

Sheriff Danny Diggs Announces Campaign for Virginia State Senate in the 24th District

Diggs Outlines Vision to Bring Trusted and Proven Leadership to Richmond

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Yorktown, Va. — Sheriff J.D. "Danny" Diggs today announced his candidacy for State Senate in Virginia's 24th District. In an email to supporters, Diggs explained how the work of his friends and neighbors to bring change to Virginia had encouraged him to step up and do his part to build a better future by running to represent his community in the State Senate.

"A few months ago, Virginians sent a message to Richmond: 'enough is enough.' We demanded an end to soft-on-crime policies making our communities less safe. We called for sensible government spending and lower taxes, like ending the unfair grocery tax and cutting the gas tax so hardworking families can make ends meet. Parents across our commonwealth united to have their voices heard in our education system. People from all walks of life came together to bring change to Virginia because Virginians deserve better."

A lifelong Virginian and strong supporter of law enforcement, Diggs has dedicated his career to helping those on the Peninsula. After starting as a Poquoson Police dispatcher when he was just 19 years old, Sheriff Diggs worked his way up the ranks — from corrections officer to uniformed police officer to investigator — all while earning a degree in Police Science and starting a family. Today, he is proud to be the Sheriff for York County and the City of Poquoson, a role he has executed faithfully for more than twenty years.

In an email announcing his candidacy, Diggs laid out what would be his top priorities in the Virginia Senate:

- Unequivocally "Back the Blue and give our law enforcement officials the resources they need to make our streets safe for everyone.
- Cut the gas tax and curb government spending to fight inflation and promote the economic growth that creates opportunities for everyone.

- Work with Governor Youngkin to eliminate every shred of Critical Race Theory in our schools, protect parents' rights and get back to teaching our kids how to think, not what to think.
- Find common sense transportations solutions to prioritize cost-effective infrastructure improvements and cut commute times.
- Protect our people and institutions from flooding and the impacts of natural disasters on the Virginia coast and in the Bay.

With more than 45 years as a law enforcement officer, his service has been recognized and awarded by organizations across the Commonwealth and country, including the York County Business Association, VA Association of School Resource Officers, Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Exchange Club of York, who named him Police Officer of the Year in 2001. During his 23 years of service as Sheriff, York County's population has grown by 20%, but due to the efforts of law enforcement and Sheriff Diggs the crime rate has fallen by 25%.

A proud husband, father and grandfather of four, Sheriff Diggs believes it's his responsibility to leave his community, Commonwealth and country in a better place than he found it — he'll never give up his fight to secure a safer, more prosperous future for all.

"I will stand up for our community, pass legislation to keep our families safe and work to lower the cost of living by putting Peninsula families first," Diggs stated. "Virginia's biggest problems require fresh leadership and bold solutions. I know what it takes to protect the people and places I care about, and I'm ready for the job."