

# People-Focused Quality of Life Policies

None of us needs to be an expert to know that many of our neighborhoods suffer from blight, a lack of quality housing, the negative impacts caused by the disease of addiction and the suffering caused by being homeless. There are portions of our city that lack availability of a grocery store, basic financial services and, for some areas, access to healthcare. And, while it would be nice to expand our park system, taking care of the parks we have should be our first priority.

## REORGANIZATION OF BUILDING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE & CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

Double, and certify, the number of code enforcement officers from 5 to 10

Add an Assistant Building Commissioner who is certified and solely responsible for property code enforcement

Advocate for expansion of City Court system to handle additional cases that come before City Court

In coordination with "Lock Step" Initiative, support efforts of community policing program for qualifying neighborhoods supported by proven neighborhood-based proactive solutions-based strategies

## REMOVAL OF BLIGHTED PROPERTIES

Aggressively seek Federal and State grant dollars for the removal of blighted structures

Formalize partnership with Muncie Land Bank to receive and convey property, including MRC residential property portfolio

Create and adopt framework to work with Delaware County Treasurer and Assessor to address faulty tax sale process which permits out-of-state absentee owners to hold properties hostage

## EXPANSION OF HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Expand support for homeownership counseling and down-payment assistance

Extend three year abatements for new home construction to five years and provide abatements to homeowners who make significant improvements to their homes

Identify key opportunity sites for moderate and large scale owner-occupied housing development

## BALANCED STRATEGY FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME DEVELOPMENT

Mix of housing levels that truly reflects and honors our community's needs backed up by sound planning and zoning requirements

Developer selection process which prioritizes Muncie's housing needs over unjustified developer profits

## HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FIRST INITIATIVE

Q1 2024 community review of existing homeless programs and strategies, and solution-based discussions

Consider moving toward Housing First model for homeless

Increased support of local organizations who address needs of homeless

## COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTIONS FRAMEWORK

Name City-based Addictions Officer

Create Harm Reduction Commission

Advocate and encourage greater faith-based participation to help address issues caused by those afflicted by addiction, and their families, and greater community

Advocate for the creation of a Mental Health Problem Solving Court

Implement Handle with Care Program with law enforcement and school system

## COMMITMENT TO TOGETHER DM PLAN & NEIGHBORHOOD-BASED PLANNING

Fully adopt Together DM Plan and align all planning and zoning codes to support Together DM Plan

Increase downtown's density by incentivizing development of vacant buildings

## SMART FOOD/STRONGER NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

Plan and incentivize Eastside development for food accessibility

"Un-Banked and Under-Banked" Initiative to build financial strength and access to capital

## MUNCIE ANIMAL SHELTER INITIATIVE

Conduct 2024 Muncie Animal Services Conference

Conduct thorough review of facility conditions and staffing needs in January of 2024

## PARKS AND RECREATION AMENITIES

Maintain existing park system instead of creating new parks

Expand summer parks programs and incorporate youth employment component to maintain parks

Restructure Prairie Creek Operations

See Jeff's Paving Plan



# People-Focused Violence Reduction Policies

Crime, both violent and property crime, is negatively impacting our lives and our ability to realize our best future. Some believe that there's little that can be done to reduce acts of violence, especially in a city where nearly one in three people live in poverty. It's been proven though that the solution to our problem can be found using a collaborative approach through short- and long-term strategies.

Provided is my 10-point plan:

- 1 Activation of a robust community policing program for qualifying neighborhoods
- 2 Review and update applicable public safety practices and procedures to align with community policing measures
- 3 Creation of the "Lock Step" Initiative, comprised of neighborhood-based teams consisting of dedicated police officers, a code enforcement officer, community and economic development professional, volunteer clergy and, most importantly, neighborhood and youth representatives
- 4 Review and, where needed, revising of special event and block party permits to ensure that public safety personnel and our Board of Public Works are trained and prepared to make the right calls on requests for event-based permits
- 5 Creation of a Youth Safety Task Force
- 6 Bi-annual (every two years) Violence Reduction Conference with the focus to enhance strategies to mitigate violent and property crime, as well as violations of property which impact our community economically
- 7 Review of all property, vehicular and nuisance ordinances and make enforcement consistent
- 8 Using EDIT, MIRLF and grant funds, enlarge jobs training programs for our youth in coordination with applicable entities, including our faith-based community
- 9 Identify communities who have successfully benefited from proactive solutions to mitigate violent crime
- 10 Deployment of a sustained marketing campaign to encourage Muncie's youth to pursue careers in public safety, education and healthcare professions

## VOTE NOVEMBER 7!

# MEET THE DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES OF MUNCIE!

DelawareCountyDemocraticParty.com

**JEFF ROBINSON**  
 PEOPLE FOCUSED POLICIES  
 CHAMPIONING LOCAL BUSINESSES  
 RESTORING INFRASTRUCTURE  
 GOVERNANCE THROUGH ETHICAL LEADERSHIP



JeffRobinsonMuncie    
 votejeffrobinson    
 **ROBINSONFORMUNCIE.COM**

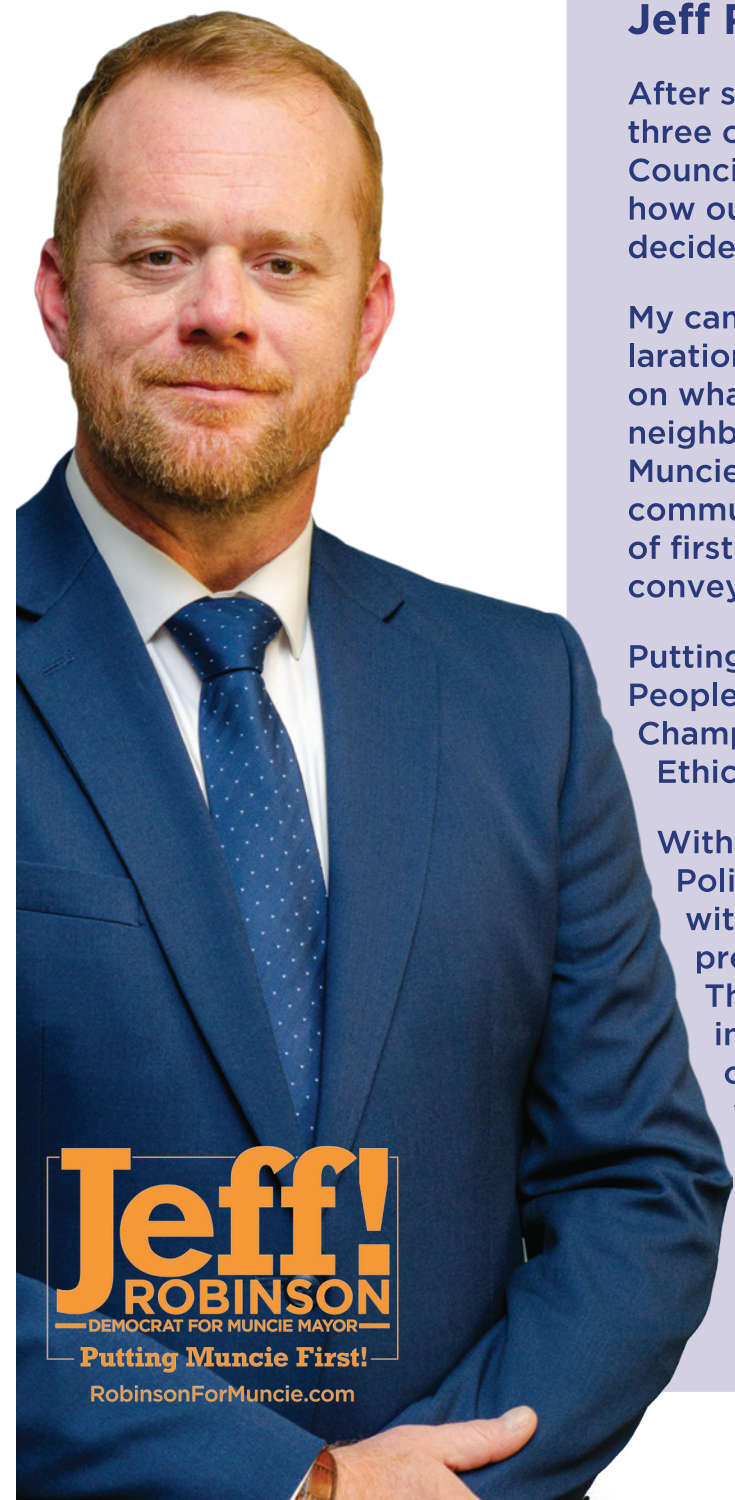
# VOTE NOVEMBER 7!

Indiana Democratic Party  
 101 W Washington  
 Suite 1110 East  
 Indianapolis, IN 46204

Non Profit Org  
 US Postage  
**PAID**  
 Indianapolis, IN  
 Permit # 5077

**Jeff!**  
**ROBINSON**  
 — DEMOCRAT FOR MUNCIE MAYOR —  
**Putting Muncie First!**  
 RobinsonForMuncie.com

# JEFF ROBINSON'S PEOPLE-FOCUSED POLICIES



## Jeff Robinson's Neighborhoods Plan

After spending the past four years on City Council, three of those years now as President of City Council, I knew that it was time for a change in how our citizens are served. To do my part, I decided to run to serve as your mayor.

My campaign's slogan, Putting Muncie First, is a declaration of what I believe needs accomplished based on what I've heard from so many of our neighbors and individuals who contribute to make Muncie a safer, healthier, and more prosperous community. Getting back to basics and taking care of first things first has been the prevailing message conveyed to me by thousands of residents.

Putting Muncie First is a four-part plan based on People-Focused Policies, Restoring Infrastructure, Championing Local Businesses and Integrity through Ethical Governance.

Within this plan, focused on my People-Focused Policies, is a framework that my team and I, along with members of our community, will utilize to preserve and improve our neighborhoods. Through practical plans of action, we can increase our quality of life and start to secure our best future possible by doing basic things well, especially for people and families who experience day-to-day struggles.



**SEE INSIDE FOR JEFF'S PLAN!**

JeffRobinsonMuncie    
 votejeffrobinson    
 214 N. Walnut St.  
 Muncie, IN 47305

Paid for by the Indiana Democratic State Central Committee  
 Authorized by the Committee to Elect Jeff Robinson

**ROBINSONFORMUNCIE.COM**