couriel (R)**.

#### State House District 118

**Robert Asencio (D)** has been in public service for more than three decades, including as a member of US Army Reserves special operations. He's a retired police captain who supports criminal justice reform, equality for all & public schools. His opponent is **David Rivera (R)**.

# Voter Education Series

**Who** - What - Why

- 1) Who are your elected officials?
- 2) Why do we need to influence change?
- 3) What can you do to influence change?

**Turn Around Beauty & Barbershop**

**14929 NW 22nd Ave 33054  
Friday, November 4th  
@7pm**



**ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

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