

LFDI Postcards to Voters

"The vote is the most powerful instrument ever devised by human beings for breaking down injustice and destroying the terrible walls which imprison people because they are different from others." Lyndon B. Johnson

Every year we say, "This election is very important." Well, this year the stakes are even higher for the Commonwealth of Virginia. We have the most far right Republican ticket we have seen since 2013.

Voter participation surged in the 2021 gubernatorial election, with a 15% increase over 2017. Yet, the total number of registered voters who actually voted was at 54.9%. A little less than half of registered voters stayed home! (vpap.org)

We need to get people to the polls to vote!

Get Out the Vote Postcards

Typically, Democratic voters who vote for the Democratic gubernatorial candidate will vote the down ticket, which includes the Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and the House of Delegates candidate.

We will focus on those who don't always vote in nonpresidential elections. We want them to get to know **Shane Boswell** (no relation) and how and when to vote. If the Republicans manage to change the registration process, requiring proof of citizenship, it will be even more important that people know what they have to do prior to voting.

These postcards will be written from May through September and mailed at the end of September.

Packets of [50 postcards](#) with suggested scripts will be available starting April 28.

Addresses will be available as soon as we receive them. Email seboswellsears@gmail.com to get started.

Postcards Party Hosts

If writing with a group of friends or like-minded people is more appealing than doing it on your own, we are also looking for people to host writing parties. If interested in hosting a party email seboswellsears@gmail.com for more information.

Kudos to February Writers

A friend shared a recent chat someone had with a Wisconsin poll captain. The poll captain "was amazed at the number of voters who showed up at the polls clutching postcards from volunteers across the country reminding them to vote for Judge Crawford."

In Florida, Josh Weil was not expected to win the special election for Congress but the difference between Josh and his opponent was 14%. It was expected to be 30%.

Thank you to all who wrote cards for Wisconsin and Florida.

Stamps

As we continue to write postcards, we are always in need of stamps. The price of stamps will be going up AGAIN!

Currently, they are 56 cents but July 13 the cost will increase by 5 cents, or 62 cents for postcard stamps.

We will accept donations of \$20.25, or more for stamps. Sheets and rolls of stamps are also accepted. Donations can be left in the bin outside the front door at 117 Viceroy Way.

If you can't write postcards, this is a great way to help our effort.

