

MARYLAND VOTE 2026

MARYLAND PRIMARY ELECTION CANDIDATE SURVEY GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 47

VOTE JUNE 11-18 (early voting) | JUNE 23 (Election Day)

ABOUT THE SURVEYS

The Maryland Catholic Conference surveyed candidates seeking office in the General Assembly (as well as Governor and Congress; see separate documents).

Candidates could choose “agree” or “disagree” and/or provide a statement for these questions:

ASSISTANCE TO THE POOR. Funding in Maryland’s budget should be maintained, and when necessary, increased to provide low-income residents access to basic necessities, such as food, housing and healthcare.

ENVIRONMENT. The State of Maryland should support initiatives such as tax credits or grant programs to encourage Maryland residents, businesses and non-profits to reduce their carbon footprint.

K-12 EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS. The State of Maryland should continue to expand existing funding to provide scholarships for low-income students who wish to attend the K-12 nonpublic school best suited for their educational needs.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE/MEDICAL AID IN DYING. In 1999, the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation making it a felony for an individual to assist in another individual’s suicide. Maryland should uphold the law in its current form and reject legislation to legalize the practice of physician-assisted suicide/medical aid in dying.

WHY SHOULD MARYLAND CATHOLICS VOTE FOR YOU?

We encourage you to use these materials and the resources at mdcatholic.org/elections, to help you inform your conscience before voting.

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Candidate statements follow grid

| DISTRICT 47 | | | Poverty | Environment | Education | Against Physician Assisted Suicide | Addl. Comments |
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| STATE SENATE CANDIDATES | | | | | | | |
| 47 | D | Malcolm Augustine | | | | | |
| STATE DELEGATE CANDIDATES | | | | | | | |
| 47A | D | Diana M. Fennell | | | | | |
| 47A | D | Robert Julian Ivey | | | | | |
| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | ● | ● | ● | ● | Yes |
| 47A | R | Fred M. Price | | | | | |
| 47B | D | Deni Taveras | ● | ● | ● | ● | Yes |

D = Democrat | R= Republican : Green = agree | Red = disagree | Blank = no response

1. ASSISTANCE TO THE POOR

Funding in Maryland’s budget should be maintained, and when necessary, increased to provide low-income residents access to basic necessities, such as food, housing and healthcare.

DISTRICT 47 SENATE CANDIDATES

No responses.

DISTRICT 47 DELEGATE CANDIDATES

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| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | I believe we have a moral responsibility to ensure that all Maryland families have access to basic necessities. As someone who has worked closely with working families and small businesses, I’ve seen how access to food, housing, and healthcare creates stability and opportunity. We must maintain and strengthen support systems while also investing in pathways to economic mobility so families can thrive, not just survive. |
| 47B | D | Deni Taveras | Health is of particular importance since I sit in that today. |

2. ENVIRONMENT

The State of Maryland should support initiatives such as tax credits or grant programs to encourage Maryland residents, businesses and non-profits to reduce their carbon footprint.

DISTRICT 47 SENATE CANDIDATES

No responses.

DISTRICT 47 DELEGATE CANDIDATES

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| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | Protecting our environment is about safeguarding the health of our communities and future generations. I support practical, balanced solutions such as tax credits and grants that help families, small businesses, and nonprofits reduce their carbon footprint without creating undue financial burden. We can promote sustainability while also supporting economic growth and equity. |
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3. K-12 EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

The State of Maryland should continue to expand existing funding to provide scholarships for low-income students who wish to attend the K-12 nonpublic school best suited for their educational needs.

DISTRICT 47 SENATE CANDIDATES

No responses.

DISTRICT 47 DELEGATE CANDIDATES

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| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | Every child deserves access to a quality education that meets their needs. I support expanding opportunities for low-income families, including scholarships for nonpublic schools, while maintaining strong investment in our public education system. We must ensure that all students—regardless of income or background have access to safe, high-quality learning environments, while strengthening public schools that serve the majority of our communities. |
| 47B | D | Deni Taveras | I am a chemist by degree thus I entertain many legislation pieces of a technical nature. |

4. PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE/MEDICAL AID IN DYING

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DISTRICT 47 SENATE CANDIDATES

No responses.

DISTRICT 47 DELEGATE CANDIDATES

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| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | I believe in protecting the dignity of every human life, especially at its most vulnerable stages. As a public servant, I also recognize the importance of compassion for those facing serious illness. We must ensure access to high-quality palliative and hospice care, mental health support, and pain management so individuals and families are not left to face these challenges alone. Our focus should be on care, dignity, and support. |
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5. WHY SHOULD MARYLAND CATHOLICS VOTE FOR YOU?

DISTRICT 47 SENATE CANDIDATES

No responses.

DISTRICT 47 DELEGATE CANDIDATES

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| 47A | D | Rocio Treminio-Lopez | As a Catholic, my faith guides my commitment to serve others with compassion, dignity, and integrity. For over 20 years, I have worked to support families and strengthen communities—values rooted in Catholic social teaching. As Mayor, I have led by bringing people together and focusing on real solutions. I will continue to serve with humility, protect human dignity, and work for the common good of all Maryland families. |
| 47B | D | Deni Taveras | I was raised Catholic and understand psyche. |