

MEDIA ADVISORY

Baltimore Democratic Party Holds Region's First Senate Candidates Debate

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WHAT: The first U.S. Senate candidate debate of the 2024 Primary Election period will be hosted by the Baltimore County and Baltimore City Democratic Central Committees. The event will feature the two Democratic contenders who are currently polling above 10%, Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks and U.S. Congressman David Trone as the main competitors vying for the Senate seat presently held by retiring Senator Ben Cardin. This event is free, but advance registration, a ticket and photo ID are required for all attendees, including the media. Registration is open but will end once all 250 seats are filled. Interview, photograph and videography opportunities are available. Other elected officials are expected.

WHY: In contrast to other candidate forums happening in the state, this event will mark the first debate-style matchup between the top two candidates who have been engaging in heated media campaigns since last Fall. Alsobrooks and Trone are expected to present their visions in a competitive face-off, making their case for why they deserve the voters' support. The debate provides both candidates an opportunity to reach eastern County and City voters.

WHO: A well-respected panel of four individuals representing both Central Committees, and one non-political local community member, will ask candidates questions on a wide range of current national and international topics. Candidates will have two minutes for a vigorous exchange of answers to questions and one minute for rebuttals. Trone is the self-funded current U.S. Representative of the 6th Congressional District, while Alsobrooks would make history as the first African American woman to hold the seat if elected.

DATE & VENUE: April 7th, 2024, 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM | Doors open at 2:00 PM Sollers Point Multipurpose Canter, 323 Sollers Point Road, Dundalk, Maryland 21222. Free parking. Light refreshments will be served. Turners Station History Center will be open.

The State Central Committee is the local leadership of the Democratic Party. As the grass roots backbone of the Maryland Democratic party, the Central Committee is comprised of elected individuals with diverse skills, including organizing, community engagement, and fundraising.

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