



State Senator Jamie Eldridge, Middlesex and Worcester

State Senator Jamie Eldridge has served as State Senator for the Middlesex and Worcester district since January 2009, representing 12 communities in Metrowest. He serves as the Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary, and the Senate Vice Chair Joint Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. As an activist legislator, Senator Eldridge proudly serves as the Senate Chair of the Criminal Justice Reform Caucus, the Medicare for All Caucus, and the Clean Energy Caucus.

Senator Eldridge has focused his energies on Beacon Hill on increasing investments in public education and transportation, combating climate change, making healthcare a right, stimulating the economy, advocating for affordable housing, reforming our criminal justice system, advancing campaign and ethics reform, protecting the environment, supporting immigrants, making government more transparent and updating our election and campaign finance laws. He grew up in Acton, and now lives in Marlborough.

Previously, Senator Eldridge served as the State Representative for the 37th Middlesex District for 7 years. He is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University and Boston College Law School. Prior to his election as State Representative, Senator Eldridge worked as a public interest attorney with Merrimack Valley Legal Services in Lowell, a non-profit organization that provides free legal services to the poor and the elderly. As a public interest lawyer, he also worked to help low income residents with issues of housing, Social Security, disability, and unemployment.



State Representative Carmine Gentile, 13th Middlesex District: Sudbury and parts of Concord, Lincoln, Marlborough, and Wayland

A longtime resident of Sudbury, Carmine Gentile was a defense lawyer for over 30 years before being elected to the Massachusetts House in 2014. He represents the 13th Middlesex District, which consists of all of Sudbury and parts of Concord, Lincoln, Marlborough, and Wayland. He currently serves as the Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Higher Education, as well as a member on the Joint

Committees for Environment and Natural Resources, Elder Affairs, and State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.



State Senator Pavel Payano, 1st Essex

The son of immigrant Lawrencians who dedicated decades to the LPS system, State Senator Pavel Payano learned from a very young age the importance of hard work and the value of a quality education. He also witnessed, by way of strong unions, that communal success is possible when we share a commitment to serving others.

He takes those values with him as he represents the First Essex District which includes the communities of Methuen, Lawrence, and parts of Haverhill. Prior to his election to the State Senate, Senator Payano served the city of Lawrence for over a decade, first as a School Committee member and most recently as a City Councilor At- Large. He has experience working as a

Social Worker for the Department of Transitional Assistance and as a Professor at Merrimack College, where he taught graduate classes. Senator Payano is committed to advancing policies that support education reform, public health, and community development.

Senator Payano received a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from UMass Amherst, a Master's in Public Affairs from UMass Boston, and a J.D. from Suffolk University Law School. He lives in Lawrence with his dog, Teja.



Kambiz Maali, Assistant Director of Resident Services, Cambridge Housing Authority

Mr. Maali started at CHA in 2007 as Work Force Program Director and in 2013 was promoted to Assistant Director of Resident Services, overseeing all the Department's youth programs. During his tenure at CHA, Mr. Maali has increased the number of youths

served from 150 to over 400 annually by successfully overseeing the expansion the Work Force program to include a 4th site at Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School,

the creation of a Work Force middle school site, and a partnership with Gap Inc. to start a retail training program called This Way ONward.

Prior to 2007, Mr. Maali spent six years at Bird Street Community Center in Boston, where as a Planning Manager, he helped to facilitate community planning for development of an \$11 million community center. As Director of Youth Development, he transformed the youth program from a drop-in program to a youth employment and education program. Mr. Maali has also served as an Adjunct Professor at Northeastern University and was the Project Director at Build the Out of School Time Network (BOSTnet), where he managed a re-granting program focused on inclusion of youth with disabilities in the OST programs, and the planning and implementation of BOSTnet's statewide Inclusion Conference. Mr. Maali holds a Master of Social Work (MSW) from Boston University and a BA in Philosophy from University of Michigan.



Molly Goodman, Executive Director, The Midas Collaborative

Molly Goodman has dedicated her career to supporting affordable housing and homeownership for low- and moderate-income residents of MA, serving as the Manager of Counseling and Homeownership for Allston-Brighton Community Development Corporation, as a Graduate Fellow with the Brookline Housing Authority, and as a founding board member and Clerk of Abundant Housing of MA. Molly's career in public service began in 2014 as a Foreclosure

Prevention Associate with Urban Edge, under a program of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Community Based Home Corps. Molly received her JD from Suffolk University Law School, where she also served as a Research Assistant to Professor Kathleen Engel for three semesters. She is a current member in good standing of the Massachusetts Bar and a graduate of Boston Latin School and the University of Massachusetts Amherst, where she earned a BA in history and legal studies.



Juan Pablo Bonilla Santiago, Vice President of Economic Inclusion and Wealth Building, United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley

Juan leads United Way's economic mobility and wealth building work which includes Boston Builds Credit and its network of Financial Opportunity Centers. Prior to joining the United Way, Juan spent 18 years at Lawrence CommunityWorks, Inc., a UW community partner,

as their Chief Operating Officer. Juan has an extensive background in nonprofit leadership in the areas of affordable housing, community building, financial empowerment, workforce development and housing counseling programming. He holds dual bachelor's degrees in Sociology and Spanish from Bowdoin College (Class of 1995), is a graduate of the Institute for Non-Profit Management and Leadership certificate program (Boston University) and received his master's in public policy at Tufts University in August 2022. He served as a member of the Federal Reserve Bank's Community Advisory Council (2017-2020) and is a past board member of the YMCA of Merrimack Valley, The Midas Collaborative, the Merrimack Valley Federal Credit Union, the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations (MACDC) and Ahora, Inc., a non-profit start-up. Juan is a past recipient of the Bowdoin College Common Good Award and the Lawrence Bar Association's Liberty Bell Award for Community Service. Born in Puerto Rico, he came to Lawrence, Massachusetts in 1982 at age 9 and grew up in the city. He now lives in Haverhill, Massachusetts with his family.