

# Template for Reaching Out to Those Who Regret Their Vote

# Introduction

As the consequences of past elections continue to unfold, many people who voted for Trump are now feeling regret. Whether it's the erosion of democratic norms, attacks on fundamental rights, economic instability, or the spread of misinformation, some are starting to realize that their vote contributed to this reality.

Regret alone isn't enough—action is needed. If you know someone who is struggling with their choice, this letter can serve as a starting point to encourage them to take meaningful steps toward fixing the damage.

This template offers a strong yet constructive way to reach out, holding them accountable while providing clear, actionable steps they can take.

# **Suggested Outreach Letter**

Subject: It's Time to Step Up

Dear [Friend's Name],

I'm reaching out because we need to have a real conversation. If you voted for Trump and are now seeing the damage done—to our democracy, to basic rights, to the economy, to our standing in the world—then it's time to do something about it.

It's not enough to say, "I regret my vote." Regret doesn't fix this. **Action does.** If you helped create this mess, you have a responsibility to help clean it up.

What You Can—and Should—Do Right Now

### 1. Stop Supporting the Lies.

Trump and his allies have thrived on disinformation. Challenge false narratives when you see them, especially from people who still buy into the propaganda. Call it out. Correct it. Stop letting lies spread unchecked.

#### 2. Vote for Competence and Integrity.

We can't afford another round of chaos and corruption. That means voting in every election—local, state, and national—for people who believe in democracy, not dictatorship.

## 3. Speak Up—Loudly.

If you know people still supporting Trump or excusing what's happened, you need to be the one to push back. If you've changed your mind, let them know why. It might make them rethink things, too.

## 4. Support Organizations Fighting the Damage.

Whether it's groups protecting voting rights, reproductive freedom, climate action, or democracy itself, start donating, volunteering, or at least spreading awareness.

#### 5. Hold Yourself Accountable.

It's easy to say, "Well, I didn't know" or "I thought it would be different." But now you do know. And if you don't do anything now, that's a choice. The damage is ongoing, and it will get worse unless more people take a stand.

## **Final Thoughts**

This isn't about shaming you—it's about making things right. You have power. You have influence. You have a duty to use both.

So, what are you going to do?

[Your Name]

# **How to Use This Template**

• **Customize it**: Adjust the tone and wording to fit your relationship with the recipient. Some may respond better to a gentler approach, while others need a more direct challenge.

- **Make it personal**: If there are specific issues that resonate with the person (e.g., reproductive rights, economic struggles, election integrity), emphasize those to make the message hit home.
- **Share it widely**: If you're comfortable, post this publicly or send it to multiple people to encourage action. The more who take a stand, the stronger the impact.

# **Why This Matters**

There's no undoing the past, but there is a responsibility to do better moving forward. Silence allows bad actors to keep control. The more people who step up, speak out, and take action, the better chance we have at repairing the damage.

Encourage those who now see the truth to do something about it.