Shri Thanedar (MI-13)

Background
Entrepreneur, scientist, and state legislator who became a self-made millionaire through the chemical industry, Thanedar ran for Congress on a progressive platform in a Detroit-based district.

Raised in a low-income family in India, Thanedar began working at age 14 and earned his BS in chemistry at 18; moved to the United States in 1979 during his mid-twenties to pursue a PhD in polymer science at the University of Akron in Ohio.

Ran for governor of Michigan in 2018, placing third in the Democratic primary; campaign focused on pursuing economic reforms to boost urban areas and small businesses, setting a $15 state minimum wage, and investing in infrastructure and education.

Elected as a state senator in 2020 and served on the appropriations committee during his first term; advocated for funding priorities on racial justice, education, and economic equality.

Opted to run for Congress in 2022; prevailed over eight other challengers in the primary for Michigan’s Detroit-centered 13th District, winning with 28% of the vote.

Biography

BIRTH DATE
Unknown

EDUCATION

FAMILY
Wife: Shashi; 2 Children: Neil, Samir

District Profile

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