

Elect for New York State Governor 2026

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**Introducing Hongbao Ma, PhD
Independent Candidate for Governor of New York State, 2026**

Hongbao Ma, PhD from Peking University and postdoctoral fellow from Harvard University, has been deeply concerned with social affairs, public conditions, and long-term development since childhood. He has consistently engaged in social and civic activities with a strong commitment to public service.

Recognizing both the prosperity and strength of New York State—and the serious structural challenges it faces—Dr. Ma is running for **Governor of New York State in 2026** as an **independent candidate**. His campaign is dedicated to advancing effective governance, public safety, education, science and technology, economic development, and shared prosperity.

Dr. Ma focuses on the fundamentals of social governance, everyday life, and sustainable development. He is committed to improving the quality of life for all New Yorkers, addressing systemic problems directly, strengthening what already works well, and correcting what does not. His vision is to further build New York into a vibrant and beautiful homeland—defined by prosperity and growth, harmony and mutual support, security, dignity, and happiness for every resident, and finally achieve social immortality in New York.

Campaign Slogan:

Do the Right, Do the Best, We the People!
Let the good things be better, and the bad things be corrected!

Key points of work targets in New York:

1. **Universal Basic Income (UBI), unconditional, All New Yorkers.**
2. **Universal free basic medical insurance for all New Yorkers.**
3. **Zero poverty, zero crime, zero homelessness, zero unemployment, zero racial discrimination, and zero bad tenant.**
4. **Revitalize the manufacturing industry.**
5. **Vigorously develop infrastructure.**
6. **Increase New York's GDP, social and economic development, per capital assets, education, infrastructure, and happiness index, significantly.**
7. **Achieve sociological immortality in New York**

The primary goals are to achieve :

1. **Universal Basic Income (UBI), \$33 per person per day, unconditionally provided to every New Yorker. \$1000 per person per month is the poverty line. After the UBI is implemented, every New Yorker will have at least \$1000 income per month, eliminating poverty and resolving all poverty-related problems. Funding will come**

from 16% of New York State's current per capita income (New Yorkers' average monthly income is \$6250).

2. **Universal free basic health insurance, unconditionally available to every New Yorker.** Access to medical care is a basic survival need for everyone; currently, 5% of the population in New York State lacks health insurance.
3. **Zero poverty:** Once UBI is implemented, poverty will be eliminated throughout New York State, and everyone in New York will be able to afford a basic standard of living, eliminating the need to artificially create an affordable living environment.
4. **Zero crime, zero tolerance for crime,** UBI subsequently, crimes caused by poverty are eliminated, social security is effectively guaranteed, and the safety of subways, communities, and shops was ensured;
5. **Zero homelessness:** After UBI, every New Yorker will have the money to buy or rent a house, fundamentally solving the existence of homelessness and the social problems it causes. Homelessness shelter will become unnecessary.
6. **Zero unemployment:** After UBI, no matter how high or low the work wage income, it will not affect basic living. Everyone can work, which will greatly enhance New York's business investment environment and competitiveness.
7. **Zero discrimination:** Eliminate all forms of discrimination, including racial discrimination, religious discrimination, cultural discrimination, gender discrimination, age discrimination, identity discrimination, and wealth discrimination;
8. **Zero rent-bully,** With the implementation of UBI, the excuse of not being able to pay rent will no longer exist. Renters must pay rent on time and at the agreed price, just like other consumer payments, thus protecting the housing industry and housing supply and demand.
9. **Revitalize the manufacturing industry.** Manufacturing is a basic necessity. New York produces a large number of inexpensive, high-quality, and best-selling products. Strengthen and enhance New York's manufacturing capabilities and economic entities, and make New York prosperous and strong;
10. **Vigorously develop infrastructure,** ensuring the maintenance and vigorous construction of new homes, roads, bridges, subways, parks, and public transportation, improving both the quantity and quality of infrastructure to make life better for New Yorkers;
11. **Eliminate the minimum wage policy.** Work is a fundamental right for everyone. Those who have not the ability to create the value equal to or above the minimum wage have the same right to work and earn a wage commensurate with the value they create per unit of time. With UBI guaranteeing a basic standard of living, everyone can work according to their abilities, making New York the most competitive city.
12. **Abolish the property tax.** The property tax is the only tax levied on wealth ownership, which is unreasonable and restricts the development of the real estate industry and housing improvement, as well as limiting the purchase of real estate by low-income groups.
13. **Eliminate the work permit policy,** making work an integral part of life. While strengthening identity verification and management, everyone in New York will not need a work permit to work, thereby increasing New York's economic benefits.
14. **Eliminate government housing,** sell existing government housing at a discount to current residents, and do not build any more. Fully marketize the real estate market so that every New Yorker can afford it, rather than providing affordable housing.
15. **Eliminate tipping and incorporate it into pricing to ensure customers receive fair and equitable service and a positive consumer environment.** Ensure workers receive clear and guaranteed income, and make the market fair and reasonable;
16. **New York State builds 6,000 free public restrooms open 24 hours a day (approximately one for every 3,000 people)** to ensure that the basic physiological necessity of using the toilet is guaranteed for everyone;
17. **The government is responsible for the sanitation of all public areas,** including the areas in front of all private houses. It will address unsanitary conditions, strengthen sanitation efforts in all areas, improve efficiency, and reduce the burden on residents.
18. **Gun ban (control):** With current military technology and weaponry, civilian firearms are essentially ineffective against government tyranny and foreign forces. Hunting does not align with modern animal protection principles, and protecting private property does not require the use of private firearms (especially in urban areas). In the past four years, the United States has seen an average of approximately 120 people die from gun violence daily, with annual economic losses from gun violence estimated at approximately \$557 billion.
19. **Drug prohibition,** Scientific evidence proves that drug use damages health and causes serious social problems, making it unacceptable to society. Eliminating the criminal and social problems caused by drugs is crucial.
20. **All commercial consumption must be paid for,** including dining, shopping, renting a house, and flying. After

UBI, everyone has a basic income, eliminating the reason for consumption without payment.

21. A uniform tax rate means that everyone pays the same tax rate. After UBI, there will be no need to tax people with different incomes at different rates, it will still be a case of higher income, higher tax.

22. Government departments, companies, schools, and other organizations should not have race-specific categories in their recruitment, enrollment, and promotion processes, thus promoting social inclusion and achieving racial integration and equality.

23. Welfare distribution will be rationally integrated and welfare management strengthened. With UBI in place, everyone will have basic living security, which will be more rational and save significant amounts of public funds.

24. Strengthen police and judicial forces, enhance social order and security. After UBI, everyone will have a basic income. At the same time, with strengthened public security, the safety situation in New York will be fundamentally improved.

25. The core purpose of education is to impart scientific and technological knowledge, skills, and moral character; the core purpose of work is to create social wealth and value, not rights. Therefore, the best candidates should be selected for study and employment.

26. We will make every effort to develop education, science and technology, productivity, and industrial chains, giving equal importance to basic education, high-tech research, and skills training, strengthening education and scientific research, and improving the industrial chain;

27. Support New York's high-tech enterprises as well as large, medium, and small businesses to drive economic growth; substantially increase New York's GDP and per-capita wealth; double New York's overall strength; eliminate fiscal deficits; fully develop a market-based, free-economy system; establish more free markets and street-level commerce throughout New York; and encourage diverse forms of commodity exchange and trade.

28. Fully leverage New York's central position and strong conditions on the world stage by utilizing its advantages in politics, economy, education, culture, science, technology, finance, industry, agriculture, geography, tourism, and human capital; strengthen international exchange and cooperation; and enable a majority of the world's Fortune 500 companies to maintain branches in New York, as well as a majority of the world's top 500 universities to establish campuses in New York.

29. Conduct a comprehensive review of New York's laws and regulations and correct those that are unreasonable or unjustified.

30. Achieve *sociological immortality* in New York by eliminating deaths caused by social and systemic factors. New York has entered a new era!

Agenda Summary – Dr. Hongbao Ma election for New York State Governor 2026

Universal Basic Income–Centered Governance Framework for New York State

Core Premise

Universal Basic Income (UBI) is the **foundational institutional reform** that enables New York State to resolve poverty, crime, homelessness, unemployment, and systemic inefficiencies at their root, rather than through fragmented welfare and regulatory interventions.

I. Economic Security and Social Foundation

1. Universal Basic Income (UBI)

- **\$33 per person per day** (\$1,000 per person per month), **unconditionally** provided to every New Yorker from birth to death.
- The poverty line is defined as **\$1,000 per person per month**.
- With UBI, **every resident permanently exceeds the poverty line**, eliminating poverty by definition.
- Funding source: **16% of New York State's current per-capita income**, based on an average monthly income of **\$6,250 per person**.

2. Universal Free Basic Health Insurance

- **Unconditional, free basic healthcare coverage** for all New Yorkers.
- Medical care is a **basic survival necessity**, not a discretionary consumer good.
- Currently, approximately **5% of New York State residents lack health insurance**; UBI-supported universal coverage closes this gap completely.

II. Zero-Problem Social Objectives Enabled by UBI

3. Zero Poverty

- With guaranteed basic income, **poverty is structurally eliminated**, not managed.
- The need for artificial or indirect “affordable living” mechanisms disappears.

4. Zero Crime (Zero Tolerance)

- Crimes driven by poverty are eliminated at the source.
- Strengthened enforcement ensures **safe subways, communities, and commercial districts**.

5. Zero Homelessness

- With stable income, **every New Yorker can rent or purchase housing**.
- Homeless shelters become unnecessary as a permanent institution.

6. Zero Unemployment

- UBI removes survival pressure from employment.
- Any job—high-pay or low-pay—adds value without threatening basic living.
- This dramatically improves **business investment climate and labor market flexibility**.

7. Zero Discrimination

- Eliminate all forms of discrimination:
 - Race, religion, culture, gender, age, identity, and wealth.
- Economic security ensures **true equality of opportunity**, not symbolic equality.

III. Housing, Labor, and Market Order

8. Zero “Rent-Bullying”

- With UBI in place, **non-payment of rent has no justification**.
- Rent is treated like all other consumer payments: **due, enforceable, and protected**.
- This stabilizes the housing market and restores supply-demand balance.

9. Eliminate Minimum Wage Policy

- Work is a **fundamental human activity**, not a conditional privilege.
- Compensation should reflect **actual value created**, not artificial wage floors.
- UBI guarantees dignity and survival independently of wage levels.

10. Abolish Property Tax

- Property tax is the **only recurring tax on wealth ownership**, making it structurally unfair.
- Eliminating it:
 - Encourages housing improvement and development
 - Lowers barriers for low-income homebuyers
 - Strengthens the real estate sector

11. Eliminate Work Permit Requirements

- Work becomes an **integral part of life**, not a bureaucratic privilege.
- Identity verification and governance remain, but **work permits are abolished**.
- This significantly increases economic participation and productivity.

12. Eliminate Government Housing

- Sell existing public housing to current residents at discounted prices.
- End construction of new government housing.
- Fully marketize housing so **everyone can afford housing through income, not subsidies**.

IV. Industrial, Infrastructure, and Market Development

13. Revitalize Manufacturing

- Manufacturing is a **strategic economic necessity**.
- New York will produce:
 - Affordable
 - High-quality
 - Globally competitive products
- Strengthen industrial chains and real economic entities.

14. Large-Scale Infrastructure Development

- Maintain and expand:
 - Housing

- Roads and bridges
 - Subways and public transit
 - Parks and public spaces
 - Improve both **quantity and quality** of infrastructure statewide.
- 15. Eliminate Tipping; Incorporate into Pricing**
- Transparent pricing ensures:
 - Fair consumer experience
 - Stable and guaranteed worker income
 - Creates a **clear, rational, and equitable service market.**

V. Public Order, Health, and Safety

16. Public Sanitation and Restrooms

- Construct **6,000 free, 24-hour public restrooms** statewide (\approx 1 per 3,000 residents).
- Government assumes responsibility for **sanitation of all public areas**, including areas in front of private properties.

17. Gun Prohibition (Control)

- Civilian firearms are ineffective against modern military forces and government tyranny.
- Urban property protection does not require private firearms.
- Gun violence causes:
 - \sim 120 deaths per day nationwide
 - \sim \$557 billion in annual economic losses
- Comprehensive gun prohibition improves safety and public health.

18. Drug Prohibition

- Scientific evidence confirms severe health and social harm from drug use.
- Eliminating drugs is essential to:
 - Public health
 - Crime reduction
 - Social stability

19. Mandatory Payment for All Commercial Consumption

- Dining, shopping, housing, transportation, and travel must all be paid for.
- With UBI, **consumption without payment has no justification.**

VI. Governance, Taxation, and Welfare Reform

20. Uniform Tax Rate

- Everyone pays the **same tax rate.**
- Higher income still results in higher absolute tax contributions.
- UBI eliminates the need for complex progressive taxation.

21. Welfare Integration and Optimization

- Existing welfare programs are consolidated.
- UBI provides universal baseline security.
- This:
 - Simplifies administration
 - Reduces waste
 - Saves substantial public funds

22. Strengthen Police and Judicial Systems

- Economic security + strong enforcement = durable social order.
- Crime prevention shifts from reactive to structural.

VII. Education, Merit, and Long-Term Prosperity

23. Merit-Based Education and Employment

- Education's purpose: **science, technology, skills, and moral development.**
- Employment's purpose: **creation of social wealth and value.**
- Selection for study and work should prioritize **capability and merit.**

24. Comprehensive Development of Education and Technology

- Equal emphasis on:
 - Basic education
 - Advanced research
 - Skills training
- Strengthen scientific research and industrial chains.

25. Enterprise and Free-Market Expansion

- Support high-tech firms and businesses of all sizes.
- Rapidly increase:
 - GDP
 - Per-capita wealth
- Eliminate fiscal deficits.
- Expand free markets and street-level commerce.

26. Global Positioning of New York

- Fully leverage New York's global advantages:
 - Politics, finance, education, culture, science, technology, tourism
- Attract:
 - Majority of Fortune 500 companies' branches
 - Majority of top 500 global universities' campuses

VIII. Legal Reform and Ultimate Objective**27. Comprehensive Legal Review**

- Systematically review all laws and regulations.
- Amend or repeal those that are unreasonable or unjustified.

28. Sociological Immortality

- Eliminate deaths caused by:
 - Poverty
 - Neglect
 - Preventable systemic failures
- Build a society where **no one dies from social causes**.

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