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MAKE DC GREAT CAMPAIGN PLATFORM

Keep D.C. Safe, Clean, and Beautiful!

As Ward 2 Chairman, I am starting a revolution to take back Washington, D.C., for the people who actually live here. My focus is simple: **safety, affordability, jobs, higher wages, great schools, and protecting our city's traditions.**

I'm fighting for **Washington, D.C.**—not for Northern Virginia, not for Montgomery County, and not for the insiders who have treated our city like their personal playground.

No More Weak Leadership. We must work to build an infrastructure in each Ward to replace the failed politicians who let our neighborhoods decline and our families suffer.

Our Party here in DC will help build a city that puts **DC residents first**—not billionaires, not lobbyists, and not the gangster-banksters who have rigged the system to benefit themselves.

We will work to **reform the tax system** so it helps those who need it most, and we will use **creative capitalism** to make the economy work for everyone—not just the elites and entrenched political class.

Keep DC Safe, Clean, and Beautiful. President Trump made our nation safe—let's keep D.C. on that path. Together, we will build a DC Republican Party – Ward by Ward - and with our great leadership team to help transform Washington into the **cleanest, safest, and most beautiful capital city on earth**."

My detailed plan promotes no taxes, strong schools with parents and communities at the center, honest and efficient public spending, and a citywide sanitation surge to eliminate the rodent problem that affects health and quality of life. Together these goals outline a practical, community-first path to a cleaner, safer, more affordable, and more accountable Washington, D.C.

Our Vision for Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C., is the capital of the greatest nation in human history and the center of action that influences every corner of the globe. I have a unique relationship with President Trump, MAGA and Congressional leadership. I intend to take direct action to fulfill the Founders' vision for this city—a model of beauty, cleanliness, safety, health, and world-class education.

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Every American family should dream of bringing their children here before any theme park, and every visitor from abroad should view D.C. as a must-see destination.

Together we can make Washington the showcase city of the world—an aspirational brand of excellence, entrepreneurship, and education, truly a shining city on a hill.

Mission Statement: Make DC Great

My FIVE Point Plan focuses on restoring **safety, affordability, prosperity, education and the Redskins name** across every neighborhood and Ward in the District.

• **Make DC Safe, Clean and Beautiful**: cleaner and safer streets, no rats, no homeless tents.

• **Affordable living for working families**: a city government that serves residents: instead of entrenched insiders: No taxes, lower rents, and lower food prices.

• **Prosperity**: Policies to create good jobs, higher wages and small business opportunity for all residents.

• **Education:** A world class public education system that is the envy of America and the world- better jobs, higher wages.

• **Respect for local traditions: Bring back the Redskins**

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#CreativeCapitalism

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NYC Mayor Mamdani has the right message, but the wrong solutions. We will take the same message in Ward 2 and throughout the District and get results for our residents through creative capitalism, not dogmatic communist ideology that repels investment and bankrupts the city.

Our Platform to Make DC Great

Safety: Reduce Crime

- Charge juveniles who commit crimes as adults. It's a new age of accountability for our city's youth.
- Add 1,000 DC Police officers
- Keep the National Guard protecting our city through 2028
- Revoke Sanctuary City status immediately
- Jobs for residents, not illegals.

John Fredericks: "We must permanently end the crime chaos that has plagued this city for decades. President Trump has single-handedly transformed DC from a crime-ridden hell-hole to the safest city in America. Going forward we must hold failed leaders accountable. Back the police, hire 1,000 more officers, and crack down on Metro crime, illegal guns, and carjackings.

If you can't walk safely to the Metro, you don't have a city — you have a war zone.

No more carjacking kids getting a free pass. If you commit an adult crime, you face adult consequences.

We will bring back real beat cops, restore police authority, and expand community patrols to take our streets back."

Fredericks Supports Safety Supervision ACT – End the school to prison pipeline.

Safer Supervision Act: Helps end the school to prison pipeline; reduces recidivism.

Safer Supervision helps to fix America's federal supervision problem:

- Supervision only for those who need it and with conditions that actually make sense and work to increase safety and successful reentry.

- Incentivize and reward hardworking Americans while encouraging prosocial behavior that we know makes for better results - including safer and more prosperous communities - like education, vocational training, and employment.

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- Restore judicial discretion and reduce automatic, mandatory revocation and incarceration for violations of conditions, not breaking laws.

DC Clean and Beautiful

• Expand homeless shelters.
• House and help the homeless: clear the homeless off our streets and out of parks - house in shelters, help through vocational education and medical services.
• Clean up the trash – cleanliness creates a positive culture.
• Rid the District of all graffiti.
• Fix the roads, potholes, overpasses, medians and bridges.
• Get rid of the rats – major rodent reduction including cats.
• Flower and tree beautification plan in each Ward

Bring Back the Redskins

- Fredericks calls for a ballot referendum on team name.
- Bring back pride in DC.
- DC Taxpayers paying $1 Billion of $3.7 Billion domed stadium – 27 percent of cost – this is a public-private partnership. Residents should have a say.
- We won't let woke billionaires take the name of our team.
- Name the stadium: Donald J. Trump Stadium – it's only President Trump's efforts that made this possible.

John Fredericks: "No vote, no voice, no way. If DC pays, DC decides."

Affordability And Quality of Life for DC Residents

Affordability

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Eliminate Federal Income Tax

- Call on Congress: No Taxation for DC without representation.
- We have a bi-partisan coalition in Congress for this.
- No other US territory pays a federal income tax: American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.

How Much Do DC Residents Pay in Federal Taxes?

Using IRS aggregate income + population math (rounded, campaign-safe):

- DC population: 670,000
- Tax-filing households: 300,000
- Average effective federal income tax (DC skews high-income): 12–15%

Estimated federal income taxes paid by DC residents:

$6–8 BILLION per year!

That's more than DC's entire local property tax burden — sent to Washington with no vote!

John Fredericks: "I will fight to exempt DC residents from federal income taxes unless and until we have full voting representation."

John Fredericks: "This is about DC quality of life. Eliminating federal income taxes for DC residents means:

- Thousands more per household per year
- Lower housing pressure
- Higher disposable income
- Middle-class families stay
- Public servants can afford to live where they work
- Instead of sending money to Washington, DC residents finally get to keep it."

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Eliminate Residential Property Taxes

- No property taxes on single family housing or multi-family dwellings.

John Fredericks: “Eliminating property tax on homes and apartments saves families and renters money — costing DC about **$1.4 billion a year** in lost revenue that we will replace with real economic growth, not cuts to services. DC residents deserve relief from one of the few taxes they actually pay directly. This is homeowner and renter-friendly, shifting tax burdens toward non-resident beneficiaries of DC services. Our plan will spur investment and demand in neighborhoods — by reducing cost pressure.”

Cost to DC

- Eliminating residential + multifamily property tax:
  - $1.1B – $1.6B per year
  - $1.4B midpoint

Revenue Source Replacement Plus

- 20% commuter income tax on non-residents
- First $100,000 exempt
- Estimated annual revenue:
  - $4B – $7B
  - ~$5.5B midpoint

Even at the **low end**, commuter tax revenue **more than covers** the cost of eliminating residential property taxes.

Commuter tax raises 4x what’s needed to eliminate property tax on DC homes.

John Fredericks: “We eliminate the property tax on DC homes — and commuters pay for it. DC residents shouldn’t pay property taxes just to subsidize commuters. My plan eliminates property taxes on homes and apartments — paid for by a commuter tax on non-residents, with the first $100,000 exempt. It raises far more than we need, keeps DC affordable, and finally puts residents first.”

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Fredericks Fair Rent Plan
Three Year Rent Freeze

• Rent freeze for three years. If landlords are not paying property taxes they must use the money to help their tenants by not raising rents for three years.

Tax Relief for Landlords — Stability for Renters

If DC eliminates all residential and multifamily property taxes, then landlords receiving that tax relief may not raise rents for three years.

This is a temporary rent stability period, not permanent rent control.

No Grocery Store Taxes

On any grocer-sold food in Wards 7 and 8.

No DC corporate taxes on any grocery or food store operating in Wards 7 and 8.

This lowers the cost of food for our neediest residents and gives incentives for grocers to come into Wards 7 and 8 and end the food desert.

Tourism Cash Rebate – DC Residents Buy In and Empowered

Add one percent hotel, tourism, and restaurant tax – as we make DC safe, clean and beautiful – tourism will go up dramatically.

Additional revenue generated from 1% tax will be rebated back to every legal DC citizen with income under $120,000 joint or $75,000 single filer: estimates $500 per year cash rebate – the more our residents embrace our tourists, the more money they get back.

Entrepreneur Explosion

• Zero taxes and zero license fees for three years on new business startups in the District by district residents.

We need to encourage a new-start up business and entrepreneurial explosion.
Make DC a haven for new business and young entrepreneurs.

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The DC Commuter Tax: Fairness for Residents

The Problem

Washington, D.C. works — but its tax system doesn't.

- **70% of DC workers live elsewhere**
- DC residents fund police, transit, streets, and services
- Commuters earn income here and send it home tax-free

That's unfair — and unsustainable.

DC residents pay zero commuter tax.

20% commuter tax on DC Commuter Incomes Over $100,000 per year

The Solution

A 20% commuter income tax on non-residents who work in DC.

First **$100,000 exempt**
DC residents pay **nothing**
Targets **high-income commuters only**

The Impact

- **$4–7 billion per year in new revenue**
- No tax increase on DC residents
- Funds:
  - 1,000 additional police officers
  - Metro safety and reliability
  - Clean streets and neighborhoods
  - Stronger schools
  - Property-tax and cost-of-living relief

The Bottom Line

DC residents should not subsidize the entire region.
This plan makes DC safer, cleaner, and fairer — and finally puts residents first

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> **John Fredericks:** "Done are the days when commuters come into DC, suck us dry from all the lobbyist money and then spend it on gated mansions, country clubs and fancy restaurants in Northern VA and Maryland. Live in DC, spend the money here, and avoid the tax. You make the money here – keep it here."

"DC residents pay the bills while Maryland and Virginia take the paychecks. My commuter tax flips that equation — and makes DC safe, clean, and affordable again."

20% income tax on non-DC residents who work in Washington, D.C., with the first $100,000 exempt.

DC residents pay zero commuter tax
Best midpoint estimate: $5.5 BILLION annually

That's more than DC's entire annual police + fire + corrections budget combined — paid by commuters, not residents.

How it Works: The First $100,000 earned is exempt

Increased DC Revenue Estimate: $4B–$7B per year (static), with a midpoint approximately + **$5.5B per year**.

How we get there:

- DC wage & salary jobs (place-of-work): 765,800
- Average annual wage (DC county): ~$2,605/week = $135,460/year
- Share of DC workers who live outside DC (commuters): 70% (estimate)
- Share of commuters earning > $100k: ~45%–55%
- Average amount above $100k among those above $100k: $80k–$120k

1. Commuter workers

$$765{,}800 \times 0.7 = 536{,}000$$

2. **Average taxable income per commuter (because first $100k is exempt)**

$$(0.45 \text{ to } 0.55) \times (\$80\text{K to } \$120K = \$36K \text{ to } \$66K$$

3. **Revenue at 20%**

$$0.20 \times 536{,}000 \times (\$36K \text{ to } \$66K) = \$3.9B \text{ to } \$7.1B$$

Midpoint example:

$$0.20 \times 536{,}000 \times \$50 = \$5.4 \text{ B per year}$$

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- **Note: DC currently cannot tax nonresident income** without federal/legal change from Congress, so we have to lobby for Congressional approval.

John Fredericks: “If Congress can tax Americans without representation, it can let DC tax commuters who use our city every day. I’ll fight for it — because nobody else will.”

What the Money Pays For:

- 1,000 additional police officers
- Metro safety & reliability
- DC schools & teacher pay
- Clean streets, trash, and parks
- **Property tax relief for DC residents**

John Fredericks: “DC residents are subsidizing the entire region. This ends that.”

Attack: On business flight: This will kill downtown!

John Fredericks: “Downtown is already dying — with no commuter tax. Crime, empty offices, and weak leadership killed it. This pays for safety and services that bring people back.
New York, Philly, and every major metro already tax commuters. What businesses flee is crime, chaos, and dysfunction — not paying for police and transit.”

Attack: This is unfair to workers.

John Fredericks: “The first $100,000 is exempt. Nurses, teachers, and entry-level workers pay zero. This applies to high-income commuters using DC every day without paying their fair share.”

Zero Payments of any Kind to Illegals

Our resources are reserved to benefit our residents.

Affordable Housing Access

Federal Buildings to Affordable Housing Initiative

Demand that the Federal government deed its top four underutilized Federal buildings back to the District of Columbia, with the requirement that D.C. convert them into quality affordable housing for current and new District residents.

• Immediate impact: Could create 800-1,500+ affordable units depending on building sizes.
• Faster delivery: Conversions faster than ground-up construction.
• Quality housing: Federal buildings typically well-built, in central locations with good bones.
• Reduced displacement: More affordable options help current residents stay in the city.
• Waitlist reduction: D.C. has ~40,000 households on affordable housing waitlists.

Economic Benefits

• Job creation: Construction and permanent property management jobs for D.C. residents
• Local spending: Affordable housing means residents have more disposable income for local businesses
• Reduced commuting costs: Central locations near jobs and transit save residents money and time
• Economic diversity: Maintains mixed-income neighborhoods, preventing monoculture development

Community Stability

• Keeps families in D.C.: Teachers, nurses, service workers can afford to live where they work.
• Generational stability: Children don't have to leave neighborhoods where they grew up.
• Cultural preservation: Longtime residents and communities can remain intact.
• Reduced homelessness: More affordable options provide pathway out of housing instability.
• Senior aging in place: Older residents on fixed incomes can stay in their communities

Neighborhood Revitalization

• Activates vacant properties: Empty buildings become community assets.
• Improved safety: Occupied buildings reduce blight and create "eyes on the street."
• Commercial spillover: New residents support local retail and restaurants.
• Transit optimization: Makes better use of existing public transportation infrastructure.
• Green space potential: Some conversions could include community gardens or public plazas.

Quality of Life

• Federal presence has shaped D.C. development; this reclaims that space for residents.
• Reduces wealth gap: Stable affordable housing is wealth-building foundation.
• Educational stability: Children aren't forced to change schools due to housing costs.
• Health outcomes: Housing stability strongly correlates with better physical and mental health.

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Education Excellence

While DC has a massive budget, our educational outcomes are some of the lowest in the nation. This is unacceptable. We will create the greatest education system of any city in America, benefiting all our district's children, not just the wealthy who can afford private and charter schools.

Accountability & Results

• $2 billion budget, bottom-tier results.
• Fire bad teachers, reward good ones.
• School choice expansion with accountability standards.
• Measurable outcomes for any school that receives public money: reading/math scores and graduation rates.

Safety First

• Can't learn if you're not safe.
• Metal detectors, security, discipline.
• Zero tolerance for violence.
• Partner with MPD for school resource officers.

Parental Rights & Choice

• Parents decide, not bureaucrats.
• Expand charter schools.
• School vouchers/education savings accounts.
• Curriculum transparency.

Back to Basics

• Reading, writing, math - that's it.
• No social experiments.
  No boys in girls locker-rooms.
  No boys playing in girls' sports.
• Phonics over whole language.
• Merit-based advancement.

Workforce Development

• Trade schools, apprenticeships.

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• Not every kid needs college.
• Partner with businesses for jobs pipeline
• Real skills for real jobs.

THE POLICY

The DC Teacher Investment Plan: Invest in Teachers, Not Tech Billionaires

• 20% across-the-board raise for all DC public school teachers.
• 30% raise for teachers with 15+ years in Title 1 schools.
• $7,500 signing bonus + 30% raise for experienced out-of-state teachers (15+ years OR National Board Certified) who relocate to DC Title 1 schools.
• Stop relying on school vouchers alone to fix the problem. It's a sound bite that fails our inner-city kids and their parents.
• Vouchers and charter schools are fine for the wealthy who can afford them, but they are not the panacea.
• Experienced teachers are the best teachers.
• No DC teachers on emergency licenses; DC must pay the best teachers to leave their cushy Northern VA districts and come to the District to teach.

Cost Allocation of DCPS

• DCPS has 5,000 teachers
• Average DC teacher salary: $80,000
• 20% raise = $16,000/teacher = **$80 million annually**
• Title 1 premium (30% vs 20% for 40% of teachers) = additional **$20 million**
• Signing bonuses (estimate 100-200 teachers/year) = ~$1-1.5 million
• Total cost: ~$100-110 million annually – will come from reallocation from administrative overhead and broader budget restructuring
• We pay for this through creative capitalism

Stop relying on school vouchers myth to fix D.C. Education – it's a tool for some, not a panacea for all.

While vouchers and charter schools are a good step for many families, they exclude the students and their parents who need it most.

• School vouchers don't help poor kids. They help rich families write off private school tuition with your tax dollars.

• They can reject your kid, kick out special needs students, cherry-pick the best performers - all while cashing taxpayer checks.

Teachers are the answer

• Title 1 schools deserve the best
• The toughest schools need the best teachers - and we're going to pay them like it
• Wards 7 and 8 have been ignored for decades. Not anymore.

Accountability matters

• Invest in teachers, not schemes
• Attract the best teachers to our toughest schools
• Keep GREAT DC teachers from leaving for greener pastures and more money
• Public money, public accountability
• Ward 7 & 8 get priority for repairs and infrastructure of crumbling schools
• Charter schools accept the public money, they need to play by the rules: same test score procedures as DC public schools and hire only certified teachers

Fredericks PLATFORM POLICY:

THE DC RENT RELIEF ACT
A John Fredericks "Make DC Great" Initiative

THE PROBLEM

Washington DC has a housing crisis hiding in plain sight.

Young professionals are leaving the District before they ever put down roots — priced out by rents that consume 40, 50, even 60 percent of their take-home pay. Longtime residents who built this city — who raised families here, who gave decades to this community — are one rent hike away from displacement. Seniors on fixed incomes are making impossible choices between rent and groceries.

Meanwhile, the DC Council keeps spending. Keeps taxing. And keeps telling residents to be grateful for the crumbs. Enough.

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THE PROPOSAL

Make all residential rent payments 100% tax deductible on DC income taxes.

Simple. Immediate. Transformational.
Every DC renter — young or old, Ward 1 or Ward 8 — gets to deduct every dollar of rent they pay from their District taxable income.
No complicated formulas. No means-testing bureaucracy. No political favorites. Every renter. Every dollar. Every year.

WHO IT HELPS

-Young residents priced out of staying in the city they love
-Seniors on fixed incomes stretched to the breaking point
-Working families spending the majority of their income on housing
-Middle-class professionals who earn too much for subsidies but too little to get ahead
-DC's economic future — because a city that can't retain residents can't thrive.

THE ANALYSIS

What it costs. What it's worth. Why it's the right call.

Revenue Impact on the District

DC's individual income tax currently generates approximately $2.8 billion annually. Renters make up roughly 58% of DC households — among the highest renter rates of any major city in America.

The average DC renter pays approximately $2,200/month — or $26,400 per year.

At DC's effective income tax rate of roughly 7-8% for middle-income earners, a full rent deduction would translate to approximately $1,850-$2,100 in annual tax savings per renter household.

District-wide cost estimate: $400-600 million annually in reduced DC income tax revenue.

The Counter-Argument to "We Can't Afford It"

The DC Council's FY2025 budget topped $21 billion. The District maintains one of the largest per-capita government spending rates in the nation. DC government has grown its budget by over 40% in the last decade while residents get squeezed harder every year.

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This is a political choice, not a math problem.
The District can absolutely afford this. What it can't afford is watching its tax base — its young people, its working families, its seniors — walk out the door.

The Economic Multiplier

Every dollar kept in a renter's pocket doesn't disappear — it gets spent in DC restaurants, DC businesses, DC neighborhoods. Retained residents mean:
• More local tax revenue from spending
• More stable neighborhoods
• Lower demand for expensive homeless and displacement services
• A younger, more productive workforce staying in the city

Comparison to Homeowner Benefits

DC homeowners already benefit from federal mortgage interest deductions, property tax deductions, and capital gains exclusions on home sales. Renters — who are disproportionately younger, lower-income, and minority — receive none of these structural advantages.
This proposal levels the playing field. It's not radical. It's fair.

THE FREDERICKS PRINCIPLE

"The District politicians can do with less. Our residents need more."

DC government does not have a revenue problem. It has a priorities problem. For too long the DC Council has treated taxpayers as a funding mechanism for an ever-expanding bureaucracy that produces declining schools, dangerous streets, and unaffordable neighborhoods.

The DC Rent Relief Act puts residents first — ahead of the political class, ahead of the bureaucracy, ahead of the special interests that have run this city into the ground.

WHAT JOHN FREDERICKS WILL DO AS WARD 2 CHAIRMAN

• Champion the DC Rent Relief Act as a centerpiece of the DC Republican platform
• Recruit and support candidates at every level who will fight for renter tax relief
• Build the public pressure campaign to force the DC Council to act
• Make affordable housing a defining issue for DC Republicans in every ward

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BOTTOM LINE

This isn't complicated. DC renters are getting crushed. DC government is flush. The math works. The politics work. The only thing missing is the political will to put residents over the ruling class. John Fredericks has that will.

MAKE DC GREAT — Fredericks Calls Out DC Stadium Fat Cats
Demands "DC Family Ticket Program"
A John Fredericks "Make DC Great" Initiative

The DC Family Ticket Guarantee: Their Team. Our Money. Our Seats.

DC Working Class Families Screwed Over-Again

DC taxpayers are funding over $1 billion of the new Commanders stadium — part of a $3.7 billion deal the Council approved with barely a debate. City Hall calls it "the largest economic development project in DC history."

Here's what they don't tell you: the people footing the bill are the same people getting priced out of the seats. Tickets running hundreds — sometimes thousands — of dollars a game. Corporate suites. Scalpers. A dad who wants to take his kids to a game with his own tax dollars built can't afford to walk in the door.

That's not economic development. That's a giveaway to the politicians and business elite, paid for by everyone else.

John Fredericks says: enough.

THE FREDERICKS PLAN: THE DC FAMILY TICKET GUARANTEE

-10,000 seats — every home game — reserved exclusively for DC residents
-$15 flat price — no dynamic pricing, no junk fees
-Max 4 tickets per person, per game — built for families, not brokers
-One game at a time — no season-long hoarding by insiders
-No resale, no scalping — non-transferable, DC ID required at will-call

You paid for it. You should be able to sit in it. That's not a favor — that's the deal DC was promised.

PLUS: LET DC VOTERS DECIDE THE TEAM NAME

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DC fans have wanted their Redskins team's name back for years. They should get a direct vote on it — not a decision made behind closed doors by politicians and league executives. John will push for a citywide referendum putting the question to the people who actually paid for the stadium: DC voters.

WHY THIS MATTERS

This stadium should belong to Washington — to the families in every ward, not to lobbyists in luxury boxes or a handful of political insiders cutting deals for themselves. The GAIN Initiative is about building power for everyday DC residents, ward by ward. The Family Ticket Guarantee is that fight, applied to the biggest deal City Hall has made in a generation.

Make it Washington's team. Not theirs.

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