



**Chatham County Democratic Party
News You Can Use
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Upcoming CCDP-Sponsored Events and Volunteer Opportunities

Upcoming Canvasses

Three canvasses are currently planned throughout Chatham County before the end of August! For more information and to sign up, go to: [Volunteer Opportunities, Events, and Petitions Near Me](#) .

CCDP Volunteer Trainings

[Canvassing Orientation and Training](#), August 7, August 13, August 21, @Zoom

[Volunteer Orientation](#), August 9, 16, 23, 30 @Zoom

[Join Our Office Crew](#), August 21, Community Engagement Center, Pittsboro

[Staffing Tent Events](#), August 24, Community Engagement Center, Pittsboro

Donate to the CCDP School Supply and Book Drive! And we're looking for Spanish-speaking volunteers.

We're sparking some love for our children in Siler City with a school supply and book give-away. Here's the link to the [Self-Shopper School Supply/Book List and Drop Off Instructions](#).

The give-away event is Saturday, 8/10 @ 10am - noon. (The rain date is 8/17.) Anyone is welcome to join us, but we're really looking for people who speak Spanish. Anyone interested should contact the team lead for the book/school supply drive, Janet Scroggs (janet.scroggs@yahoo.com).

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Other Upcoming Events

Community Discussion: Chatham County 2050, August 15, 3 p.m., Chatham Rabbit, Siler City

Chatham County has surpassed 80,000 residents. We will rapidly exceed 100,000 as approved economic and residential development plans are completed across the county. This event asks residents to engage in structured discussion with each other to jointly envision the high quality of life we want for Chatham County in 2050. Here's some background to consider:

- Since 2017, Plan Chatham's strategic vision includes diverse goals like these: foster a healthy community, preserve Chatham's rural character, provide infrastructure for economic development and compact growth in cities and dense areas, ensure equitable housing and education, and conserve natural resources.
- The county's Unified Development Ordinance is nearing completion, TriRiver Water will serve growth needs in Siler City, and Pittsboro is seeking satellite annexation authority to better manage growth and environmental issues.
- The conversation occurs as communities nationwide consider ways to reduce social and economic poverty, bridge urban-rural differences (many perceived), and build resilient communities.

Please bring your ideas, curiosity and positivity for an uplifting discussion. Mayor Matthews and Commissioner Delaney are confirmed participants. Seating is limited.

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News from the North Carolina Democratic Party

Excitement and momentum grow for Kamala Harris with record fundraising and growing support

When Vice President Harris entered the race on July 21st, and our North Carolina DNC delegation [made national news](#) by becoming the first battleground state to have their delegates unanimously support her bid for President, this race has entered a different stratosphere with record-breaking fundraising and a newfound excitement that we haven't seen since President Obama's 2008 campaign.

In the first 24 hours Kamala Harris raised \$81 million, breaking the record for the highest 24-hour fundraising haul of any presidential candidate in history.

The campaign said it brought in more than 888,000 contributions from individual grassroots donors, 60 percent of whom had not donated before in the 2024 cycle. Vice President Harris raised over \$200 Million in less than a week, with two-thirds coming from first-time donors.

Over 170,000 new volunteers joined Team Harris since the announcement.

The past week also saw virtual events like **"Win With Black Women" raise \$1.5 million** in three hours, **"White Women: Answer the Call" raised over \$11 million**, and **"White Dudes for Harris" call raised more than \$4 million**. The way the calls came together quickly and raised millions caught the attention of both voters and reporters with CNN's Abby Phillip saying "zoom calls raising more money than fundraising events is one of the most fascinating stories of the last few weeks." **"White Women: Answer the Call" reportedly broke the record for the highest attendance of any Zoom call, with a reported 200,000 attendees.**

On top of the record-breaking fundraising, **a new poll shows Harris has gained ground against Trump in six of the seven swing states since Joe Biden dropped out of the presidential race.** Conducted on July 24-28, the Bloomberg News/Morning Consult poll of registered voters shows Harris leading Trump in Arizona, Wisconsin and Nevada, with a two-point advantage in each, and **leading in Michigan by 11 percentage points.**

There were 10,000 fired-up supporters in the crowd at her Tuesday night Atlanta rally – the campaign's largest rally to date

In North Carolina alone there were 7,000 online sign-ups to volunteer for the campaign which was a 3000% increase from the previous week.

Nearly 50 percent of volunteers who signed up this week are new to the campaign.

Next week, Kamala Harris and her VP pick will be coming to Raleigh!

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District 20 Updates from State Senator Natalie Murdock (Highlights)

Unclaimed Property

Unclaimed property consists of bank accounts, wages, utility deposits, insurance policy proceeds, stocks, bonds, and contents of safe deposit boxes that typically have been abandoned for one to five years. Funds become unclaimed because the company loses track of the consumer, due to an incorrect address or other missing information.

By law, these funds are escheated, or turned over, to the Department of State Treasurer for safekeeping. As new funds are added, the NC Cash database is updated, which means that your name could be listed right now. Check

Bill Action Snapshot 7/29-8/2

Veto Overridden:

- HB 115: Titles for Off-Road Veh./Low Speed Veh. Insp.
- HB 556: Tenancy in Com./E-Notary/Small Claims Changes
- HB 690: No Central Bank Digital Currency Pmts to State.

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Update from NC Congressman Jeff Jackson, July 31, 2024

[The Great Vibe Reversal](#)

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North Carolina Department of Justice Alert

[Attorney General Josh Stein Alert: Steer Clear of Attorney General Impersonators](#)

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Links to Events, Trainings, and Actions by Affiliate Organizations

[Common Cause North Carolina](#)

[Community Organizing for Racial Equity \(CORE\)](#)

[County-to-County; Volunteer Opportunities, Events, and Petitions Near Me](#)

[Democracy North Carolina](#)

[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: [The Power of Plain Talk](#)

America, America: [Why Not Decency and Compassion?](#)

AP News: [A North Carolina Republican who mocked women for abortions runs ad with his wife's own story](#)

Associated Press: [A North Carolina Republican Who Mocked Women for Abortions Runs Ad With His Wife's Own Story](#)

Cardinal & Pine: [2024 election is a battle for the 'soul of public education'](#)

Cardinal & Pine: ['There is no enthusiasm gap anymore': Kamala Harris energizes North Carolina Democrats](#)

Carolina Forward: [A tax policy to put working people first](#)

Carolina Forward: [Analysis: The Robinsons' Very Unpleasant Fall](#)

Chapelboro: [Does Harris' Candidacy Have 'The Potential To Really Reshape the Race'? Local Pollster Shares Data](#)

Chapelboro: [North Carolina Regulators Say Nonprofit Run by Lieutenant Governor's Wife Owes the State \\$132K](#)

Heather Cox Richardson: Letters from an American: [July 28](#) , [July 29](#) , [July 30](#) , [July 31](#) , [August 1](#)

Hopium Chronicles: (1) [Harris Opens Up A Modest Polling Lead, Winning The House With Josh Riley \(NY-19\), Trump Is A Weak Man Not A Strong Man](#) (2) [Why I'm Optimistic About November \(Video\), We've Beaten Inflation and Achieved A Soft Landing, Biden's Historic Presidency](#) (3) [Winning The House w/Rudy Salas \(CA-22\), Good Week Of Polling For Harris, Trump Is The Ugliest Thing We've All Ever Seen](#) , (4) [VP Harris Is Just Bringing It, Encouraging Polls, New Harris Border Video, The Ugliness of Trump-Vance](#) , (5) ["Fearless" - A New Harris Ad, Reforming The Supreme Court, America Is Far Better Off Today](#) , (6) [Vice President Harris Leads, The Democratic Party Is Strong – Let's Put Our Heads Down and Go Win This Thing, Together](#)

Inside Climate News: [Harris Grabs Green New Deal Network Endorsement That Eluded Biden](#)

Lucid: ["You'll never Have to Vote Again": Autocrats like Trump and Maduro Want You to Lose Faith in Elections](#)

NC Newsline: [Kamala Harris sparks excitement for Asian Americans in North Carolina](#)

NC Newsline: [NC House overrides three gubernatorial vetoes](#)

NC Newsline: [Harris Campaign Launches GOP Outreach Effort, Led by Former NC Justice Bob Orr](#)

New Branchhead: [Why I'm Bullish on Josh Stein - by Alexander H. Jones](#)

NPR: [Why Harris is talking about her history as a prosecutor](#)

NY Times: (1) [On Politics: The veepstakes \(Pennsylvania's version\)](#) (2) [On Politics: The two weeks that changed Kamala Harris's vice presidency](#) (3) [On Politics: When it comes to Trump, Harris tries lightening up](#) , (4) [On Politics: Why 2024 is so San Francisco](#) , (5) [On Politics: The Republicans who want to Make America Have Babies Again](#)

NY Times: [The Morning: Who is voting for Harris?](#)

People For the American Way: [Is Project 2025 Real?](#)

Politico: [David Plouffe joins Harris campaign, one of several new senior advisers](#)

Politico: [Playbook: Harris sprints out of the gates](#)

Politics NC: [Cooper made the best choice for him and North Carolina](#)

Politics NC: [A vibe election](#)

Politics NC: [North Carolina's weird Republicans](#)

Politics NC: [Don't sleep on North Carolina](#)

Public Notice: [Why Tim Walz's progressive support is great for Democrats](#)

The Bulwark: [Trump Just Had His Worst Week—Ever](#)

The Guardian: [Surge in Democratic enthusiasm raises hopes of winning swing states](#)

Washington Post: [The Campaign Moment](#)

Washington Post (Gift Article): [In Two Weeks, Harris's Campaign Has Reset the Electoral Map](#)

WRAL: [Feds approve NC plan to forgive medical debt for some families](#)

WRAL: [School choice advocates push NC lawmakers to boost voucher funding](#)

WUNC: [The biggest spenders in NC politics](#)