

Chatham County Democratic Party News You Can Use October 28, 2024

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Keep Track of NC Election Turnout Statistics

Want to track NC election turnout statistics? Check out this Vote Tracker dashboard developed by Civitas/The John Locke Foundation.

Vote Tracker helps people better understand early "one stop" and absentee-by-mail turnout numbers. The data comes straight from the North Carolina Board of Elections, where it is refreshed each morning during the early voting period with the previous day's data. Vote Tracker's data filter allows you to examine turnout in individual counties or districts and take a closer look at turnout for parts of the electorate with searches based on age, sex, party registration or several other factors.

https://carolinaelections.com/tracker/61 .

Upcoming CCDP-Sponsored Events and Volunteer Opportunities

Canvassing, Canvassing, and More Canvassing (Multiple Dates)

Sign up for one of our upcoming GOTV canvasses!

Siler City -- November 3, 4, 5

https://www.mobilize.us/chathamcountydems/event/711289/

Northeast Chatham – October 29; November 2, 3, 4, 5

https://www.mobilize.us/chathamcountydems/event/713833/

2024 General Election Early Voting Poll Greeting (Multiple Dates)

Poll greeting is one of the most important activities volunteers do. We greet voters at the polls, offer them the Sample Democratic Ballot, encourage them to vote for the candidates on BOTH SIDES of the ballot, and thank them for voting. We also provide a friendly face for folks who may not be entirely comfortable or who may be unsure about the process of voting in person.

Sign up at 2024 General Election Early Voting Poll Greeting Sign Up. After you sign up, Mobilize will send you a confirmation email with a link to download CCDP's 2024 Poll Greeting Guidelines and a link to optional, but highly recommended, Poll Greeters Training Zoom sessions for both new and experienced poll greeters.

Election Day Poll Greeting

Signups are now open for poll greeting volunteers on Election Day, November 5, at each of our 16 precinct voting sites. Here are the Mobilize links for each precinct:

Albright	Silk Hope Ruritan Club
Bonlee	<u>Bonlee Elementary School -</u> Gymnasium
Bynum	Bynum Methodist Community Center (Former Bynum Ruritan Club)
Goldston	Goldston Town Hall

Moncure	<u>Moncure Elementary School -</u> <u>Gymnasium</u>
Hadley	<u>Brown's Chapel Church</u> Fellowship Hall
Crossroads	Harpers Crossroads Community Center
Hickory Mountain	Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church
East Chapel	CCCC Health Science Building
West Chapel	<u>Perry Harrison School</u> <u>Gymnasium</u>
New Hope	Holland Chapel AME Zion Church
West Pittsboro	Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center
East Pittsboro	Northwood High School
East Siler City	National Guard Armory
West Siler City	West Chatham Senior Center
East Williams	New Hope Baptist Church
North Williams	North Chatham Elementary School
West Williams	The Gathering Place

Be a Poll Observer

Interested in being a poll observer on Election Day? This year more than ever CCDP Poll Observers watch for any missteps in the election processes inside each polling place. They've been in use for at least a hundred years as a way to promote election integrity, with the idea that if both parties are watching, it's much harder for either to tamper with the votes. If something goes amiss, poll observers contact a central incident reporting operation.

Poll observers are approved by the Chatham County Board of Elections before they are allowed to be an observer. The Board of Elections requires us to submit name, address, and telephone number, and therefore we must collect that information here.

Names must be submitted to the Board of Elections in advance so sign up will end on Oct 31st. Please sign up for as many shifts as you can before that date.

You must be a registered voter of Chatham County to be a poll observer in Chatham County. Sign up <u>here</u>.

Join Our Phone Banking Team

Now is the time to ramp up enthusiasm and engagement! Early voting is under way! CCDP has a goal of delivering 28,000 votes for all 28 Democratic candidates on the ballot in November. To reach that goal, we are calling registered Democrats and leftleaning Unaffiliated Voters to make sure they know that their vote matters. Please volunteer TODAY - By talking to voters on our call lists, you will help make sure that our side shows up in November.

Sign up at: Join Our Phone Banking Team

CCDP Volunteer Trainings

Volunteer Orientation, November 1 @Zoom

2024 Poll Greeting Training, November 3, 6-7:15 p.m. @Zoom

Volunteer Opportunities in Siler City

Siler City Office Slots: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EA9AC29A1F8C61-51887249-siler#/

Siler City Canvassing: https://www.mobilize.us/chathamcountydems/event/711289/

Siler City Early Voting Poll Greeting: https://www.mobilize.us/chathamcountydems/event/711299/

CCDP Election Night Watch Party, November 5, 6 – 11 p.m., The Plant, Pittsboro

Calling all party animals! Come join your fellow Democrats as we watch the live election results come in! There will be games, prizes, and a cash bar. Participating businesses include bmc Brewing, JDubs Poboys, Lily Den Food Truck, and Fair Game Beverage Company. Sign up at: <u>https://www.mobilize.us/chathamcountydems/event/717429/</u> Want to help with Election Night Watch Party decorations? <u>Sign up</u>.

Election Night Watch Party Helpers are needed! Sign up.

Election Night Watch Party Clean-up Detail Sign up.

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Other Upcoming Events

Board of Elections Business/Absentee Meeting, October 29, 5 p.m., Board of Elections Office, 984 Thompson Street, Suite D, Pittsboro

The Chatham County Board of Elections will hold its business/absentee meeting on October 22, 2024, 5 p.m.

The public may view the meeting online at https://meet.goto.com/924829157.

The Climate Food Puzzle: Why We Must Act Now on Food Waste and Food Insecurity, October 29, 6 to 8 p.m., Pittsboro Presbyterian Church, 95 East Street, Pittsboro

Join us to learn more about the interconnections between climate change, food waste, and food insecurity in Chatham. Hosted by the Chatham Climate Action Network.

NC Democratic Party Voter Protection Training to Chase & Cure Ballots, November 6, 12 - 1 p.m. and 7 - 8 p.m. @Zoom

Please join us for an overview of our Ballot Chase and Cure program. This training will provide volunteers with the information and resources they need to help voters resolve issues currently preventing them from having their ballots counted. This outreach will be essential to ensuring that all eligible voters have their voices heard in the 2024 election.

Sign up at: North Carolina Voter Protection: Chase & Cure Training

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News from the North Carolina Democratic Party

If you are planning to vote by mail-in ballot, be sure you request your Absentee Ballot from your county Board of Elections before the deadline on **Wednesday**, **October 29th at 5 p.m.!** Use **IWILLVOTE.COM** for additional information.

Our digital messages this week are:

- Don't Boo, Vote! Halloween is all about being scary, but there isn't much that's scarier than not having your voice heard in one of our state's and country's most consequential elections. Humanity is on the ballot. Decency is on the ballot. Please don't ghost this election!
- **A New South** Here in the South, we have a lot of regional pride. We will not let the ugly history of the south creep back into the politics of a place we hold so dear to our hearts. We are bringing back what it means to love your neighbor and show up for your community! **We are a new south!**
- Disturbing Don From "Disaster Don" to "Disturbing Don" in just a week's time, it should be no surprise that we are talking about Donald Trump. From his "Project 2025" agenda that calls for cuts to FEMA aid, to suggesting he will use military force if reelected on <u>"the enemy within"</u> to his alleged comment that he needs the <u>"kind of generals that Hitler had".</u> Donald Trump is disturbed, he is dangerous, and he will be a disaster for democracy if he returns to the oval office. Get your friends and family out to vote ASAP!

See y'all on the Internet, Team NCDP

North Carolina Breaks Early Voting Record NEW

1,381,182 ballots have been cast already in North Carolina (as of October 21, 2024)

The North Carolina State Board of Elections announced the first day of the in-person early voting period on Thursday **set a first-day record of 353,166 ballots** accepted at sites statewide, according to preliminary State Board of Elections data.

The early voting numbers topped the previous record for the first day of early voting — 348,559, set in 2020 — by 1.3 percent.

With less than two weeks left in this election, we know that all eyes are on North Carolina and NCDP.

Senator Thom Tillis even told media outlet Semafor: "what we're seeing in North Carolina that we haven't seen for a time, though, is a really well organized ground game by the Democrats."

<u>POLITICO</u> said "of the seven battleground states that will likely decide the presidency, North Carolina might be the sleeper."

The stakes couldn't be higher and in the home stretch we're going to leave it all on the playing field.

This is why NCDP has made it a year-round effort to knock doors, talk to voters in every corner of our state, and draw visibility to our efforts with Chair Clayton appearing on national and local media. We have a chance to pull off a huge victory and flip the state for Kamala Harris, and win crucial seats down ballot to save the future of our state. **Now let's go win this thing.**

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Update from NC Congressman Jeff Jackson

So... how are you?

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Consumer Alert from NC Attorney General Josh Stein

Don't Let Tree Trimmers Trim Your Savings

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Links to Events, Trainings, and Actions by Affiliate Organizations

Common Cause North Carolina and Common Cause

Community Organizing for Racial Equity (CORE)

County-to-County; Volunteer Opportunities, Events, and Petitions Near Me

Democracy North Carolina; Non-Partisan Voter Guides

MegaphoneNC

NC Counts Coalition

Neighbors on Call; Upcoming Events, Canvasses, NC Policy Update.

New North Carolina Project

Red, Wine, and Blue; https://redwine.blue/events/

Swing Left Durham/Chapel Hill/Chatham

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Selected News and Opinion Stories

America, America: Admiring Hitler Is Disqualifying. Period.

American Freakshow: The Junkyard Election

Axios Raleigh: North Carolina: An especially unpredictable swing state

BBC: Why Harris moved from 'joy' to calling Trump a 'fascist'

Cardinal & Pine: <u>Three Mecklenburg County women could be key to breaking the</u> <u>GOP supermajority in the General Assembly</u>

Carolina Public Press: BallotTrax lets 2024 NC voters track their absentee ballot

Chapelboro: <u>Trump Makes More Debunked Claims About FEMA as He Surveys</u> <u>Storm Damage in North Carolina</u>

Charlotte Observer: <u>Tim Moore Claims White House Never Called About Helene</u> <u>Response. But It Did.</u>

Common Cause: Five Things to Know About Voting in North Carolina: Election 2024

Heather Cox Richardson: Letters from an American: <u>October 20</u>, <u>October 21</u>, <u>October 22</u>, <u>October 23</u>, <u>October 24</u>, <u>October 25</u>

Hopium Chronicles: (1) <u>Closing Strong With NV Senator Cortez Masto</u>, (2) <u>Working Hard And Closing Strong</u>, (3) <u>The VP's To Do List</u>, (4) <u>CNN Townhall</u> <u>Tonight at 9pm ET</u>, (5) <u>VP Harris Leads By 3 and 4 In New Polls</u>, (6) <u>VP Harris Up 4</u> <u>in New NBC Poll</u>, <u>The Early Vote is Encouraging</u>, <u>Michelle Obama Just Brings It</u>, <u>Joy Cometh in the Morning!!!</u>

IndyWeek: Why young voters so often vote provisional ballots

Lucid (Ruth Ben-Ghiat): From Mussolini to Trump, Elections are the Autocrat's Enemy

Lucid: Trump Channels Nazism's Aesthetics, Fuhrer Cult, and Violent Worldview

NC Newsline: Poll of Latino voters finds growing support for Harris

New Branchhead: <u>Trump's Secret Weapon is His Deep Understanding of the</u> <u>White Working Class</u>

NY Times (Gift Article): <u>Washington Post Says It Will Stop Endorsing Presidential</u> <u>Candidates</u>

NY Times (Gift Article): <u>Opinion | James Carville: Why I'm Certain Kamala Harris</u> <u>Will Be President</u>

NY Times (Gift Article): <u>Opinion | A Second Trump Administration Would Be a</u> <u>Carnival of Corruption and Greed</u>

NY Times (Gift Article): <u>How a Knack for Provocation Fueled Mark Robinson's</u> <u>Rise</u>

NY Times: The Morning: Threats to voting

NY Times: On Politics: Your guide to the drama-filled race for Senate control

NY Times: On Politics: Will it all come down to Michigan?

NY Times: <u>On Politics: Harris is looking for moderate Republicans to back her.</u> <u>Are they out there?</u>

NY Times: On Politics: Could Polish American voters swing the election?

NY Times: The Evening: A Republican turnabout on early voting

Politico: Freedom Caucus leader endorses radical proposal for North Carolina to hand its electoral votes to Trump

Politico: These Democratic Voters Hiding in Plain Sight Could Be Harris' Ticket to a North Carolina Win

Politico: <u>They lost their homes and possessions. They're showing up to vote in</u> <u>NC</u>

Politico: What the Campaign Feels Like in North Carolina

PoliticsNC: (1) <u>North Carolina early vote update</u>, (2) <u>The liars tour of western</u> <u>North Carolina</u>, (3) <u>North Carolina's Black turnout is way down</u> Popular Information: <u>Republican legislators in North Carolina demand</u> investigation of judge for mentioning reproductive rights

ProPublica: Behind Christian Nationalism's Influence on the 2024 Election

Public Notice: (1) <u>Trump has been accused of sexual assault again. It matters.</u>, (2) <u>How the hell is this even close?</u>

The Assembly: Trump and Harris Fight It Out Street By Street

The Assembly: Dan Bishop's Law & Order

The Assembly: A Professor Walks Into a Storm

The Assembly: Don Davis Tries to Hold on in the Northeast

The Atlantic: Trump: 'I Need the Kind of Generals That Hitler Had'

The Bulwark: (1) <u>The Guardrails Are Already Crumpling</u>, (2) <u>The Washington Post</u> <u>Bends the Knee to Trump</u>, (3) <u>Here's What's in the Republican Election-</u> <u>Interference Game Plan</u>

The Message Box: The Case for Optimism for Kamala Harris

Time: Beyoncé Joins Harris For Huge, Electric Rally in Texas

Washington Post (Gift Article): <u>See how your neighborhood is giving to Harris</u> and <u>Trump</u>

Washington Post: The Campaign Moment

WRAL: Election fraud or human error? Election officials say it's usually the latter

WRAL: <u>Right-wing political activists call for NC lawmakers to decide 2024</u> presidential election results after Hurricane Helene's impact

WRAL: <u>NC Supreme Court Ruling Could Shake Up Multibillion-Dollar Hospital</u> <u>Industry</u>

WUNC: What happens if voters and elections in North Carolina are challenged?

Yale Program on Climate Change Communication: <u>YPCCC's Resources on</u> <u>Climate in the 2024 U.S. General Election</u>