

RICHARD SPENCER
Democratic Candidate for
Rush Town Council

Rush should be a place where children know that they are valued; where there is community dialogue, where citizens talk and officials listen; a place where people know what they get for their tax money.

I understand government budgets, matching funds, grant writing, consensus building and above all the importance of being open to the public.



Family

Janet and I have been married for 26 years. We have two sons, Tim and Steve. Our children were born here, have gone to school here, made friends, gone to college. I hope they will find work here. Rush is our home.

Qualifications:

- ❖ 4 years as a successful program assessment and development consultant
- ❖ 31 years of progressively increasing responsibility at Monroe County Department of Social Services
- ❖ 22 years as the Department's welfare to work administrator
- ❖ Lead, coordinated and supervised 50 employees
- ❖ Negotiated and monitored contracts and agreements with annual funding exceeding \$9,000,000

Honors and Awards:

- ❖ Distinguished Volunteer Service Award, United Way of Greater Rochester
- ❖ Certificate of Appreciation for Service, New York State Department of Education
- ❖ Service Award, Rochester Private Industry Council
- ❖ Friend of Education, School Board Rochester City School District
- ❖ Outstanding Contribution, New York State Council on Vocational Education
- ❖ Recognition and Appreciation, Rochester Rehabilitation Center

Past and Present Community Activities:

- ❖ Town of Rush Conservation Board
- ❖ Rochester City School Board Advisory Council for Career Education (Past Chair)
- ❖ Southwest YMCA Board of Management
- ❖ Boy Scouts of America Troop 134 Assistant Scout Master
- ❖ Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board of Directors (Chair Personnel Committee)
- ❖ Wilson Commencement Park Advisory Committee
- ❖ Monroe Community College Damon City Campus Advisory Board
- ❖ Rush Henrietta Education Foundation (Founding Trustee)
- ❖ Rochester Business Education Alliance
- ❖ Action for a Better Community Board of Directors
- ❖ Court Appointed Special Advocates Board of Directors

Education: University of Rochester Bachelor of Arts

It seems like more and more decisions are made before most of us even know there was a question. I would like our town to be a place where decisions are made after the discussion, not a place where last week's decisions are this week's discussion.

I would like to serve our community as an elected representative, working as your Town Council member.

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