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E.P.I.C.
PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

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Dear Chicagoans,

Chicago can be the greatest city in the world, but unfortunately, it's the most violent, segregated, and corrupt. It's time for new leadership to take us into a future we can all believe in. Now I'm not a politician; I'm a community organizer, an activist. I'm you. I'm a father who loves Chicago and wants a better future for my kids and yours.

I grew up on the south and west sides of Chicago. I have personally witnessed gun violence and was hoping to live to the age of 21, like many of our youth today. Every day, I see and hear the tragic news of Chicagoans participating in gang cliques, carjackings, and robberies. I know this city can provide alternatives and utilize the ambitions of our citizens and their creativity to build the future for the next generation.

Public safety is on the mind of every Chicagoan and my number one **PRIORITY**.

Our E.P.I.C. public safety platform introduces systemic solutions to violence and despondent communities...

- Economic Prosperity: Study after study finds that the biggest precondition for violence and disparity is a lack of resources, i.e., poverty. We must work to eliminate it from the face of Chicago.
- Prevention: We can never win the fight against crime head-on. Instead, look towards holistic solutions to prevent crime from being attractive in the first place.
- Intervention: New emergency response teams will diversify our city's social tool kit.
- CPD Reform: We will make policing more attractive and have zero tolerance for officers who break departmental policies.

This is why I'm running to become your mayor, to lead a lasting impact for the next generation of Chicagoans. We can no longer afford the costs of inaction. We need a representative who will go to the communities that need the investment to build community, partnership, and peace of mind. Join me and my campaign, to build a future we can all believe in.

Sincerely,
Ja'Mal Green







ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

The Green administration is committing to giving prosperity checks to 10,000 Chicagoans living below the poverty line, creating 10,000 new homeowners, developing 10,000 vacant lots, and developing 10,000 affordable housing units each year.

CHICAGO PPP (Prosperity Push Pilot):

Ja'Mal Green knows we must eliminate poverty from the face of Chicago. This is why 10,000 Chicagoans living below the poverty line will receive a \$1,000 check monthly for a year. Chicago will invest in their long-term prosperity, giving them the foundation they need to live healthily and sustainably.

Participant requirements:

- Citizens who qualify would live 300% below the poverty line with a dependent or 200% below without a dependent.
- Will have 90 days after the start of financial support to do one of the following; secure a job opportunity, enroll in education, or secure housing with city-assisted resources.
- Participants will have 90 days to pass a financial literacy class.
- Participants will be required to attend quarterly check-ins with Prosperity advisors.

10,000 HOMES AND 10,000 LOTS:

Ja'Mal Green knows homeowners value their communities and treat them with the utmost care. Access to stable, affordable homes stimulates growth and prosperity in neighborhoods. As it stands, homeownership is not a current reality for many Chicago residents. So many people rely on renting options and have no aspirations to own property simply because it is unattainable.

- The city would use a yearly \$1 billion bonding capacity to back loans and make first-time home buying accessible to those who would otherwise not be able to afford a home. The priority would be for residents or former residents with long-time roots in our neighborhoods.
- The city would provide the initial down payment and closing cost if assistance is needed.
- Our administration would work with the county to initiate tax freezes on 10,000 vacant properties developed within a year, giving incentives for community development.
- The city will also fund a homeownership program to teach residents how to maintain their homes after achieving homeownership.
- Our administration will also incentivize the creation of block clubs by offering additional resources and grants for block clubs.

THE PUBLIC BANK OF CHICAGO:

Ja'Mal Green believes it is time to create a city-owned bank that will give Chicagoans the power to invest back into the city's neighborhoods - and reap the profits. In creating the Bank of Chicago, we have the opportunity to address neighborhood inequalities, poverty, and the racial wealth gap. This will be an alternative to predatory lenders.

- The priorities of our bank would be lending for affordable housing, home ownership, new development, and small business development.
- The city will provide the initial financing to create the bank and residents can deposit their own money as well if they wish to directly promote the development of Chicago.
- The Bank of Chicago would be governed by a nine-member board of directors (3 elected, 3 appointed by the mayor, 3 appointed by the city council).
- Resident depositors will get free health care under our Chicago Care program.

CITYWIDE YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM:

Ja'Mal Green's experience shows that young people in our city have so much promise but lack investment. He also knows how hard it has been for small businesses in specific industries to find workers after the pandemic. His administration is going to help by creating a city-funded apprenticeship program..

- Young people ages 13-25 will now be able to work year-round instead of just over a summer program. Thousands of young people will be able to learn and earn simultaneously.
- The city must get our youth to start learning skills early to help them create career pathways.
- Businesses that participate will get support with payroll costs from the city.

CREATING GREEN JOBS & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT:

Ja'Mal Green's city-level Green New Deal protects Chicago residents from exposure to harmful chemicals and stands to create Green jobs and workforce development.

- Sustainable efforts call for a large influx of workers. This, in turn, brings more opportunities for quality jobs with high wages, allowing people to support their families comfortably.
- Our administration would bring a holistic urban development plan that builds sustainable neighborhoods from the ground up.
- The development would ensure sustainable construction & housing, walkability, transportation efficiency, renewable energy harvesting, local food production, etc.
- Development that blends micro and macro sustainability principles are the key to a new city.

MAKING CHICAGO THE BEST CITY TO OPEN A BUSINESS:

Ja'Mal Green knows small businesses are the oil that keeps the fine-tuned economic engine of a community roaring. Small businesses add to a neighborhood's wealth, culture, and stability and are at the heart of those areas. As such, we have the most comprehensive platform for small business owners (whether old, new, or aspiring).

- The city will waive fees for new small businesses, giving the first business license for free.
- Our administration would modernize and streamline city inspections, licensing, and permitting.
- Our administration would reform real estate taxing to incentivize small business investment and property rentals.
- The city will increase discretionary budgets for alderpersons to hire private security for their business corridors.
- We will also create a city-owned employment app to help residents find the nearest job opportunities.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS:

Ja'Mal Green understands the city of Chicago must increase its affordable housing supply in record time to give residents stability. Over 65,000 Chicago residents experience homelessness or are forced to be in homes over capacity. He has a plan to instill resilience back into people's lives.

- The city will give tax subsidies to developers of box stores, grocery stores, banks, and churches to build affordable housing units a floor above.
- The city will loosen single-family ordinances to allow homeowners to build affordable units a floor above.
- Our administration would convert vacant city buildings and acquire vacant private buildings to turn them into temporary shelters or permanent housing units.
- Chicago will develop income-based housing, using the public Bank of Chicago to control these units' rent prices.
- We will pass the Bring Chicago Home ordinance to have a dedicated funding stream for homelessness programs and affordable housing development. This ordinance would raise over \$160 million per year.





PREVENTION

We can not arrest our way out of the epidemic of violence. We must invest in preventative and holistic solutions that will create healthy and sustainable communities for years to come..

UNIVERSAL 3K:

Ja'Mal Green understands learning is a process that starts at birth. Exercising this innate human process in a safe and nurturing environment is essential to developing children. He will champion early education because 3k paves the way!

- To start stimulating the minds of children early on we have Universal 3k, a program that begins teaching children at three years of age. Ensuring that children are being taught the value of education and how to exercise their young minds.
- This program would also help parents who struggle to find opportunities for their children while barely making ends meet.

EXPANDING THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL NETWORK:

Ja'Mal Green believes schools should be community centers where students and parents can commune and gain valuable resources. We are in unique times where the last thing we need is a generation of children who are unbalanced because of an unfair school system they had no part in creating.

- For students to achieve the best educational experience possible, the city needs to make sure they have meaningful programming during and after school hours.
- Our city's students, families, and teachers need a schooling system that will work to their advantage to ensure a brighter Chicago.
- Programs include nutritional education, home cooking courses, civic responsibility education, art classes, financial literacy classes, and more.

HEALING HOUSES:

Ja'Mal Green hopes to open Healing Houses all over the city, replacing the mental health facilities Rahm Emanuel closed down and Mayor Lori Lightfoot failed to reopen. Healing Houses will be where anyone suffering from mental health issues can find refuge.

- Participants will have access to resources that can redirect their thoughts toward community, trust, and partnership.
- Centers will holistically address wellness with proven strategies in psychiatry, yoga, boxing, massage therapy, and more.

UNARMED SOCIAL WORKFORCE EXPANSION:

Ja'Mal Green's experience proves some Chicagoans have been filled with images of trauma. They deserve adequate resources and responses to help alleviate those internal struggles.

- Our administration plans to expand the unarmed social workforce which will aid in the mental healing of Chicago residents who are in need.
- Rather than police responding to house calls regarding mental health matters, the city will send trained social workers to homes where mental crises are occurring.
- Workers will be trained in de-escalation tactics to ensure situations can be interrupted before they get out of control.
- The city will increase job opportunities to make sure enough staff is on hand for regular check-ins, home visits, and other services.

DEVELOPING PUBLIC SCHOOL HOUSING:

Ja'Mal Green knows the absurd reality of homeless youth in this city, where we have over 20,000 homeless youth. The city will work to nurture the young minds in this city and ensure their safety.

- The city will develop properties for the sole purpose of homeless youth.
- The program will be open to any child attending Chicago Public Schools and experiencing homelessness or domestic abuse.
- Participants will be required to do community service and attend periodic counseling.

INVESTING IN YOUNG PEOPLE:

Ja'Mal Green thinks Chicago should be an investor in safe spaces for kids to ensure young people have a safe space to learn, grow, and play. Education should be as diverse as our children, not a mundane quality grading system.

- The city of Chicago will invest in trade programs and tech hubs for schools across the city to ensure our children have a pipeline to middle-class jobs.
- All 600+ public schools will have a tech hub and trade program introduced as an optional afterschool program.
- Tech hubs will be fully staffed with software and hardware lessons to ready youth for the modern workforce.
- Trade programs will be re-introduced into schools to educate children on the diversity of the job market, such as HVAC, welding, plumbing, electrical, and other trades.

CITY-WIDE BLOCK CLUB PROGRAM AND DATABASE:

Ja'Mal Green knows the missing component of community safety is community culture. Blocks that build trust and community can access a unique program for development.

- The city will give grants to block clubs that organize their blocks utilizing a city-run database.
- Active block clubs will have access to grants that will be used to beautify blocks, city-wide grass-cutting and snow removal programs, and new urban technologies.

PREVENTING CRIME ON THE CTA:

Ja'Mal Green understands our public transportation system is dysfunctional. Our transit workers and our riders don't feel protected. This is his plan to address the city's most essential service.

- The CTA will install preventative measures with live cameras viewed by train conductors, platform supervisors, and dedicated CTA staff.
- The city will create an armed & unarmed Transit Peace Keepers protection agency, ensuring riders and staff are protected.
- Our administration's social workforce will do case management on CTA trains, assisting the unhoused & mentally ill in finding employment, housing, and mental health treatment.
- To address staffing shortages, the city will have a massive jobs program for ex-offenders & veterans.

CIVIC TECHNOLOGY:

Ja'Mal Green wants to install civic technologies that Chicago residents can utilize to help with day-to-day tasks and safety. We have the technology available to us to navigate our city correctly, safely, and proactively.

CITY RESOURCES APP

- Implementing a city-wide app where Chicago residents have access to city resources on demand.
- This app would have finance, housing, and community resources at the users' disposal.
- The app would also allow citizens to voice their concerns, file complaints, and give real-time feedback on city policies.

CITY-RUN CRIME ALERT APP

- Implementing a city-run app that shows where and when verified crimes have occurred, with relevant information, to help citizens be aware of real-time data and stay safe.
- This app will operate as a version of the 'Citizen' app but only using verified crime information sourced from CPD and designed to avoid misinformation.

VEHICLE TRACKING DEVICES

- The city will supply 100,000 vehicle owners with Apple air tags or Samsung tags that can track vehicles in cases of carjackings.
- Vehicle owners who register their tags with the city's database will get a discount on city stickers.





LIGHTING TECHNOLOGY

- New lighting poles will make it so that citizens can have total visibility when walking down our streets with eco-friendly LED lights.
- Poles will be fitted with image sensors, environmental sensors, cameras, and concealed speakers
- Emergency blue light call stations will be added to target blocks all across Chicago, connecting people directly to emergency response teams.

RESOURCE KIOSKS AT TRAIN STOPS

- In addition to the CTA experience would be resource kiosks throughout the city's bus stops and train stations.
- Kiosks would help assist in residents' commutes and provide transit and transfer information.
- Chicagoans would be able to access city resources like nearby jobs, mental health and homelessness services, and more.

INTERVENTION

When immediate assistance is required, we will have an answer. New emergency response teams will diversify the city's social firefighting force.

YOUTH INTERVENTION DEPARTMENT:

Ja'Mal Green would implement the city's new Youth Intervention Department (YID, 711). The YID will deploy certified youth interventionists, to those 25 years old and under, who display the following triggers:

- Persistent school truancy
- Behavioral issues in school
- Dropping out of school
- Arrests for a non-felony crime
- The loss of a home or caretaker
- Threats to hurt themselves or others

Youth interventionists will have priority in responding to youth-related issues to offset police involvement. Interventionists will utilize city resources to place at-risk youth in mentorship, housing, and healthcare programs and disrupt the school-to-prison pipeline and youth crime activity.

DIVERTING NONVIOLENT 911 CALLS TO ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE TEAMS:

Ja'Mal Green knows that the police are overburdened and overworked. We must diversify our tools, otherwise, it's the classic story of everything appearing as a nail to the hammer. Will we pass the treatment not trauma ordinance.

- Nonviolent incidents such as calls related to houseless individuals, substance abuse, or mental health crises should be diverted to the Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement (CARE) team.
- Mental health clinicians, paramedics, social workers, community outreach workers, and other service providers will be in multi-disciplinary response teams designed to de-escalate and connect those in need with the help they need.
- Police are also deployed when requested or in situations where violence is threatened.

VIOLENCE INTERVENTION GROUPS:

Ja'Mal Green will invest in violence intervention groups with a proven track record. Any group capable of dealing with violence in Chicago should be supported and integrated into the city.

- The city will fund organizations that have field organizers who are on the front lines of brutality in this city.
- Violence intervention groups prevent murders, domestic abuse, and other violent crimes with a group and moral authority.

VICTIMS TRAUMA FUND:

Ja'Mal Green's past tells the story of thousands of Chicagoans affected by violence. Countless people are affected by gun violence in Chicago. Not only the victim, not just the families but all of Chicago is negatively affected.

- The city will support victims and the families of victims of those affected by gun violence.
- The city will offer counseling, housing, and funeral cost assistance.

RE-ENTRY PROGRAM:

Ja'Mal Green knows it is so important that the city has a fully funded re-entry program with goals to reduce the recidivism rate. We must have a presence inside IDOC & Cook County Jail with mandated city evaluations before release.

The program will:

- Provide access to temporary housing if needed
- Provide immediate job opportunities
- Provide free counseling services
- Provide a stipend for those not connected to a job opportunity immediately and completes mandated city requests

CPD REFORM

Our administration would reform CPD to change the model of policing by making policing a support system to communities. We will make policing more attractive and have zero tolerance for officers who break departmental policies.

MAKING CPD MORE ATTRACTIVE:

Ja'Mal Green has seen over the years, the decline of incentives and the increase of responsibility put on officers. The evidence of declining police mental health, overworking, and suicides require actions to assist our public servants.

- The city will hire youth for administrative jobs/internships in CPD to establish a pipeline to the department. Applicants can start at 13 years old in a year-round apprenticeship program.
- We will ease the background check process that reduces qualified applicants.
- Our administration will give \$10,000 towards the down payment & closing costs for officers looking to buy their first home in the city of Chicago.
- We will change the CPD work schedule to a 4-day work week with mental health off days in between. Beats will be longer 12-hour days to maintain the same number of hours worked.
- The city will bridge the life insurance & homeowners insurance gap between the market rate and the high rate for the police profession.
- The city will increase the number of assigned therapists per unit throughout each district to address department suicides. Currently, 8 mental health clinicians serve all officers. We will invest in the psychology and mental health departments of City Colleges to increase professional staff development.
- We will reduce canceled days off and emphasize holidays to protect citizens.

HOLDING OFFICERS ACCOUNTABLE:

Ja'Mal Green knows we must hold police officers accountable if we ever want to rebuild trust. The historical models of policing appropriately lead us to discriminatory practices, police brutality, and community distrust - so we must make new models to redefine policing and hold officers responsible.

- We will develop a city-operated app to allow residents to rate interactions with officers. This will allow direct citizen feedback and for officers to be rewarded for good behavior. The app would also allow residents to upload evidence of inappropriate police interactions in real-time.
- Our administration will have a zero-tolerance policy for any officer proven to have affiliations with any extremist group with a racial agenda.
- Fining officers up to \$5,000 who intentionally turn off body cameras or misuse any equipment in the lead-up to a non-transparent investigation.
- The city will require officers to carry liability insurance to pay for misconduct lawsuits.

- Abolish CPD's Criminal Enterprise Information System (the 'Gang Database') which falsely accused thousands of Chicagoans of being gang members with little oversight or transparency.

INCREASING CLEARANCE RATES:

Ja'Mal Green knows Chicago has abysmal numbers for unsolved crime and homicide cases. We must ensure that officers have the manpower and the necessary equipment to solve cases in record time.

- We will be increasing the number of available detectives.
- The city will double the amount of License Plate readers, only allowing police to track stolen vehicles. Citizens who share air tag information will also aid in the effort to solve carjacking cases.
- We will build streamlined communication channels with other police agencies for timely information sharing.
- The city will develop funding for witness protection programs so citizens can freely share information with the authorities without fear of retaliation.

