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Hi y'all,

Hope you and your families are staying safe and healthy as we go into month 5 of the current pandemic. We encourage you to reach out, giving us feedback on what topics would be helpful to include in these newsletters. Together, we can make a difference!

**1. Mark your calendars with these important dates! You can also find them on the Indivisible TX Lege website**

- **October 5** - Deadline to register to vote for the Nov 3, 2020 election (postmarked by)
- **October 23** - Deadline to request a ballot by mail (received by)
- **October 13 - October 30** - Early voting period
- **November 3** - Election Day AND [Last day to deliver a mail-in ballot to a county clerk's office](#)

**2. Make sure you're registered to vote at your current address**

Take a few minutes and go to your voter registrar/tax assessor-collector's website and double check that your voter registration is active and shows being at your current address. If it's not, register to vote!

**3. Ask 5 friends to check that they are registered voters. If they're not registered to vote, help them get registered!**

With traditional GOTV (get out the vote) methods hampered this year by COVID, it's important to remind people to check their voter registration in different ways. One thing that each of us can do is to reach out to at least 5 people in our circles and make sure they're registered to vote come November. Then ask them to ask 5 more people. Since Texas doesn't allow same-day voting registration; i.e., when you can register to vote at the polling place if there is a problem with your registration status (but they could if the Lege passed it!), Texans need to be registered to vote by October 5 if they want their vote to count in November.

**Say:** (please modify as needed!) "Hey friend! Checking in to make sure you've double checked that you're registered to vote at your current address. You can find out at this site: <https://teamrv-mvp.sos.texas.gov/MVP/mvp.do>. I'm here to help if you have any questions - they sure don't make it easy to figure this stuff out! October 5 is the deadline to register to vote this November. Want to make sure you have plenty of time to get it sorted out so your voice is heard this Fall. It's time to get our state back on track!"

**For more:** [Houston Public Media: Here's How to Register to Vote](#)

#### **4. Call Attorney General Ken Paxton (512-463-2100) and Governor Greg Abbott (512-463-2000) and urge them to take legal action against the recent USPS changes**

While the USPS is a federal organization, its work impacts people in all corners of Texas. If any structural changes are to take place in the postal service, they need to happen in a planned and organized way, AVOIDING the run up to a major election. Several state's Attorneys General are preparing to file suit against the Trump administration's recent cost cutting changes to the USPS, citing concern of negatively impacting mail-in voting. Thousands of Texans from every walk of life and political party could be impacted if there is fear, uncertainty, or inconsistencies in mail-in voting delivery. Call our AG to push the Federal government to preserve USPS, and keep calling the Governor to continue to increase voting access across the state.

**For more:** [Texas Tribune: Mail-in Ballot Delay Concerns](#)

**Say:** "Hi, I'm a constituent of \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm calling today to ask what actions they're taking to ensure there won't be a US Postal Service slow down that impacts mail-in ballot delivery. [If you have a personal story of mail-in voting, tell it here!] Will the AG be taking legal action to help maintain confidence in our mail-in voting system? I know that many older voters in our state rely on mailing in their vote to give them any access at all. Please encourage the Governor to do more to expand access to voting in our state, so Texans can know that their vote counts. My zip code is \_\_\_\_\_."

#### **5. Join a phone bank to help flip targeted Texas State House races**

Indivisible Tx Lege is partnering with [Sister District](#) to flip four Texas State seats. We're having phone banks every other week on Thursdays from 5 - 7 pm. The next phone bank is August 27th, so mark your calendar and RSVP today!

**Sign up:** [Statewide Phonebank](#)

**Share:** with any concerned Texan that you know!

#### **6. Support Candidates, and groups supporting them - volunteer and/or donate!**

The momentum in Texas is moving in a direction away from the status quo, and towards a Texas where we're more engaged, more informed, and more aware of how our state government impacts our lives. Several groups are working to support candidates based on their positions on various topics. We've listed a few, and encourage you to reach out to candidates in your area to understand what they stand for. Make sure that they hear your concerns and ideas about how they can work for a better Texas.

**Donate:** [Climate Cabinet](#) - A group raising funds for challengers of the top 10 "worst on climate" in the State House

**Donate + Volunteer:** [Flip the House's 17<10 Candidates](#) - A consolidated list of candidates for the HD seats that came within 10 points of flipping in 2018

**Volunteer:** [Power Hour for Celina Montoya - TX HD121 in San Antonio](#) - This

Wednesday 10 am CST

**Volunteer:** [Reach Out to Voters who Don't Often get Contacted](#) - Thursdays at 5 pm CST

**Attend:** [Women Will Turn Texas Blue](#) - Saturday, August 22 3pm CST

We'll try to add new groups and opportunities in every email. Please send us content that we're missing, and please feel encouraged to post events and groups on our [facebook group](#)!

Lastly, we're working on getting a youtube channel booted up with useful content to help make it easier to engage in state government here in Texas and understand how it all works. If you have any requests for content, or would like to contribute, please reach out to us by responding to this email!

That's it for this week, ya'll. Let's get the momentum going as we head into November and work to Flip the Texas House!

Much love,  
Marieke  
Indivisible TX Lege

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