

# *Capitalism vs. Socialism*

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Early voting has been going on since September 24th. October 19th, early voting is in many citywide locations. Each Ward has a location that is easy to find. The location in the 11th Ward is in McGuane Park. The 12th Ward's will be at the McKinley Park Branch Library. You may vote at any site you desire. They will be open Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The use of these polls and mail in ballots seem to indicate by several political groups that most potential voters have made up their minds.

I met with a couple groups of college students. They seem to agree with the idea that most have made up their minds already. I did not ask their choices and did not tell them mine. They noted that it sort of makes it stupid to put 50 signs for one candidate at one place or give palm cards. They also noted that in their communities, of which there are several, there are fewer and fewer "vote for" signs and the TV commercials they've noticed don't even say a political party. As noted in Newsmax, many ads just either hate Trump and not say what they are for, or hate socialism and seldom say what they are for. I've noticed this in the last short time I've been asked to attend conferences, The Socialists of America, The Communist Threat to America, Chicago Thinker, Support the Heart - Defend Your Freedom. It is notable that few mention Democrat or Republican.

Trying to find subjects that have not been covered is very hard. I believe that's a good sign. I did find a few Bills that have not been given widespread news, like Illinois House Bill 1429. The Bill calls for no penalty for the homeless to "occupy or engage in life supporting activities on public property". This has been noted in the website Break Through with several comments that worry that this would include neighborhood parks. If you support it, or don't like it, you might be surprised at who some of the sponsors of this Bill are and that's easy to find.

US HR1490 reads: it is resolved that Congress condemns and denounces Socialism in all its forms; to reaffirm its support of free, fair and secure elections; recommit upholding the Constitution of the United States. Every Illinois Democrat voted against this resolution and every Republican voted for it.

I realize most have made their decisions but still keep your minds open and read everything that seems interesting to you. The college kids in this last group seemed to think the big issues were not voting for people who hate the United States, not voting for people who won't tell you what they stand for, and following their own moral values.