

Q&A with the Candidates

Texas House District 37

Many voters are wondering where their candidates stand on key issues. Below, we've gathered select answers so you can make an informed choice.



Luis Villarreal Jr. (D)



Janie Lopez (R)

<p>Where do the candidates stand on funding for public schools and local control?</p>	<p>Luis Villarreal Jr. says that his number one priority in Austin will be our school kids, especially those with learning disabilities and special needs.</p> <p><small>Source: VoteVillarreal.com, accessed 8/1/22</small></p>	<p>Lopez supports cutting funding for public education, and her campaign is supported by special interests trying to cut funding from small schools to pay for private school vouchers.</p> <p><small>Source: The Brownsville Herald, 10/30/21; Valley Morning Star, 2/16/22; Transparency USA</small></p>
<p>Where do the candidates stand on job creation?</p>	<p>Luis Villarreal Jr. is a successful small businessman who knows what it takes to bring good jobs to our community. Luis will fight to support the family-owned businesses, major employers, and hard-working men and women who keep our Valley economy strong.</p> <p><small>Source: Rio Grande Guardian, 12/20/21</small></p>	<p>Janie Lopez and her special interest allies support an agenda that is bad news for our jobs. Lopez is making it harder to recruit high-tech jobs to Texas by standing with radical politicians who support outlawing abortion in cases of rape and incest.</p> <p><small>Source: Transparency USA; Dallas Morning News, 6/22/22; Washington Post, 9/13/21; Texas Right to Life, accessed 8/3/22</small></p>
<p>Where do the candidates stand on infrastructure investment?</p>	<p>Luis Villarreal Jr. plans to bring new transportation and infrastructure projects to Cameron and Willacy counties.</p> <p><small>Source: VoteVillarreal.com, accessed 8/1/22</small></p>	<p>Janie Lopez is still supporting some of the same government insiders who failed to fix the state power grid. Today, Texans' energy bills are 70% higher on average, as they brace for rolling summer blackouts or another winter freeze.</p> <p><small>Source: Transparency USA; Houston Chronicle, 5/14/22; Texas Tribune, 5/30/21</small></p>

We encourage you to look at the candidates' websites and reputable news outlets for more information on these and other issues. Visit MyVoterInformation.org for information on early voting. The last day to vote is Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. We hope this information is useful to you and that you will be sure to vote!