

Paul D. Tonko
U.S. Representative
New York

Congressman Paul D. Tonko represents New York's 20th Congressional District, including the communities of Albany, Schenectady, Troy, Saratoga Springs and Amsterdam. He represents all of Albany and Schenectady Counties and parts of Montgomery, Rensselaer and Saratoga Counties.

He is currently serving his fourth term after first being sworn into Congress in 2009.

Tonko serves on the Energy and Commerce Committee, the oldest standing committee in the House. Additionally, as a member of the Science, Space and Technology Committee, Tonko serves on the Subcommittee on Research and Technology, which has jurisdiction over non-defense federal scientific research and development. He previously served on the Natural Resources Committee, Education and Workforce Committee and the Budget Committee.

Prior to his congressional career, Tonko served in the New York State Assembly from 1983 to 2007 and as president of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. He was a member of Montgomery County's Board of Supervisors from 1976-1983, chairman of Montgomery County's Board of Supervisors in 1981 and a member of the New York State Assembly from 1983-2007.

Tonko is a native of Amsterdam, N.Y., and he earned a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical and Industrial Engineering from Clarkson University.