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POWER 100

The most influential people in Brooklyn

Recognizing the borough's biggest political movers and shakers.



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Brooklyn is a political powerhouse, and not just in New York.

The U.S. Senate Democratic leader, Charles Schumer, lives in Park Slope and has a shot at becoming majority leader in 2021. Rep. Hakeem Jeffries, a power broker in his Central Brooklyn district, is a potential heir to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. Top prosecutors from Brooklyn – U.S. Attorney Richard Donoghue, state Attorney General Letitia James and District Attorney Eric Gonzalez – regularly make national headlines. Two other local politicians – Borough President Eric Adams, who wants to be the city's next mayor, and Public

Advocate Jumaane Williams, who might run for mayor as well one day – are on the rise. And that’s not even including New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio, another Park Slope guy who’s mounting a long-shot bid for the White House.

In City & State’s Brooklyn Power 100, we identify all of the borough’s political movers and shakers – and how they stack up against each other.

44. Doug Steiner

President Steiner NYC

Perhaps no one is more closely associated with New York’s revival as a film and television hub than Doug Steiner. The developer’s vision to build soundstages and production facilities in the Brooklyn Navy Yard has made it the largest production lot east of Hollywood. He’s now occupying 760,000 square feet, brought in Wegmans plus another 85,000 square feet of retail and is spearheading a \$2.5 billion expansion.