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League Conference to Feature NJ PBS's *Chat Box with David Cruz* series and Gubernatorial Candidates Discussion

[NJ PBS, New Jersey's public media network](#), and the New Jersey League of Municipalities are partnering to present a unique forum for the declared candidates for New Jersey's 2025 Gubernatorial election.

As part of the [League's 109th Annual Conference](#), NJ Spotlight News Sr. Political Correspondent David Cruz will moderate discussion with the 2025 gubernatorial candidates record in the exhibit hall at the League Conference on the morning of Thursday, November 21, 2024. The discussion will be recorded for an upcoming episode of Cruz's NJ PBS public affairs series, *Chat Box*.

To date, all of the declared candidates for the 2025 election are expected to participate.

League President William Chegwidien, Mayor of Wharton Borough said, "We thank Mr. Cruz and NJ PBS, and are excited about this unique and important event as part of the League's conference. Our audience are Mayors and other local elected officials who, like Governors, are directly accountable to their constituents. It will be a benefit to these officials and to hear from the candidates for Governor as we turn the page on the 2024 election and look ahead to 2025."

"NJ PBS is dedicated to amplifying discussion about the issues affecting New Jersey," said NJ PBS Vice President and General Manager Joe Lee. "We are proud to work with the League of Municipalities on this event and afford constituents the opportunity to hear from those looking to lead the state."

The League's Annual Conference is the largest municipal gathering in the country, with an expected 16,000 participants, over 125 educational programs, and over 1,100 exhibit booths. The Gubernatorial forums will be held on the last day of the 3-day conference, November 21, 2024, in the exhibit hall at the Atlantic City Convention Center starting around 9 am. Attendance requires a purchased conference badge. Press is

complimentary. The hour-long special edition of *Chat Box with David Cruz* will stream the night of the conversation, Thursday, 11/ 21 at 6pm on the [NJ Spotlight News YouTube channel](#), and then air Saturday, 11/23 at 6pm and Sunday, 11/24 at 10am on NJ PBS ([check local listings](#)).