PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN QUICK GUIDE



The office of precinct committeeman ("PC") has been has been called "the most powerful office in the world" because the PC is the closest political officeholder to the registered voter. PCs are the most important elected officials in the Republican Party, simply because they are the party workers at the grassroots level. PCs serve as year round campaign volunteers, canvass, deliver campaign literature, gain access to, and hold the respect from Republican elected officials. PCs listen, and work with the public to learn about their needs and interests, act on their behalf with elected officials, and urge them to become involved. The Republican Party looks a lot more like you, with grassroots leaders like you in it!

Step 1 - Get Started

- <u>Verify your Legislative District and Precinct</u> and print a <u>map of your Precinct</u>
- Identify any vacancies in your Precinct. Contact the chairman of your district, or <u>download</u> the most recent list of PCs from the County Recorder's Office
- Download and complete the <u>Precinct Committeeman Appointment Form</u> before May 2022. Currently,
 PCs can be appointed by the <u>Legislative District Chairman</u>. Once signed by your Chairman, the form is
 submitted to the Recorder's office, but you can get started RIGHT AWAY.
- Get connected with your Precinct Captain.
- Download the Precinct Committeeman Handbook

Step 2 - Attend Your Legislative District Monthly Meeting

- Each <u>Legislative District</u> holds a monthly meeting for Precinct Committeeman to attend.
- Contact your chairman for information on the next meeting and attend.

Step 3 - Sign up for the RTS System

- Visit <u>EZAZ.org</u> to become informed on current bills in the House, and sign up for the RTS system (Request to Speak) to make your voice heard on current bills.
- Watch the 7 minute training video on the <a>EZAZ.org website.

Step 4 - Get approved and trained on the GOP Data Center

- Download and complete the GOP Data Center Access Agreement form, have signed by your Chairman.
- Once approved, contact your Chairman for instructions on GOP Data Center training.
- Once trained, download a list of your closest 125 Republican neighbors get to know who and where the Republicans are in your Precinct.



Step 5 - Fab Five

- Make a list of the first five neighbors you will contact.
- Using your GOP Data Center list, make a plan on how many neighbors you plan to contact each week.
- Write a personalized letter for your neighbors introducing yourself. A sample is included in this guide.
- Order business cards identifying yourself as a Precinct Committeeman.
- Set a goal to reach out to a certain amount each month while being on the outlook for possible PC recruitments or possible future candidates for political offices.

Step 6 - Schedule Your First Precinct Meeting

- Connect with your Precinct Captain to schedule your first neighborhood meeting: meet and greet, potluck, bbq, ice cream social, happy hour, etc.
- Determine a topic to discuss, such as Critical Race Theory, School Boards, etc. and invite a guest speaker, school board member, elected official, candidate, etc.
- Have fun! Introduce them to what a Precinct Committeeman is and how they can get involved.
- Determine a schedule to hold meetings in your neighborhood, and encourage neighbors to host a gathering.
- Gather email addresses and phone numbers of those who attend and begin building a contact list.
- Put together a group email list to send out "alerts" or "need immediate action" notifications quickly and simply. In addition to emails, get PC's texting numbers as well and set up a group text.

Step 7 - Utilize Social Media

- **NextDoor** is a great place to connect with your neighbors. Create a group for your precinct.
- **Facebook** create a group on Facebook for your Precinct. Invite people to follow your Legislative District page/group, EZAZ.org, and the Republican Party pages.

Step 8 - Become Informed and Help Inform Others

- Stay up to date on current issues. Read Frosty's Daily Briefs: http://www.republicanbriefs.org
- Research candidates running for office in your Legislative District, County and State.
- Learn the demographics of your Precinct, and the issues that are important to voters
- Learn how the Party is structured, and become familiar with leaders of County and State GOP
- Watch the Daily Updates from the Republican Party of Arizona on YouTube or Facebook.

Step 9 - Communicate & Network

- Communicate with your neighbors in person, in writing, by telephone, flyers, email, and social media
- You are responsible for listening to your constituents, helping them solve problems, answering questions, and passing along information to your county, district, and state chairman.
- Be intentional about connected with and helping people, join like minded clubs, and be the problem solver in your community and circle of friends.
- Connect with a local REALTOR for a list of new movers, help get them plugged in

Step 10 - Embrace Your Role as a Precinct Committeeman

- **Be Self-Motivated:** Do not wait for someone to tell you what to do. Be familiar with the duties of a PC and begin your work immediately.
 - ✓ A PC attends ALL Legislative District and Mandatory Meetings
 - A PC participates in the VETTING process to elect candidates
 - A PC represents the Republican Party to members of the public
 - A PC promotes party views and party platform
 - A PC supports Republican candidates running for office
 - ☑ A PC builds a relationship between Elected Officials and voters
 - A PC watches for new residents
 - A PC promotes events at local levels
 - A PC maintains a database of residents registered to vote
 - A PC represents 125 or more voters in their precinct.
 - A PC is responsible to meet, and get to know their neighbors
 - A PC educates voters on social and economic issues
 - A PC listens to and addresses voter concerns
 - A PC organizes meetings to register like minded voters
 - A PC unites the Party and it's over all goals
 - A PC recruits new PC's
 - A PC collects petition signatures for Republican Candidates
 - A PC facilitates voter registrations and absentee ballot access
 - A PC leads the "Get Out The Vote" (GOTV) outreach effort
 - A PC distributes campaign literature

Join Local Clubs and Groups

- AZ Christian Patriots: www.azchristianpatriots.org
- Arizona Federation of Republican Women: https://www.azfrw.com
- Arrowhead Republican Women: https://arrowheadrw.weebly.com
- Greater Phoenix Republican Women: http://gprw1958.org
- Sun City West Republicans: https://scwrepublicans.com
- EZAZ Monthly Pie Club: ezaz.org
- Arizona Free Enterprise Club: https://azfree.org
- Arizona Stands Up: https://azstandsup.org
- Arizona Teenage Republicans: https://arizonatars.com

REGISTERING VOTERS

Arizona Voter Registration Goals

- Register 250,000 new Republicans by 2022
- Hundreds of families are moving into our state every day, all potential voters!
- Register high schoolers turning 18 to vote, college students, elderly confined persons, people who travel
 on business, snowbirds leaving before the General Election may need an absentee ballot, or will need a
 ride to the polling place.

How to Register a Voter

- As a PC, you should ALWAYS have Voter Registration forms with you. Maricopa County residents have three ways they can submit their voter registration:
 - Online registration: ServiceArizona.com
 - Paper State Form, and Paper Federal Form (always use BLACK ink pen)

Voter Registration Requirements

- Valid AZ drivers license
- Valid Arizona non-operating identification card
- Tribal enrollment card, to other form of tribal identification

Who CANNOT Register to Vote

- Non U.S. Citizens. (Greencard holders, permanent residents, etc)
- Felons without their civil rights restored (First-time, single felony offenders get their rights automatically restored after all court orders are completed)
- Adjudicated incapacitated as ruled by court

When to Update Existing Registration

- Every time you move
- Have had a name change
- Change to your political party affiliation

Example Voter Registration Plan

- Schedule time to register voters Pick a public location
- Set a beginning and end time
- Get permission
- Ask your family and friends to help
- Input voter information onto an excel spreadsheet
- Return completed voter registration forms within 5 days to MCRO





Where to Register Voters

- Shopping Centers Libraries
- Tailgate Events/Sports Games
- Gun Shops/ShowsFestivals/Fairs
- Churches
- Workplace
- Schools/College/Universities
- Parks
- Family and/or friend gathering
- Fraternity/Sorority or Association Meeting Community/Neighborhood meeting
- Book clubs

Materials Needed for Voter Registration

- Several Clipboards
- Voter registration Forms
- PC Appointment Forms Black Ink Pens
- Table (optional)
- Chairs (optional)

Ask an identifying questions:

- How do you feel about securing the border?
- How do you feel about defunding the police?
- How do you feel about locking up "illegal aliens" who are convicted criminals?
- How do you feel about about the Green New Deal?
- How do you feel about Election Integrity?
- How do you feel about our current President?
- How do you feel about Red Flag Laws?

Response:

- If the answer is in alignment with our values: "Are you registered to vote at your current address?"
- If the answer does not align with our values: "Thank you so much for your time. Have a great day!"
- If they are conservatives who are registered to vote, ask: "Will you join our local group to help register other voters? Will you sign our candidates petition who supports _____?"

KNOW VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES!

✓ July 5, 2022 DEADLINE to vote in the August 2nd Primary
✓ October 11, 2022 DEADLINE to vote in the November 8th General



OTHER PC CRITICAL ACTIVITIES

Non-Election Year Activities

- Build relationships with voters
- Dividing up the precinct into smaller areas of focus (sub precincts)
- Engage in social activities with your neighbors BBQ, HOA meetings, block parties, schools events, etc
- Know your sub precincts, greet people who move in
- Identify possible Republican voters and register them
- Develop an email list of voters in your precinct
- · Connect with neighbors on social media
- Learn what issues are important to your neighbors
- Invite your friends and neighbors to Republican events

Election Year Activities

- Work the polls!
- Distribute campaign literature in your precinct
- Canvass neighborhoods, watch for new residents and register identified Republican and Independents
- Walk door-to-door with candidates
- Find yard sign locations within your precinct
- Assist your local candidates with petition signature gathering, mailings, and phone calls, post cards, and other campaign activities
- Promote candidates, and local events
- Arrange events where the public can meet those running for office
- Hold events in your precinct for neighbors to meet candidates, such a coffee meetings, social meet and greets, or cottage meetings
- Help recruit volunteers to work with you in your precinct or work for local candidates
- Inform voters of our positions on issues and candidates
- Motivate voters to go to the polls and give them reasons to vote for Republican candidates
- Participate in meetings, special events, and fundraisers

Election Types

- Jurisdictional Refers to off-season elections for Cities, Towns, School Districts and Special Districts.
- Presidential Preference Ballots are party specific for qualified Presidential Primary candidates.
- **Primary** In August of EVEN years, partisan candidates run on ballot to represent their party for the General Election. Ballots are party specific and Independent/Non-Party voters must choose which ballot they would like to receive.
- **General** All EVEN years in November. Winners from Primary Election appear on this ballot judges, nonpartisan candidates, and propositions.

PETITION SIGNATURE PROCESS

TWO OPTIONS: Paper and https://apps.azsos.gov/equal/

With E-Qual, you can show your support for a candidate from the comfort of your home or anywhere internet access is available.

In Arizona, candidates are required to obtain a minimum number of petition signatures to appear on a ballot. Voters interested in assisting Statewide and Legislative candidates can now sign a petition electronically.

Clean Elections candidates are required to obtain \$5 qualifying contributions from registered voters to qualify for public funding. Voters may now contribute a \$5 qualifying contribution with E-Qual.

In order to get on the ballot in Arizona, a candidate for state or federal office must meet a variety of statespecific filing requirements and deadlines. **These regulations, known as ballot access laws, determine whether a candidate or party will appear on an election ballot.** These laws are set at the state level. A candidate must prepare to meet ballot access requirements well in advance of primaries, caucuses, and the general election.

There are three basic methods by which an individual may become a candidate for office in a state.

- 1. An individual can seek the nomination of a state-recognized political party.
- 2. An individual can run as an independent. Independent candidates often must petition in order to have their names printed on the general election ballot.
- 3. An individual can run as a write-in candidate.
- PCs help candidates obtain petition signatures to help candidates appear on the ballot.
- Research and learn petition requirements for each position.
- In most cases, a voter cannot sign petitions for more than one candidate per position.
- DO NOT sign both paper and online.
 - ☑U.S. Senate 1 candidate per voter
 - ☑ U.S. Representative for Congress 1 candidate per voter
 - ☑ Governor 1 candidate per voter
 - ✓ State Senator 1 candidate per voter
 - ✓ Secretary of State 1 candidate per voter

 - ✓ State Treasurer 1 candidate per voter

SAMPLE PC LETTER



Dear Republican Voter,

My name is Lori Bango and I am native of Arizona, your neighbor and Conservative Republican who is passionate about saving our beloved State and Country. Since getting involved in the fight for our nation, I've held the office of Precinct Committeeman (PC) in West Wing Precinct, State Committeeman (SC), was recently elected to serve on the Executive Board of Legislative District 22 as 2nd Vice Chair, and was appointed as the Lake Pleasant PC Area Manager overseeing 6 neighboring precincts. Last summer, a fellow Patriot and I formed the AZ Christian Patriots group, meeting monthly in person to train and equip Conservatives to get involved and take action.

The politicians you see on TV do not make up the Republican Party. We are looking for people to join us in the quest for fair, legal and representative elections. Without you, we cannot defend our right to vote and demand election integrity. You are the Party, not the elected officials. The voter is the ultimate decision maker in the direction the Party takes. We can only provide guidance and expertise in your quest for Freedom. You are the basis for the Party Platform. We need input from you...as you can make a difference. We are at the forefront of the battle for our freedom. This AZ Legislative Session has brought many bills to impede or enhance our lifestyle from 2nd Amendment, Free Speech, Taxes, Schools, Elections, and Constitutionality.

Please consider getting involved by volunteering or applying to be a Precinct Committeeman (PC) for your Precinct. A PC also serves as the voting body to nominate and elect Party Officials at the Legislative District 22, Maricopa County Republican Party (MCR), and Arizona State Republican Party (AZGOP) Executive Boards. "We the People" will not mean anything without a foundation of a grassroots movement!

I urge you to consider getting involved by becoming a Precinct Committeeman (PC). Please e-mail me at loribango@protonmail.com, call my cell at 480-450-9737, and visit www.beapc.com for more information. I will be happy to meet with you to explain what a PC does and how you can influence other like-minded Republicans. Meet your friends and neighbors and help the Republican party win in the 2022 and 2024 elections!

Best regards,

Lori Bango

2nd Vice Chair, LD22 www.ld22gop.org
Precinct Committeeman (West Wing)
State Committeeman (LD-22)
PC Area Manager (Lake Pleasant)
Founder, AZ Christian Patriots www.azchristianpatriots.org

VETTING QUESTIONS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATES

Personal

- Why are you running and what makes you uniquely qualified to represent We the People of Arizona?
- What is your biggest platform issue/what is most important to you?



Conservative Views

- Do you consider yourself a conservative and, if so, define what that means to you.
- How do conservatives differ from being generically Republican?
- What is more important to you? Will you vote the party line in order to gain party support for your reelection, or will you stand on principle?
- In the event of a crowded primary of candidates opposing an incumbent, are you willing to "step aside" for the greater good if it increases the chances of a conservative candidate ousting an incumbent?

Grassroots Involvement

- Are you an elected Precinct Committeeman? How long have you been an elected PC?
- What other roles have you served in to support and grow the Republican Party?
- Do you regularly attend your legislative district meetings?

1st Amendment Rights

- What does the U.S. Constitution say about the 1st Amendment?
- Does "Big Tech" have the right to pick and choose who gets to speak and what they can say?

2nd Amendment Rights

- What does the U.S. Constitution say about the 2nd Amendment?
- Do other sections of the Constitution also tie into 2nd Amendment?
- What does Arizona's Constitution say about right to be armed?
- · Should there be more restrictions on the current process of purchasing a gun?
- Do you support AZ as a 2A sanctuary state and why?
- Do you know what the Federal Firearms Act of 1934 is? Does it conform to The #2A?
- Do you know what the Safe Streets Act of 1968 is? Does it conform to The #2A?

Economy

- What is your position on states accepting federal money for programs?
- If the federal government "pays" for education, transportation, health, retirement etc., is this good or bad for the citizens of Arizona... yes or no, and why?
- Do you support digital currency, why or why not?
- · What are the most important things that Congress should do to improve the economy?
- What, if anything, should the federal government do about the growing economic disparity between the poor, the middle class, and the wealthy?

Border Security

- What is your position on illegal immigration and the crisis at the southern border?
- Who controls immigration?
- Can the Biden Administration transport and house illegal immigrants into a state and release them without an NTA? Is this constitutional or not?
- · What would you have done differently to prevent the border crisis in Arizona?
- What do you see as the U.S. role in combating human trafficking?

Homelessness

- What are three things you would do to help the homeless population in Arizona?
- What other alternatives do you suggest to replace tent city in downtown Phoenix?
- · Do you agree with moving the homeless into government-funded facilities?

Religious Liberty

- What is your position on the government shutting down churches and violating religious liberty?
- In the US Constitution, what does "shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion" mean?
- · What role will your faith or values play in creating public policy or making appointments?

Pro-Life

- What is your specific position on abortion? Is there a time when abortion is OK?
- Does life begin at conception?
- Does an unborn child have Constitutional right to life?
- Should Planned Parenthood be defunded?

Election Integrity

- Who has authority over our elections?
- Who is allowed to vote in local, state and federal elections?
- Did you support the AZ Audit? What have you done to help secure our elections?
- What is your policy on voter ID laws?

Legislation

- Will you ensure every bill has a financial impact study on the economy, jobs and working Americans?
- If a legislative bill is unconstitutional will you vote no? Are you will to put that in a written commitment to your constituents?

Response to COVID

- Do you agree with the Arizona Governor's response to COVID? What would you have done differently?
- Does the President, Governor, Board of Supervisors, or Mayor have the authority to...
 - Order people to wear mandatory masks, social distance, shutdown business, or force vaccines?

People's Rights

- Do you know where We, the People, get our "Inalienable Rights"?
- Is there a section in the Constitution that explains the purpose of the federal government? If so, where is it and what does it say?

Critical Race Theory

- What is the 1619 Project?
- What do you think about the new federal holiday, 'Juneteenth'?
- Should reparations be paid to African-Americans? What about other races?

Self Governance

- Do you believe that government has too little, the right amount, or too much power? How should government provide equal rights?
- Do you believe that the Constitution is a living document subject to changing interpretations?
- What did our country's vision statement, the Declaration of Independence proclaim?
- Is the government the center of all decision making?
- What is your plan to return society to a free market economy? Do you consider this a priority?

Education & School Choice

- Would you support a system of school choice vouchers for every student?
- What is your position on schools requiring written parental consent to discuss gender, sexuality and HIV/ AIDS in the classroom?
- What is your position on school boards having parents arrested for standing up for their children?

Law Enforcement

- What reforms should be implemented in law enforcement?
- What reforms are needed in the criminal justice system?
- What have you done to show your support for law enforcement?