

Mohamed Okdie

Age: 60

Current Occupation: Retired DPS Social Worker, Member of Detroit Board of Police Commissioners

Education: M.S. Social Work

Felony Convictions: None

Campaign Website: Elect MohamedOkdie.com

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Why are you running for Detroit City Council?

To make Detroit a better place to live, work and do business. Because I have been an activist in the City for 30 yrs, I have the insight into the needs and aspiration of the citizenry. I have the qualifications, educational achievement, work history and community involvement.

What are your top 3 priorities for Detroit? *

Economic stability of the City. Stabilize and optimize the police department to reduce crime and promote public safety. Stabilize and rebuild neighborhoods.

What have been your 2 greatest contributions to the public good? *

My 15yr as a Detroit appointee to the Detroit/Wayne County Community Mental Health agency board of directors. I struggled to preserve the mental health infrastructure of the City of Detroit.

I chaired the Thanksgiving Turkey Drive for the 13th Congressional District Democratic Party for 11yrs and we gave almost 600 turkeys to poor families and the elderly for Thanksgiving.

What is the unique characteristic that makes you stand out among the 167 candidates running for City Council?

I am the only qualified candidate of Diversity in the race.

My experience as an activist, I have represented the interest of labor as a vice president of the Michigan Federation of Teachers; as a member of the board of regents of Eastern Michigan University, I represented the interest of students and higher education, and as a member of Congressman John Conyers staff, I represented the interest of the constituents of his district, and finally as a member of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, I represent the interest of the safety of the citizens of Detroit.