

## Indivisible Charlotte Newsletter October 2, 2024 Volume 31

Totals for ICLT led canvasses -Doors knocked 4,845; Voter Conversations 1,163!!



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Break the GOP supermajority in the NCGA by electing Nicole Sidman in HD105

Significantly increase voter turnout in Mecklenburg County
Push whole ballot voting

But we need YOU to volunteer to bring victory!

## Democracy is Not a Spectator Sport

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### Be a Part of the Action! Join ICLT at These Essential Canvasses!

**Indivisible Charlotte** is shifting into high gear! With our independent canvassing wrapped up, we're now laser-focused on supporting the campaigns of **Nicole Sidman** and **Woodson Bradley**—and we need you to make it happen.

These targeted joint canvasses are vital to the success of both candidates and OUR ENTIRE STATE. Every door you knock and every voter you engage brings us one step closer to victory and dismantling our stifling GOP supermajority!

From October 12 through the election these canvasses will include distribution of the "BLUE ballot" -the whole Dem ticket!

Join your fellow ICLT members and be a driving force in this crucial moment!

## RSVP now to make an impact!

| Canvass  | Date   | Time    | Location             | Special Guest    | RSVP link            |                       |
|----------|--------|---------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Sunday   | Oct 6  | 1:00 PM | Matthews & Mint Hill | Anderson Clayton | RSVP here            |                       |
| Saturday | Oct 12 | 9:30 AM | S CLT Central        |                  | RSVP here            | *Sidman only canvass  |
| Sunday   | Oct 13 | 9:30 AM | S CLT Central        |                  | RSVP here            | *Sidman only canvass  |
| Sunday   | Oct 13 | 1:00 PM | Matthews/Ballantyne  |                  | Matthews /Ballantyne | *Woodson only canvass |
| Saturday | Oct 19 | 1:00 PM | Mint Hill            | County To County | RSVP here            |                       |
| Sunday   | Oct 20 | 1:00 PM | South ProviDems      |                  | RSVP here            |                       |
| Saturday | Oct 26 | 9:00 AM | Ballantyne           | Jeff Jackson     | RSVP here            |                       |
| Sunday   | Oct 27 | 1:00 PM | S CLT Central        | Wesley Harris    | RSVP here            |                       |
| Saturday | Nov 2  | 9:00 AM | Matthews             | Anderson Clayton | RSVP here            |                       |
| Sunday   | Nov 3  | 1:00 PM | Mint Hill            | Mo Green         | RSVP here            |                       |

For more canvass options visit: Nicole Sidman Mobilize / Woodson Bradley Mobilize

## Voter Registration Canvasses in the 'Arc' of Meck. Co. -Oct. 6 & 8!





Voter Registration Canvasses in the 'Arc' of Meck. Co.!!

## Register here!

We need your help!! We've identified homes in the 'Crescent' or 'Arc' of Mecklenburg County where residents are not yet registered to vote. This is our chance to help get them registered and share vital election information! But time is running out – the voter registration deadline is October 11, and we've only got 2 chances left: Oct. 6th, and Oct. 8th!

Join us in this critical effort!
Sign up for any of these canvasses here!

Have questions? Reach out to <u>Holly Wood</u> (<u>hollyboowood@gmail.com</u>) or <u>Dave Foulser</u> (<u>dfoulser@gmail.com</u>)

## **PHONEBANKING:** for Nicole Sidman and Woodson Bradley



Weekly Phonebanks! Join virtually at 5:30pm.

Nicole Sidman - Tuesdays 5:30-7:30p Register <a href="here">here</a>

Woodson Bradley - Mondays & Thursdays 5:30p-7:30p Register here

## PHONEBANKING: Two Taco Tuesdays to Tank Trump!!



Taco Tuesday to Tank Trump!! Phonebanking!

Register **here!** 

Prefer to make calls in the company of others?? Join us for two final Taco Tuesdays to Tank Trump and make calls while sharing good food with other activists! In conjunction with the Center for Common Ground, we will be calling low turnout voters of color in Mecklenburg County to inform them of early voting dates and to provide other election information.

Tuesday October 8 5:00-8:00pm

### Tuesday October 22 5:00-8:00pm

Join like minded activists for food, community and action!

Register <u>here!</u>

## PHONEBANKING in Mecklenburg with Center For Common Ground (anytime)!





### Phone Bank in Mecklenburg with Center for Common Ground!!

Sign up here!

Make calls during early voting to people of color in Mecklenburg County who do not vote regularly. This is the fastest way to cover the most ground and can be done right from the comfort of your own home! Once you sign up you are given access to the phone bank and make calls at your convenience. You are able to leave voice messages when there is no answer. Sign up <a href="here!">here!</a>!

(Use your email address and "Volunteer" option when logging in)

Poll Greeters needed in Mecklenburg!



BE A POLL GREETER!
Early Voting begins October 17, and we expect high turnout.

Each Early Voting location will have a table with the Blue Ballot and candidate information. We need volunteers to man those tables.

**Peggy Dickerson** with Meck Dems schedules volunteers for all Early Voting and Election Day polling sites in Mecklenburg.

To volunteer to serve at a table, <u>email Peggy</u> so she can help you find the best shift and location.

Include your:

- Phone number
- Best time to call

\*\*Poll Greeter - Poll Greeters are volunteers who work outside the polling place during Early Voting and on Election Day (in precincts where greeting is allowed). Greeters offer our Blue Ballot cards to voters as they arrive on site, and encourage them to vote all the way down the ballot for our good Democratic candidates. Greeters typically wear our MeckDems t-shirts so they are recognized as Dems. We do not, however, wear political attire when going inside the polling place, so poll greeters should bring a shirt or sweater to put over their t-shirt when going inside to the restroom or to interact with poll staff.

Contact Peggy if you are interested!

## ICLT Social - Suffolk Punch Brewing (SouthPark) Oct. 9th!



To give space to Rosh Hashanah - our October social will be Wed. Oct. 9th

Save the date for an evening of laughter, connection and plenty of political discourse! Food and drinks available to purchase.

Eager to join us? **Please sign up <u>here</u>** and mark your calendar for a night of community and rejuvenation.

When: Wednesday Oct 9th 6:30-8:30p

Where: Suffolk Punch Brewing - 4400 Sharon Rd Space G23D, Charlotte

**Spread the Word!** Bring a friend or two and let's make this event a cornerstone for community and activism. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Register here: <a href="https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblecharlottenc/event/711626/">https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblecharlottenc/event/711626/</a>

CLT Engage: Pumpkins and Plans to Vote Oct. 13th!



#### **CLT ENGAGE**

# PUMPKINS & PLANS TO VOTE!

**The Trolley Barn Fermentory & Food Hall** 2104 South Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28203

### The election is here!

People who make a plan to vote are much more likely to actually do it!

Join us for a free brunch and pumpkin carving with stencils!

We'll have information about your options for casting a ballot so you can get your plan to vote on the calendar.

We'll also be inviting anyone in the brewery to join us, and we'll help them make a plan too!







Oct 13.

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Please RSVP: bit.ly/pumpkinsandplans

## **Pumpkins & Plans to Vote!**

### Join us October 13th at 11am at The Trolley Barn!

CLT Engage is part of the Indivisible network and is made for younger members. Our goal is to provide a space for people ages 17-35 to learn about North Carolina and Charlotte-specific issues, build a community of engaged young voters, and to promote progressive causes and candidates. CLT Engage is led by Charles and Caroline DeLoach. Reach us anytime at mcharlesdeloach@gmail.com and carolinejdeloach@gmail.com.

ICLT Social (+ CANVASS!) Matthews - September 4th















### A Canvass, a Social and FREE Political tattoos!

Wednesday, September 4th, was an incredible night of grassroots action and community connection at **Carolina Beer Temple! Indivisible Charlotte** hosted a successful canvass followed by a lively social, with about 30 passionate supporters showing up to make a difference.

Special shoutout to **Mike Hadjuk** and <u>Super Fun Tattoo</u> for bringing the entertainment with free airbrush tattoos – a huge hit! We were also thrilled to welcome out-of-state canvasser Jen Sorenti, who traveled all the way from Massachusetts and had an amazing time knocking doors alongside our own Kate Dennstaedt.

Thank you to everyone for your unwavering commitment to strengthening our community and helping flip NC HD105. Together, we're working to break the Republican supermajority and bring about real change!

Our next ICLT Social is Oct. 9th at Suffolk Punch Brewing - RSVP here.

Day of Action Kickoff for Nicole Sidman (HD105) & Woodson Bradley (SD42) Sept. 7th

























What an incredible day of grassroots action! On Sept. 7th more than 120 passionate volunteers showed up to knock doors and write postcards for Nicole Sidman and Woodson Bradley! The volunteer kick-off rally made a tremendous impact!

Shoutout to our fantastic guest speakers and statewide candidates for inspiring us all: *Elaine Marshall*, NC Secretary of State *Senator Natasha Marcus*, NC Insurance Commissioner Candidate *Dr. Sarah Taber*, NC Agriculture Commissioner Candidate *Martin Moore*, NC Court of Appeals Candidate

Kudos to our amazing out-of-state volunteers from NYC, Boston, and Georgia who traveled to be part of this effort!

Thank you to the Nicole Sidman and Woodson Bradley campaigns, the South Meck Dems, and our dedicated ICLT members who came together to make this event a huge success!

This is how we do it, folks!

## Canvassing in Cotham's District -HD105 -Sept 4th, 15th and 28th

























The Sept. 15th canvass, composed of our Canvass All-Stars AND volunteers from Boston, Vermont, Asheville, and Virginia (AMAZING SUPPORTERS) managed to knock 304 doors and spoke with 102 voters in 3 hours. Incredible contact rate! The Sept. 4th and Sept. 28th canvasses also included canvassers from MA, and DC!

ICLT wrapped up its strategic independent canvassing this month. Since the end of January, ICLT volunteers have been out talking to voters in House District 105.

We've held 18 canvasses, knocked 4845 doors (+lit.) & had 1163 quality conversations!

This is how we do it!

ICLT turns out for Kamala Harris Rally - Bojangles Coliseum Sept. 12th



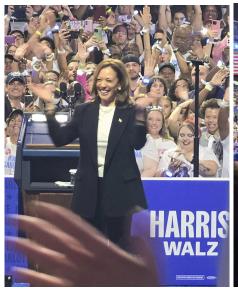






























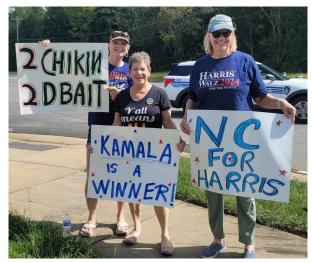


## ICLT turns out for Kamala Harris Rally at Bojangles Coliseum on Sept. 12th.

What a thrill to be in an arena with 8500 political besties, hearing from the next President of the United States, Kamala Harris!

Thank you for the phenomenal buttons Amanda Hancock!

Pop-Up Trump Protest in Mint Hill Sept. 25th - "2 CHIKIN 2 DBAIT"





Pop-up protest! Woot-woot! Small group, quick hit, BIG MESSAGE to Trump, as his motorcade drove by in Mint Hill on Sept.25th.

Thank you Rachelle Salo, Siobhan Ashbrook, Kathleen Cap and Linda Meigs!

Takeoff Movement Event- Do Politics Belong in the Sanctuary? Sept. 29th









The Takeoff Movement recently held a panel discussion event at Sanctuary Church addressing the question, "Do Politics Belong in the Sanctuary?" We are grateful for the leadership of Pastor Percy and Pastor Jordan, who helped us educate and inform the congregation on this critical issue. We are excited to return this Sunday to further engage with voters and potential voters through tabling.

The Takeoff Movement, a subgroup of ICLT, is a voter education and mobilization for Gen Z and millennials with a focus on West Charlotte led by Jordan Braswell and Treyvon Edmonds, mentored by Shamaiye Haynes. The group hosts a range of activities including direct access to local politicians, Civics 101 classes, and voter registration drives at predominantly Black high schools and colleges.

Center For Common Ground postcards to Black and Brown 'soon to be purged' voters in Meck!



**Center for Common Ground** identified thousands of Black and Brown voters in Mecklenburg County who were at risk of being purged from the voter rolls and wanted to reach them by mail. Thanks to your efforts, **Indivisible Charlotte** helped connect with **4,700** of these voters through the postcards you all wrote!

Thank you for your help!

ICLT Hosts, Trains and Canvasses with Out-of-State Canvassers!

























### A Heartfelt Thanks to Our Out-of-State Canvassers Coming to Charlotte!

We're beyond excited to have been chosen by All In for NC (AINC) to welcome out-of-state volunteers for a critical canvassing effort in Mecklenburg County! Since August, volunteers have been flying and driving in, and the momentum is growing as Election Day approaches.

Coordinating this large-scale operation—with dozens of hosts, volunteers, and multiple training sessions—could have been daunting, but Linda Meigs has led the charge with incredible skill, energy, and dedication. Her leadership is the heart of this effort, and we couldn't be more grateful. This partnership highlights what's possible when organizations unite!

### What we've accomplished so far:

• 47 canvassers from VT, MA, CT, NYC, DC, SC, and western NC have signed up or visited.

- **20** local volunteer hosts have opened their homes, some for up to 7 nights! (Thank you! Want to host? Let <u>Linda Meigs</u> know.)
- 5 Zoom canvass trainings led by Carolyn and Linda.
- 55+ canvassing shifts completed with the Sidman/Bradley campaigns or ICLT.
- Out-of-state volunteers and ICLT members have enjoyed social events, built friendships, and had countless meaningful conversations with voters.

#### **Out-of-State Canvasser Feedback:**

- "So far, canvassing in Charlotte is my favorite and best experience!! Thank you so much for all your help and training."
- "The training, meeting the candidates, and my host were all fabulous. I will come back in October if the stars align."
- "In all my years of canvassing, this Indivisible canvass was the most well-organized I've ever seen."
- "I had a great experience. Wonderful hosts, and my canvass on Sunday was amazing. I had interesting and powerful conversations with many people. Overall, I was glad to go to such a range of neighborhoods. I would like to come back and help out again; I can come in mid-October."
- "I've been canvassing since 2004. I've gone to a half a dozen states canvassing for the national Democratic ticket. I've been to Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and now I'm here in North Carolina. I have to say the reception from the people running the canvassing groups in North Carolina is superior to all the other canvassing events I've been through. Pretty much I've been left on my own, but here in North Carolina, I feel I've got support and encouragement, right up the line."
- "You have made us feel very welcome!!"
- "ICLT is the gold standard in organizing canvasses!"

Thank you to everyone supporting us here in NC! We can't wait to see how many more volunteers join us to engage voters before the election!

We Reach More Voters with your Support!



### **Support Our Work!**

We are a boots-on-the-ground, all volunteer organization and operate our voter engagement efforts through your generous donations!

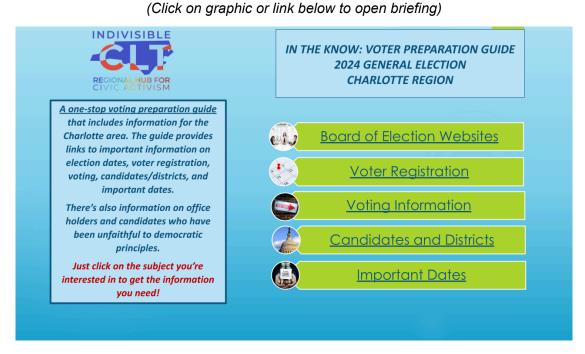


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## In the KNOW: Voter Preparation Guide 2024 General Election

- by ICLT Member - Marshal Auron



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