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NEW! ICLT Anti-Cotham Postcard Campaign is HERE!



POSTCARD WRITERS - GET OUT YOUR BEST PEN!

THIS is the dynamite new postcard project in coordination with FlipNC to dump the traitor Tricia Cotham and elect Nicole Sidman in HD105!

Postcards are available NOW to be picked up at sites in **Matthews, Ballantyne** and **Mint Hill** or **COME WRITE THEM** with us at our [social event on 7/10](#).

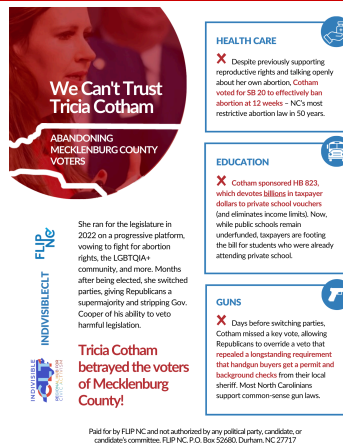
They need to be written by 8/18 and are in bundles of 50 so you only have to write a card a day to help with this important project. If you want to write them and haven't received an email with more details, just email [Jackie Goldberger](#) and she'll get you going.

Kudos and heartfelt thanks to all who have worked on this project thus far: talented ICLT artists **Erin & Eraklis Petmezas** and team members : **Amanda Hancock, Judy Warmingham, Genie Ombach, Sue DuChanois, Debbie Baynard, Holly Wood,** and **Jennifer Weaver-Spencer**. And a standing ovation to **Jackie Goldberger** for organizing ALL of the moving parts and volunteer efforts!

Now it's up to you to get these cards written and send Tricia packing!

(There are strict writing and mailing guides due to the fact that FLIPNC will be doing significant data analysis on the effectiveness of our project. We LOVE data!!! Thank you for your help.)

Anti-Cotham Lit Drops in House District 105!



The card is titled "We Can't Trust Tricia Cotham" and "ABANDONING MECKLENBURG COUNTY VOTERS". It features a photo of Tricia Cotham and a logo for "INDIVISIBLE CLT". The card lists three key points: HEALTH CARE, EDUCATION, and GUNS. Each point is preceded by a red 'X' and a brief description of Cotham's actions. At the bottom, it states "Tricia Cotham betrayed the voters of Mecklenburg County!" and includes a small disclaimer: "Paid for by FLIPNC and not authorized by any political party, candidate, or candidate's committee. FLIPNC, P.O. Box 50680, Durham, NC 27717".

We Can't Trust Tricia Cotham
ABANDONING MECKLENBURG COUNTY VOTERS

INDIVISIBLE CLT

She ran for the legislature in 2022 on a progressive platform, vowing to fight for abortion rights, the LGBTQIA+ community, and more. Months after being elected, she switched parties, giving Republicans a supermajority and stripping Gov. Cooper of his ability to veto harmful legislation.

Tricia Cotham betrayed the voters of Mecklenburg County!

HEALTH CARE
X Despite previously supporting reproductive rights and talking openly about her own abortion, Cotham voted for SB 20 to effectively ban abortion at 12 weeks - NC's most restrictive abortion law in 50 years.

EDUCATION
X Cotham sponsored HB 823, which devotes billions in taxpayer dollars to private school vouchers (and eliminates income limits). Now, while public schools remain underfunded, taxpayers are footing the bill for students who were already attending private school.

GUNS
X Days before switching parties, Cotham missed a key vote, allowing Republicans to override a veto that repealed a longstanding requirement that handgun buyers get a permit and background checks from their local sheriff. Most North Carolinians support common-sense gun laws.

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Do you want to help engage voters in HD105, but would rather not talk to them? Indivisible CLT has the solution - leave our anti-Cotham literature at targeted voters' doors when it works for you!

[Sign up here!](#)

Based on the data, we have specific precinct targets where we want to talk to voters directly. Other precincts or targets that don't lend themselves to door-knocking - we will leave our targeted literature. We need your help!

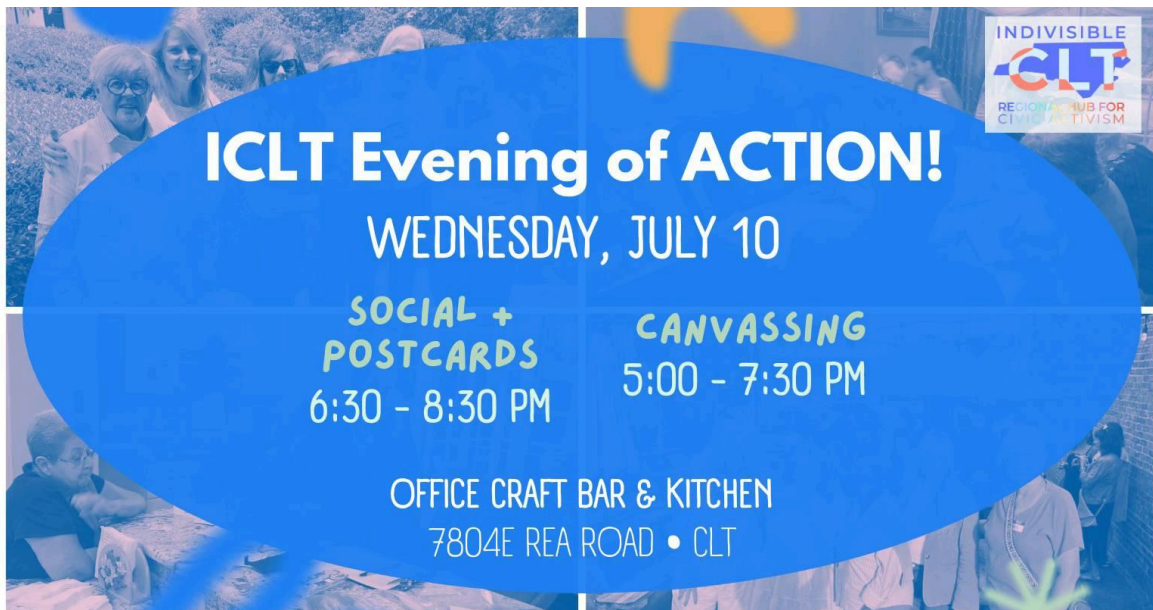
The literature will be available from 3 pick-up locations in HD105 and the target addresses shared using the miniVAN app.

If you are interested, please sign-up [here](#) ! Questions? Please contact [Ava](#).

Help us:

- Break the NCGA GOP supermajority
- Sway statewide races
- Get more volunteers

**ICLT's Evening of ACTION: Social, Postcard Writing and Canvassing!
The Office Craft Bar and Kitchen (Ballantyne) July 10th!**



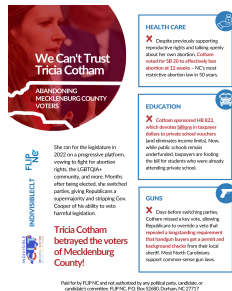
Fun + Political Action? YES PLEASE!

Sign up [here](#)

Join ICLT for a night that has it all: canvassing, social gathering, and writing custom postcards to voters in NC HD105! You choose your own adventure and join other like-minded folks for an evening that will have a positive impact on our community and our state! Those who choose to canvass can join the social and postcarding after they return. 😊

When: Wednesday July 10th

Where: Office Craft Bar & Kitchen - 7804-E Rea Rd, Charlotte



CANVASSING in HD105 is 5:00-7:30pm. We will meet in the courtyard NEXT to the Office Craft Bar & Kitchen. [SIGN UP FOR CANVASSING HERE](#)

SOCIAL / POSTCARDING is 6:30-8:30pm. [SIGN UP FOR THE SOCIAL and/or POSTCARDING HERE](#)

Thank you for your commitment to our community and to ridding NC of the Republican supermajority by flipping NC HD105!

Mark your calendar for a night of action, community and rejuvenation.

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

Canvassing in Cotham's District -HD105 - July 10th & July 21st!



Since the end of January, ICLT volunteers have been out talking to voters in House District 105.

We've held **13** canvasses, knocked **2783** doors (+lit.) & had **718** quality conversations!

Your **next opportunity to join us:**

Wed. July 10th 5-7:30pm * [Canvass Sign up](#)*****

Canvass meet up: The courtyard outside The Office Craft Bar & Kitchen (Ballantyne)
(*This canvass also coincides with an **ICLT social and postcard writing event** at The Office Craft Bar & Kitchen from **6:30-8:30p**. Canvass and then join the festivities!***[Social/Postcard Writing Sign up](#)****)

Sun. July 21st 1-4pm * [Canvass Sign up](#)*****

Meet-up: Sheryl's back porch -address upon registration.

(Our canvass schedule through mid-September is available - save the dates and [sign up now!](#))

We not only know that face-to-face conversations with voters is the most effective way to get them to the polls, we also know the value of talking to voters early and often to have lasting impact. We'll be in HD105 through the election -but now is the critical time to reach voters with our deep canvassing script.

Indivisible Charlotte, utilizing data-driven strategies, is organizing essential electoral initiatives in NC HD105 - Tricia Cotham's district. This is a pivotal district that we **MUST**

turn blue to break the GOP supermajority in the General Assembly. (HD105 also overlaps with NC Senate District 42 - two of the most competitive districts for 2024!) We are capitalizing on the anger expressed by voters in Cotham's district and voters across the state who have lost freedoms as a result of her party switch. **We need your help.**

(All training and materials provided.)

Taco Tuesday to Tank Tricia (Dilworth) -July 23rd!



Taco Tuesday to Tank Tricia!!

****POSTCARD WRITERS****

Tuesday, July 23rd. Sign up here:

<https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblecharlottenc/event/628622/>

Come commune with others on Tuesday, July 23rd, and put your election anxiety to good use! We will enjoy a taco bar and write postcards to turn out the progressive vote.

Register and sign up for the taco topping you can bring.

Action is the antidote for despair! Let's get to work!!

Tuesday, July 23rd, 5:30-8:00 -Holly's House -Dilworth (address upon registration)

Sign up [here](#) !!

**Save the Date: Charlotte PRIDE Parade - ICLT Float & Voter
Registration Aug. 18th!**



Sign Up [HERE](#)

SAVE THE DATE AUGUST 18, 2024!

Join us for the 2024 Charlotte PRIDE Parade! Indivisible CLT will again be participating in the parade with our very own float! We will also be giving away swag and registering voters! Don't miss the FUN!

Sign Up [HERE](#) for meetup details!!!!!!

**All voter registration supplies and training will be provided. **

ICLT's Social: Carolina Beer Temple (Matthews) June 5th



We had a great turnout at the **June 5th ICLT Wednesday Night Social at Carolina Beer Temple** (Matthews)! Lots of fabulous people, pizza and conversations. Many “old” friends and some fresh new faces too.

Thank you Ava Williamson and Tina Rogovin for your leadership and your help making this event so successful!!!

Come out to our next event, **July 10th**, for something special. Join us for an evening of action with a social, postcard writing AND canvassing! We love to throw our activism into all of our gatherings! **Sign up [here](#).**

Canvassing in Cotham's District -HD105 - June 15th & June 30th!



Summer canvassing is on fire, and we're bringing the HEAT!

With 13 canvasses under our belts, we've knocked on **2,783 doors** (plus left literature!) and engaged in **718 meaningful conversations!**

Our dedicated volunteers are the heart of this effort, and we couldn't do it without you.

Special thanks to Dimple and Debbie for graciously hosting our June canvass launches! Don't miss our upcoming canvasses on [July 10th and July 21st](#). [Join us](#) and help protect democracy!

CLT Engage -Sips and Civics: Trivia Edition -June 22nd



You brought the energy to trivia!

Thank you so much to everyone who joined us for Sips & Civics: Trivia Edition on June 22nd! We had questions on the corrupt actions of the General Assembly, the accomplishments of Attorney General Josh Stein, and the storied history of fast food in North Carolina. Congrats to the winners of both trivia and our raffles! If you'd like to check out the trivia questions and answers, you can see them [here](#).

Huge thank you to Carolina Forward for the generous funding to make this event a reality!

Another thank you to State Senator-elect Caleb Theodros and District Court Judge Jennifer Fleet for talking through some of the trivia answers!



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 Biden -Trump Debate Watch Party June 27th



Thank you Sue DuChanois for hosting and shout out to Rachelle Salo for organizing the event!

Can You Spare a Bed for a Traveling Canvasser?



GOOD NEWS — Volunteers from other states and other parts of NC will be coming to help ICLT knock on doors this summer and fall! And YOU can HELP by providing a comfortable bed for a weary canvasser to lay their head after a long day of helping save democracy. Many thanks to those who have already agreed to serve in this way! Please message [Linda Morris Meigs](#) if you can help in this important way. Thank you in advance!

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!



SCAN or click [here](#) to make a donation :)

Indivisible CLT has annual dues of \$20/year. You can pay your 2024 dues [here](#).

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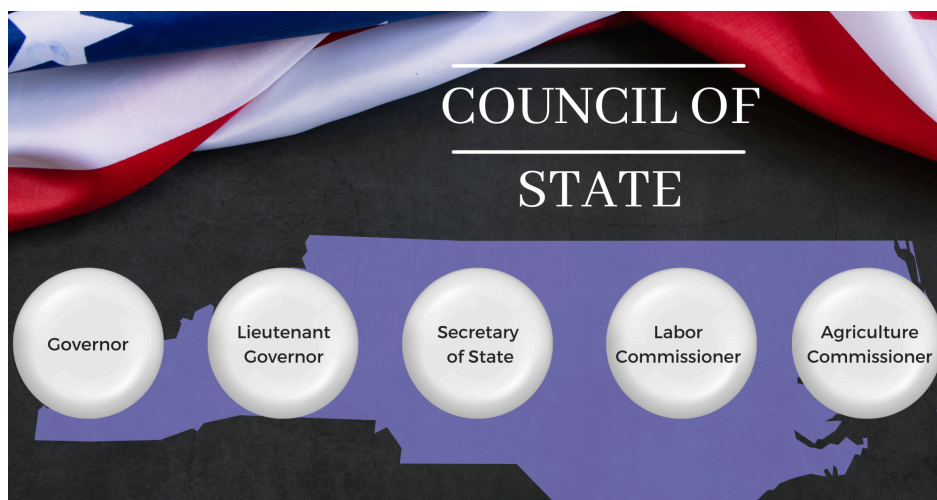
- by ICLT Member - Marshal Auron

The November Election provides stark choices for NC's future. Ten executive branch offices, "Council of State", are at stake as well as more balance in the State Legislature and on the State's Appellate Courts.

Democrat and Republican races reviewed this month are:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Labor Commissioner & Agriculture Commissioner.

(Click on graphic or link below to open briefing)



To open this briefing click [here](#).

GET INVOLVED! STAY ENGAGED!



-Your Indivisible Charlotte Leadership Team - Carolyn Eberly - Ava Williamson



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