Welcome to the AZGOP Precinct Committeeman Victory Handbook.

As a fellow Republican Precinct committeeman and a longtime conservative activist, I am excited to join with you in achieving our goal of Republican victories in Arizona.

As a Precinct committeeman, you are a neighborhood leader. This handbook will help provide you with the information you need when you are canvassing your neighborhood, registering new voters, talking to people about our Republican Party platform, and helping our candidates reach out to meet voters in your area. More resources are available by attending your legislative district or county party meetings, and I encourage you to visit our website at www.azgop.org to subscribe to our frequent news updates.

The upcoming elections will be unlike any other: we have new leadership, we have new technology, and we have a great plan. We are not only harnessing our traditional grassroots efforts but we are now using the latest tools and technology in our efforts to grow our party and engage the electorate in support of our platform and our candidates.

As you well know, our future is at stake. Our work through the Republican Party is one of the most visible and important ways to ensure our liberties are preserved and that our future will be one of opportunity and prosperity. This is our common goal.

Not only must we aggressively defend the leadership positions currently held by Republicans at the state level, we have a chance to win elections in two of the most competitive congressional races in the country. To win we need to be strong, work efficiently together, and refuse to get discouraged.

I trust that you share my desire to win, and I have faith that you will do your best to help deliver positive results for our party.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Graham
produced throughout its rich history, Republicans understand that everyday people in all 50 states and territories remain the heart and soul of our Party.

Presidents during most of the late nineteenth century and the early part of the twentieth century were Republicans. The White House was in Republican hands under Presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush. Under Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush, the United States won the Cold War, releasing millions from Communist oppression, in true anti-big government Republican spirit.

Elephants, Not Donkeys
The symbol of the Republican Party is the elephant. During the mid-term elections in 1874, Democrats tried to scare voters into thinking President Ulysses S. Grant would seek to run for an unprecedented third term. Thomas Nast, a cartoonist for Harper’s Weekly, depicted a Democratic donkey trying to scare a Republican elephant – and both symbols stuck. For a long time, Republicans have been known as the “G.O.P.” with party faithful believing it meant the “Grand Old Party.” But apparently the original meaning (in 1875) was “Gallant Old Party.” When automobiles were invented it also came to mean, “get out and push.” That’s still a pretty good slogan for Republicans who depend every campaign year on the hard work of hundreds of thousands of everyday volunteers to get out and vote and push people to support the causes of the Republican Party.

Freedom Fighters
Abolition. Free speech. Women’s suffrage. These were all causes the Republican Party adopted early on. So, too, were reducing the size of government, streamlining bureaucracy, and returning power to individual states. With a core belief in the primacy of individuals, the Republican Party, since its inception, has been at the forefront of the fight for individuals’ rights in opposition to a large, intrusive government.
Ways to Connect with the voters in your Precinct:

- Distributing campaign literature in your precinct.
- Walking door-to-door with candidates.
- Finding yard sign locations within your precinct.
- Assisting your local candidates with petition signature gathering, mailings, phone calls and other campaign activities as needed.
- Helping to recruit volunteers to work with you in your precinct or work for local candidates.
- Motivating voters to go to the polls and vote for our Republican candidates.
- Participating in meetings, special events and fundraisers.
- Get GOP Data Center access from AZGOP to get walking lists to understand voters in your precinct better.

This list is just a start. As every precinct is different, so is every campaign, which means how each campaign may rely on PCs for help is likely to vary from race to race.

Being an effective PC takes both time and commitment, but the rewards are many. You will have the satisfaction of working to elect Republican candidates to office who support our shared ideals and values and will lead our communities, our state and our nation to a brighter, stronger tomorrow. You will become a member of a dynamic and influential organization as an active part of the Arizona Republican Party, the strongest political party in our state.

And, in addition to demonstrating a bit of your own leadership potential, you will make some great friends along the way that will last you a lifetime!
A VOTER MAY SAY: I don’t like the two party system. That’s why I just don’t vote.

America has prospered under the two party system because one party has always served to check the excesses of the other. Often, both parties agree on the problems less than they agree on the solutions. The root of the differences between Republicans & Democrats is perspective.

Democrats tend to stress a powerful, centralized bureaucracy aimed at solving local and national problems from the top down - a method which, after 40 years of trial is a proven failure.

Republicans believe in solutions which are decided upon and implemented by the people themselves, through their locally elected representatives. Republicans believe that the solutions to America’s problems will spring forth from the greatness of the American people.
When registering people to vote, they’ll need to provide identification to prove citizenship.

If this is your first time registering to vote in Arizona or you have moved to another county in Arizona, your voter registration form must also include a copy of proof of citizenship or the form will be rejected by the county recorder. If you have an Arizona driver license or non-operating identification issued after October 1, 1996, write the number in box 13 on the front of the Arizona Voter Registration form.

This will serve as proof of citizenship and no additional documents are needed. If not, you must attach a copy of proof of citizenship to the form. Only one acceptable form of proof is needed to register to vote. The following is a list of acceptable documents to establish your citizenship:

A legible photocopy of a birth certificate that verifies citizenship and supporting legal documentation (i.e. marriage certificate) if the name on the birth certificate is not the same as your current legal name;

A legible photocopy of pertinent pages of a United States passport identifying the applicant;

Presentation to the County Recorder of United States naturalization documents or the number of the certificate of naturalization in box 20 on the front of this form;

The applicant’s Bureau of Indian Affairs Card Number, Tribal Treaty Card Number, or Tribal Enrollment Number in box 16 on the front of the voter registration form;

A legible photocopy of a driver license or non-operating identification from another state within the United States if the license indicates that the applicant has provided satisfactory proof of citizenship;

A legible photocopy of a Tribal Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal or Bureau of Indian Affairs Affidavit of Birth.
Republican vs. Democrats...Is there a difference?

A VOTER MAY SAY: “There’s not a dime’s worth of difference; both parties are exactly alike.”

Believe it or not, as a Precinct Committeeman out registering new voters, you’re likely to discover that a lot of Arizonans feel this way. Increasingly, voters are feeling a bit more independent, and are claiming to “vote for the candidate, not the party.”

However, ignoring a candidate’s party affiliation risks missing out on one of the great advantages of our nation’s political system: The very reason that a candidate is listed as Republican or Democrat is that he or she subscribes to the basic political philosophy for which the party stands.

KEY PRINCIPLES
The cornerstone of Republican philosophy is the belief that each person is responsible for his or her own place in society. Individuals are encouraged by the Republican Party to work to secure the benefits of society for themselves, their families, and for those who are unable to care for themselves.

Democrats are more willing to subordinate individual rights to the assumed needs of the group. They assume that society is collectively responsible for each of its members. They place less emphasis on individual enterprise and initiative.

GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERNED

Republicans believe that government should be limited to doing for people those things which they cannot do for themselves. The right to determine individual destiny should lie in the hands of the individual. Similarly, Republicans believe governmental power and resources should be kept close to the people, through their state and community leaders, rather than centralized in distant big government.

Recent Democrat administrations have pushed for more and more centralized power in Washington, with secondary consideration for the rights of individual citizens and communities. This has led to increasingly more federal controls and regulations, often in the hands of unelected bureaucrats unaware of the concerns and needs of local citizens – and causing a severe erosion of local government across the country.
PART THREE
State Republican Party Organizational Chart

Chairman
Robert S. Graham

Chairman’s Select Advisory Officers
Bruce Ash National Committeeman, Sharon Giese National Committeewoman
Linda White Secretary, Jonathan Lines Treasurer
TBD Legal Counsel

Non Statutory Elected Officers
1st Vice Chair – Parralee Schneider, 2nd Vice Chair – Gabby Saucedo Mercer,
3rd Vice Chair – Chris Campbell, Sergeant-at-Arms – Alberto Gutier,
Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms – Sue Goodchild,
Assistant Secretary – Deborrah Miller, Assistant Treasurer – John Stevens

County Chairmen
Apache – Delos Bond, Cochise – Casey Jones, Coconino – Joan Harris
Gila – Gary Morris, Graham – J. Duane Rhodes, Greenlee – Roy Tyler
LaPaz – Vacant, Maricopa – Tyler Bowyer, Mohave – Michael Ward
Navajo – Dara Vanesian, Pima – Bill Beard, Pinal – Irene Littleton
Santa Cruz – Zack Taylor, Yavapai – Michael Sanders, Yuma – Jonathan Lines

Congressional District Members-At-Large
CD1: Nancy Hawkins, Susan Syfert, Don Call
CD2: Gail Griffin, Cynthia Coleman, Todd Clodfelter
CD3: Richard Newcomer, Kimberly Owens, Dylan Boswell
CD4: Don Ascoli, Rosalie Sperry, Patti Lewis
CD5: Sandi Bartlett, Scott Ottersen, Jeff Smith
CD6: Linda Longazel, Patricia Stetson, Elizabeth Alcorn
CD7: Barry Wong, Bob Thomas, Terry Rapp
CD8: Nicole Fernandez, Chris Herring, Marcus Huey
CD9: Loraine Pelligrino, Diane Ortiz-Parsons, Matt Morales
PART FIVE: The Message!

Getting our message out to the voting public is so important and every Precinct Committeeman might have many different answers for why they are a Republican. Prepare something like the following so when you talk to someone that doesn’t know what party they belong to or doesn’t know why they would want to be a Republican is a very important tool:

I am a Republican Because...

- I BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person’s dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

- I BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice, and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age, or disability.

- I BELIEVE free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

- I BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

- I BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations, and that the best government is that which governs least.

- I BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people.

- I BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

- I BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.

- FINALLY, I believe the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.
When you are out talking to your neighbors about being a Precinct Committeeman or about the importance of voting, giving them information to help them know that their voice matters is very effective. Giving them the phone number of their elected officials and the state party gives them a place to voice their opinion and a way to build better communication.

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