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To be sure, there are a few high-profile Jewish donors who are part of Trump’s campaign — most notably casino magnate Sheldon Adelson — but others appear to be sitting it out.

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As Crown Heights Changes, A Jewish Landscape Diversifies

Hipsters, Modern Orthodox transplants and a growing progressive wing within Chabad are redefining both sides of Eastern Parkway.

When Aimee Rubensteen was growing up in a Modern Orthodox community in Broward County, Fla., she never thought she would live in Crown Heights.

“I knew of Crown Heights as the Lubavitch center of the world, and to be frank, I have family members in the Chabad community who have no idea why I live here,” she said.

But now, at 26, the neighborhood represents something altogether different: diversity.

“When I moved here I was looking for a Jewish experience that had options,” said Rubensteen, an art curator. “There’s Chabad down the street, there’s another Lubavitch congregation that’s closer to Kingston Avenue, there’s [the Modern Orthodox] Congregation Kol Israel (CKI). Really, in a 10-minute-walk radius for me there are just so many options.”

While chatting at the recently opened Nostrand Avenue storefront of the Jewish nonprofit Repair the World, Rubensteen ticked off the places she’s gone since moving in two years ago: In addition to CKI and Chabad, there’s the inclusive-but-still-Lubavitch Chevra Ahavas Yisroel, the Chabad-house-style Chabad Heights, the Modern Orthodox Prospect Heights Shul, the LGBT Grindr Shabbat, the feminist-but-still-halachically-Orthodox partnership minyan, Kavod, the traditional-but-egalitarian minyan Shir HaMaalot and the home-based, monthly prayer group Mishkan Minyan.

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