

6th District Milwaukee County Supervisor

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

My name is Shawn Rolland and I'm honored to represent you and our neighborhoods on the Milwaukee County Board. Alongside County Executive David Crowley, we set the county's policies and allocate its $1.5 billion budget, which funds our airport, bus system, county parks, criminal justice system, housing initiatives, health and human services, museums, war memorial, zoo, and more.

My strong opinion is that our county government should act more like a foundation than a political body. We should be strategic, goal-oriented and driven by data, not vibes. As a supervisor, my goal is to be fiscally responsible and socially progressive – helping the county accelerate its vision to become the healthiest county in Wisconsin.



My wife Liz and I spent a lot of time cheering for our World Series Champion Milwaukee Brewers this year!

Our family lives on the east side of Wauwatosa. We love it here. Yes, there are challenges, but there is a lot to be proud of. One in six people in Wisconsin live in Milwaukee County. We are the undisputed economic engine of the state. We have excellent universities, FORTUNE 500 companies, small businesses, hospitals, professional sports teams, museums, zoo, natural areas, marinas, golf courses, parks, pools, and splash pads. We have one of the best airports in America, and a bus system with some of the friendliest drivers you will ever meet. In fact, I take the bus to-and-from work at Northwestern Mutual, and to the county courthouse. If you see me on Routes 33, 76 and CONNECT 1, say "Hello!"

Thanks for your trust – and don't hesitate to reach out if I can help.

Sincerely,

Shawn Rolland
Milwaukee County Supervisor
District 6

District 6 Map

Check out a detailed street map to learn more about our district.

Delivering for Our District

One of my biggest focuses as a County Supervisor is ensuring that our neighborhoods receive our fair share of county funding. Let's talk about some of the exciting investments and improvements coming to our area.





New Forensic Science Center

A new Center for Forensic Science and Protective Medicine is now open on the Regional Medical Center campus in Wauwatosa. The state-of-the-art facility will house the county's Medical Examiner and Emergency Management, and the state Crime Lab. As ARPA Chair, I worked hard to protect this project from being derailed by others.

Underwood Parkway Repairs

Thanks to a budget amendment I authored, I was thrilled to cut the ribbon and unveil the new Underwood Parkway in Wauwatosa! For years, this has been a pothole-filled problem and teeth-shattering obstacle course for Oak Leaf Trail cyclists, hikers and motorists. Now, it's a community gem and a destination for all to enjoy!





County Zoo and Safety Improvements

Thanks to a budget amendment I authored, we were able to make the Milwaukee County Zoo experience even better! We installed a new parking system that's much safer and faster, and in partnership with the Zoological Society of Milwaukee, we were able to unveil a new healthier habitat for our rhinos and hippos!

Jacobus Park Sprayground

Thanks to a budget amendment I authored, a new "sprayground" is coming to Jacobus Park and a new accessible splash pad is coming to Wil-O-Way Park in Wauwatosa, providing new opportunities for kids with special needs to get outside and play with others! 10+ playgrounds will be restored across the county.

Investing In Public Safety, But Keeping Costs Down

One of the topics our County Board focused on most this year was a plan to enhance the criminal justice complex downtown – where court is in session, juries deliberate, victims seek justice and people's freedom is on the line.

The county's "Public Safety Building" is failing, poorly designed, inefficient, and slowing our justice system down. Jury deliberation rooms are 30 degrees in the winter and 90 degrees in the summer – and few are ADA accessible. The building lacks secure hallways, creating a need for more sheriff bailiffs and overtime costs. The courts were built too small, leading to 900+ conflicts annually. And the building's layout has caused mistrials, slowing everything down.

County Executive David Crowley's administration developed a proposal to rebuild and correct these longstanding issues. Our County Board agreed with the project's merits, but wanted to trim costs. Thanks to my amendment, we trimmed more than $45 million from the project's cost. Subsequently, the County Board approved the project by a vote of 16-1.

Protecting Our County Bus System While Cutting Fare Evasion

I'm a proud bus rider. Rain or shine, I take our Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) bus to work and County Board meetings. My wife and I regularly take it to bars, restaurants and destinations (it's so much cheaper than an Uber!). I can't say enough good things about our bus.

But, the bus system is facing a crossroads. For decades, the state legislature's funding for transit systems has been flat, and without an increase, we can't keep pace with inflation. Our county gets the same amount of money, but as we all know, gas, parts, components – everything is more expensive. Our County Board's #1 advocacy priority is to fund this now. We need our state partners to help us keep our buses on the road. Why? About 40% of Milwaukee County residents do not have access to a car. Many people, especially seniors and people with disabilities, depend upon the bus to get to the grocery store, work, the doctor, and more.

If our advocacy efforts fail, our County Board will need to cut bus service hours by 25% in 2028 to keep our budget balanced. That's why this fall, MCTS held "MCTS Forward" public engagement sessions. Go to **RideMCTS.com** to learn more about the route concepts or **RideMCTS.com/MCTSForward** for the next opportunity to weigh in come spring.

In the meantime, we are doing our part – working to cut fare evasion. Thanks in part to my budget amendment adding security, we have cut fare evasion from 34% to 23% in one year. Not perfection, but strong progress.



***Above**: Supervisor Rolland addressing his colleagues on the board floor during a County Board meeting.*

***Below**: Supervisor Rolland's MCTS commute comes with an added bonus: seeing progress firsthand on fare evasion and efforts to strengthen our transit system.*





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Many of the excellent programs, projects and events in Milwaukee County's parks are organized by "friends" groups. They often host cleanup events, remove invasive species, organize live music, and more. Meet your neighbors and protect your parks! Learn more at: **wecarecrewmke.com**



Supervisor Rolland volunteering with the Friends of County Grounds Park to remove invasive plant species.

Milwaukee County is For Everyone

I loved marching in the St. Patrick's Day, Pride, Juneteenth, July 4th, Labor Day and Mexican Independence Day parades with my county colleagues! And it was my honor to join Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell in marking the 25th anniversary of 9/11.







