Anthony 'Tony' Herbert

Anthony 'Tony' Herbert is the best person to advocate for the people. As a lifelong New Yorker, he learned to overcome adversity in the best way possible - by helping others. When Tony was a teenager, a wave of gentrification cost his family their home. Tony was raised by a single mother who dedicated her career to NYC public school students. She taught Tony to appreciate education, hard work and family. They didn't deserve to lose everything. As he sat in the abandoned building in Prospect Heights that was now his home, Tony made a pledge: he would make the city more equitable.

Since then, Tony has fought to give voice to the voiceless and opportunity to the marginalized. As a community activist, he improved the lives of disenfranchised New Yorkers by advocating for NYCHA residents, helping to reduce gun violence in our streets, and promoting job creation in underserved communities. Tony knows what it's like to struggle - to fear eviction or worry about putting food on the table. So, he also knows how to help those who need a hand. Tony Herbert is proof that real New Yorkers don't leave anyone behind. As a vocational specialist, he worked tirelessly to get our mentally ill and homeless population back on their feet. He never gave up on them, even when the system did. No matter what happened, Tony was there to help get you employed.

Currently, Tony continues to serve as an executive community member of the NAACP-NYCHA chapter, Executive Vice President of Youth Step USA, and President of the National Action Network's NY Public Housing Chapter.

Our elected officials listen to Tony; he's provided crucial guidance to members of NY City Council, NY State Senate, and the US House of Representatives. In addition, Tony is an accomplished media consultant. His career in public and community service is highly respected.

Above all, Tony is a married father of 4 and an every day New Yorker. He holds onto the values that his mother taught him. And he'll do right by New Yorkers just like his mother. He truly knows the struggles of our most vulnerable communities and the challenges facing a shrinking middle class. Tony understands the frustration New Yorkers have with a failing school system, crumbling infrastructure, and rising crime. He has the guts to speak truth to power and the leadership to make things happen. Across the city, Tony has been there for those in need.

Vote Tony Herbert, the people's choice for Public Advocate "Return the Public Advocate to the Public"