# Flex your Civic Engagement Muscles Make this world a better place with one action, one voter, at a time! Here's how:

# Join our Get Out the Vote Team meetings and activities

- Strategize for engaging folks to vote in upcoming elections and fighting voter suppression.
  - Support efforts of national and local, <u>non-partisan</u> organizations to increase voter participation particularly among BIPOC communities.
- Educate ourselves on local, state and national legislation.
- Monthly meetings are held by zoom, usually the second Thursday of the month at 6:15-7:15.
  - Contact Beth Posner-Waldron directly or via <u>GOTV@uucworcester.org</u> for the link to our meeting and/or to be added to our email list for additional communications sent periodically.

# Attend a local standout or rally

**Worcester Indivisible** periodically holds standouts over 290 at Belmont Street. Here is information about a POP UP standout you can sign up for.

## Wednesday, Nov. 5th 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Join Worcester Indivisible for a popup standout in Worcester! We're looking for at least 70 individuals. We like to keep the details of our popup standouts a surprise, so please reach out for more information.

#### **UU Mass Action**

- Participate in a "power hour" the 3rd Thursday of each month from 12 to 1. Make calls/write
  letters/take action on important legislation currently in the pipeline. Even if you can't attend, RSVP
  so that you get the list of action items you can choose from to do on your own. Here is the link
  to their Action Hour page where they will post the link to RSVP as the date gets closer.
- This is a <u>LINK to the action items</u> covered on October 16. Here are the hot button issues for UU Mass Action and the coalition partners you may feel inspired to take action on, including
  - concern over the selection process of designs to replace the state flag
  - rent stabilization campaign
  - building respect and educating children about Indigenous People
  - o Improving conditions for incarcerated people

#### **Vote in the Worcester Municipal Elections**

- Early voting has begun.
- Here is a <u>Voting Information flyer</u> that members of the GOtV team put together. Feel free to share with others. A link and QR code for a Spanish language version is at the end of the flyer. An additional page lists candidates who will be on the ballot on November 4th.

#### Make 5 calls a day

Check out this online tool recommended by Lynn G: <u>5calls.org</u> helps you take action without having to sort through all the emails and news announcements.

## Center for Common Ground and the Reclaim Our Vote campaign

- Make calls with C4CG with supported training on zoom; calls can also be made on your own time using their platform between 9 AM and 8 PM.
- Calls are currently being made to Black voters in Virginia in advance of their state's General Election on November 4th. Virginia will be a test for how the mid-terms might go next year!
  - Go to <a href="https://www.centerforcommonground.org/phonebanks">https://www.centerforcommonground.org/phonebanks</a>
  - Learn to use the new autodialer platform, Impactive, which is very easy.
- Educational forums are held periodically on Thursdays at 8 PM, listed under "Events".
- All Information is available at https://www.centerforcommonground.org/

#### **VoteRiders**

- Educate voters in states with new and restrictive voter ID requirements to prepare to vote.
- Offering texting and letter-writing with training during webinars offered periodically.
- Go to https://www.voteriders.org/volunteer/ for more information

#### Vote Forward

- Send letters with a personal message about why you vote or why you care about a particular issue to infrequent and low-propensity voters.
- Templates are provided with names, addresses, and voting information specific to that state.
- General Information about Vote Forward is available at <a href="https://votefwd.org/">https://votefwd.org/</a>

# Get involved with Worcester Congregations for Climate & Environmental Justice

- Join representatives from local congregations to take action fighting climate change.
- Contact Mara Pentlarge for more information (email: mara dot pentlarge at gmail dot com).

For events with the UUA's **Side With Love**, go to <a href="https://sidewithlove.org/allevents">https://sidewithlove.org/allevents</a>

**Join the Love in Action Announcement Listserve organized by Deborah-Ruth**, member of UUCW and Side With Love Task Force.

- Receive email announcements for local vigils, demonstrations, city council meetings, school committee meetings, petitions, legislative bills, and anything in the Worcester area that is a form of love in action that has been vetted by a member of UUCW or a friend of UUCW.
- Post announcements with a brief note that includes your passion about why you're asking for people's support.
- To join, **send an email to actionannouncements@uucworcester.org** stating that you'd like to be added and briefly describe how you are connected to UUCW (i.e. member, friend). If you don't receive a welcome email within 24 hours, please check your spam.

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