

# KRISTIN RICHARDSON JORDAN

FOR CITY COUNCIL - HARLEM DISTRICT 9

# KRJ's "Disrupt The District" Campaign spells H.A.R.L.E.M.

### H: Holding Police Accountable & Abolition

Kristin Richardson Jordan believes in giving full investigative abilities and real power to an elected Civilian Review Board in order to address police abuses and to hold police accountable. KRJ also wants to divert funds from the police department and department of corrections to invest in alternatives to incarceration (mental health treatment, youth courts, drug courts, supervised release, restorative justice) and she has a proposal for how we can close Rikers by 2027 without building any new jails.

# A: Affordable Housing

Kristin Richardson Jordan believes landlords need to be very highly regulated and is in favor of universal rent control, rent stabilization, and transferring slumlord buildings to tenant ownership. She also believes that "affordable" housing should be redefined and the metrics changed to make it truly affordable based on tenant income, and that we should end homelessness by finding homes (not just shelters) for the city's homeless population.

## R: Redistributing Wealth

Kristin Richardson Jordan will support and advocate for increasing taxes on the city's richest 1% (or even in some cases 0.1%!) of residents and using that money to address income disparities and the elimination of poverty and homelessness. She will continue to advocate for support services for our poorest and most vulnerable residents.

## L: Living Longer and Living Well

Kristin Richardson Jordan will work for the seniors of Harlem, whom she has personally served for years, facilitating workshops at the Central Harlem Senior Center and A. Philip Randolph Senior Center. Her plans include continuing support for our community's senior centers to provide resources that improve seniors' health and enhance their quality of life. She will also advocate for and advance gun control legislation and support violence intervention programs to create safer neighborhoods.

### E: Education for all and Environmental Justice

Due to her experience teaching, Kristin Richardson Jordan knows first-hand the needs of our students. She will fight for an end to our two-tier education system, specifically by advocating that we increase the budget to provide smaller class sizes and culturally-enriched curricula that reflect the diversity of our city. She will also fight to eliminate the SHSAT test. KRJ is a staunch advocate for expanding the Community School program, an education model that allows for healthcare, mental health services, and other social services to be readily available to students and families.

When it comes to environmental justice, KRJ will advocate for environmental health protections for our community, putting the welfare of people before profits.

### M: Meaningful Change

Kristin Richardson Jordan is Black, a lesbian, a woman, an activist, an artist, a teacher, an author, a small business owner and a social justice warrior. She believes in full employment, free quality education, free public transportation, and prison abolition. There is not one part of who she is or what she believes in that she is giving up on in order to run for office. If elected, Kristin Richardson Jordan would be the youngest person in history to hold this office AND the first out LGBTQ individual to hold this office. This, in addition to the progressive politics she brings with her, will enact meaningful, lasting, necessary change.