

Monroe County Young Democrats

Executive Board Rochester, NY

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RE: Monroe County Young Democrats – Here's What You Need to Know

Dear Neighbor,

We want you to consider joining **Monroe County Young Democrats (MCYD)!** Our organization is dedicated to empowering young people to engage in politics, advocate for important issues, and create positive change in our community. Whether you're here to connect with like-minded individuals, get involved in elections, or develop leadership skills, MCYD is the place for you.

Who We Are & What We Do

MCYD is a local chapter of the **New York State Young Democrats (NYSYD)** and is also connected to the national **Young Democrats of America.** Our organization provides opportunities to:

- **Network with peers and leaders** − Meet other young people passionate about politics, advocacy, and public service. Network with elected officials and other leaders in the community.
- **Get involved in campaigns** Support Democratic local, state, and national candidates.
- Advocate for key issues Work on policy initiatives that impact our community, from healthcare to climate action.
- **Develop leadership skills** Participate in training programs, mentorship opportunities, and professional development sessions to help you grow.
- **Enjoy social & networking events** Join us for fun gatherings, discounted events, and community outreach events.

Why Membership Matters

By officially becoming a dues-paying member of MCYD (\$15/year), you gain:

- ✓ Voting rights within MCYD, allowing you to have a say in our leadership and priorities.
- ✓ Access to discounts & drink tickets at select MCYD social events.
- ✓ The ability to help shape state NYSYD leadership More members give us more votes at the NYSYD convention, where we are working to elect 2 caucus chairs and influence the direction of the state organization.

The other qualifications for membership are:

- Being between the ages of 16 & 36
- Being a registered or pre-registered Democrat
- Living, working, or attending school in Monroe County

If cost is a barrier, **sponsored memberships are available** – just let us know, and we'll ensure you can be part of our movement.

Our Recent Accomplishments

MCYD has been instrumental in electing Democratic candidates and advocating for progressive policies in Monroe County. Some of our recent accomplishments include:

- Raising more than \$8000 to support postcards for 2024 swing state turnout
- Hosting policy talks with elected officials like County Executive Bello, Mayor Evans, and many members of our local and state legislatures
- Expanding our network to include local and state Democratic leaders
- Hosting a wide variety of events from watch parties to trivia nights, we do it all!

How to Get Involved

Getting involved with MCYD is easy—here are a few ways to start:

Attend an event – Check out our upcoming events monroecountyyoungdems.com/events

Join a committee – Help plan events, organize outreach, and drive policy initiatives.

♦ Volunteer for a campaign − Support Democratic candidates and make a difference in our community.

Join MCYD Today!

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to welcoming you into the Monroe County Young Democrats community and working together for a better future!

Best,

Monroe County Young Democrats Executive Board

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