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Waukesha Voters Head to Polls for Mayoral, Supreme Court Races

Over 700 ballots cast by 11 a.m. as new candidates vie for open mayoral seat

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Voters in Waukesha, Wisconsin wait patiently in line to cast their ballots on Election Day, reflecting the community's strong civic engagement. *Waukesha Today*

Voters in Waukesha, Wisconsin headed to the polls on Election Day, with long lines forming outside the Waukesha Public Library as early as 6:50 a.m. Over 700 ballots had been cast by 11 a.m., with residents citing the mayoral race and the open seat on the Wisconsin Supreme Court as key issues driving them to vote.

WHY IT MATTERS

The Waukesha mayoral race is an open seat for the first time in 20 years, with two new candidates vying to lead the city. Voters are also weighing in on a critical race for Wisconsin's Supreme Court, which could have significant implications for the state's political landscape.

THE DETAILS

The voting line outside the Waukesha Public Library started forming at 6:50 a.m. on Election Day, with poll workers arriving at 7:00 a.m. Over 700 ballots had been cast by 11 a.m., with some voters arriving before the doors first opened. The mayoral race features Waukesha Alderwoman Alicia Halvensleben, who is running for a second term, and state Rep. Scott Allen, who early voted on Friday. Voters cited the mayoral race and the open seat on the Wisconsin Supreme Court as key issues driving them to the polls.



- The voting line outside the Waukesha Public Library began forming around 6:50 a.m. on Election Day.
- Poll workers arrived around 6 a.m. to start setting up.
- Over 700 ballots had been cast as of the last check, around 11 a.m. on Tuesday.

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THE PLAYERS

Alicia Halvensleben

Waukesha Alderwoman and candidate for mayor.

Scott Allen

State Representative and candidate for mayor.

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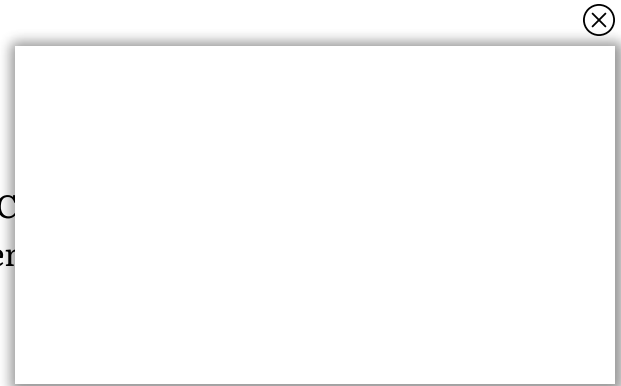
WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

“People who are running are the people who are going to say where the city is going, how much money you'll pay in taxes and schools, and it's going to affect all the local things.”

— Karen Good, Waukesha Resident

WHAT'S NEXT

The mayoral race and the Wisconsin Supreme Court election on Election Day, with polling places statewide open



THE TAKEAWAY

The open mayoral race in Waukesha and the high-stakes Wisconsin Supreme Court election are driving strong voter turnout, as residents seek to shape the future direction of their city and state.

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