

United States Representative

The districts listed here are those which include areas within Chicago city limits

LWV Chicago asked each candidate to respond to two questions using a maximum **total** of 50 words. If a candidate responded her/his response is shown following the name. The two questions were:

- 1) Why do you want to serve in this position?
- 2) Which major issues do you feel are important to your constituents?

***If the response was longer it was truncated at 50 words.
(t) at the end of a response indicates that it was truncated.***

1st District

Bobby L. Rush (Democratic)

It is my calling.

There are a host of important issues that are affecting my constituents. I think my constituents and the American people are truly ready for Congress to broker a compromise on universal health care, energy, tax cuts for the middle class, responsibly ending the War in Iraq, **(t)**

Antoine Members (Republican)

I am running because the good people of the 1st district need employment, protection, and opportunities. The people we have continually selected to represent our concerns have only represented themselves by creating legislation that benefits the special interest groups they indebted themselves to. The problems our district continues to face **(t)**

2nd District

Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. (Democratic)

No response

Anthony W. Williams (Republican)

No response

3rd District

Daniel William Lipinski (Democratic)

No response

Michael Hawkins (Republican)

No response

Jerome Pohlen (Green)

No response

4th District

Luis V. Gutierrez (Democratic)

No response

Daniel Cunningham (Republican)

No response

Omar N. López (Green)

I want to serve in this position because the 4th congressional district needs a new direction, new vision and new leadership. My four decades of community advocacy in the neighborhoods that make-up the district have prepared me for this challenge. Working families in the district deserve better representation in congress. **(t)**

5th District

Rahm Emanuel (Democratic)

No response

Tom Hanson (Republican)

It is time to represent the daily issues that affect the quality of life for voters of the 5th District. I am not and will not become a career politician. My main goal is to revamp the entire tax system and make it more fair and effective.

Addressing over taxation **(t)**

Alan Augustson (Green)

It was unacceptable to me that the incumbent for this position was running unopposed – especially since that incumbent has been so unresponsive to the demands of peace, justice, responsibility and common sense.

We must wean ourselves from foreign oil and begin designing the new, post-oil economy. We must also ensure **(t)**

7th District

Danny K. Davis (Democratic)

No response

Steve Miller (Republican)

No response

9th District

Janice D. Schakowsky (Democratic)

As chief deputy whip, vice chair of the Congressional Women's Caucus, and member of the House Intelligence and Energy and Commerce Committees (which passed my children's product and car safety bills), I'm in a position to fight for policies to improve people's lives, strengthen our economy, and promote peace and security. **(t)**

Michael Benjamin Younan (Republican)

No response

Morris Shanfield (Green)

No response