



CA-41 Information Library

Will Rollins for CA-41



Will is a former federal prosecutor who focused on counterterrorism and counterintelligence cases in Southern California. He's from a family of Republicans and Democrats and is running for Congress because the attack on the U.S. Capitol underscored America's need for a new generation of leaders to end toxic divisions that threaten our democracy and prevent us from solving problems together.

One liner for phones / doors: Will is a former Counterterrorism Prosecutor fighting to guarantee the freedom to choose and standing up for democracy by fighting corruption, extremism, and rising costs

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Candidate Primer: Will Rollins

Will Rollins is the Democratic candidate running in California's 41st Congressional District.

BACKGROUND

- Will is a former federal prosecutor who focused on counterterrorism and counterintelligence cases in Southern California.
- He began tackling injustice as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, protecting the public from white-collar criminals, including a Ponzi scheme organizer who defrauded dozens of seniors out of their retirement savings, as well as a corrupt physician who sold opiates for cash. Will later prosecuted an electrical engineer for conspiring to send microchips with missile guidance applications to China, Iranian nationals for violating U.S. sanctions on Tehran, a reported QAnon follower for an attack at the Port of Los Angeles, and some of the insurrectionists who attacked the US Capitol on January 6th.
- Will came of age at a time when being gay was literally a crime in some states. Will and his partner Paolo know that government-sponsored discrimination has lasting effects on all Americans, our economy, and our national security.

WILL ROLLINS ON THE ISSUES

LOWERING TAXES AND COSTS ON WORKING FAMILIES

- Tax relief for middle and working class families and small business by reforming our tax structure to ensure that the wealthiest individuals and large corporations pay their fair share of taxes
- An end to the price-gouging inflicted on average Americans by massive corporate monopolies, and a stronger antitrust division at DOJ; action to combat inflation and economic pressures resulting from the pandemic and breakdowns in supply chains
- Elimination of incentives corporations use to outsource jobs and profits overseas, and ensure that they pay the same tax rate on their offshore profits as they pay on U.S. profits; an increase in the federal minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$15 an hour, including indexing to parity for tipped workers; Legislation to require an employer contribution to employees' 401(k) accounts.
- Will Rollins is endorsed by: Inland Empire Labor Council, AFL-CIO; California Labor Federation; Communication Workers of America; International Union of Operating Engineers – Local 12; Office & Professional Employees International Union; Association of Flight Attendants; SEIU California; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 400; Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO; and SW Regional Carpenters.

Meanwhile, [Corrupt](#) Ken Calvert voted **AGAINST** the *Inflation Reduction Act*.

EXPANDING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE

- Expand access to affordable, quality health insurance through the Affordable Care Act; lower the Medicare eligibility age and allow Medicare to negotiate with drug companies to lower drug costs
- Prioritize people over price-gouging insurance corporations

- Support efforts to strengthen and expand Medicaid home- and community-based services in order to help seniors and others in need of long-term care services remain in their homes and communities.
Meanwhile, [Corrupt Ken Calvert](#) has consistently made decisions that increased our health insurance premiums in California, and in 2017, he voted to weaken protections for Americans with pre-existing health conditions. He has opposed legislation that would lower the cost of insulin used to treat people with diabetes.

PROTECTING ABORTION RIGHTS

- We must work together to protect everyone’s freedom to control their own bodies – that means Democrats fighting for every House seat we can, and picking up a handful of U.S. Senate seats in November. In the meantime:
 - House Democrats took decisive action to codify Roe and the right to an abortion by passing the Women’s Health Protection Act (WHPA). We must continue to pressure the Senate to end the filibuster and pass the WHPA as soon as possible.
 - The federal government must ensure access to medication abortion, the most common method of abortion, and which already has FDA approval.
 - The FDA must take immediate steps to loosen constraints on medication abortion that experts already agree are unnecessary.
 - The Department of Justice must protect the rights of people who travel across states to access abortions, ensuring they are not criminally prosecuted upon returning to home states where services are prohibited.
Meanwhile, [Corrupt Ken Calvert](#) supported the court’s overturn of Roe, believes rapists should be able to sue doctors who provide abortions to victims of incest, and voted against bipartisan legislation to make it illegal to barricade abortion clinics.

Will Rollins is endorsed by Planned Parenthood Action Fund; NARAL Pro-Choice America; and CA-NOW.

Keeping our kids and our communities safe from gun violence

The truth is that gun safety laws don’t infringe on the rights of law-abiding folks, but they do help reduce gun violence. That’s why I’m ready to enact the changes that the vast majority of Americans demand immediately, including:

- Basic violent history checks for all firearm purchases; federal red flag laws, which would enable federal law enforcement agencies to keep guns away from people who threaten to commit mass shootings and other acts of violence;
- Safe gun storage rules, for the owner’s protection and the safety of any children in the home; bans on large-capacity magazines; and raising the minimum age for certain gun purchases to 21.
Meanwhile, [Corrupt Ken Calvert](#) is funded by the gun lobby, having received more NRA campaign money than any other California congressperson from 1998 to 2016.

Addressing crime

- As a federal prosecutor, Will took on MS-13 and the Sinaloa cartel. He prosecuted gang shootings, child predators, and kidnapping cases. He fought against opioid abuse and corruption by taking on fentanyl and heroin dealers whose drugs killed a young victim, and prosecuted a doctor taking bribes to prescribe pain killers.
Meanwhile, just last year, [Corrupt Ken Calvert](#) voted against hundreds of millions of dollars in police funding across California, including for cities like Palm Springs and Indio.

Building new water projects

- In Riverside County, and throughout California, a record drought is straining our water supply. Record hot temperatures put many people at risk, especially those working outdoors and without access to cooling. The impact of climate change will increasingly affect tourism, construction, agriculture, and other sectors of our economy. This is why I support taking bold and decisive action on climate change.

Meanwhile, [Corrupt](#) Ken Calvert has consistently voted against climate change and environmental protection legislation. He's even suggested that climate change is a hoax. We need a representative in Congress who isn't funded by the oil and gas industry and is willing to protect our planet.

Fixing our immigration system

- We need comprehensive immigration reform that will secure our country's borders, create a modern immigration system that reflects American values, provide a pathway to citizenship for qualified immigrants, and support the labor needs of businesses in Riverside County and the U.S.
- The United States should reform its broken immigration system by focusing on temporary work permits, payment of taxes, securing the border, and a just and legal path to citizenship for DREAMers and so many others who are contributing to our communities, our economy, and our country.

Meanwhile, [Corrupt](#) Ken Calvert has had 30 years in Congress to fix the broken immigration system. Sadly, he would rather spew anti-immigrant rhetoric than come up with long-term solutions.

Stepping Up for Veterans & Servicemembers

- In Riverside County, the rate of veterans who have diabetes, heart disease, and high blood pressure is considerably higher than the general population, and almost 1 in 3 veterans under the age of 40 are unemployed. We need to help get veterans onto insurance plans and create additional tax incentives for employers to hire veterans who've given the country so much only to come home without a job.

Meanwhile, [Corrupt](#) Ken Calvert voted AGAINST the PACT Act, which would have secured funding for veterans exposed to toxic chemicals. In the 117th Congress, Calvert attacked the right of servicemembers to access abortion and veterans' rights to birth control coverage. Calvert has a staunch anti-LGBTQ record, which includes voting against the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell and backing Trump's ban on transgender servicemembers.

CHAMPIONING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

- Powerful special interest groups with unlimited amounts of money are undermining our democracy. Americans are tired of the partisan dysfunction and the corrupting influence of money in politics. I am refusing corporate PAC money in this campaign, instead I am building a campaign powered by people, and I look forward to fighting for real campaign finance reform in Congress.

Meanwhile, five time "most corrupt member of congress" Ken Calvert raked in thousands of dollars from the oil and gas industries and the NRA. No wonder Calvert voted against the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act of 2022 – the first major gun violence prevention act signed into law in decades. He also voted against

legislation that regulated online campaign ads and foreign involvement in elections – important safeguards for protecting the integrity of our elections.

[VIEW WILL'S FULL ISSUES PAGE HERE](#)



Corrupt Ken Calvert on the Issues

For details on his stances, please view the talking points below

Issue / Legislation	Stance
Supports gun violence prevention legislation?	AGAINST
Overturing 2020 Election Results	SUPPORT
Reproductive Rights/Abortion Access	OPPOSE
Raising the federal minimum wage	OPPOSE
Takes money from the NRA?	YES
Protecting Voting Rights	OPPOSE
Affordable Healthcare	OPPOSE

Abortion

- Calvert received a 100% rating from The California Pro-Life Council
- Calvert received a 100% rating from National Right to Life
- Calvert received a 100% rating from Susan B Anthony List (a leading political anti-abortion group)
- Calvert received a 0% rating from Planned Parenthood
- Calvert voted no on the Right to Contraception
- Calvert voted no on the Woman's Health Protection Act of 2022
- Calvert voted no on the Equal Access to Contraception for Veterans Act
- Calvert was a co-sponsor on the Defund Planned Parenthood Act of 2015

Climate Change

- Calvert received a 100% rating from the Independent Petroleum Association of America.
- Calvert received a 100% rating from the National Mining Association.
- Calvert voted no on a bill that would bring Transformative Climate, Jobs, and Justice Investments.
- Calvert wants to slash EPA funding.
- Calvert received a 7% rating from the League of Conservation Voters.

Health Care

- Calvert voted against a bill funding to Combat AIDS, Malaria, and Tuberculosis
- Calvert voted against the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007 (CHIP).
- Calvert voted no on the Affordable Insulin Now Act
- Calvert voted no on the Lower Drug Costs Now Act of 2019

Gun Violence

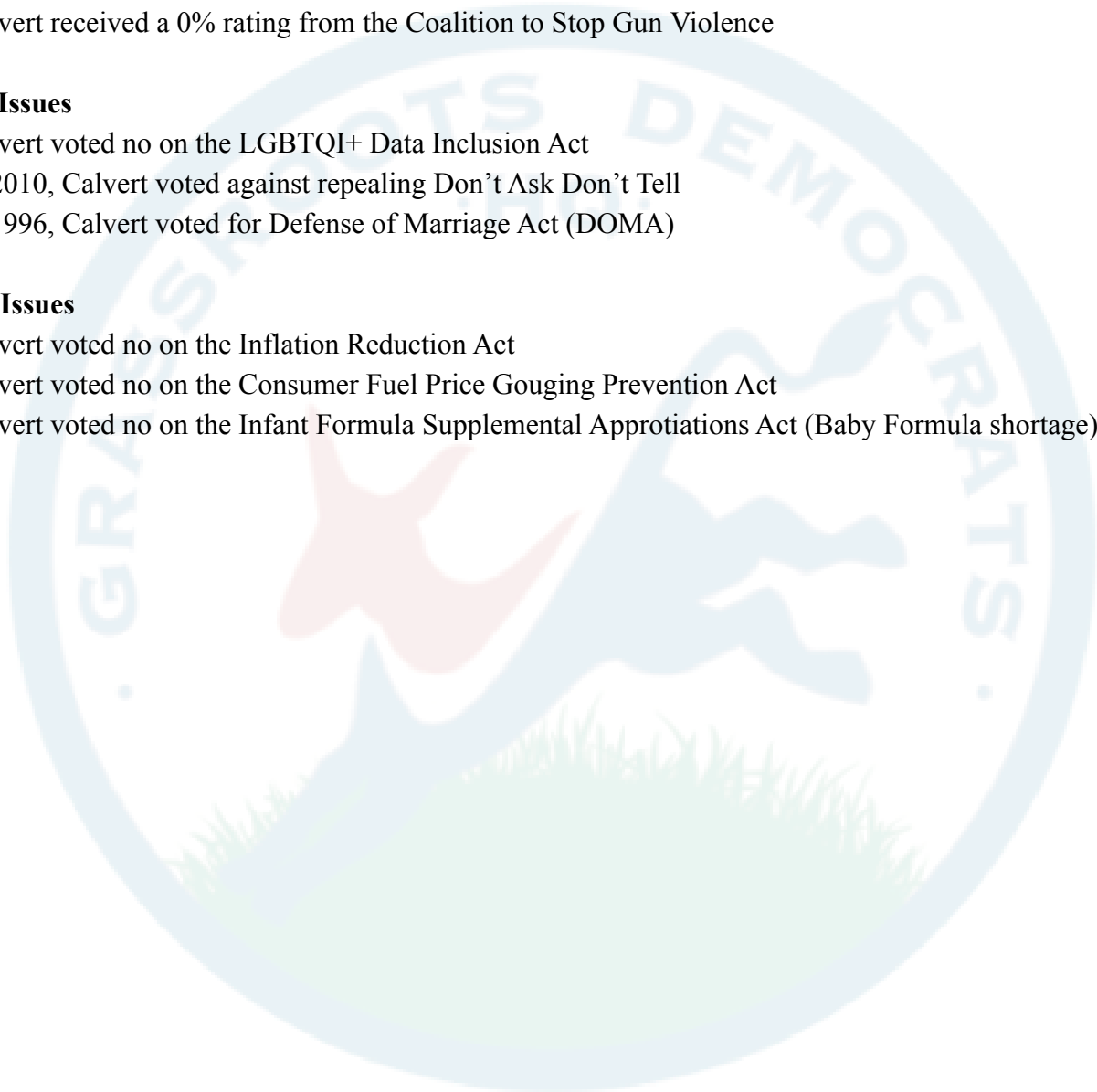
- Calvert voted no on the Protecting Our Kids Act
- Calvert voted no on the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act
- Calvert voted no on the Assault Weapons Ban of 2022
- Calvert voted no on the Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2021
- Calvert received an 92% rating from the NRA
- Calvert received a 0% rating from the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence

LGBTQ+ Issues

- Calvert voted no on the LGBTQI+ Data Inclusion Act
- In 2010, Calvert voted against repealing Don't Ask Don't Tell
- In 1996, Calvert voted for Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA)

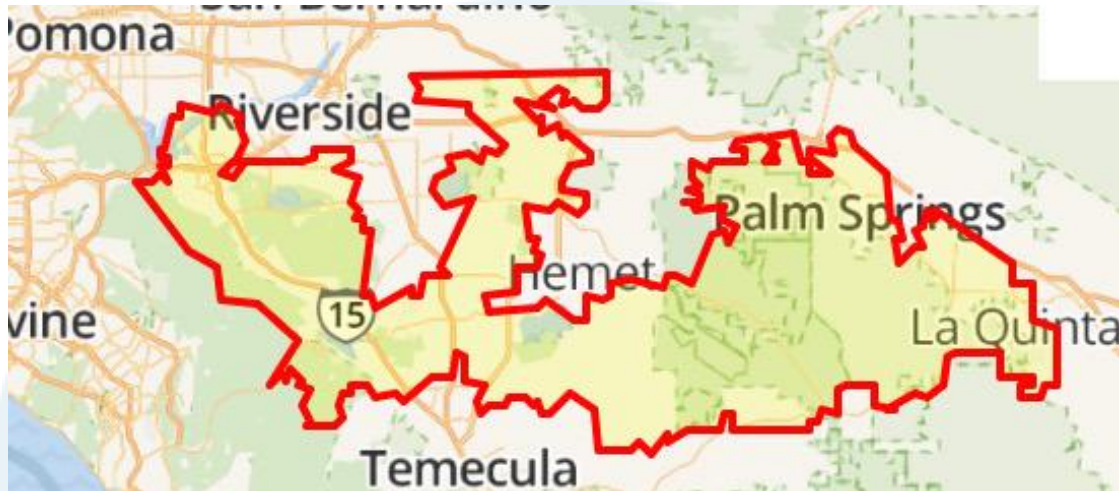
Economic Issues

- Calvert voted no on the Inflation Reduction Act
- Calvert voted no on the Consumer Fuel Price Gouging Prevention Act
- Calvert voted no on the Infant Formula Supplemental Appropriations Act (Baby Formula shortage)



CA-41 District Primer

DISTRICT MAP



District Demographics:

Asian CVAP 7.2%
Black CVAP 5.5%
Latino CVAP 29.7%
White CVAP 55.8%

PVI/Rating Post Redistricting

Cook Political Report: **Lean Republican**

538 Rating: **R +8**

Rating: **Lean Republican**

Electoral History

2020- **Calvert 57.1%**, O'Mara 42.9%

2018- **Calvert 56.5%**, Peacock- 43.5%

Election Process FAQs

When is Election Day

November 8, 2022 - General Election

When are ballots being mailed out?

General election - October 10th

How can I find my polling place?

You can find your polling place information, including address and hours, by visiting www.vote.org.

When does early voting take place?

Primary Election: October 24- November 8

When is the deadline to register to vote in the elections?

The last day to register to vote for the November 8, 2022, General Election is **October 24, 2022**.

Can I register to vote online?

Yes. You can register to vote online at <https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration>

Can I register to vote on Election Day?

YES! If you opt for same day voter registration, you will be given a provisional ballot to fill out. However, we recommend that folks register to vote as soon as possible.

If you are registering or re-registering less than 15 days before an election you will need to complete the [Same-Day Voter Registration](#) process and request your ballot in person at your county elections office or polling location.

For more information on voter registration and voting locations, contact your [local county elections official](#).

How Can I Turn In My Vote-By-Mail Ballot?

1. **MAIL:** Must be postmarked by **Election Day**

Mail your ballot at any U.S. Postal Service mailbox or post office (if mailed on Election Day, make sure another collection is scheduled).

No stamp is needed. You must sign and date the outside of the ballot envelope. Do not mail your ballot after Election Day

2. **BALLOT DROP BOX:** Check the County Voter Information Guide mailed to you or visit “Early Voting Locations” at Vote.CA.gov. Voters can also visit the website of their County Registrar of Voters

3. **VOTE CENTERS:** Vote centers are available in select counties only. Visit the “Early Voting Locations” at Vote.CA.gov.

4. **TRACK YOUR BALLOT:** Sign up for BallotTrax to see where your ballot is - and its status - every step of the way! Visit WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov

How can I check my voter registration status?

Check your voter registration status: <https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov>

Do I need to bring an ID to my polling place to vote?

In most cases, you do NOT need to show a photo ID to vote in California. Poll workers may ask to see ID if your voter registration application did not include either your driver's license number, CA ID number, or the last 4 digits of your social security number.

Can I pre-register to vote?

Online pre-registration is available for eligible 16 and 17 year olds by visiting registertovote.ca.gov. California youth who pre-register to vote will have their registration become active once they turn 18 years old.

The new online pre-registration applies to California youth who are 16 or 17 and meet the following criteria:

- A United States citizen and a resident of California,
- Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court (for more information, please see [Voting Rights: Persons Subject to Conservatorship](#)).

Can I vote if I have past felony convictions?

Yes! But you must re-register after serving your sentence. People with past criminal convictions are eligible to vote as long as they are not currently serving a state or federal prison term.

<https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/voting-california/who-can-vote-california/voting-rights-californians>

Can I vote early or vote by mail?

Yes! Every voter will be mailed a ballot, and early vote centers will run from October 10 - November 7. All California active registered voters will receive a vote-by-mail ballot for the November 8, 2022 General Election.

What if I requested or received a ballot-by-mail but I want to vote in-person?

You can still walk up to a vote center in-person and vote, or you can fill out your mail-in ballot and drop it off at a polling place yourself.

Can someone else turn in my ballot for me?

Yes, but they must fill out the ballot envelope correctly. The ballot envelope will have a section where you can sign off your ballot to the designated person, and you both must fill it out correctly.

What if I lost or damaged my ballot?

If you failed to receive your vote-by-mail ballot or you have lost or destroyed your original ballot, contact your county elections official in order to be sent a second vote-by-mail ballot.

If you failed to receive your vote-by-mail ballot or you have lost or destroyed your original vote-by-mail ballot, and you are unable to vote in person at the polls, [you may apply in writing for a late vote-by-mail ballot](#). This application will need to be provided in person to the county elections official by you or your representative.

- Fill out the application: <https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/vote-by-mail/pdf/late-vote-by-mail-application.pdf>

Once you mark your ballot, fill out and sign the return envelope, you can personally or through your authorized representative, submit your ballot either to your elections official or any polling place within your jurisdiction.

How do I check the status of my ballot-by-mail?

Voters can sign up for BallotTrax to receive notifications about where their ballot is. Sign up here: <https://california.ballottrax.net/voter/>

Phone Bank Hours:

- 10am - 8:00pm PDT Weekday and Weekends

Is phone banking really valuable?

- YES!
- When someone is reminded to go vote they are more likely to do so.
- The best way to get a voter out to the polls is canvassing and door knocking so whenever a volunteer can participate in canvassing that is of course the most valuable. By making calls, you are freeing up local volunteers to canvass instead.

Do I leave a message?

- Do not leave a message unless the specific campaign you are working on provides you with instructions to do so. When you indicate “Not Home” the call will be saved and given to another caller in the future. If you are unsure, ask!

Should I be concerned my list includes households that are Republicans or Undecided? Does the Campaign know about this? Am I hurting the process by calling them?

- There are no perfect lists.
- Campaigns are always “scrubbing” lists – which means cleaning it up. We may receive a list that is more or less scrubbed and we are helping to clean it up for the future. When we mark that someone is “strongly for the opponent” or “refused” the Campaign removes that name from future phone banks.
- The campaigns know exactly what list we are getting and it is our job as volunteers to trust that they are picking the appropriate “universe” of households to call and matching that to the script they have given us.

Where did you get this number? Why are you contacting me?

Explain that that number is from the public voter file.

- You are trying to answer any questions they might have about the election.

- This is not telemarketing. Volunteers are individually contacting voters to see if they have any questions about the election. If the voter would prefer to be opted off our list, you would be happy to do so.

Should I call the Campaign and let them know there is a better list out there or that they should change their script?

- Campaigns have a campaign strategy and we are here to support that strategy.

I hate how few people I reach, why doesn't a particular campaign use an auto dialer system so my time as a volunteer is better utilized reaching more people.

- A 10% hit rate on a phone bank is outstanding.
- The data from Auto-dialer systems is inaccurate and misleads campaigns into contacting the wrong people.
- By law, auto-dialers cannot call cell phones.

What to do I say when someone complains they have already been called several times?

- As we get later into the election cycle people may say they have been called many times. This is in part because there are many different groups calling and, by law, many are not allowed to coordinate with each other. Simply apologize, let the voter know this is an important election and many groups are doing their best to keep the community informed. Assure the voter the results of this call will make it back to the campaign to help win the election and the organization you are calling from is working with the campaign. (One reason Code Blue works so closely with campaigns is to minimize this kind of multiple calling.)

What to do I say if someone asks if I am calling from out of district or out of state?

- Be honest - never lie.
- Although you don't introduce yourself as being from out of the district, be prepared with an honest answer as to why you are volunteering. Find an issue or something about the election or candidate that compels you to be involved. Make your reasons campaign specific not just because you dislike Trump or you want to flip the House, although that is part of why we do our work voters are interested in their own community, be sure you show you care and understand where they are coming from.
 - People *in district* often forget that House races are federal—i.e., the laws this office writes will affect people outside of the district and in fact around the country.
- Mark as “No,” you did not speak to them, “Wrong Number” as why. Sometimes it might be a good opportunity to speak with someone who may be a good voter that is not on our list and you can let them know about the campaign. Otherwise you can move on to the next call.
 - Marking them as wrong number will take them off our list

Tips

- “Smile while you dial” is a real thing. Research has shown that if you are passionate and smile when talking to voters on the phone they will be more likely to respond to you.
- Be courteous
- Don't take anything personally
- If you are getting dispirited, think about the aggregate impact. If you call fifty voters and reach 5, and ten other volunteers do the same, that's fifty voters!

- Remember that what you are doing is helpful and important - it really is!

