

## **CRIME & PUBLIC SAFETY**

Achieving public safety is my #1 priority. Protecting citizens from violent crime and property theft is the most fundamental role of government. If people's basic safety needs are not met, they will not choose to operate their businesses or raise their families in San Francisco.

San Francisco has FAILED to maintain public safety. We have the second-highest property crime rate in the State, after Oakland. We had a 567% rise in reported AAPI hate crimes last year. Under Chesa Boudin, drug dealers and gangs aligned with the Sinaloa Cartel operated with impunity in our open-air drug markets. Residents do not feel safe.

I supported the Recall of Chesa Boudin and served on the recall campaign. I organized and led multiple rallies and marches against Chesa Boudin for over 13 months up until the day he was recalled from office on June 7th, 2022. Why? Because Boudin prioritized the criminals above the safety of law-abiding San Franciscans. He was sabotaging our adversarial justice system. It was not true reform. Not prosecuting crime is the path to chaos and lawlessness, open-air drug markets and AAPI hate crimes.

You can count on me to collaborate and demand that our new DA, Brooke Jenkins, serve justice and hold repeat offenders accountable. But, I will also encourage her to implement criminal justice reforms that eliminate systemic racism within the system and work towards better outcomes for both victims and offenders.

I will also insist that SFPD be more responsive to calls for service and perform thorough investigations. I will insist that SFPD conduct recruitment outreach to bilingual candidates to join the force to better serve community members who are not proficient in English.

## **HOMELESSNESS**

Many homeless nonprofits advocate for "Housing First" - a policy that calls for permanent housing with no conditions that the person accepts treatment for mental health or addiction. Realistically, the City cannot provide permanent housing to each of the estimated 7,800 unhoused people in the near future, particularly given the high costs to create it, manage it, and maintain it. Housing First policies have resulted in severe underinvestment in shelters which could bring more people off our streets at a lower cost.

Leaving people unsheltered on our streets is inhumane, unsanitary, and unsafe. Unsanctioned encampments have resulted in a forfeiture of our public spaces and, in some cases, represent dangerous property conditions including fire hazards. It also impacts young children who see open drug use and human misery on the way home from school. Creating sufficient shelters is a prerequisite to solving unsheltered homelessness. I support earned permanent housing based on sobriety and proper care of the property.

## **EDUCATION**

I attended SFUSD schools: Spring Valley ES, Marina MS, and Mission HS. As such, I am passionate about free, quality public education in San Francisco.

I supported the Recall of the School Board Members because they lost sight of their core mission serving the students of SFUSD. I supported Lowell HS to continue being merit-based admissions. The BOE and SFUSD should be focusing on academic excellence and preparing students for a competitive world. They should always maintain the students' best interests and avoid special interest agendas.

## **THE GREAT HIGHWAY & JFK DRIVE**

I believe we should reopen the Great Highway 7 days per week, with the exception of special events. I believe the Great Highway as it existed before met the needs of all parties. It had two car lanes going North, two car lanes going South, as well as a bike and pedestrian walkway on the west and east sides of the highway. The current closures are very inconvenient for the disabled and outright dangerous for people who need access in case of emergencies. If elected, I will try to build support for reopening the Great Highway. I will support the ballot measure for reopening if it qualifies.

Although I support ensuring that JFK Drive is accessible to non-automotive uses (including pedestrians, biking, wheelchairs), I do not believe it should be closed to cars. Many people with elderly or disabled parents have complained that it's a real inconvenience if cars cannot access JFK.

## **BUSINESS FRIENDLY**

The City needs to be more business friendly. We are in a competition with other major American cities like Austin and Miami to attract and retain technology companies. Many have already left San Francisco. These businesses bring jobs and tax revenue that San Francisco needs in order to grow and thrive in the future.

Setting up a business in San Francisco should require as few steps as possible. I would ease up on regulatory hurdles, particularly those without good rationales. Moreover, the process for obtaining permits needs to be quick, painless, and have reasonable costs. Also, the language on the applications need to be worded in layman's terms. One shouldn't need to hire an attorney to start a business.

## HOUSING

I believe that the price of housing is subject to the laws of supply and demand. The best way to stabilize the cost of housing is to allow more housing creation which increases supply. With input from neighborhood residents, I will fight for the expansion of housing at all income levels and for investments in essential infrastructure.

Specifically, I will propose legislation to build more affordable housing in the Sunset for working class and Union workers, including teachers, nurses, carpenters, fire fighters, police officers, longshoremen, public servants, dishwashers, janitors, housekeepers, and any working-class people who are employed in San Francisco. This would greatly reduce pollution due to shortened commutes. I have met many working-class people who drive in to work from Sacramento, Fairfield, Brentwood, Stockton, Tracey, Fremont, Milpitas, Livermore, and farther places. The time they save from commutes will greatly reduce stress, anxiety, anger, and depression.

## GRAFFITI

Graffiti is a blight to our community. It gives the impression that we've given up on our city. Well, I'm not giving up! In March 2020, I founded the United Peace Collaborative (UPC). UPC performs daily patrols in SF Chinatown and removes graffiti tags from public places, storefronts, residences, alleys, and the Stockton Tunnel.

The current Graffiti Ordinance (requires that private property owners abate graffiti from their buildings within 30 days) is harmful for SF as a whole. It's bad enough that graffiti taggers vandalize properties. But, it adds insult to injury when business owners are warned by the city and then fined if not cleaned up within a set date. The City should help ease the load by creating graffiti removal volunteers, provide training to the volunteers and have a hybrid city & private partnership for property owners to chip in money to purchase paint and equipment for graffiti removal. Every district should have a graffiti removal team that goes out to clean up graffiti once a week to keep San Francisco beautiful.