



American Muslims Breaking Barriers IN POLITICS



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Introduction

Assalamualaikum,

Peace be with you. **The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)**, the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, **Jetpac**, a representation-driven organization that trains American Muslims who want to run for office, and **MPower Change**, the largest Muslim-led social and racial justice organization in the United States, have partnered to highlight and document a list of candidates who ran for office in **2020**, including in primary elections. It is our intention that this report serves as a resource and inspiration for other Muslims and people of color to run for public office in the United States.

American Muslims are running for office in higher numbers than ever before, and this trend is expected to continue to rise with the many historic firsts we have seen across the country since **2017**. A record **170** candidates were on **2020** ballots across **28** states and Washington D.C., which is the highest number since Jetpac, CAIR, and MPower Change started mapping the electoral progress of politicians who identify as Muslim.

The candidates who have been running since **2017**, win or lose, have continued to build coalitions in their communities after their campaigns ended, which has resulted in more Muslims being engaged in issue-based organizing on the local level. Muslim representation is still often neglected by policymakers, but the increase of candidates and community organizers is increasingly forcing elected officials and the media to include our perspective in the narrative on healthcare, the economy, immigration, and every other issue impacting American life.

Increased political representation and higher civic engagement go hand in hand. The high level of voter registration and get out the vote efforts being organized by Muslim-led groups and elected officials in **2020** reflects this symbiotic relationship. For instance, CAIR's most recent exit poll found that **84%** of Muslims voted in the general election signaling their significant influence on the outcome of the election. Muslim-led organizations did incredible work on voter registration, relational organizing, and election protection training in **2020** that could have decided close races in Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

This report only includes preliminary analysis of the **2020** results. In the following weeks, we will issue an comprehensive final report that will include a final list of all candidates, a section on the unique challenges that Muslim candidates face, interviews with **2020** candidates, and recommendations for the American Muslim community on how we can better support candidates from our community.



NIHAD AWAD
CAIR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“The American Muslims who ran for office and won were able to do so by building grassroots campaigns made up of diverse coalitions fighting for a just future in which every Muslim American’s civil rights and freedoms can be upheld and protected. Now that the election is over, we all need to work to formulate public policies that promote freedom and justice.”



MOHAMMED MISSOURI
JETPAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Increasing our political representation is a critical part of defeating the violent rise of Islamophobia here and around the world because it forces elected officials and the media to include our perspective in the narrative on healthcare, the economy, criminal legal justice system, and every other issue impacting American life. I'm inspired by this new generation of Muslim political activists who are changing our community's civic engagement through effective relational organizing to build diverse coalitions in the fight for economic and racial justice.



LINDA SARSOOR
MPOWER CHANGE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“Muslim Americans are celebrating the election of members of our community across this country – from the school boards to the halls of Congress. No matter what happens on the presidential level, we will continue to build power, engage voters and focus on down ballot races because that’s where the real impact on our lives lies.”

KEY RESEARCH FINDINGS

A total of
170

Muslim Candidates in **28** states and Washington D.C. ran for public office in **2020**, the highest number we have recorded.

108

were either not elected or are in races that are too close to call due to a large number of ballots yet to be counted.

A total of
22

Muslims ran for congress in **14** states. **5** made it to the general election with **3** winning reelection. First-time candidate, Mike Siegel, lost a close race to represent the 10th Congressional District in Texas.

13

Muslims won municipal seats.

In total
33

incumbents were re-elected in **2020** with no one losing their seats.

62

were successfully elected to office. In comparison, **49** Muslim candidates were elected to public office in **2019**, and **57** in **2018** (the previous high mark in our record).

16

ran for county positions in **10** states, with **6** winning their election in **5** states.

48

Muslims ran for state legislatures in **22** states with **23** winning. At least six made history as the first ever elected to a state office in their state.

Of the
35

candidates who ran for a seat on a School Committee or Board of Education, **12** successfully winning seats. The number of elected candidates could rise as votes continue to be counted.

6

ran for judicial seats with **4** winning.

Although American Muslims are running across the country, some states stood out: **27** ran in Minnesota; **22** in California; **22** in New Jersey; **19** in Michigan; and **9** in Massachusetts



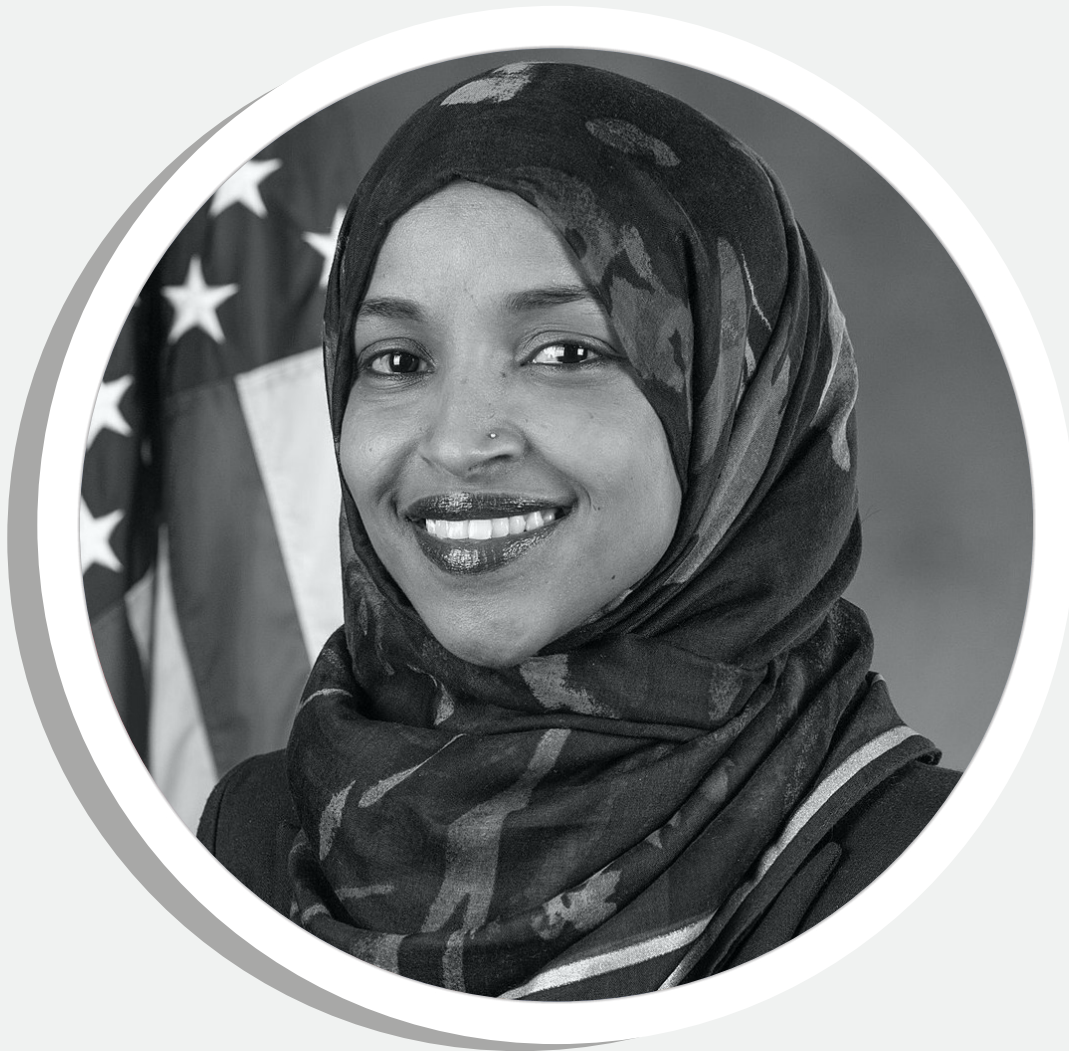
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE ANDRE CARSON
(D-INDIANA)

“It’s an honor to once again be elected to serve the people of Indiana’s 7th Congressional District. Serving Hoosiers in Congress is the honor of my life and a responsibility I don’t take lightly. Regardless of the outcome in other races, I pledge to continue working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle on the critical issues that matter to the people of Indianapolis. Our country, state and city are facing unprecedented challenges, and we must come together in order to overcome them. 11/4/2020”



U.S. REPRESENTATIVE RASHIDA TLAIB
(D-MICHIGAN)

“To all my #13District residents: Thank you for your faith in me to continue fighting for our Western Wayne + Downriver + Detroit + Highland Park communities. I will never back down because you deserve someone who won't sell you out and will always stay #rootedincommunity. 11/4/2020”



U.S. REPRESENTATIVE ILHAN OMAR
(D-MINNESOTA)

“We are building a movement that sees my struggle as inherently tied to your struggle, and sees a world where all workers can be uplifted. Together. Today’s vote - the results of this election - are not the end. This is just the beginning. 11/3/2020”

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CONGRESS



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(D-Minnesota)

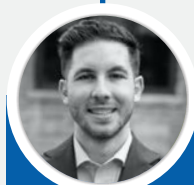


Rep. Rashida Tlaib
(D-Michigan)



Rep. Andre Carson
(D-Indiana)

STATE LEGISLATURE



Rep. Abdullah Hammoud
D-Michigan House



Rep. Aboul Khan
R-New Hampshire House



Rep. Hodan Hassan
D-Minnesota House



Rep. Mohamud Noor
D-Minnesota House



Sen. M. Saud Anwar
D-Connecticut Senate



Sen. Mujtaba Mohammed
D-North Carolina Senate



Rep. Nasif Majeed
D-North Carolina House



Rep. Safiya Wazir
D-New Hampshire House



Rep. Ako Abdul-Samad
D-Iowa House



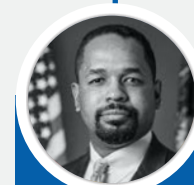
Rep. Charles Fall
D-New York State Assembly



Rep. Jason Dawkins
D-Pennsylvania House



Sen. Robert Jackson
D-New York State Senate



Sen. Sharif Street
D-Pennsylvania Senate



Sen. Sheikh Rahman
D-Georgia State Senate

COUNTY, JUDICIARY, MUNICIPAL, & SCHOOL COMMITTEE OR BOARD



Adel Mozip
Dearborn School Board, MI



Sarah Khatib
Walpole Planning Board, MA



Fahim Aderabbo
Clifton Board of Education, NJ



Hosam Haggag
Santa Clara City Clerk, CA



Maimona Afzal
San Jose/Franklin McKinley School District, CA



Mariam Bazzi
Wayne County 3rd Circuit Court, MI



Mehreen Butt
Wakefield Town Council, MA



Mohammed Hussain
Prospect Park School Board, NJ



Raaheela Ahmed
Prince George's County Public Schools BOE, MD



Sam Baydoun
Wayne County Commission, MI



Helal Farhat
Wayne County 3rd Circuit Court



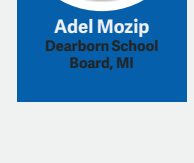
Yameen Jaffer
Pittsfield Board of Trustees, MI



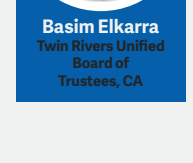
Charlene Elder
Wayne County 3rd Circuit Court, MI



Yousef J. Saleh
City of Jersey City Council, NJ



Aziz Akbari
Alameda County Water District Director, CA



Basim Elkarra
Twin Rivers Unified Board of Trustees, CA

SOURCE:





STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT MADINAH WILSON-ANTON (D-DELAWARE)

In Delaware, Madinah Wilson-Anton will be the first practicing Muslim lawmaker to serve in the state's General Assembly and the first Muslim to hold the local state House seat when she is inaugurated as the State Representative for the 26th district.

"I think if you look at the teachings of the prophet and how their community at that time governed themselves, it's just very obvious that it's important to be involved in public life," says Wilson-Anton. "Also, it sends a message, when people see a Muslim woman involved in public life. 'Well, maybe my stereotypes about Muslim women aren't accurate.' The idea that Muslim women are quiet and at home, that they don't have a voice, they're oppressed and all that, I don't know how anyone could look at me and say that." - Madinah Wilson-Anton, 10/29/2020 (The Review)



STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT SAMBA BALDEH (D-WISCONSIN)

In Wisconsin, Samba Baldeh became the first Muslim elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly, and the first Black man to represent Dane County in the legislature.

"And now we will build back better and make sure every American has a chance to realize their potentials & be proud of this nation again..." - Samba Baldeh, 11/7/2020



STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT CHRISTOPHER BENJAMIN (D-FLORIDA)

Christopher Benjamin won the race to represent the 107th District in the Florida House of Representatives, becoming the first Muslim American elected to any state office in the Sunshine State.

"It's overwhelming. I didn't campaign with that in mind. This election was the culmination of my studies in political science, my bringing in my community and understanding its needs, and my community having confidence in me to lead in this way. Being the first Muslim ever to be elected statewide is just icing on the cake."

- Christopher Benjamin, 11/5/2020 (Religion News Service)



STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT IMAN JODEH (D-COLORADO)

Iman Jodeh, the State Representative-elect for the 41st District in the Colorado House of Representatives, will be the first Muslim lawmaker in the state's history.

"I have lived in Aurora for 35 years, almost my entire life. I'm the daughter of Palestinian immigrants and refugees, and small business owners and teachers...Six years of advocacy at the legislature has allowed me to advocate for all communities, whether that's women and families, immigrants and refugees, equal pay for equal work, or criminal justice reform. I think being a representative that is a practicing Muslim, that is an Arab American, brings a different lens to that representation, but for me, leaning on that track record of advocacy for all people is what I plan to continue at the legislature."

- Iman Jodeh, 11/10/2020 (CBS Denver)



STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT FADY QADDOURA (D-INDIANA)

Fady Qaddoura became the first Muslim to win an election to the Indiana State Legislature when he won the race for the 30th District in the State Senate.

"We did it! Only in America can someone immigrate to this country, work hard, and earn the trust of tens of thousands of voters to become the first Muslim State Senator in Indiana's history." - Fady Qaddoura, 11/4/2020



STATE REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT MAUREE TURNER, (D-OKLAHOMA)

Mauree Turner, the State Representative-elect for the Oklahoma 88th District, will be the first Muslim lawmaker elected to the state's legislature.

"I didn't need a legislative seat to care for and work in my community. Community organizers rarely need seats to provide for our neighbors, friends, and family. but the nation is changing and should serve all of our people. You shouldn't have to have a degree to have healthcare or a well paying job. You shouldn't have to work yourself into an early grave just to survive. We know that and we're here to change that. We're here to build an American that works for everyone. Nothing About Us Without Us." - Mauree Turner, 11/5/2020



**COMMISSIONER-ELECT NIDA ALLAM
(D-NORTH CAROLINA)**

Nida Allam made history by being elected as North Carolina's first Muslim Woman elected official. She serves on Durham County's Board of Commissioners.

"Durham it's official. Tonight you've not only voted for me to serve as your next County Commissioner, you elected me as the TOP vote getter! Thank you for making history with me!"

- Nida Allam, 11/3/2020



**COMMISSIONER-ELECT NAFISA FAI
(D-OREGON)**

Nafisa Fai was elected to the Washington County Commission in Oregon making her the commission's first Black and Muslim member in history.

"Thank you so much to the voters of District 1 for giving me this opportunity to represent our community. Together, we can have a tremendous impact on the lives of our residents. A refugee girl from Somalia is now elected to be a Washington County Commissioner." - Nafisa Fai, 11/4/2020

DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS ELECTED IN 2020

* Disclaimer:
These findings are
preliminary. We will
issue an updated
assessment of
the results in the
upcoming weeks.



CALIFORNIA

California - City Council



Farrah Khan
(D)

Political Office:
Irvine City Council
Mayor (California)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
48%
of the vote



Omar Din
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Sunnyvale City Council,
District 6 (California)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
40%
of the vote for one
available seat

California - School Board



Aliya Christi
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
San Francisco
City College Board
(California)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
11.68%
of the vote to rank
4th out of 11
for 4 seats



Maimona Afzal
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
San Jose/Franklin-
McKinley School
District (California)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
66.9%
of the vote



**Basim
Elkarra**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Twin Rivers Unified
Board of Trustees
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
58.9%
of the vote

California - Municipal



**Aziz
Akbari**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Alameda County
Water District Director
(California)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
23.96%
of the vote



**Hosam
Haggag**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Santa Clara City Clerk
(California)
Results: **Elected,
Unopposed**

Obtained
46.3%
of the vote out
of four won seats



**Fauzia
Rizvi**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Western Municipal
Water District
(California)
Results: **Elected**



COLORADO

Colorado - State Legislature



**Iman
Jodeh**
(D)

Political Office:
Colorado State House
(District 41)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
65.9%
of the vote



CONNECTICUT

Connecticut - State Legislature



**M. Saud
Anwar**
(D)

Political Office:
Connecticut State Senate
(District 3)
Results: **Elected, Unopposed**



DELAWARE

Delaware - State Legislature



**Madinah
Wilson-Anton**
(D)

Political Office:
Delaware State House
(District 26)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
42.53%
of the vote



FLORIDA

Florida - State Legislature



Christopher Benjamin
(D)

Political Office:
Florida State Legislature
(107th District)
Results: **Elected**
(Unopposed in General)

Won primary with
60.6%
of the vote



GEORGIA

Georgia - State Legislature



Sheikh Rahman
(D)

Political Office:
Georgia State Senate (District 5)
Results: **Elected, Unopposed**



INDIANA

Indiana - U.S. Congress



Andre Carson
(D)

Political Office:
US House of
Representatives (IN-7)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
62%
of the vote

Indiana State Legislature



**Fady
Qaddoura**
(D)

Political Office:
Indiana State Senate
(30th District)
Results: Elected

Obtained
52%
of the vote



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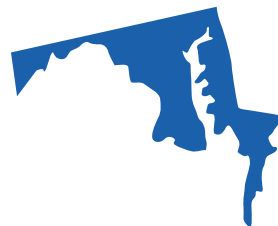
Iowa - State Legislature



**Ako Abdul
Samad**
(D)

Political Office:
Iowa State
Representative (35th
District)
Results: Elected

Obtained
81%
vote for 1 of 3
board positions



MARYLAND

Maryland - School Board



**Raaheela
Ahmed**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Prince George's
County Public
Schools (Maryland)
Results: Elected

winning
100%
of the vote;
unopposed



Massachusetts - School Board



**Fatima
Mezdad**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Concord School
Committee
(Massachusetts)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
56%
of the vote

Massachusetts - Municipal



**Mehreen
Butt**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Wakefield Town Council
(Massachusetts)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
45.6%
of the vote



**Sarah
Khatib**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Walpole Planning Board
(Massachusetts)
Results: **Elected (Ran unopposed
for 1 of 2 board positions)**



Michigan - U.S. Congress



**Rashida
Tlaib**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Michigan-13)
Results: **Elected**

78%
of the vote

Michigan - State Legislature



**Abraham
Aiyash**
(D)

Political Office:
Michigan State Senate
(4th District)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
89.8%
of the vote



**Abdullah
Hammoud**
(D)

Political Office:
Michigan State House
(15th District)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
70.5%
of the vote

Michigan - City Council



**Sam
Baydoun**
(D)

Political Office:
Wayne County
Commission
(Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

100%
of the vote
Unopposed

Michigan - School Board



**Mo
Sabbagh**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Crestwood School
Board (Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
23.6%
of the vote for
2 positions



**Adel
Mozip**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Political Office:
Dearborn Public
Schools Board
(Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
16.9%
vote for 1 of 3
board positions

Michigan - Municipal



**Yameen
Jaffer**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Pittsfield Board of
Trustees (Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

24.78%
of the vote for 1 of 4
board positions



Eric Sabree
(D)

Political Office:
Wayne County Treasurer
(Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
68%
of the vote



Charlene Elder
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Wayne County 3rd Circuit
Court (Michigan)
Results: **Elected, Unopposed**



Helal Farhat
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
3rd Circuit Court
(Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
6.1%
of the vote
(Incumbent)



Mariam Bazzi
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
3rd Circuit Court
(Michigan)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
7.2%
of the vote



MINNESOTA

Minnesota - U.S. Congress



Ilhan Omar
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Minnesota-5)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
64.5%
of the vote

Minnesota - State Legislature



Mohamud Noor
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 60B)
Results: **Elected, Unopposed**



Omar Fateh
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State Senate
(District 62)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
89%
of the vote



Hodan Hassan
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 62A)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
89.61%
of the vote

Minnesota - City Council



**Jamal
Osman**
(D)

Political Office:
Minneapolis City
Council: Ward 6
(Minnesota)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
36.08%
of the vote
defeating 12
opponents



**Abdullahi
Abdulle**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Political Office: New
Brighton City Council
(Minnesota)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
25.34%
of the vote, topping
ticket for 2 seats

Minnesota - School Board



**Sharon
Dumas El-Amin**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Minneapolis Board of
Education (Minnesota)
Results: **Elected**

54%
of the vote for
the only board
position



NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire - State Legislature



**Safiya
Wazir**
(D)

Political Office:
New Hampshire State
House (District 17)
Results: **Elected**

54.4%
of the vote



**Aboul
Khan**
(R)

Political Office:
New Hampshire
State Legislature
(Rockingham 20th
District)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
21.6%
of the vote



NEW JERSEY

New Jersey - City Council



**Sophia
Chadda**
(D)

Political Office:
Bernards Township
Committee (New Jersey)
Results: **Elected**

22.9%
of the vote for 1
of 2 committee
positions

New Jersey - City Council



**Yousef
J. Saleh**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

: Jersey City Council (New Jersey)

Preliminary Results: **58.5% on track
to win the 1 vacant seat**



**Fozia
Janjua**
(D)

Political Office:

Mt Laurel City Council
(New Jersey)

Results: **Elected**

Obtained

19.3%

of the vote
earning the
3rd final seat

New Jersey - School Board



**Fahim
Abedrabbo**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Clifton School Board
(New Jersey)

Results: **Elected**

Obtained

33.3%

of the vote for
1 of 3 seats

New Jersey - School Board



**Feras
Awwad**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Clifton Township Board
of Education
(New Jersey)

Results: **Elected**

Obtained

29.1%

of the vote for 1
of 3 seats



Mohammed Hussain

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Prospect Park School
Board (New Jersey)
Results: **Reelected with**

Obtained
48.1%
of the vote for 1
of 2 seats

New Jersey - Judicial



Bernice "Tina" Jalloh (D)

Political Office:
Somerset County
Surrogate's Court
(New Jersey)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
54.1%
of the vote

New York - State Legislature



NEW YORK



Robert Jackson (D)

Political Office:
New York State Senate
(District 31)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
87%
of the vote



**Zohran
Kwame Mamdani**
(D)

Political Office:
New York State
Assembly (District 36)
Results: **Elected**

100%
of the vote;
Unopposed



**Charles
Fall**
(D)

Political Office:
New York State
Assembly
(61st District)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
66.4%
of the vote



North Carolina - State Legislature



**Mujtaba
Mohammed**
(D)

Political Office:
North Carolina State
Senate (District 38)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
78.2%
of the vote



**Nasif
Majeed**
(D)

Political Office:
North Carolina State
House (District 99)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
64.5%
of the vote

North Carolina - City Council



**Nida
Allam**
(D)

Political Office:
Board of
Commissioners
(North Carolina)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
12.3%
of the vote
(top vote getter)



OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma - State Legislature



**Mauree
Turner**
(D)

Political Office:
Oklahoma State House
(District 88)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
71.4%
of the vote



OREGON

Oregon - City Council



**Nafisa
Fai**
(D)

Political Office:
Washington County
Commissioner (Oregon)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
57.8%
of the vote



**Nadia
Hasan**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Beaverton City
Council (Oregon)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
72%
of the vote



Pennsylvania - State Legislature



**Sharif
Street**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Pennsylvania State
Senate (3rd District)
Results: **Elected**

100%
of the vote;
Unopposed



**Jason
Dawkins**

(D)

Political Office:
Pennsylvania State
House (District 179)
Results: **Elected,
Unopposed**



Texas - Law Enforcement



**Nabil
Shike**
(D)

Political Office:
Fort Bend County
Constable (Texas)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
51.7%
of the vote



Utah - School Board



**Mohamed
Baayd**
(D)

Political Office:
Salt Lake School
Board (Utah)
Results: **Elected**

Obtained
70.12%
of the vote



Virginia - Municipal



**Naila
Alam**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Herndon Town Council (Virginia)

Results: **Elected, secured 1 out of 5
seats out of 8 running**



Wisconsin - State Legislature



**Samba
Baldeh**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Wisconsin State
Assembly (District 48)

Results: **Elected**

Obtained

79.7%
of the vote

Directory of
Candidates That Ran
For Office But Were
Not Elected and
To Be Determined
Elected Officials



Alabama - City Council



**Yusuf
Salaam**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Selma City
Mayor (Alabama)
Results: **Not elected**

Obtained
13%
to finish 3rd of 12



Arizona - U.S. House of Representatives



**Iman-Utopia
Layjou Bah**

(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of Representatives
(Arizona-2)
Results: **Not Elected,
(Write-in Candidate)**

Arizona - U.S. Senate



**Mohammad
Arif**

(I)

Political Office:
United States Senate (Arizona)
Results: **Not Elected,
Write-In Candidate**

Arizona - State Legislature



**Ajlan
Kurdoglu**
(D)

Political Office:
Arizona State Senate
(17th District)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
47%
of the vote

Arizona- City Council



**Deedra
Abboud**
(D)

Political Office:
Maricopa County Board
of Supervisors (Arizona)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
40%
of the vote

Arizona - School Board



**Muktar
Sheikh**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Balsz Elementary
School District (Arizona)
Results: **Leading**

Winning
9.75%
of the vote,
ranking 3/6 for
3 seats



California - U.S. House of Representatives



Shahid Buttar
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(California-12)
Results: **Not Elected**

20%
of the vote

California - State Legislature



Fatima Iqbal-Zubair
(D)

Political Office:
California State House
(District 64)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
38.9%
of the vote

California - City Council



Naz Khan
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Freemont
Mayor(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Winning
4.8%
of the vote



Kashif Qaadri

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Dublin City Council
(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
7%
of the vote placing
6th out of nine
candidates



Samir Qureshi

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Dublin City Council (California)
Preliminary Results: **11% to finish in fifth place, 6% behind the 2nd and final seat**



Antonio Lopez

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
East Palo Alto City
Council (California)
Results: ***Ranked 4th of 7 for 3 seats at the time of this report was written**



Sam Hindi

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Foster City City Council (California)
Preliminary Results: **24% to obtain the 1st of 3 seats at the time this report was written**



Kamaal Martin

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
City Council, Lemon
Grove Mayor
(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
20.1%
of the vote placing
3rd out of four
candidates



Faisal Qazi

(D)

Political Office:
Fullerton City
Council, District 2
(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
28.7%
of the vote finishing
2nd out of four
candidates



Sabina Zafar

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
San Ramon City Council (California)
Preliminary Results: **30% to finish 4%
behind the 1st and final seat at the
time this report was written**



Beel Aftab

(D)

Political Office:
Saratoga City Council (California)
Results: **Not Elected, Obtained 15% of
the vote finishing in 4th out of six**

California - Municipal



**Basil
Saleh**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Campbell Union High
School District Trustee
Seat (California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
33.4%
of the vote



**Mohamed
ElSherbini**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Danville Town Council
(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
5.07%
of the vote



**Kaisar
Ahmed**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
San Bernardino County
Board of Supervisors
(California)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
8.6%
of the vote



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DC - City Council



**Marcus
Goodwin**

(I)

Political Office:
Washington D.C.
Council at Large
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
11.6%
of the vote



FLORIDA

Florida - State Legislature



**Imtiaz
Mohammad**

(D)

Political Office:
Florida State House
(District 119)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
34.68%
of the vote finishing
2nd out of four
candidates

Florida - Municipal



**Noor
Fawzy**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Coral Springs City
Commission (Florida)
Results: **Not Elected**

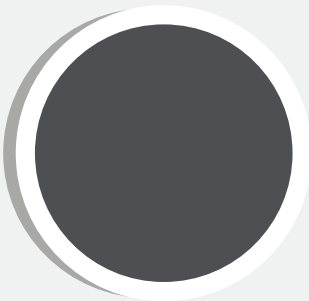
Obtained
11%
of the vote



Khalid Muneer
(D)

Political Office:
Orange County
Property Appraiser
(Florida)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
8%
of the vote



Vibert "Issa" White
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Orange County Soil and Water
Conservation District 3 (Florida)
Results: **Unofficially Withdrew**



Georgia - U.S. Congress



Nabilah Islam
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Georgia-7)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
12.3%
of the vote



Rashid Malik
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Georgia-7)
Results: **Not Elected**

8%
of the vote,
finishing 4/4
for 2 seats

Georgia - State Legislature



**Mohammed
Jahangir Hossain**
(D)

Political Office:
Georgia State Senate
(District 41)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
15.2%
of the vote



**Josh
Uddin**
(D)

Political Office:
Georgia State Senate
(District 48)
Results: **Lost in
Primary with**

22.6%
of the vote

Georgia - Municipal



**Maryam
Ahmad**
(D)

Political Office:
DeKalb County
Commission District
6 (Georgia)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
41.4%
of the vote



**Md
Naser**
(D)

Political Office:
DeKalb County
Commission (Georgia)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
23.2%
of the vote



ILLINOIS

Illinois - U.S. Congress



**Aameena
Matthews**
(D)

Political Office:
US House of
Representatives (IL-1)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
7.9%
of the vote



**Rush
Darwish**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Illinois-3)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
5.7%
of the vote

Illinois - State Legislature



**Raees
(Rae) Yawer**
(D)

Political Office:
Illinois State Senate
(District 22)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
18.5%
of the vote

Illinois - City Council



**Zahra
Suratwala**
(D)

Political Office:
DuPage County
Board (Illinois)
Results: **Not Elected**

44%
of the vote for 1
board position

Illinois- Judicial



**Azam
Nizamuddin**
(D)

Political Office:
DuPage Circuit Court
Judge (Illinois)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
8.57%
of the vote



Maryland - U.S. House of Representatives



**Hasan
"Jay" Jalisi**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Maryland-7)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
0.7%
of the vote



**Saafir
Rabb**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Maryland-7)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
0.6%
of the vote



Massachusetts - U.S. House of Representatives



**Ihssane
Leckey**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Massachusetts-4)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
11.1%
of the vote

Massachusetts - State Legislature



**Muzammil
Nazir**
(D)

Political Office:
Massachusetts
State House
(3rd Bristol District)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
15.3%
of the vote
in primary



**Syed
Hashmi**
(Independent)

Political Office:
Massachusetts State
House (District 4)
Results: **Not Elected**

28.9%
of the vote



**Ceylan
Rowe**
(D)

Political Office:
Massachusetts
State House
(12th Worcester District)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
28.4%
of the vote, finished
second in
Dem primary



**Nichole
Mossalam**
(D)

Political Office:
Massachusetts
State House
(35th Middlesex District)
Results: **Not Elected**

Won
44.3%
of the vote

Massachusetts - School Board



**Salina
Chowdhury**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Foxboro School
Committee
(Massachusetts)
Results: **Not Elected**

47.8%
of the vote for 0 of 1
committee position



MICHIGAN

Michigan - U.S. Congress



Solomon Rajput
(D)

Political Office:
Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Michigan-12)
Results: **Not Elected**

19.1%
of the vote

Michigan - Municipal



Mohammed Hassan
(D)

Political Office:
Wayne County
Commission (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
24.3%
of the vote

Michigan- School Board



Dima El-Gamal
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Bloomfield Hills School
Board (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
15.5%
of the vote



Zakaria Alhabbal
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Crestwood School
Board (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

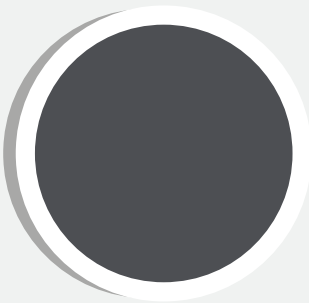
7.8%
of the vote for 1 of 2
board positions



Mohamad Berri
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Crestwood School
Board (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
16.6%
of the vote for 1
position



Batoul Biaz
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Dearborn Heights
School Board (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
5%
of the vote



Maali Luqman
(D)

Political Office:
Dearborn Heights
School Board
(Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
20%
of the vote



Nash Salami
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Birmingham School
Board (Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
21%
of the vote for 1 out
of 2 board positions



**Sharifa
Galab**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Dearborn Heights
School Board
(Michigan)
Results: **Not Elected**

8.9%
of the votes for 1 of 3
board positions



MINNESOTA

Minnesota - State Legislature



**Dalia
Al-Aqid**

(R)

Political Office:
US House of
Representatives
(Minnesota-5)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
4.6%
of the vote

Minnesota - State Legislature



**Amir
Malik**

(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 37B)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
47.49%
of the vote



**Sahra
Odowa**

(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State
Senate (District 55)
Results: **Not Elected**

38.3%
of the vote



**Suleiman
Isse**
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State
Senate (District 59)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
22.29%
of the vote for 2nd
in DFL primary



**Isaiah
Whitmore**
(DFL)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 59B)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
10.1%
of the vote
for 3rd in DFL
Primary



**Aswar
Rahman**
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 60A)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
3.8%
of the vote



**Amal
Ibrahim**
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 60A)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
7.41%
of the vote



**Mohamed
Issa Barre**
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State
House (District 60A)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
1.9%
of the vote



**Saciido
Shaie**
(D)

Political Office:
Minnesota State House
(District 60A)
Results: **Not Elected**

winning
4.3%
of the vote;
unopposed

Minnesota City Council



**Suud
Olat**
(D)

Political Office:
Minneapolis City Council (Minnesota)
Results: **0.8% of votes in first round of
special elections ranking twelfth**



**Murwo
Mohamed**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Mounds View City
Council (Minnesota)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
12.85%
of the vote to
finish 5/5 for
2 seats



**Regina
Mustafa**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Olmsted County
Commissioner
(Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
32%
of the vote



**Nemeh
Al-Sarraj**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Spring Lake Park City
Council (Minnesota)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
11.11%
of the vote,
finishing 4/4
for 2 seats

Minnesota- School Board



**Hodan
Ahmed**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Burnsville-Eagan-
Savage District 191
Schools (Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
11.4%
of the vote for
1 of 3 seats



**Maryam
Abdi**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Eden Prairie Public
Schools, ISD 272
(Minnesota)
Results: **Not elected**

Obtained
10.72%
of the vote, ranking
5/6 for 3 seats



**Francesca
Pagan-Umar**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Eden Prairie Public
Schools (Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
13.65%
of the vote



**Habiba
Rashid**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Mankato Area Public Schools
ISD 77 (Minnesota)
Results: **Not elected (won 3.31 % percent to
finish 16/18 for 4 seats)**



**Muna
Mohamed**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Marshall Public Schools
(Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Won
9%
of the vote



Farheen Hassan
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Prior Lake-Savage
School Board
(Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
5.57%
of the vote



Jamila Mame
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
St. Paul Public Schools
(Minnesota)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
20.3%
of the vote for
1 position



NEW JERSEY

New Jersey - U.S. Congress



Amani Al-Khatahtbeh
(D)

Political Office:
US House of
Representatives (NJ-6)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
2.8%
of the vote



Alp Basaran
(D)

Political Office:
US House of
Representatives (NJ-9)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
2%
of the vote

New Jersey - City Council



**Mohammad
M. Ramadan**
(D)

Political Office:
Haldon City Council (New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 2nd of 3 for 2 seats at
the time his report was written**



**Irfan
Lateef**
(D)

Political Office:
Holmdel/Monmouth County
(New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 4th of 4 for 3 seats at
the time this report was written**



**Ahmed
Shehata**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Political Office: Linden/Union County
Board (New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 5th out of 9 for 3
seats at the time this report was
written**



**Khizar
A. Sheikh**
(D)

Political Office:
Mountain Lakes Borough City Council
(New Jersey)
Results: ***Currently in 2nd with 16.2%
of the vote for 4 seats at the time this
report was written**



**Zeeshan
Siddiqi**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Old Bridge City Council (New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 1st with 47% of the
vote at the time this report
was written**



Mohammed Aktharuzzaman

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Paterson City Council, Ward 2
(New Jersey)

Results: ***Ranked 2nd of 5 for 1 seat at the time this report was written**



Shahin Khalique

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Paterson City Council Ward 2
(New Jersey)

Results: ***Ranked 1st of 5 for 1 seat at the time this report was written**



Zarina Kiziloglu

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Pleasanton City Council
(New Jersey)

Results: **8.6% to finish in fourth place, 13% behind the second and final seat**

New Jersey - School Board



Smita Nadia Hussain

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Bloomington Borough Board of Education (New Jersey)

Results: ***Ranked 1st of 6 for 3 seats at the time of this report was written**



Ali Batliwala

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Political Office: Montgomery Township Board of Education (New Jersey)

Results: ***Ranked 1st of 6 for 3 seats at the time of this report was written**



**Aisha
Mahmood**
(D)

Political Office:
Parsippany-Troy School Board
(New Jersey)
Results: ***Currently ranked fourth
out of six for three seats at the
time of this report was written**



**Yusra
Subhani**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Teaneck Board of Education
(New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 5th of 6 for 3 seats
at the time this report was written**



**Sahar
Aziz**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Westfield School Board (New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 3rd of 10 for 3 seats
at the time this report was written**



**Melinda
Huerta Lee**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
West Orange Board of Education
(New Jersey)
Results: ***Ranked 1st of 2 for 1 seat at
the time this report was written**



NEW YORK

New York - U.S. House of Representatives



**Shaniyat
Chowdhury**
(D)

Political Office:
US House (New York-5)
Results: **Not Elected**

24.1%
of the vote

New York - Municipal



**Moumita
Ahmed**
(D)

Political Office:
Queens Democratic Party
Committee (New York)
Results: **Not Elected, Write-in Candidate**

New York- State Legislature



**Mahfuzul
Islam**
(D)

Political Office:
New York State
Assembly (District 24)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
23.6%
of the vote



**Meherunnisa
(Mary) Jobaida**
(D)

Political Office:
New York State
Assembly
(District 37)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
36.7%
of the vote



North Carolina - U.S. Congress



**Nasir
Shaikh**
(R)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(North Carolina-4)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
11.4%
of the vote

North Carolina - School Board



**Fahiyman
Hanna**
(D)

Political Office:
Guilford County Board
of Commissioners,
8th District
(North Carolina)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
33.3%
of the vote



Ohio - State Legislature



**Reem
Subei**
(D)

Political Office:
Ohio State Senate
(District 2)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
47.8%
of the vote



**Mohamud
Jama**
(D)

Political Office:
Ohio State House
(District 25)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
23.3%
of the vote



OREGON

Oregon - Judicial



**Rima
Ghandour**
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
4th Judicial District
Circuit Courts
Position 12 (Oregon)
Results: **Not elected**

Won
42.3%
of the vote, finishing
runner up



PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania - State Pennsylvania - Municipal



**Nina
Ahmad**
(D)

Political Office:
Auditor General
(Pennsylvania)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
46.1%
of the vote



Texas - U.S. Congress



Mike Siegel
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of Representatives
(Texas-10)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
45.3%
of the vote



Ahmad Adnan
(R)

Political Office:
Political Office:
U.S. House of Representatives (TX-17)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
0.7%
of the vote

Texas - City Council



Mubasher Warraich
(D)

Political Office:
Euless City Council,
Place 4 (Texas)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
39%
of the vote for 1
available seat



Mujeeb Kazi
(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:
Keller City Council,
Place 6 (Texas)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
13.9%
of the vote for 1
available seat



**Sadaf
Haq**

(Nonpartisan)

Political Office:

Frisco City Council (Texas)

Results: **Not Elected, Obtained
21.98% of the vote placing 2nd at the
time this report was written**



Utah- State Legislature



**Fatima
Dirie**

(D)

Political Office:

Utah State House
Representative
(District 33)

Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
49.3%
of the vote



**Jamilla
Alani**

(D)

Political Office:

Board of Education District 8 (Utah)

Results: **Won Primary, Withdrew from
General Election**

Virginia - U.S. Congress



**Qasim
Rashid**
(D)

Political Office:
U.S. House of
Representatives
(Virginia-1)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
40.9%
of the vote

Wisconsin - State Legislature



**Nada
Elmikashfi**
(D)

Political Office:
Wisconsin State
Senate (District 26)
Results: **Not Elected**

Obtained
26.8%
of the vote