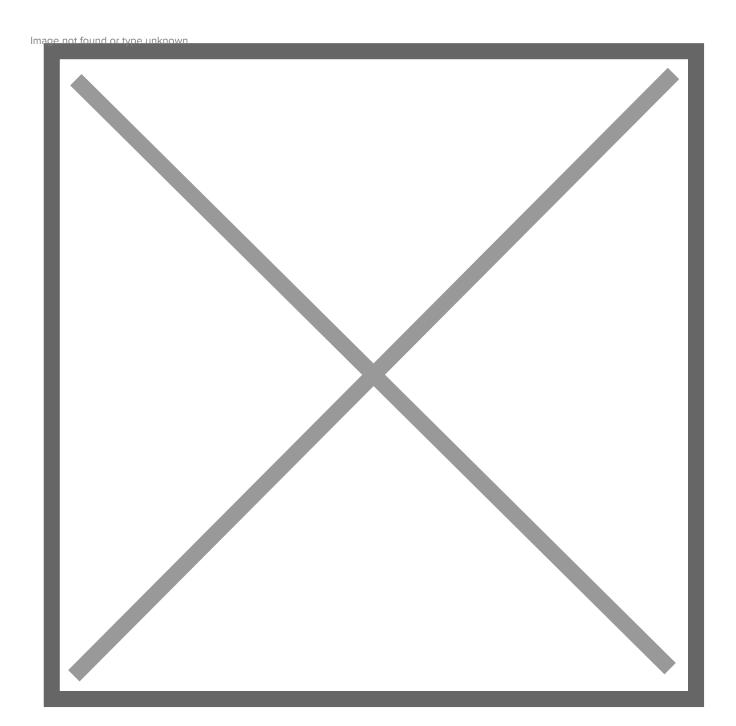


Annual Squadron Community Convention to 'Make National Fight Local' with Akeem Browder to Keynote

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Akeem Browder, Criminal Justice Reform Advocate, to Deliver Keynote

Squadron Convention to Focus on Participatory Governing For Local Results

NEW YORK – State Senator Daniel Squadron announced his annual Community

Convention to "Make the National Fight Local" will be held Sunday, April 23rd from 2-5 p.m.

at Stuyvesant High School (345 Chambers Street) with a keynote by Akeem Browder. This

year's Convention will focus on how local action can address national concerns. Akeem Browder, brother of the late Kalief Browder, is a criminal justice reform advocate, and was central to the recent successful push to Raise the Age for criminal responsibility.

Squadron hosts this Convention each year to focus on results-oriented participatory governing. The Convention will begin with a keynote session, followed by moderated sessions on a variety of topics focusing on local results and national issues. Community members can RSVP on Squadron's website (here) or by calling 212-298-5565. The Convention is multilingual and will include Cantonese, Mandarin, and Spanishlanguage translation.

A full listing of break-out sessions, with descriptions for attendees, is below:

- **Government in Crisis**: There's a lot wrong with the way things work in government -- from D.C. to Albany to our neighborhoods. Get involved with the push for reform.
- **Safeguarding Progress**: Progress on choice, equality, and America's long-standing embrace of immigration must not be lost. Help safeguard rights across the state.
- **Defending Affordability & Tenants' Rights**: Ensuring tenant protections and housing affordability continue to be the city's most important challenges -- join to discuss the push.
- Chinese & Spanish Language Conversations / Conversación En Español / ??????: Our country's commitment to inclusion must continue. Join our Chinese and Spanish language conversations to join the effort. El compromiso de nuestro país con la inclusión debe continuar. Únase a nuestra conversación en español para unirse al esfuerzo.
- **Supporting Section 8 & Public Housing**: Changes on a federal level will have a big local impact. Join to help protect section 8 and public housing.

- **Streets, Transportation & Infrastructure**: Our city depends on public transit -- with or without federal help. Strategize to help keep our roads, buses, and subways on track.
- **Fairness in Justice**: Our state is lagging in criminal justice reforms that would make a fairer, more just state. Get involved in the push.
- **Lifting Up Education**: The city and state are critical to protecting and improving public education. What do you think would help?
- Saving Healthcare: The healthcare system is facing dire threats. Help make sure New York ensures access to quality, affordable healthcare.
- Senior Citizens & Accessibility: Help ensure seniors and people with disabilities can continue to make a life in our city including getting around in it.
- Neighborhood, Quality of Life & Emergency Preparedness: Engagement begins at our own front doors. Organize to address issues that impact neighborhoods.
- **Protecting the Environment & Parks**: Protecting our environment is an urgent challenge advocate for our environment and your parks.
- Advocating for Arts & Culture: New York is stronger because of a deep commitment to the arts. Help advocate for more.

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