

Workers Center For Racial Justice, 2243 E. 71st Street Chicago, IL, 60649
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The **Workers Center for Racial Justice** (WCRJ) is petitioning for a community elected police board to govern the Chicago Police Department. This is the only way we will have the power to stop the over policing and underfunding of Black and other minority neighborhoods. If passed, residents would have the authority to hire senior officers, investigate reports of police misconduct, discipline and terminate officers who are found guilty of wrongdoing, and determine department budgets and rules.

We need YOUR HELP to get the required 85,000 signatures of Chicagoan voters on this petition. You can help by getting the signatures of your friends and family members!

Who Should Sign

- Registered Voters of Chicago
- Residents who wish to [register to VOTE](#) and sign petition at the same time

**Remember the only criteria to register to vote is to be a citizen and 18 years of age. Criminal conviction history has no part in determining who can vote in Illinois.*

Here is a QR code to help follow up with petitions signers. This is necessary to contact you during the "petition challenge process", and to stay connected with WCRJ.



How to gather signatures

1. Sign line one (1) of the form

- a. Column 1- Your signature - watch out! A lot of people misread the form and start signing their printed name.
- b. Column 2- Your full legal name, including any middle names - for example if your legal name is "Steven Martin Murray", writing "Steve Murray" won't count!
- c. Column 3- Your full address where you are registered to vote, for example "123 Fake St, Apt 9, Chicago, IL 60600".

2. Collect signatures of 9 other friends close to you. You can always print more petitions 😊

3. Mail Petitions or arrange pickup

- a. Mail your completed forms to our office,
 - **Workers Center for Racial Justice, 2243 E 71st, St. Chicago, IL 60649**
- b. Store petitions in a safe, dry location. Contact WCRJ to arrange pick-up. Either way, please fill out the petition tracker form below so that we know how to get these sheets out of your hands.
 - Visit <https://bit.ly/PetitionForms> to arrange pick-up/receive blank petitions.

PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

We, the undersigned, registered and duly qualified voters residing within the City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, pursuant to Article VII, Sections 6(f) and 11, of the Illinois Constitution and 10 ILCS 5/28-1, *et seq.*, of the Illinois Election Code, do hereby petition that the following binding question of public policy be placed on the ballot for submission to the voters of the City of Chicago for their approval or disapproval, by referendum, at the next regular election occurring not less than 92 days after the filing of these petitions.

Shall the Members of the Chicago Police Board be Elected?

The nine members of the Chicago Police Board shall be Officers of the City of Chicago elected beginning at the next municipal election in the City of Chicago following approval of this referendum and every four years thereafter in the same manner and with the same eligibility and candidacy filing requirements and removal provisions as the Chicago City Clerk, and a vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as a vacancy in the office of the Chicago City Clerk. The members of the Chicago Police Board shall receive a salary equal to 50% of the salary of the Chicago City Clerk. Each member of the Chicago Police Board shall hold office for a 4-year term and until a successor is elected and qualified. Members of the Chicago Police Board shall be limited to two consecutive elected terms. The members of the Chicago Police Board shall have the powers and duties as set forth in Section 030 of Chapter 2-84 of the Chicago Municipal Code, which powers and duties shall not be diminished by the Chicago City Council following the approval of this referendum. The members of the Board shall choose their President and Vice President **Yes** **No**

Voter's Signature	Printed Name	Residence Address (No P.O. Box) House # and Street or RR#	City, County, State
1.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
2.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
3.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
4.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
5.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
6.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
7.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
8.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
9.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
10.			Chicago, Cook County, Illinois

Circulator's Affidavit

State of Illinois)
) ss.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Circulator's Name), being first duly sworn, do hereby certify that I reside at _____ (Residence Address), in the City/Town/Village (circle one) of _____,

Zip Code _____, County of _____, State of _____, that I am 18 years of age or older (or 17 years of age and qualified to vote in Illinois), that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence and are genuine, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were, at the time of signing the petitions, duly registered and qualified voters of the City of Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, and that their respective residence addresses are correctly stated, as set forth above.

Signature of Circulator

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me this _____ day of _____, 20__.
(Circulator's Name) (Day) (Month)

(seal)

Signature of Notary