



## 2018 MA Election Results and Investments

Here in Massachusetts, our progressive Blue Wave was led by trailblazing Maria’s List-endorsed women of color like Ayanna Pressley (MA-7), Rachael Rollins (Suffolk County District Attorney), Nika Elugardo (State Representative - 15th Suffolk), Tram Nguyen (State Representative – 18th Essex), Maria Robinson (State Representative – 6th Middlesex), and Liz Miranda (State Representative – 5th Suffolk).

As we celebrate our victories, we also know that there is still work needed and victories to protect. While an all-time high of 28.5% of Massachusetts State House seats will now be held by women (up from 26% in 2017), women of color will only hold 2.5% of legislative seats, no change from 2017. We won the Yes on 2 (Money Out of Politics) and Yes on 3 (Defend Transgender Rights) ballot fights but lost Yes on 1 (Safe Patient Limits). And, we helped legal aid attorney Tram Nguyen defeat incumbent Republican State Rep. Jim Lyons – Massachusetts’ own version of smaller Donald Trump – in a resounding victory, flipping a tough district from red to progressive blue. Undoubtedly though, she will have a tough re-election battle in a 2020 presidential year when turnout is high in both parties.

Led by our Deep Democracy giving framework, we at Maria’s List will continue to invest – with early money – in the synergies: in bold, progressive women of color candidates, in the grassroots organizations lifting up these candidates and in progressive ballot initiative work.

<b>Maria’s List Endorsed Candidates</b>		
<b>Statewide Races</b>		
	<b>PRIMARY</b>	<b>GENERAL</b>
Ayanna Pressley Congress - MA-7	Unseated incumbent Congressman Michael Capuano with 59% of the vote	Won, ran unopposed
Jay Gonzalez Governor	Won Democratic nomination over Bob Massie with 64% of the vote	Lost challenge to incumbent Governor Charlie Baker with 33% of vote
<b>District Attorney Races</b>		
	<b>PRIMARY</b>	<b>GENERAL</b>
Rachael Rollins Suffolk County	Won in a 5-way field with 39% of vote over presumed conservative front-	Won over Independent candidate Michael Maloney with 81% of the

	runner Greg Henning	vote
Andrea Harrington Berkshire County	Won challenge to appointed incumbent DA Paul Caccaviello with 40% in a 3-way primary	Won, ran unopposed
<b>State House Races</b>		
	<b>PRIMARY</b>	<b>GENERAL</b>
Tram Nguyen 18 <sup>th</sup> Essex (Andover, Boxford, North Andover, Tewksbury) – State Representative	Won, ran unopposed	Won challenge to incumbent Tea Party Republican Representative Jim Lyons with 55% of the vote
Tanya Neslusan 1 <sup>st</sup> Hampden (Brimfield, Holland, Palmer, Wales, Ware, Sturbridge, Warren) State Representative	Won, ran unopposed	Lost challenge to sitting Republican Representative Todd Smola with 33% of the vote
Maria Robinson 6 <sup>th</sup> Middlesex (Framingham) – State Representative	Won a four-way write-in race with a decisive 56% of the vote for an open seat	Won, ran unopposed
Liz Miranda 5 <sup>th</sup> Suffolk (Roxbury/Dorchester) – State Representative	Won an open seat in a 4-way race with 59% of the vote	Won over Independent candidate and incoming Boston City Councillor Althea Garrison with 89% of vote
Nika Elugardo 15 <sup>th</sup> Suffolk (Mission Hill/JP/Brookline/Roslindale) – State Representative	Won challenge to House Ways and Means Chair Jeff Sanchez with 52% of the vote	Won, ran unopposed
Natalie Higgins 4 <sup>th</sup> Worcester (Leominster) State Representative	Won, ran unopposed	Won re-election with 56% of the vote over Republican Rich Palmieri
<b>Deep Democracy Organizational Support</b>		
Justice for Mass coalition through Right to the City Alliance and Chinese Progressive Political Action		