HVJ Fall 2024 Voting Guide State Legislature – Senate 28

Every election season, Homeless Voices for Justice (HVJ) creates educational voter material and visits several community locations to register people to vote. This year, we sent all candidates a series of questions and have published all of their answers, here.

HVJ is a grassroots organization that works for social change with, and on behalf of, people experiencing homelessness and poverty. HVJ is led by organizers who have all experienced homelessness. The founding group in Portland has existed since 1995, and we network in other locations across Maine. Our goal is to build a coalition for, and of, people experiencing homelessness and poverty throughout Maine. We seek to empower people experiencing homelessness and poverty whose perspectives are often excluded from the development of policies and programs that impact their social and economic wellbeing. Disenfranchisement, oppression, and marginalization creates this absence. Therefore, we hope to assert ourselves and our interests in Maine politics through protest, education, positive policy change and reform.

HVJ meets every Monday morning from 9:30-11:30am and is welcoming of everyone who has experienced, or is currently experiencing, homelessness.

For more information, email <u>HVJ@preblestreet.org</u> or call 207-899-6042 with questions.

Are you registered to vote?

Visit <u>vote.org</u> to register and see what's on your ballot



State Legislature – Senate 28



Rachel Talbot Ross
Democrat



Rachel Talbot Ross is running unopposed for Maine Senate – District 28.

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- Current Position:
 - Speaker of the Maine House, Representing House District 118
 - Co-chair of Maine's Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous and Tribal Populations
- Issues and Priorities:
 - Racial equity
 - Justice reform



Rachel Talbot Ross did not respond to HVJ's questionnaire.