

2026 NOMINEE FOR THE CITIZENS NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Biographical Information (to be filled out by the nominee)

This Form **may be submitted electronically**, as a Word document email attachment to the following members of the Procedure Committee: **2026-2027 Chair Dan Besikof**, danbesikof@gmail.com, or **Vice Chair Allison Zolot**, azolot@gmail.com. Application must be received no later than **Wednesday, September 30, 2026**.

By signing this form, you authorize and affirm that **(a)** the information you provide below, and any separate sheet if you wish to provide more information, is accurate and shall be used to support your candidacy in the CNC Election on Thursday, November 10, 2026, and **(b)** the information as confirmed by you will be published, in whole or in part, in an Election Brochure mailed to Scarsdale households prior to the CNC Election on November 10, 2026 and posted on the Procedure Committee website. Your submission will be acknowledged by email. If you cannot submit your form electronically, please print the form, fill it in clearly, and mail it to the Procedure Committee, P.O. Box 284, Scarsdale, NY 10583 for receipt by **Wednesday, September 30, 2026**.

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

Years of Residency:

Occupation including position(s) even if you are retired:

Education and Degrees Received and include dates:

Civic Activities Past and Present in Scarsdale (list in order of your priority and include dates):

Professional Activities (list in order of your priority and include dates):

Please be brief: Space is limited in the Election Brochure

Affirmation:

If elected, I will serve for a term of three years on the Citizens Nominating Committee followed by one year on the Procedure Committee, and will fulfill all obligations as a member of these committees. The date of the non-partisan CNC Election is Thursday, November 10, 2026. Upon my election, I will attend the meetings of the Citizens Nominating Committee in 2026-2028 and the Procedure Committee in 2029 through January 31, 2030. Meetings of the Citizens Nominating Committee in 2026-2027 have been scheduled for five to six weekday nights. CNC meeting dates for 2026-2027 are Wednesday December 2nd, 2026 (Organization Meeting); Wednesday, December 9, 2026, Wednesday, December 16th, 2026; Wednesday, January 6th, 2027; Wednesday, January 13th, 2027; and if necessary, Wednesday, January 20th, 2027. All meetings begin at 8 PM, and the dates are subject to change.

By my signature below, I certify: that I am a qualified voter (18 years of age or older), that my Elementary School District is _____, and that I have lived in Scarsdale for at least the past two years.

Signature of Nominee: _____ **Date:** _____

2026 NOMINATING PETITION FOR THE CITIZENS NOMINATING COMMITTEE

To the Procedure Committee: Date Submitted by Nominee ____ / ____ /2026

We, the undersigned 10 qualified voters (or voter if signed individually) * residing in the Elementary School District listed below in the Village of Scarsdale, do hereby submit this Petition to the Procedure Committee for the purpose of:

NOMINATING _____, of _____ Elementary School District, a qualified voter and resident of Scarsdale, who has resided in the Village for not less than the past two years, for voting membership on the Citizens Nominating Committee for the next three calendar years followed by one year on the Procedure Committee as provided in the Non-Partisan Resolution.

Signature	Printed Name	Address
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____

***A qualified voter eligible to sign this petition is: (i) 18 years of age or older, (ii) a resident of the Village for at least 30 days prior to the occurrence of the CNC Election, and (iii) a resident of the candidate's elementary school district.** You do not need to be a registered voter. No one may sign petitions for more candidates than positions to be filled. **Mamaroneck Strip residents are not qualified to sign or vote in the CNC Election.**

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SCARSDALE'S NON-PARTISAN ELECTION SYSTEM EXPLAINED

How can I participate in the village non-partisan election system? Scarsdale volunteers have many ways to participate meaningfully in civic life through village appointed boards and councils, non-profits and other volunteer organizations. One of the most impactful of these is Scarsdale's non-partisan election system, which provides a unique vehicle for civic involvement of voters through membership on the Citizens Nominating Committee (CNC).

What is the CNC? The CNC is a group of 30 residents elected by the voters in their elementary school districts. Members of the CNC research, deliberate, and through a process of extensive, thoughtful due diligence, select a slate of candidates for open positions in the offices of Mayor, Village Trustee and Village Justice. Once the CNC has chosen its slate of candidates, they are placed on the ballot in a Village Election held in March every year. The **2026 Village Election** is expected to be held in March 2027.

Who may run for elected public office in Scarsdale? While the CNC identifies potential nominees for open positions in Village offices, Village residents may apply for the CNC's consideration and submit other names of potential nominees as well.

What is the time commitment of CNC members? The members of the CNC serve staggered three-year terms and meet over a period of only 5-6 evenings in November, December and January. Each of the three staggered classes of the CNC have 10 members, with two representing each of the elementary school districts (Edgewood, Fox Meadow, Greenacres, Heathcote and Quaker Ridge). Members of the third-year graduating class then serve one year on the Procedure Committee, except for the two members of the graduating class elected by the CNC to serve as the next Chair and Vice Chair of the CNC.

How do I become a member of the CNC? Two forms are required to apply to the CNC – a brief biography and a 10-signature petition signed by a candidate's neighbors. The **2026 CNC application forms** and instruction packet are attached AND posted on the Procedure Committee's [website](http://www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org) at www.scarsdaleprocedurecommittee.org. The **2026 CNC Election**, in which voters choose their CNC representatives, will be held in-person on **Tuesday, November 10** at the Scarsdale Library from 7:00AM-9:30AM and 2:00PM- 9:00 PM. Mail-in ballots are always an option. If necessary, run-off elections will be held one week later.

When do I begin work on the CNC? The CNC begins its work in late fall with a public session for part of its first meeting at the end of November, followed by closed meetings for the rest of its schedule. Meetings are held on weekday evenings at Village Hall when feasible or electronically. The CNC's meetings, held in confidential executive sessions, are designed to encourage members of the public to run for village office on the non-partisan slate without the pressures inherent in typical partisan politics. **CNC meeting dates for 2026-2027 are Wednesday December 2nd, 2026 (Organization Meeting); Wednesday, December 9, 2026, Wednesday, December 16th, 2026; Wednesday, January 6th, 2027; Wednesday, January 13th, 2027; and if necessary, Wednesday, January 20th, 2027. All meetings begin at 8 PM, and the date are subject to change.**

Why does Scarsdale have a non-partisan election system? The system began in 1911 as a way to create a more civil process that would avoid the pitfalls of partisan politics, campaign financing, and electioneering promises. The administration of the non-partisan election system and the expenses of running the CNC Election in November are funded through private contributions.

What is the Procedure Committee? The Procedure Committee administers the non-partisan election system for village offices guided by the Non-Partisan Resolution, a document that has been amended from time to time since the system was formalized in 1930. The Procedure Committee is tasked with recruiting candidates to run for the CNC, conducting the annual CNC Election in November, and proposing amendments to the Non-Partisan Resolution as needed.

THIS IS YOUR VILLAGE – PARTICIPATE, BE INVOLVED, MAKE A DIFFERENCE