

KNOX COUNTY VOTER GUIDE

November 3, 2026 • General Election

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Best / Strongest



Very Good



Acceptable



Vote only to prevent worse



Not
Recommended

1. Governor of Tennessee

Top 3: all others show no money or effort to win.

Candidate	Party	Rating
Marsha Blackburn	Republican	★★★★ ¹ / ₂
David Hatley	Independent	★★★
Jerri Green	Democratic	★

2. United States Senate

Top 2: all others show no money or effort to win.

Candidate	Party	Rating
Bill Hagerty	Republican	★★★★★
Marquita Bradshaw	Democratic	★

3. United States House of Representatives

District 2

Candidate	Party	Rating
Tim Burchett	Republican	★★★★★
Michaela Barnett	Democratic	★
Bruce Fine	Independent	? (insufficient information)
Adam Heimerman	Independent	★

4. Tennessee State Senate

District 5

Candidate	Party	Rating
Jimmy Matlock	Republican	★★★★★
David Miller	Democratic	★

District 7

Candidate	Party	Rating
Richard M. Briggs	Republican	★★★
Bryan Langan	Democratic	★★

5. Tennessee House of Representatives

District 14

Candidate	Party	Rating
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Jason Zachary	Republican	★★★★½
Lindsay Young Honaker	Democratic	★
District 15		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Sam McKenzie	Democratic	★★
District 16		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Michele Carringer	Republican	★★★★½
Eliza Boles	Democratic	★★
District 18		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Elaine Davis	Republican	★★★★★
Bryan Goldberg	Democratic	★★
District 19		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Dave Wright	Republican	★★★★½
Jenny Fowler	Democratic	★★
District 89		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Justin Lafferty	Republican	★★★★½
Randy DeBord	Democratic	★★
District 90		
Candidate	Party	Rating
Gloria Johnson	Democratic	★★

6. Tennessee Constitutional Amendments

Amendment / Referendum	Recommendation
Constitutional Amendment #1 — Bail Reform (expand non-bailable offenses)	YES
Constitutional Amendment #2 — Prohibit State Property Tax	YES
Constitutional Amendment #3 — Marsy's Law: Expand Crime Victims' Rights	YES

7. City of Knoxville — Charter Amendment

Amendment / Referendum	Recommendation
City Charter Amendment — City Council Election Rules (Ordinance O-62-2026): Allow candidate to be declared elected without runoff if they receive a majority in the primary	YES

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