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# **SURVIVE**

# **THRIVE**

# **2025**

**A TOOLKIT FOR BUILDING RESILIENCY AND EFFECTING CHANGE  
IN AN ADVERSE POLITICAL LANDSCAPE**



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## WHO WE ARE:

We are the Putnam Democrats, your most local level of representation in the Democratic Party. We are an all-volunteer committee of district-level leaders, elected through petitioning of registered Democrats. We recruit town- and county-level candidates, help them petition, fundraise, and run their campaigns as well as perform voter outreach, distribute election information and watch/work polling locations

## WHO IS THIS GUIDE FOR:

All of us. Being without Democratic representation or leadership in local and federal government, we will be impacted heavily by the choices the next administration and congress make. With 2 years until the midterm elections, we have only local and community actions available to us. Importantly, our community building and networking will not only strengthen our causes locally, they will build into the campaigns in the federal election in 2026.

## HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE:

Keep the Survive and Thrive in 2025 Guide on hand as a reference. Refer to it in print or, find the live version on our website. This is a living document and we will be updating it regularly over the course of the next 2 years. Share it with Friends, colleagues, and organizations. (Steal it. please!) Seek out the resources listed here and report back on your experiences. Suggest organizations and resources we have missed.

**We need your help to keep this guide accurate, up-to-date and complete.**



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## HERE'S THE DEAL.

We had a bad loss - it was close - but the outcome will have a major impact on all our lives.

## HERE'S WHAT WE WANT:

We want you to take care of yourself, your family and loved ones.

**Make this number 1 right now.**

## THEN,

We want you to **commit to helping elect Democrats.**

Leaders who share your values and will act on your issues.

Leaders who will protect your freedoms and right to live, as yourself.

## BUT THAT CAN'T BE ALL -

We're sorry to say - We have to do more.

**We all need to go out into our communities, and lend a hand.**

Help defend the poor and vulnerable,

Keep our schools, libraries and institutions strong,

Protect our environment

and continue the work of perfecting our society.

## FINALLY,

We need to connect all the dots.

Bring your strengths, skills and experiences,

your social circles and lessons learned back to this fight.

our combined efforts and knowledge and energy

**WILL make the difference** in changing the course of this nation and this community.

## WE PROMISE.



## FIRST AND FOREMOST

OUR COMMITTEE SERVES TO ELECT CANDIDATES TO LOCAL OFFICE

### 2025

#### COUNTY

- PUTNAM COUNTY SHERIFF
- 3 COUNTY LEGISLATOR SEATS (DISTRICTS 5,6,9)

#### TOWN

##### EACH TOWN HAS:

- 2 COUNCIL MEMBER SEATS UP FOR ELECTION

##### MOST TOWNS HAVE:

- SUPERVISOR • TOWN JUSTICE(1 OR 2) • HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT
- CLERK • RECEIVER OF TAXES

### 2026

#### FEDERAL

- US SENATOR
- NY-17 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

#### STATE

- NY GOVERNOR (LT GOV)
- ATTORNEY GENERAL
- COMPTROLLER
- STATE SENATE
- STATE ASSEMBLY

#### COUNTY

- PUTNAM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
- 3 COUNTY LEGISLATOR SEATS

#### EACH TOWN ALSO HAS APPOINTED BOARDS INCLUDING:

- PLANNING • ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS • ETHICS • ENVIROMENTAL CONSERVATION • RECREATION

#### SEVERAL TOWNS ALSO HAVE APPOINTED CLIMATE SMART TASK FORCES

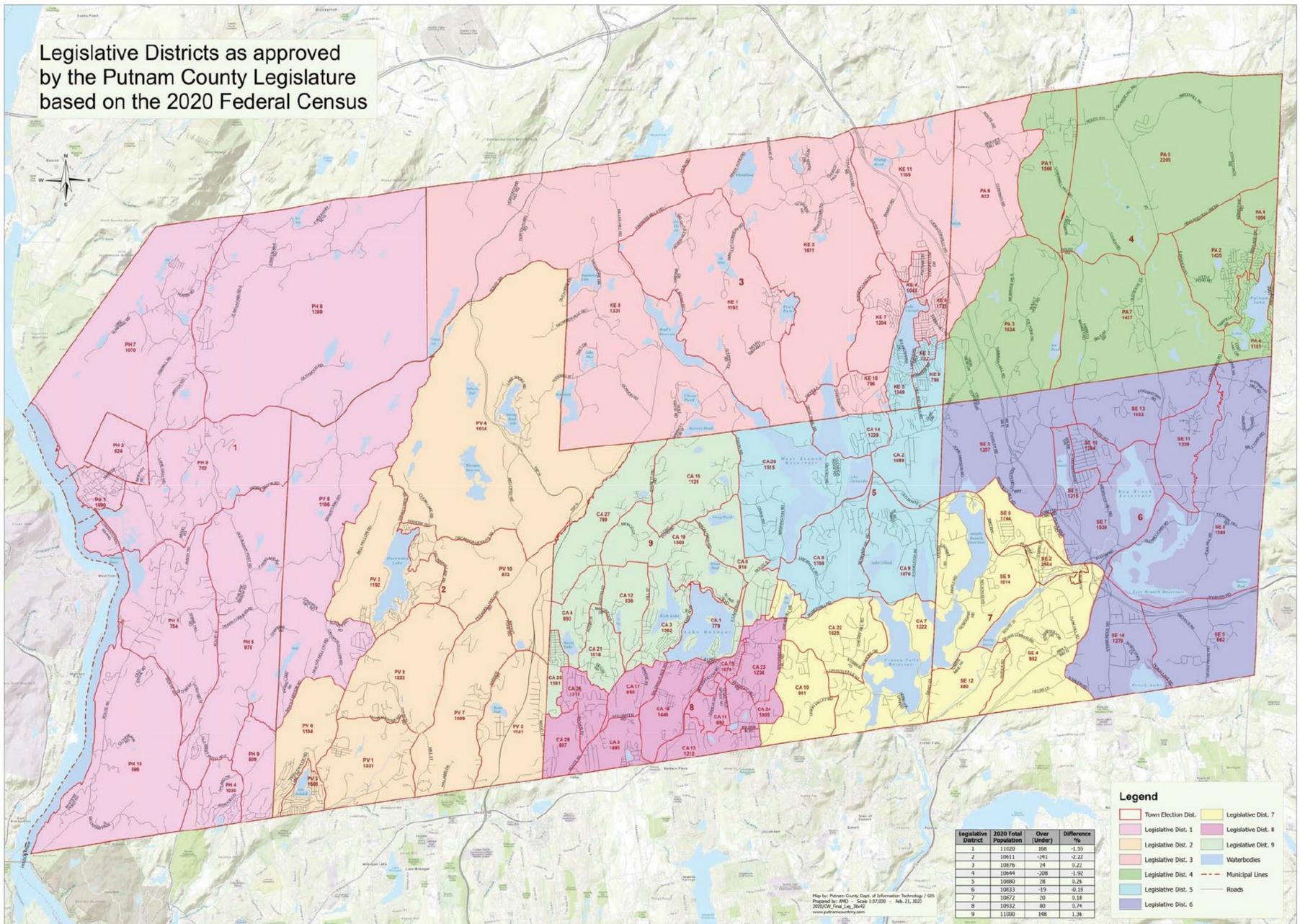
#### \* ALSO LIBRARY BOARDS AND SCHOOL BOARDS \*

These “non-Partisan” Positions are increasingly under attack from far-right interest groups.

**Please reserve some time and attention** for these really important positions.



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## FIND YOUR DISTRICT:

<https://boe.putnamcountyny.gov>

## CONTACT YOUR TOWN DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE:

### PHILIPSTOWN DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

[www.philipstowndemocrats.org](http://www.philipstowndemocrats.org)  
[admin@philipstowndemocrats.org](mailto:admin@philipstowndemocrats.org)

### PUTNAM VALLEY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

[www.pvnydems.com](http://www.pvnydems.com)  
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### KENT DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

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## **PUTNAM CAP**

[www.putnamcap.org](http://www.putnamcap.org)

**(845) 278-8021**

Putnam Community Action Partnership (CAP), is a component of Westchester Community Opportunity Program (WestCOP). WestCOP was founded in 1965 under the Economic Opportunity Act, and is a private not-for-profit multi-service organization serving the lower Hudson Valley. In 1986 WestCOP expanded services into Putnam County, NY when it opened Putnam CAP. Our mission is to mobilize and efficiently manage resources, through partnerships and collaborations, to help low-income and at-risk populations achieve greater self-sufficiency. We have proudly been serving the Putnam Community over 35 years.

## **BREWSTER CARES**

[www.brewstercaresny.org](http://www.brewstercaresny.org)

**(845) 279-6146**

Brewster Cares NY is a non-profit organization based in Brewster, NY.

We are dedicated to helping the poor and needy in our community by providing a seasonal shelter & daytime warming station for the homeless, free of charge ESL classes, free tutoring, the only Spanish speaking AA meeting in Putnam County, and a program that provides meals for families.

Our mission is to make a positive impact in the lives of those in need and we rely on the generosity of our community to achieve this goal.

## **SECOND CHANCE FOODS**

[secondchancefoods.org](http://secondchancefoods.org)

**(845) 723-1315**

Join us on a mission to elevate the health of people and planet by recovering nutritious food before it goes to waste -and- delivering it to the tables of hungry families in the Hudson Valley, NY.

## **GLYNNWOOD FARM**

[www.glynwood.org](http://www.glynwood.org)

**(845) 265-3338**

The Glynwood Center for Regional Food and Farming is a non-profit organization serving food and farming change-makers from New York's Hudson Valley and beyond.

Our mission is to cultivate just and resilient regional food systems so that communities, farmers and the land thrive.

## **WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER**

[www.pnwwrc.org](http://www.pnwwrc.org)

**(845) 628-9284**

The Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center (WRC) works to create a safe, and supportive environment that provides free and confidential services and support to victims of violence.

Providing access to resources, 40+ years of expertise in addressing the trauma of sexual abuse, domestic violence, interpersonal violence and advocating for gender equity in our community.



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## **SUSTAINABLE PUTNAM**

[www.sustainableputnam.org](http://www.sustainableputnam.org)

Our mission is to develop sustainable communities across Putnam County, NY

We believe that resolving the climate crisis requires all hands on deck.

We believe that developing a sustainable society requires adoption of ecological principles like diversity, circularity, adaptation, and interdependence.

## **BEDFORD 2030**

[www.bedford2030.org](http://www.bedford2030.org)

(914) 620-2411

Bedford 2030 addresses the urgent issue of climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and preservation of natural resources.

We organize a grassroots effort in our community to achieve aggressive climate action goals identified in the Bedford Climate Action Plan.

## **CURE100**

[www.cure100.org](http://www.cure100.org)

CURE100 (Communities United to Reduce Emissions 100%) is a not-for-profit consortium of communities that seeks to reduce global Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions to net zero urgently and with high priority, through a combination of advocacy, education and campaigns at the local and global levels.

## **PUTNAM COUNTY LAND TRUST**

[www.putnamcountylandtrust.org](http://www.putnamcountylandtrust.org)

(845) 743-3187

The Putnam County Land Trust is dedicated to the protection of forests and wetlands, wildlife habitats and important water resources in and around Putnam County, New York.

## **FRIENDS OF THE GREAT SWAMP**

[www.frogs-ny.org](http://www.frogs-ny.org)

(845) 350-2686

Founded in 1990, the Friends of the Great Swamp (FrOGS) is a volunteer non-profit organization made up of residents and neighbors who have been working to preserve the Great Swamp Watershed of Putnam County and Dutchess County, New York. We have a Board of Directors that meets once a month throughout the year to discuss issues of local environmental concern and to guide the activities of the organization.



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## **NEW YORK STATE DEMOCRATS**

[www.nydems.org](http://www.nydems.org)

The New York State Democratic Party is committed to electing Democrats at every level of government across the state. We're focused on addressing the top priorities of all New Yorkers and electing candidates who will make New York stronger and move our state forward.

## **HUDSON VALLEY STONEWALL DEMOCRATS**

[www.facebook.com/HVStonewallDems](https://www.facebook.com/HVStonewallDems)

Stonewall is America's only grassroots Democratic LGBT organization. We focus on creating change by supporting regional candidates that will be inclusive of LGBT concerns because they want to, and not out of political necessity.

## **PUTNAM PROGRESSIVES**

[www.putnamprogressives.org](http://www.putnamprogressives.org)

Putnam Progressives is a group of people concerned with taking action to promote and preserve policies that support our democratic values, human rights and tolerance and to resist policies that threaten those values.

## **TAKE 17**

[take17ny@googlegroups.com](mailto:take17ny@googlegroups.com)

[CD17ny@gmail.com](mailto:CD17ny@gmail.com)

Google Group formed to take back the 17th CD in NY for the Democrats and, once we accomplish that, to continue to support our Democratic member of Congress.

## **DEFENSE OF DEMOCRACY**

[www.defenseofdemocracy.org](http://www.defenseofdemocracy.org)

**(845) 208-9846**

Defense of Democracy advocates for public school and library systems that provides robust, inclusive learning environments for all students, and lobbies for policies to restore and strengthen the pro-democracy role of public education in communities across the country.

## **PUTNAM PRIDE**

[www.putnampride.com](http://www.putnampride.com)

Putnam Pride is a grassroots organization dedicated to building a welcoming community for queer people of all ages to gather and celebrate in Putnam County. We strive to take an intersectional approach that spotlights the most marginalized groups and to use our platform as a vehicle for creating real change. We believe that Black Lives Matter and trans rights are human rights.

## **MOMS DEMAND ACTION**

[www.momsdemandaction.org](http://www.momsdemandaction.org)

Moms Demand Action is a nonpartisan grassroots group dedicated to ending gun violence through common sense legislation.

We are under the umbrella of Everytown for Gun Safety and have a chapter in all 50 states plus DC.

We endorse "Gunsense" candidates who work for our legislative priorities.

Find us on Facebook at Moms Demand Action in Putnam County (we are a closed group so you'll have to answer our membership questions)



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