

Name: Bernie Sanders

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?458403-1/senator-bernie-sanders-launches-presidential-bid-brooklyn-york>

6:30 to 40:23



State: Born: New York

Current resident: Vermont

Current Position: US Senator

- **Committees**

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- **Education:**

- Brooklyn College
- University of Chicago

- **Experience:**

- Mayor of Burlington Vt
- US House of Representatives

- **Position on Issues:**

- **Crime**

- Criminal justice reform
- No private prisons

- **Drug costs**

- Lower cost of RX drugs

- **Economy**

- \$15 minimum wage
- Rebuild infrastructure (13 million jobs)
- Eliminate tax breaks and loopholes for top 1%

- **Education**

- Tuition free tertiary education at public colleges and universities

- **Election issues**

- **Environment**

- Transfer energy policy away from fossil fuels toward energy efficiency and sustainable energy sources (millions of jobs)

- **Foreign Policy**

- Reduce military spending
- More diplomacy
- International cooperation - emphasizing labor rights and environmental concerns
- **Guns**
- **Healthcare**
 - Universal and single payer healthcare
- **Housing**
 - Under Sanders, Burlington became the first city in the country to fund community-trust housing.
- **Immigration**
 - Comprehensive reform
 - Pathway to citizenship
 - Legalize DACA
 - Mailorder system for asylum seekers
- **Monopolies and government intervention**
- **Opioid epidemic response**
- **Social Issues and Civil Rights**
 - supporter of veterans' benefits
 - affordable childcare
 - raise Social Security benefits
- **Working class**
 - Pro labor rights & unions
 - Reverse income inequality
 - Paid parental leave