Hon. Christopher P. Scanlon

Mayor, City of Buffalo

Christopher P. Scanlon is currently serving as Mayor of the City of Buffalo.

He was first elected to the Buffalo Common Council twelve years ago. Throughout his tenure, Mayor Scanlon has served in key roles, including nine years on the Council's leadership team as President Pro Tempore, where he was responsible for negotiations with the Administration on the City's annual operating and capital budgets to ensure that City departments had the staff, supplies and resources to provide quality programs and services.

Scanlon was elected Council President by his colleagues in 2024, after demonstrating a commitment to working collaboratively with all his partners in government to serve the residents and businesses in every council district. He has championed legislation that protects public health and safety, increases access to affordable housing, strengthens neighborhoods, supports small business, and promotes economic development opportunities throughout the city.

This extensive experience prepared Scanlon for assuming all of the duties and responsibilities of Mayor of the City of Buffalo, following the resignation of Mayor Byron W. Brown on October 15, 2024. As outlined in the City Charter, Mayor Scanlon will serve through the end of the term which ends on December 31, 2025.

Mayor Scanlon has transitioned into this new and historic chapter of leadership with excitement, optimism, and a deep sense of honor. He is well equipped to meet the challenges ahead with fresh ideas and a new vision. He is committed to building on the successes of the City of Buffalo and leading Buffalo into a future where every community is well represented. He will focus on the issues that are important to all of our residents, including: decent, affordable housing; enhanced public safety; reliable city services; good schools; economic growth and development; and the overall quality of life that enables all of us to live, work and raise a family in the City of Buffalo.

Mayor Christopher P. Scanlon will continue to build a City of Buffalo that is safe, healthy and strong.

Christopher P. Scanlon has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Buffalo State University, and is currently pursuing a Master of Public Administration degree at Buffalo State University. He is an active member of his South Buffalo community alongside his wife Katie and their three children Thomas, Adelaide and Siobhan.