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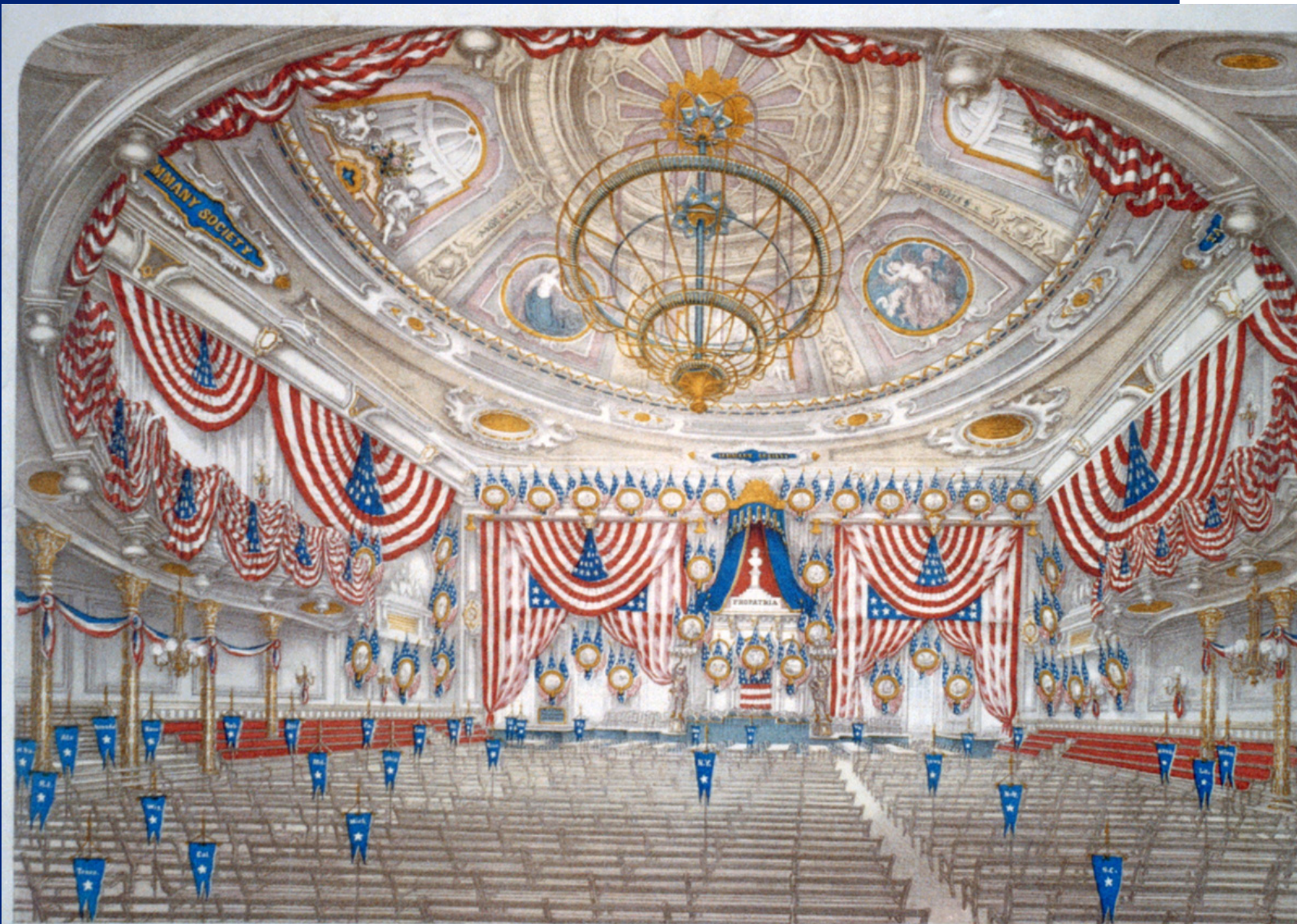


# MEETING AGENDA

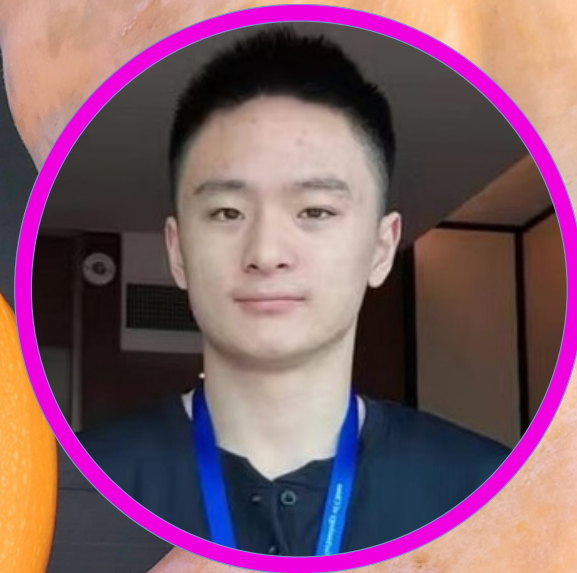
NOVEMBER 19, 2023

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Welcome  
Attendance  
Board Reports  
Membership Verification  
GOTV Training  
GPP Updates  
DPCA Meeting Info  
Event Planning  
Motions and New Business



Interior View of Tammany Hall, Decorated for the National Convention July 4<sup>th</sup> 1868.



# Bylaws

DACN Bylaws

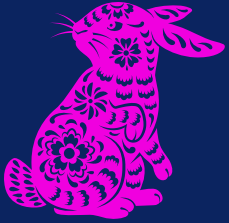
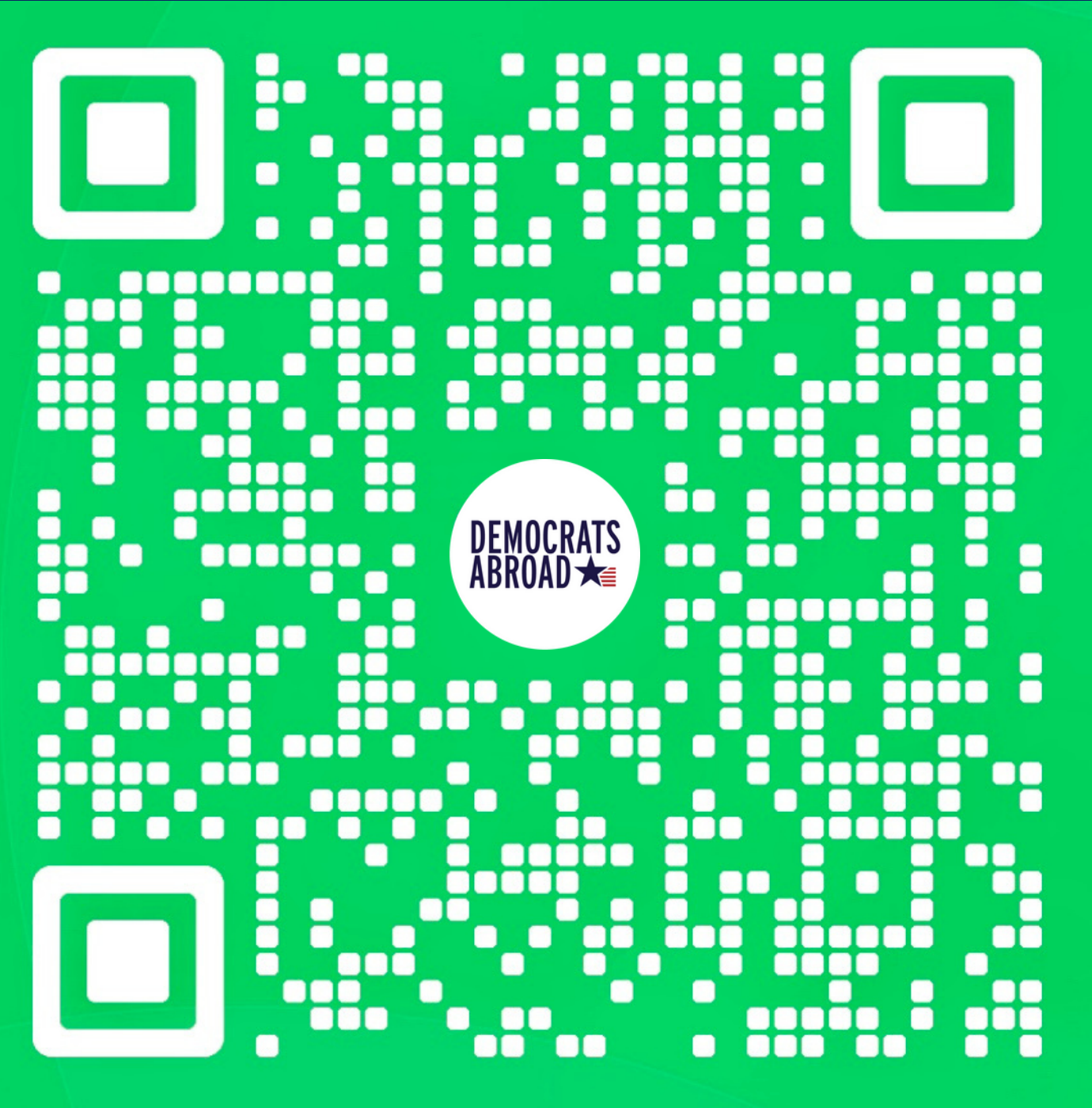


# The Website

DPCA & DACN News & Events



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WECHAT



# CHAIR REPORT & REQUESTS

*OCTOBER 2023*

- GOTV, Election Day 2023, curing
  - Meetings with volunteers interested in filling vacancy and participating in other ways
  - WI Team meetings
  - State Team meetings
  - Women's Caucus Organizing
  - ECCC Team meeting on COP28
  - Financial Compliance Committee & Subcommittee reports, meetings
  - DPCA Extraordinary Meeting - November 12
  - Global meetings - [archived](#)
  - Regional meetings - [archived](#)
  - Sharing content on DACN social media and WeChat
  - WeChat group organizing
  - Membership Verification and database entry to begin
  - November Newsletter and photo collection - help requested
  - Voter Assistance Event Planning 2024
  - David Pepper *live!!!*
  - Guangzhou and Shanghai event preparations
  - January 15th event preparations
  - GPP event preparations
  - Holiday event preparations
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W I S D E M S  
**NATIVE**  
**AMERICAN**  
Heritage Month



Ho-Chunk President  
**Jon Greendeer** >>

W I S D E M S  
**NATIVE**  
**AMERICAN**  
Heritage Month

**What does Native November mean to you?  
Why is it important to be involved in your  
community?**

"November is really the culmination of our green corn way of life. Harvests are complete, prime hunting is underway, and preparations for the cold season has begun. It's a very active time of year and a time where the spirit of togetherness and thankfulness define this part of our annual cycle.

This is why participation is important because our communal way of life was never designed to continue on any path alone."





Run for Delegate and Join Democrats Abroad in Chicago for the DNC Convention in August!

# DEMOCRATS

## WHO MADE ELECTION HISTORY



# DEMOCRATIC WINS

## WISCONSIN

Democrats flipped control of the state Supreme Court

## CONNECTICUT

Democrats won key mayoral races

## NEW JERSEY

Democrats picked up state Assembly seats

## OHIO

Constitutional amendment ensuring access to abortion

## RHODE ISLAND

Gabe Amo won open House seat

## VIRGINIA

Democrats won full control of state legislature

## KENTUCKY

Gov. Andy Beshear won reelection

## PENNSYLVANIA

Daniel McCaffery elected to state Supreme Court

## PHILADELPHIA

Cherelle Parker elected mayor






**Congratulations to Democrat Cherelle Parker, the 1st female mayor of Philadelphia!**

 **DEMOCRATS ABROAD**

**Congratulations Virginia!!**



**The Virginia State House & Senate Went BLUE!**

 **DEMOCRATS ABROAD**

**Congratulations New Jersey!**



**The New Jersey State House & Senate Went BLUE!**

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ELECTION 2023

### Gabe Amo wins seat to U.S. House from Rhode Island

He becomes the state's first elected Black representative to Congress.

AP Photo/Steven Senne

# VICTORY!



**MICHAEL FEGGANS**  
VIRGINIA HD-97

VIRGINIA SENATE  
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

# WINNER!

**DANICA ROEM**

OUR SENATOR-ELECT  
REPRESENTING SD30!



CONGRATULATIONS  
**ANDY BESHEAR**  
GOVERNOR OF KENTUCKY



Congratulations

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Mayor Regina Romero

2023 Election Historic Wins

## RUE LANDAU

The first out LGBTQIA+ city council member for the city of Philadelphia



2023 Municipal Election

# WINNER!

Bill Gerber

First Selectman  
Farfield



ELECTION 2023

### Cherelle Parker elected mayor of Philadelphia

Parker, a Democrat, is the first woman to serve in the role.

AP Photo/Matt Rourke

## Portage County

Results are constantly updated [Refresh](#)

--Select Race--

Wed Nov 8 - 0:05am

### Portage Co. - Kent Council Ward 4

100% of Precincts reporting

**D** Christopher Hook 83% 237

**R** John M. Kuhar 17% 48



# Congrats

Sen. Aaron Rouse

Virginia Senate - District 22



Ohioans voted **YES** on Issue 1, locking the right to abortion in the state constitution!

This marks a huge win for reproductive freedom!



# Congrats

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Virginia Senate - District 13

Reproductive Freedom for All Endorsed

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[Joe Biden](#)



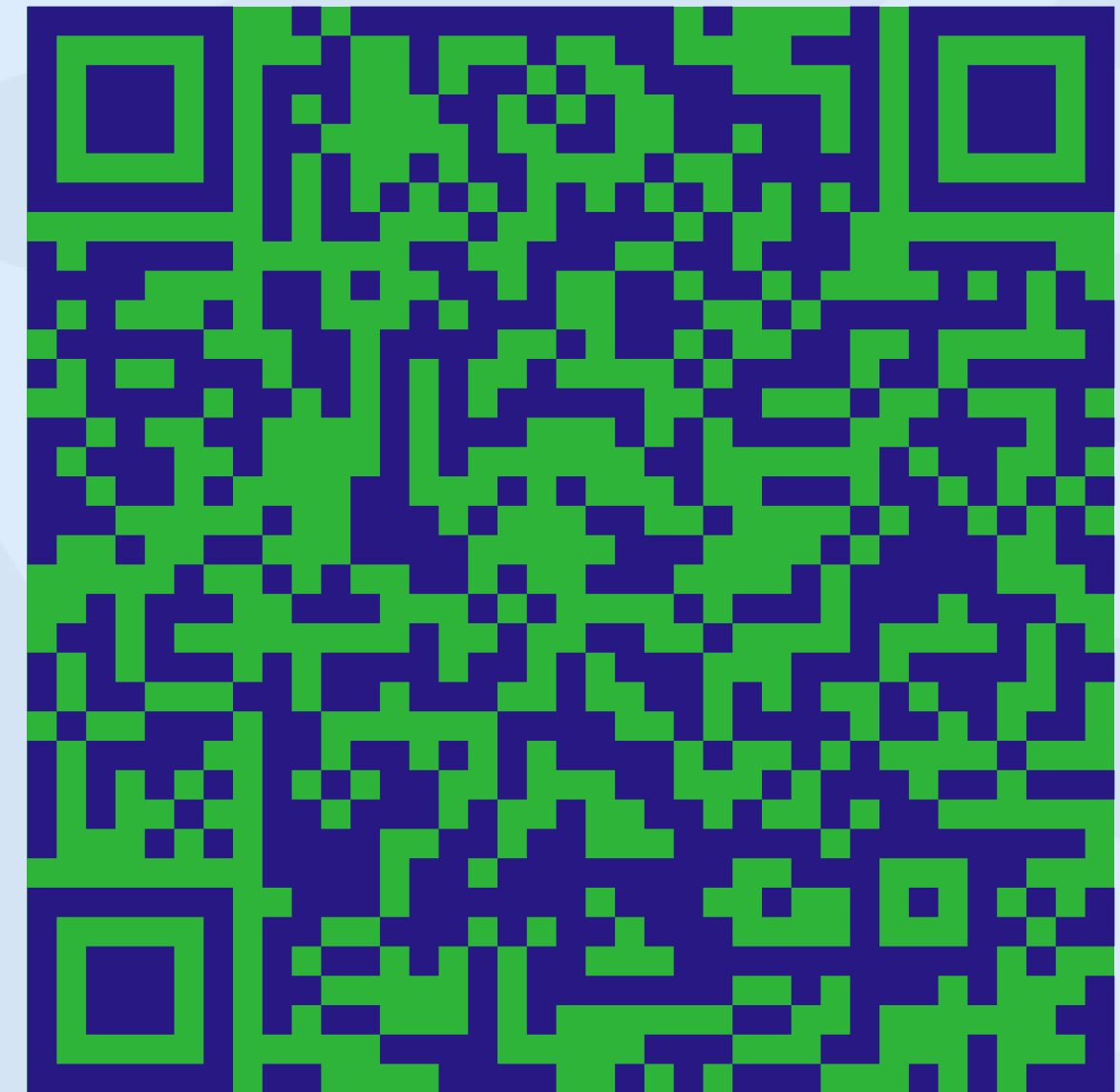
[Marianne Williamson](#)

The Democrats Abroad Global Presidential Primary will run from **March 5 to March 12, 2024**. Americans abroad will be able to vote at 100s of voting locations around the world.



# The Wiki

DPCA & DACN Repository



democratsabroad.org

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Account settings updated

## YOUR DEMOCRATS ABROAD ACCOUNT

First Name\*  Middle Name  Last Name\*

Your Democrats Abroad Account Number is

[Click here to change/reset your password](#)

[Click here to view and update your PUBLIC profile settings.](#)

[Click here to view and update your PRIVATE profile settings.](#)

**SAVE PROFILE SETTINGS**

Even if your setting are all correct, please click the 'SAVE' button anyway. This serves to confirm your profile is up-to-date.



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REVENUE  
(USD)

0



EXPENDITURES  
(USD)





Total Raised 2022:

\$133.09

Total Raised 2023:

\$50.10

Total Spent 2022:

\$0.00

Total Spent 2023:

\$-52.88

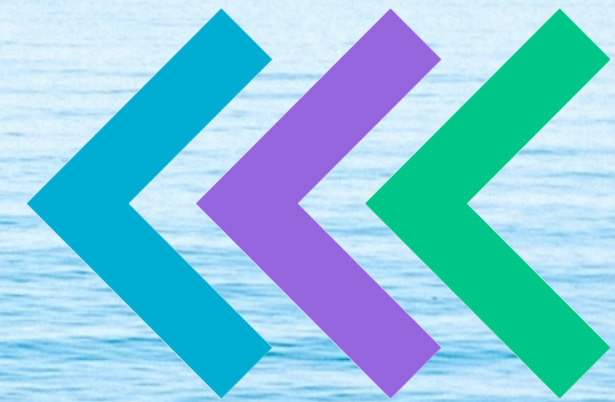
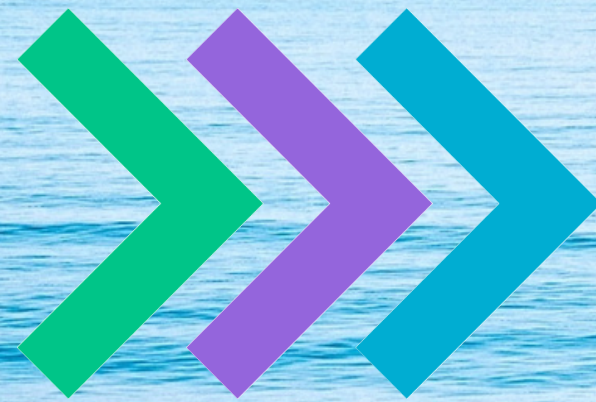
Total Country Balance

\$130.31





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# Intro to the Global Presidential Primary (GPP)

**Democrats Abroad**

Sept 23, 2023



# The Global Presidential Primary (GPP)

The Democrats Abroad Global Presidential Primary (GPP) will run from March 5 to March 12, 2024 at voting centers around the world to help select the next Democratic presidential candidate.

Democrats Abroad will send delegates to the Democratic National Convention (DNC) in August 2024 who reflect the results of our primary. These delegates are elected at our regional and global conventions next year.

- Voters must meet the following criteria to participate in our primary
  - Reside abroad and be a U.S. Citizen
  - Be a member of Democrats Abroad
  - Be 18 as of November 5, 2024
  - Not have voted, or plan to vote, in any other 2024 state **presidential** primary
- Besides in person voting, voters abroad may also vote by downloading a ballot and emailing, faxing, or postal mailing it to Democrats Abroad from February 13, 2024 through March 12, 2024.

## Global Presidential Primary (GPP)

our party-run primary that allows Democrats Abroad members living outside the United States to participate in the Democratic Presidential candidate nomination process.





# GPP in 2020 - Facts & Figures

- Voters in **180** countries successfully cast their ballots
- **39,984** voters participated in the primary
- Voting took place at more than **230** voting centers across our country committees
  - [List of 2020 voting centers](#)
- The majority of voting events were held on **Super Tuesday** and the **next weekend**
- Voters cast their ballots in person, by **email, fax, and postal mail**
  - [2020 totals by ballot type](#)

# The GPP and Your Committee

- Volunteer engagement and training opportunity
- Biggest membership growth opportunity each 4 year cycle
- Community building
  - Members love voting in person and hearing their results
  - Members really appreciate the chance to impact the DA Platform
- Strengthens our brand through media
  - Biggest press moments of the cycle
- Your turnout impacts your regional and global convention vote

# Democrats Abroad 2024 GPP Timeline

**Nov 10, 2023** Delegate workshops roll out

**Dec 31** Country Committee (CC) Voting Center info due

**Jan 3, 2024** Last day for Presidential candidate GPP sign up

**Feb 13** Ballots on DA site for download

**March 5 - 12** DA Global Presidential Primary (GPP) week

**March 12** Latest date to email or fax a ballot or postmark a mail-in ballot

**March 17** Deadline for mail-in ballots to be received by Committees or RVC

**March 26** Delegate filing period begins

**Apr 15** CC Elector certification deadline

**Apr 19** Delegate filing deadline

**Apr 26** Approved delegate list due from campaigns

**May 25** AP Regional Convention (online)

**May 26** EMEA Regional Convention (online)

**May 30** Americas Regional Conventions (in Costa Rica and online)

**May 31-June 1** Global Convention (in Costa Rica and online)

**August 19-22** Democratic National Convention in Chicago, IL

# Voting Center 2023 Decisions

## Country Committee info due Dec 31, 2023

- Voting Center(s) location, dates and times
- Voting Center manager name
- Name & address of local person who will send out mail-in ballots
- Name & address for local mail-in ballot deliveries
- Waiver requests

## How to submit CC voting center info

- Via form, email or postal mail [[gpp@democratsabroad.org](mailto:gpp@democratsabroad.org)]

# Voting Center Requirements/Suggestions

## Required

- In-compliant country or transnational committees must run at least one (1) voting center
- Voting Centers must be run in a building that is not a private home

## Suggested

- Chapters of in-compliant country or transnational committees are encouraged to set up at least one (1) voting center
- Country committees in formation as well as out-of-compliance committees are encouraged to set up at least one (1) voting center
- Not in a country committee? Consider running a Ballot Assistance Event!  
([2020 info here as a reference, but not a guideline](#))

# Considerations for Choosing a Voting Center

- Location: Safety, public transportation, centrality, recognizability
- Timing: Ensure space is available at least an hour before and after voting
  - Triple confirm time and date, recommended in writing
- Size: Consider voter numbers - [review past attendance as a guideline](#)
- Space needs: Voting area, ballot box, info stand, registration, etc ([see sample voting center layout](#))
- Space options: Ask now if you can decorate ahead of the event
- Connection: Look for good internet connection + electricity
- Context: Bars are off limits for some voter populations, be mindful of your voters
- Insurance: Check if venue requires insurance policy/rider
- Accessibility: See next slide for accessibility reminders

## Voting Center

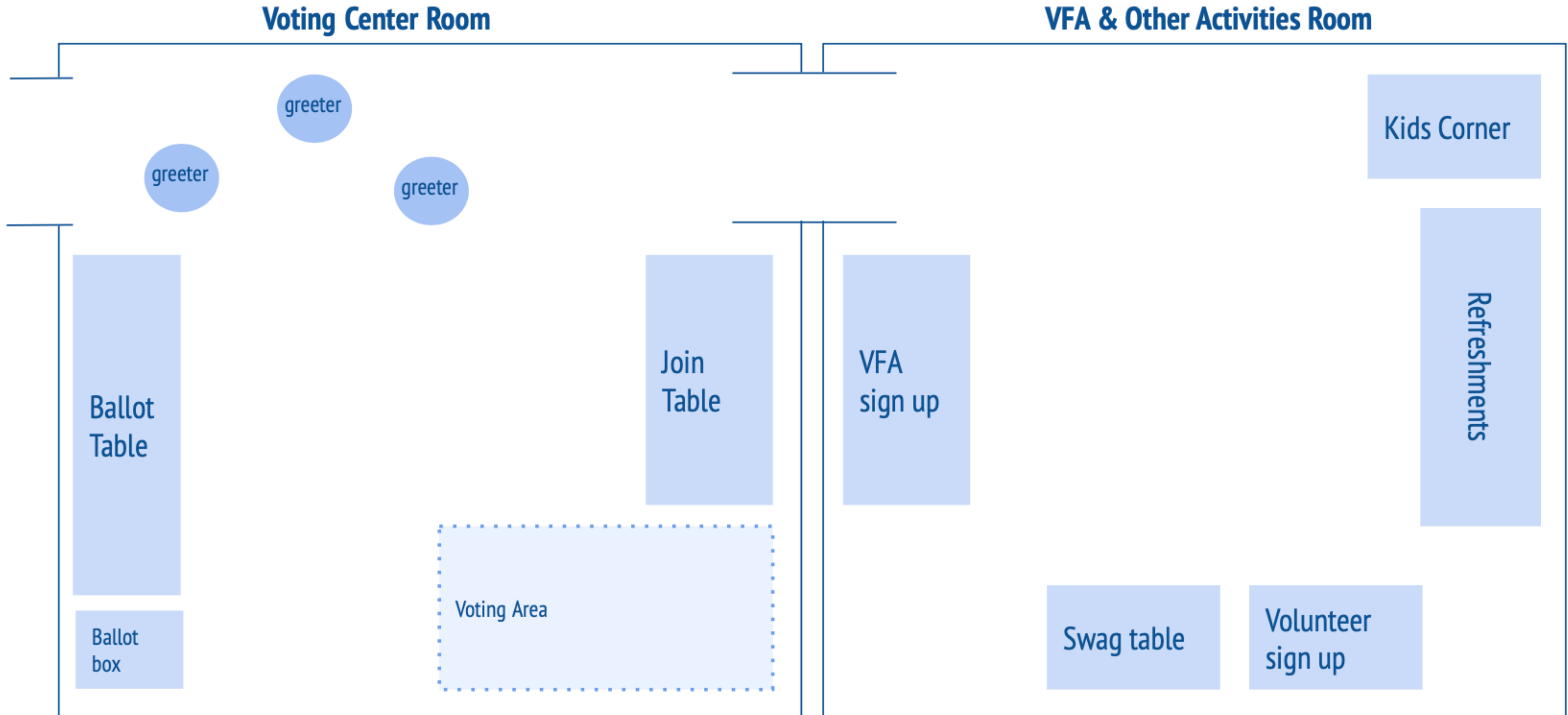
official voting location for in-person voting, must be declared by Dec 31, 2023; includes ballot collection and tabulation; must be publicly accessible; must be publicized

# Voting Center Accessibility Considerations\*

- Handicapped parking spaces available (if applicable)?
- Easy access to public transportation?
- Venue open for voting over several hours (or days) to accommodate all DA voters?
- Venue has a disabled-friendly restroom(s)?
- Venue has a "family-friendly" restroom(s) such as having a baby-changing station?
- Take into consideration the amount of stairs, lack of elevator, sufficient ramp, etc. for elderly and disabled DA voters?
- Venue has a sufficient number of seats available for guests who may need a rest?
- Venue has sufficient lighting for DA voters to accurately read all the voting materials?
- Are there appropriate emergency exit procedures for DA voters with a disability (such as those in a wheelchair)?
- Venue have a First-Aid kit and defibrillator available?
- Is there drinking water available for older/dehydrated DA voters (especially if in a hot climate)?
- If it is raining/snowing during GPP hours, is there a "Caution: Wet Floor" and/or mop available to quickly clean up slippery floors?

Copy and customize this map for your own event! \*

# A Bird's Eye View of a Sample Voting Center



\*Google Slides work well for a fast sketch



# GPP Costs and Contracts

- Expected Costs
  - In-person balloting materials
  - Decorations and swag
  - Voting center venue rental (if applicable)
  - Postal costs for shipping tabulated ballots to Int'l Chair
  - Advertisement (if any)
  - Vote-by-mail printing and delivery costs
- Budgets differ by committee
  - Review numbers from previous voting centers (either your own or comparably sized committee)
- Costs associated with each committee's voting center(s) must be paid by the committee
- Contracts must be signed in coordination with the Global Executive Committee

# Voting Center Manager Responsibilities

- Opens and closes voting at the center
- Makes sure Voting Center rules are followed
- Responsible for the safety of ballots during voting & until posted to Int'l Chair
- Keeps tally of ballots each day; makes note of challenges and provisional ballots
- Ensure ballots are accurately tabulated
- Sends ballots to Int'l Chair w/ tabulation + other details
- Reports results to Int'l Chair or designees by phone & email immediately after tabulation
- Organizes and manages volunteers to help with the Voting Center
- If applicable, contacts embassy or local police to notify them of expected large crowds, other safety concerns

**Voting Center Manager**  
responsible for  
maintaining voting center  
rules and guidelines and  
managing a voting center  
during the GPP

# Other Volunteer Roles at the Voting Center

- Greeter (traffic controller)
- Voter registration assistant (join Democrats Abroad!)
- Voter verification assistants (2-3, checks membership & whether voted remotely)
- Ballot distributor and logger
- Ballot box watcher
- Dedicated adviser to resolve questions and disputes regarding the rules
- VFA assistant for registering to vote in the U.S.
- General voter help (including remote voting and interest in being a delegate)
- Media coordinator
- Tellers for vote tallying after close of voting

**Depending on voter numbers, one volunteer may fulfill multiple roles.**

Numbers of volunteers needed for tellers, etc increase with number of expected voters. All roles are suggestions only, with the exception of the **teller** positions, which are **required roles**

# Status of the Delegate Selection Plan (DSP)

## Democratic National Committee (DNC) Review

- DNC Rules & Bylaws Committee reviewed on Sept. 14 ([see video](#))
- DSP declared conditionally compliant
- DSP currently being edited to take into account comments (due Oct 20)

## Highlights of DNC comments

- Primary use of RCV to be removed
- Single vote proportional system used instead

### Delegate Selection Plan (DSP)

- outlines the rules and procedures that Democrats Abroad follows in order to participate in the Democratic primary process and select delegates to attend the Democratic National Convention

# What to Look for Next

- Wiki page in progress: <https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/GPP2024>
- Brief Guide for Delegate Candidates
- A “Guide for Voting Center Managers”
  - Voting Center Rules
  - Voting Center Planning + Set Up
  - Publicity
  - Campaign Observers + Media Management
  - Order of Play on Voting Center Day
- Online workshops run regionally for Voting Center Managers
- Volunteer role descriptions
- Voting Center forms & documents including ballots, tabulation forms, ballot logs, etc
- “Ballot Assistance Event Guide”

# Glossary

**Ballot Assistance Event** non-official voting event designed to assist voters in remote voting; no ballot collection or tabulation

**Global Presidential Primary (GPP)** our party-run primary that allows Democrats Abroad members living outside the United States to participate in the Democratic Presidential candidate nomination process

**Democratic National Committee (DNC)** organization within the Democratic Party responsible for supporting US Democratic Party candidates. Also responsible for organizing the Democratic National Convention every four years

**Democratic National Convention (DNC)** presidential nomination convention held every four years to officially nominate a Democratic candidate for President of the United States and define the Democratic party platform. Delegates attend from the 50 states, plus DC, the territories, and Democrats Abroad

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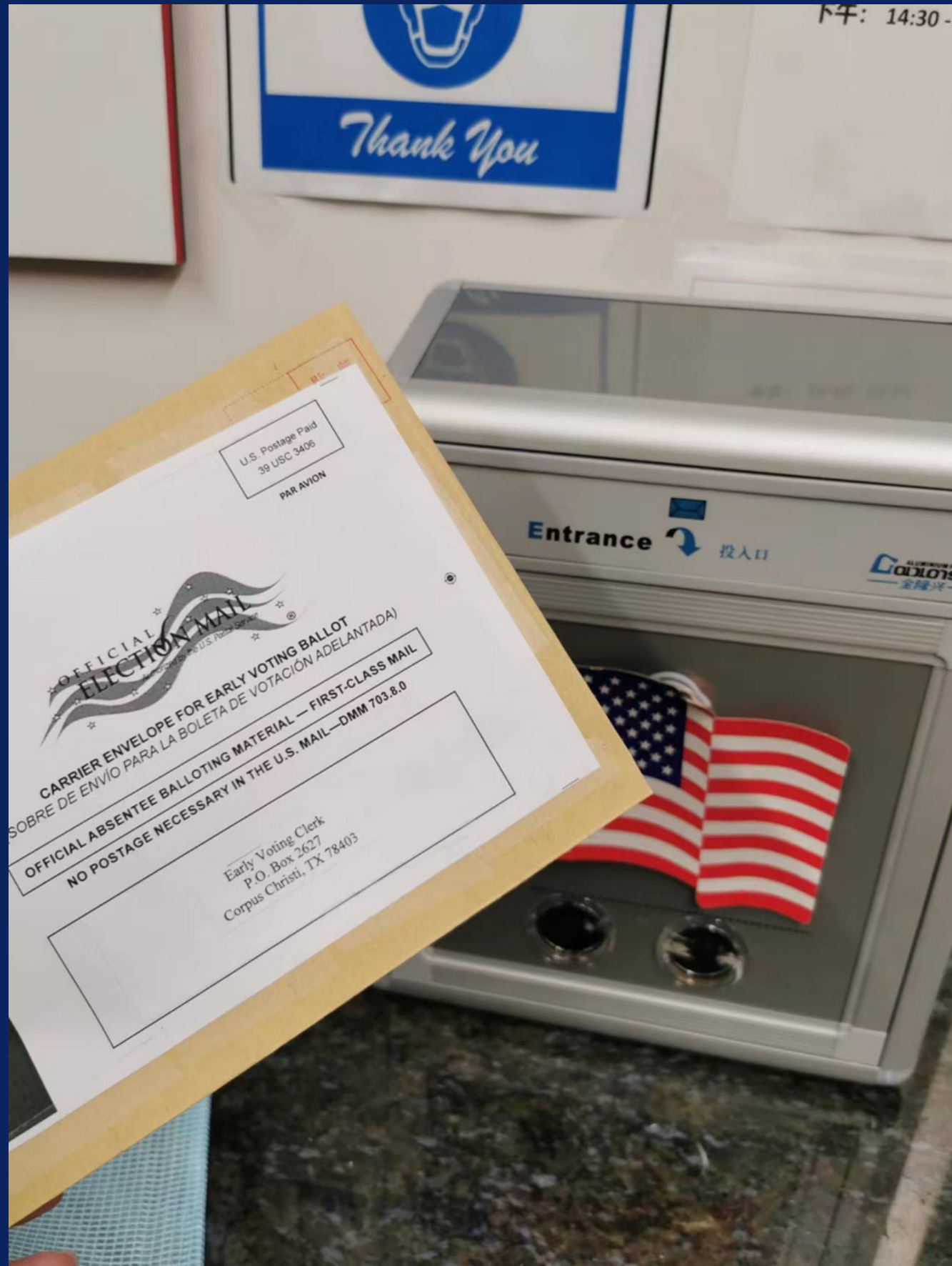
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- **CREATE CONTENT FOR DACN SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS**
- **WECHAT GROUP AND MOMENTS POSTING**
- **NOVEMBER & DECEMBER NEWSLETTER COPY AND PHOTO COLLECTION - SUBMIT ASAP**
- **EVENT SUPPORT - GRAPHICS AND COPY HELP REQUESTED**
- **GOTV IS BEST DONE WHEN WE ALL POST DEADLINES AND VOTE FROM ABROAD FROM ABROAD INFORMATION REGULARLY**
- **BUILDING OUT OUR COMMS TEAM - JOIN OUR WECHAT GROUP!**
- **MEETINGS: 11/20 AND 11/27**







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China





# Vote from Abroad.org

Absentee ballots for US citizens

Request a ballot  
Vote by mail  
Shape the future

**Assist  
Voters**





*Team*  
**INTERCOM**



Image credit: wired.com



# ORGANIZING AHEAD



## November

David Pepper. Live events in SH & GZ. Election Results Chat Party. Giving Tuesday drive. Member verification. Comms Collabs. News, Newsletter.

## December

Membership verification. Call for volunteers. Launch events in 5 cities. End of year newsletter. Register certain states (early primaries).

## Review

Evaluate 2023 results, goal set, look to primaries, GPP and generals. **CELEBRATE!**

## January

Voter registration 2023! ABC Event. Final Membership Verification GPP event prep in venues

## February

Voter registration 2023! BHM! Finalize GPP vendors, purchases & comms.





Tricia Williams - China Treasurer



Liz Blackburn



Harlan



davidpepper



Martha McDevitt-Pugh (Netherlands) she/her



Pam Forbes



Geneva Jones



Kelly DEMOCRATS ABROAD ITALY



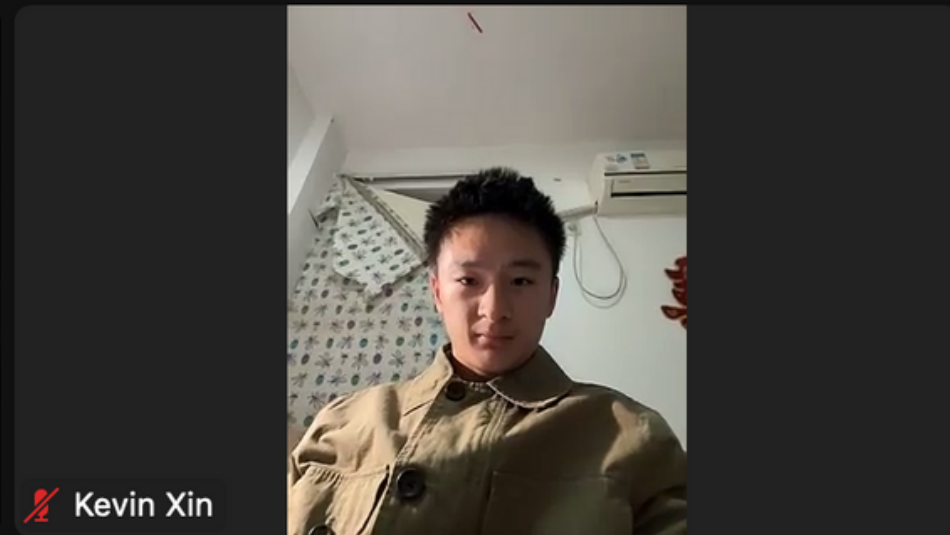
Christina Skovsgaard



Kee Evans



Catherine Dexter



Kevin Xin



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A



# Harvest Holiday Dinner

SATURDAY

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DECEMBER

**13 Factories 十三行**  
Tianhe, Guangzhou





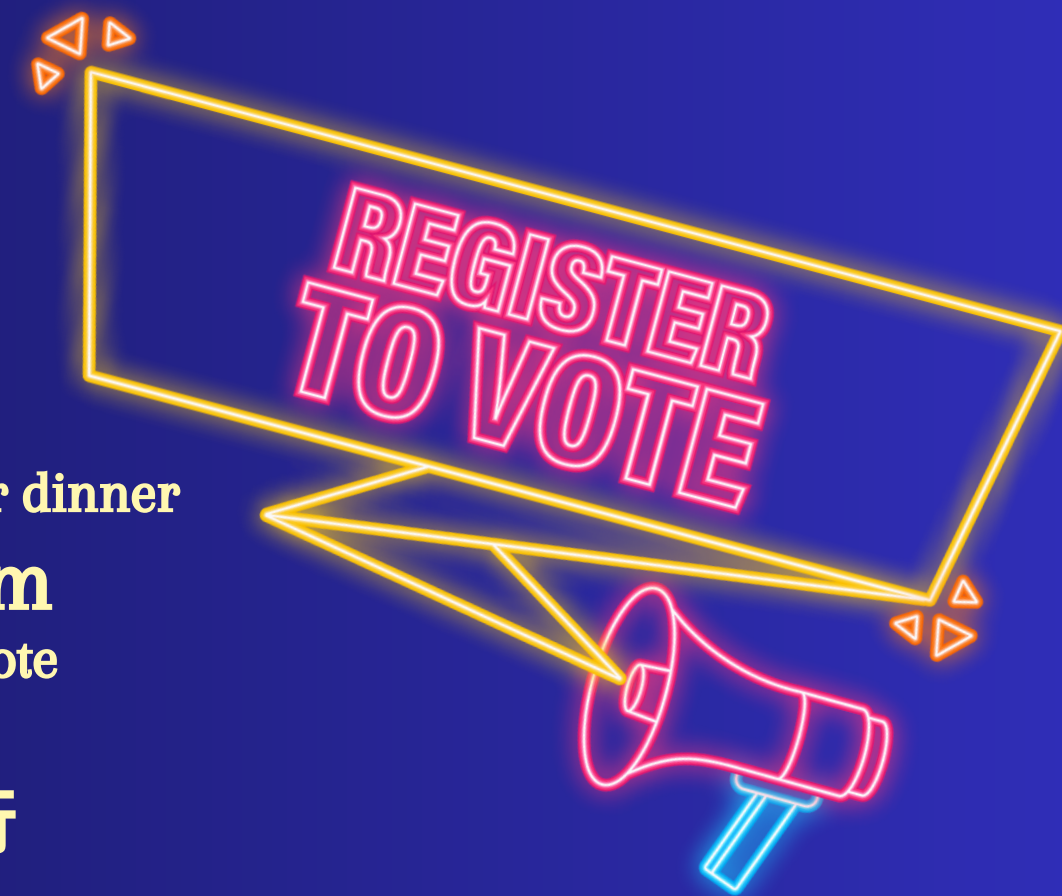


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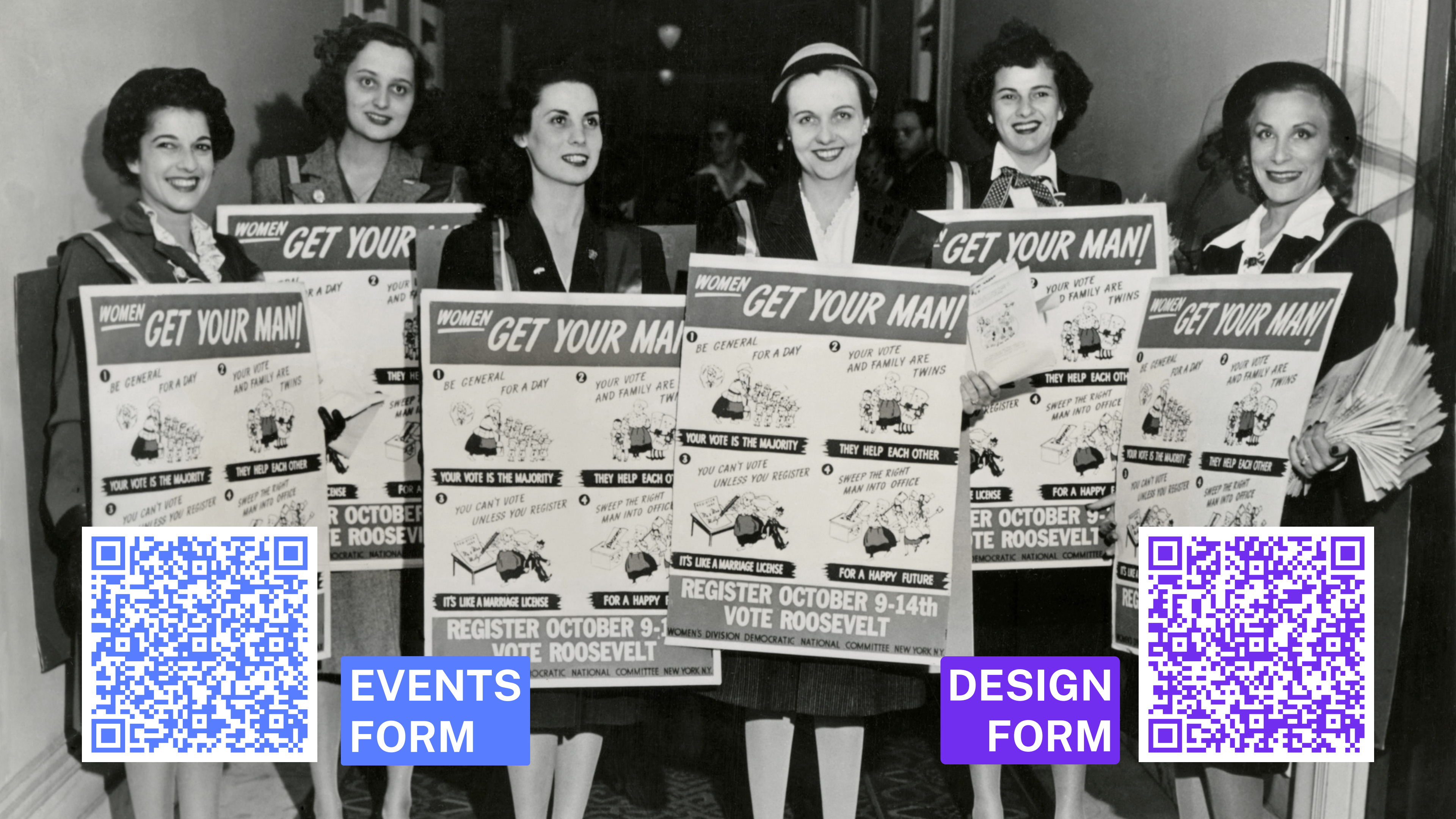
Wednesday  
December 20  
2023

Drop in & say hi, stay for dinner  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm  
Get help registering to vote

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\* Can't make it? Look for another Wednesday evening social in December!



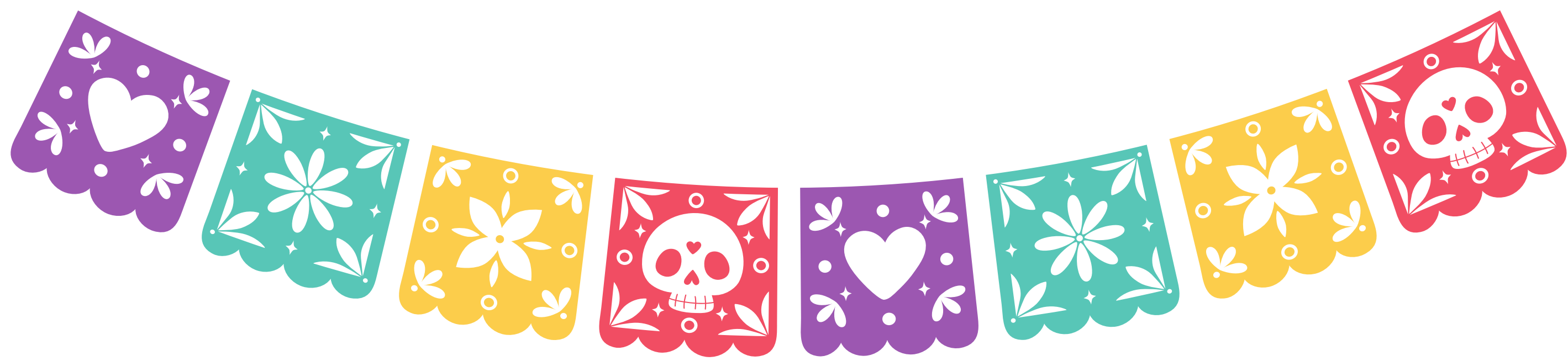
**EVENTS  
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**DESIGN  
FORM**





**Vote from Abroad.org**



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**JOIN  
US**

Our Volunteers are the heartbeat of change, breathing life into dreams and transforming our country and our world.

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A wooden gavel with a light-colored, textured head and a dark wooden handle lies diagonally across the frame. The background is a stack of colorful, textured paper in shades of blue, white, yellow, orange, red, purple, and green. The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a slight drop shadow.

**Volunteer Coordinator  
Communications Deputies**

**Callhub Coordinator**

**City Coordinators**

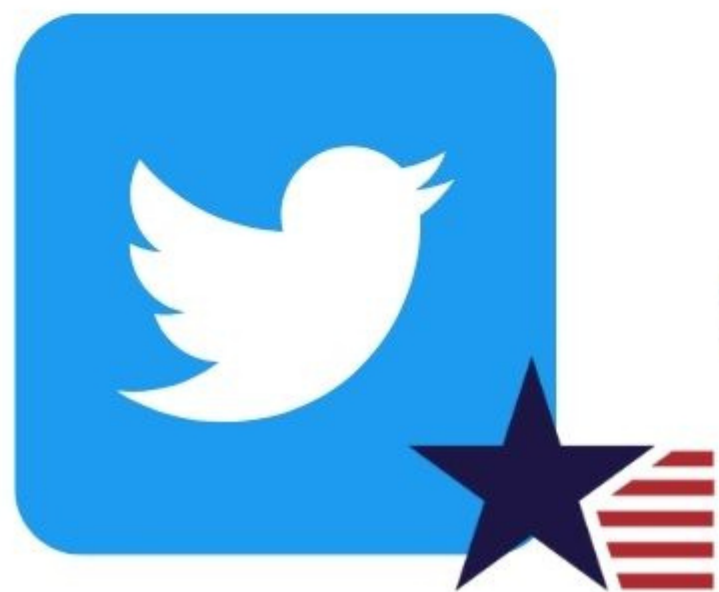
**Caucus Coordinators**



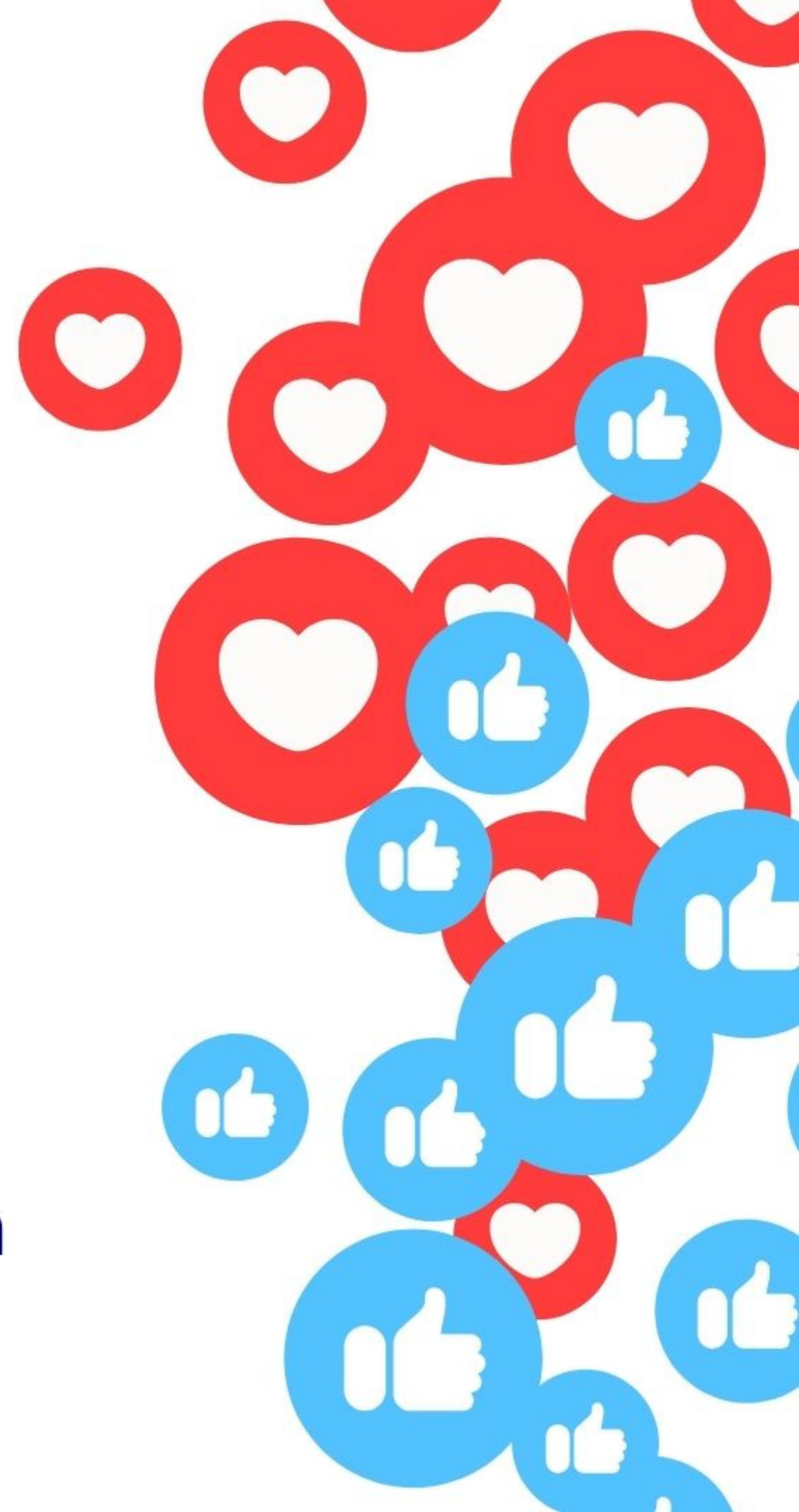
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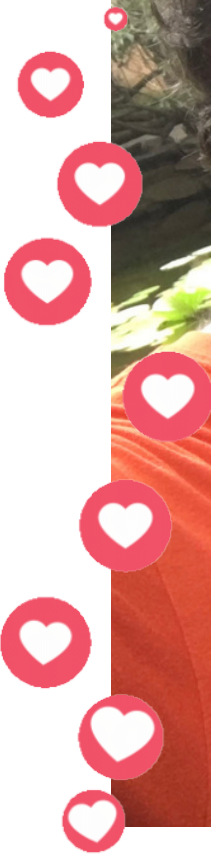


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# AMERICANOS EN EL EXTRANJERO



**¿QUIEREN SABER CÓMO  
VOTAR EN LAS  
ELECCIONES DEL 2024?**





# VOTE CHECK CURE

**Vote from Abroad  org**

Absentee ballots for US citizens



# DACN VOTES!



