

Jobs and Economy

The potential of Syracuse going the way of Detroit is very real, but with collaboration with Albany and a specific action plan, it will not be us. Like Detroit, Syracuse is about to become upside down financially. Mayor Miner has begun to prepare for the imminent bankruptcy of Syracuse. As a Syracuse City Councilor, Pat Hogan has been fighting for Syracuse's economic stability by supporting real job creation. Pat Hogan knows that a strong economy needs jobs as the basic building block of its foundation. He believes that the city can contribute to job creation by taking several practical actions.

As Mayor, Pat will:

- Focus on the recruitment of companies to move to Syracuse and fill our empty buildings. As jobs priority number one, the city must take the lead in matching up local resources with the growth needs of businesses interested in a central New York presence.
- Work with New York Governor Cuomo and follow his lead on making tough executive decisions to deal with the current economy we live in.
- Partner with our local colleges, universities, and economic development professionals, with local, state and federal agencies to develop and promote business assistance programs that create a favorable entrepreneurial environment and job creation through focused, coherent economic development efforts.
- Fill vacant tax delinquent properties with tax payers by creating a “renters to homeowners” program.
- Support small businesses by creating a comprehensive, centralized small business assistance center and ensuring that the city buys from Syracuse's small businesses first.
- Embrace Governor Cuomo's Start Up-NY initiative. Start Up-NY was created to foster entrepreneurialism and job creation on a large scale by partnering with public higher education across the state, particularly upstate.
- Work with the New York State's Comptroller to steer investment from the state pension into Syracuse businesses and programs.
- Rejuvenate collaborative efforts between the city and the local trade unions to maximize the development of apprenticeship programs similar to the programs initiated through the Syracuse Joint Schools Construction Board for the renovation of city school buildings. Additionally, expand to include new components for technical training for non-construction related career options, in order to broaden participation and create increased job opportunities for non-college graduates.
- Will really streamline the business permitting process. Mayor Hogan will task a person to truly advocate and shepherd a business through the permitting process to show them that Syracuse is Open for Business.