



Re: [External] Invitation to Social & Mayoral Debate

From Rita Ali <rali@peoriagov.org>

Date Tue 1/28/2025 2:26 PM

To Jake Partee <jacob.partee@speakoutillinoisllc.com>

Jake, I have other commitments and will not be participating.

Rita

From: Jake Partee <jacob.partee@speakoutillinoisllc.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 2:21 PM

To: Rita Ali <rali@peoriagov.org>

Cc: Charles Grayeb <cgrayeb@peoriagov.org>; John Kelly <jkelly@peoriagov.org>; Shanika Pehm <spehm@speakoutillinoisllc.com>; Donna Jamison <djamison@peoriagov.org>

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Good Afternoon Mayor Ali; Councilmen Grayeb and Councilmen Kelly,

As a formal introduction in case we haven't met before. My name is Jake Partee, I am the Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of Speak Out Illinois LLC. Speak Out Illinois LLC was founded around speaking out against Violence & Abuse while also advocating for and educating the Community about FREE or Low-Income Programs, Resources and Services. Speak Out Illinois is affiliated with several local community organizations and groups that help streamline our mission to serve and strengthen those who have suffered from Violence or Abuse. We also host frequent Community Resource Fairs throughout Central Illinois including Peoria as well as Our Lawyers in the Library Program, Safety Planning & Notary Services. One of our campaigns is Advocating for Safer Policies in which we work with Local Elected Officials to help Our leaders in Springfield advocate and make changes.

All of our services are free and confidential to our clients.

As doing our part within the Community, We would like to invite you to attend Our Primary Election Social and Mayoral Debate on Saturday, February 15th, 2025, from 2:00pm - 4:00pm. Social from 2:00-2:45 and Debate will go from 2:45pm to 3:45pm, allowing for another brief 15-minute social before departing.

We are hosting on a **Saturday** as requested by Our Social Media Followers and Clients. Most of them cannot make it out in the evenings after work due to childcare, family activities, etc. Our Saturday events generally attract more people.

In addition, This event would be In-Person only. The debate **will not** be recorded or streamed on Social Media.

However, members of the media may appear that is beyond our control.

Lastly, We feel that continuing to connect with the public about who wants to primarily advocate for them, must be heard. We feel that all 3 of you are excellent candidates to run the City of Peoria, there is no doubt about that. But in the end, The people must decide in their favor through the Primary and General Elections.

It would be a pleasure to host you and learn more about your goals as the Candidate(s) for Mayor in the City of Peoria.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email me.

Please stay safe, well and blessed.

Thank you for your time.

In Peace,

Jake Partee (He/Him/His)

Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder

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