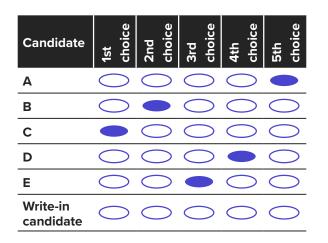
RANKED CHOICE VOTING IS BRINGING EXCITING CHANGES FOR NEW YORK CITY VOTERS, CANDIDATES AND THEIR CAMPAIGNS.



Starting in January, 2021, New York City voters will use Ranked Choice Voting for all special and primary municipal elections for every city office.

Where there are more than two candidates, voters will be able to rank candidates in their order of preference, up to a maximum of five. If a voter wants to vote for only one candidate, or two, or three, they can.

If no candidate receives a majority of first-choice votes, then the candidate who gets the least number of first-choice votes is eliminated. Each vote that was cast for candidates who are eliminated is redistributed to the voter's next choice on the ballot until the last round of the final two candidates results in a majority winner.

RANKED CHOICE VOTING WILL PRODUCE WINNERS WHO ARE THE CONSENSUS CHOICE OF A MAJORITY OF VOTERS.

Most of our primary and special elections produce winners with less than 50% of the vote. This means that many of our elected officials win their primaries — which virtually guarantees election in November — without majority support in their districts from voters. That's not really democratic representation.

In 2021, over 70% of our local offices will be up for grabs in wide open primaries due to term limits. Over 500 candidates are projected to compete for 42 open seats, which is an average of 12 candidates per race. With Ranked Choice Voting, New Yorkers can make sense of crowded primaries and so our elected officials reflect the will of the people.

RANKED CHOICE VOTING WILL MEAN CANDIDATES HAVE TO EARN THEIR VOTES AND PAY ATTENTION TO EVERY COMMUNITY.

Right now, too many communities get ignored by our politicians. Candidates don't even try in many parts of the city — and then when they're in office, they ignore those same communities. Ranked choice voting means candidates have to pay attention to every community if they want to win.

RANKED CHOICE VOTING WILL SAVE PEOPLE TIME AND SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY.

Ranked Choice Voting saves people time and saves taxpayers money. New Yorkers will only have to vote once in primary elections, instead of having to come back for additional runoff elections if no candidate gets a majority of the vote. The run-off election for Public Advocate in 2013 cost NYC \$13 million.

