

GEORGIA

Voters in Georgia this year will elect a Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General. All 180 seats in the State House of Representatives will be up for election, as well as all 56 seats in the State Senate. The gubernatorial and attorney general races are expected to be competitive while Republicans anticipate maintaining control of the legislature.

Governor

Democratic Nominee

[Stacey Abrams \(D\)](#)

Stacey Abrams is a former member of the Georgia State House of Representatives, where she represented portions of Atlanta and unincorporated Dekalb County from 2007-2017. She was House Minority Leader from 2011-2017. She resigned her position in 2017 to run for governor narrowly losing in 2018 to Governor Brian Kemp (R).

Abrams hopes to build an economy in Georgia that will lift families out of poverty, invest in small businesses and rural development, and reduce income equality. She [plans](#) to accomplish this by creating a refundable tax credit that will let families keep more of their wages, create a cradle to career savings program, and increase disability protections. She pledges to end wage theft, invest in infrastructure and broadband, and invest in small businesses.

Abrams plans to advocate the expansion of Medicaid, [stating](#) that doing so will provide 500,000 Georgians with healthcare as well as create more than 60,000 new jobs. She also hopes to increase healthcare worker development and retention by re-investing in the state's public health infrastructure.

She [states](#) that she will provide support for law enforcement in Georgia by raising base salaries, put in place mental health supports, and invest in expanded training and collaborative supports such as crisis officers.

She hopes to create a state affordable housing fund to provide direct financial assistance to local communities, to reform the state's eviction courts, and to increase supportive and transition housing to address temporary homelessness.

Abrams [plans](#) to aid Georgia's veterans through supportive legislation, initiatives to improve transitions from military service to career, and a program to end veteran homelessness.

She will debate her opponent, Governor Kemp, on Monday, October 17 and Sunday, October 30.

Trivia: Abrams has achieved success as a novelist. One of her books, the legal thriller "While Justice Sleeps" is being produced as a television series.