

VOTER SERVICES REPORT

August 20-September 17, 2024

Submitted by Kelly Davis and Anne Culp

The following are the Voter Services activities for August 20-September 17, 2024:

Materials: (Rae Dominico)

- Over 20 different informational handouts i.e. flyers, pamphlets, brochures created.
- Rae Dominico has distributed to over 20 organizations including senior citizens residences and centers, youth organizations, community based non profits, unhoused shelters, etc.
- Over 1,823 copies of the League's voter information materials have been printed and distributed to the above 20+ organizations. (The number does to include the materials distributed at tabling and canvassing events.)

Tabling Sites: (Susan Pfeifer)

- Santa Fe Farmers Market: Tabling continues every other week. Numbers served to date 490 includes: 76 registered to vote or asked for registration forums; 47 requests for mail in ballot applications; 367 thank you, comments and general election conversations.
- The Food King: Tabling started August 31 continuing every Saturday to November 2. Committed to every week.
- NEW TABLING SITES
 - Santa Fe Community College serving two sties, cafeteria and fitness center, starting September 11 and weekly thereafter
 - Santa Fe Teen Center in conjunction with the Santa Fe City Libraries. Requested the League to register voters on Community Day October 28 and to participate at other teen center events dates TBD.
 - Contacting Senior Living and Senior Centers to provide voting registration and information.
 - Teen Center (across from the Southside Library: Requested tabling for Community Day on October 28.

Candidate Forums: (Andrea Slade)

- Secured US Representative District 3 forums October 7 at Santa Fe Prep from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM.
- Secured NM Representative District 50 forum September 30 at Vista Grande Library, Media Room fro 6:30 PM-7:30 PM.
- Have alerted the New Mexican of the forums so that they can plan to advertise the events. Henry Lopez will be responsible for video taping and live screening the event.

Misc:

- St John's Methodist Church Food Pantry: St Johns Methodist Church will distribute League's Register to Vote flyers on September 17 and October 1 and Where to Vote flyers on October 15 and October 29 Requested 230 flyers for each distribution.
- St Vincent Hospital: Sent request to Arturo Delgado at St Vincent Hospital to post a 2024 General Election notice on TV Monitors and in newsletter identifying Vote411 as the source to go to for election information..
- Voter Guide: See PR Coms report.
- Election Insert: Copy of General Election Pamphlet sent to New Mexican; Will be insert in newspaper Friday, September 20.
- Volunteers: Continue to receive volunteers anxious to help with GOTV activities. Challenge to get them trained since the County Clerk will not be offering VRA training very much longer.

- Canvassing and tabling with NAACP: Secured VAN lists from NAACP for canvassing. Targeted precincts 80 and 130 located off Airport Road. Plan on starting canvassing the week of September 16. Van has excellent data collection system built into program.

High School Voter Registration Report by Anne McDonald Culp

Sept. 14, 2024

By mid-August, twelve seniors volunteered to be VRAs: one student from Santa Fe Prep, 1 from Capital High, 4 from Santa Fe High, and 6 from Monte Del Sol. Two of the students are bilingual which is very helpful.

Of the 12, 11 completed the training at the county clerk's office and were certified. One student did not have a driver's license and will wait until next year. The students selected one of five training times. I attended each one to provide supplemental training focused on first time voters. I was thrilled to have a team of 11 VRAs.

Here is the September schedule:

Sept 9th. New Mexico School for the Arts (NMSA)

I spoke to approximately 85 seniors across three government classes taught by Kelsea Pederson.

In 30 minutes, I described the mission and history of the League of Women Voters; reviewed the results of the 2024 Harvard Youth Survey and tied the results to selecting a candidate of their choice by accessing and utilizing the LWVSF Voter Guide and VOTE411. Each student received our new bookmark and a LWVSF membership form. I answered questions and let them know that Mitchell Cox, county clerk's office, was going to register them to vote on Sept. 16th.

This is the first year we have been in NMSA after many years of attempting it. It was nice to be invited by Kelsae. Her father teaches at Santa Fe High, and he is involved with us, Chris Pederson.

Sept 10: Tierra Encantada

During Tim Abeyta's Democracy class we registered approximately 40 students. VRA Christopher Calles Mejia, from Santa Fe High, helped his peers. Tim Abeyta is an amazing teacher. He cheered each student's name when they finished registering.

Sept 12: Capital High School

Kelly Davis and I, with our team of 5 VRAs, registered approximately 200 students across the day, across three classrooms. Eric Brayden and Andrew Tarnow were the teachers who made this happen.

It is impressive to see what happens when a student VRA asks his peers in front of a full classroom "Are you registered to vote? It is important. Let's get to it!" The VRAs stayed all day. We have pictures of the VRAs.

Sept 12: I delivered bookmarks to Ali Garcia White at The Santa Fe Indian School. She is a teacher and a VRA and is registering students on Sept 17th. She uses the LWVSF materials. Although I offer our help, Ali says she will do it. I appreciate that she stays in contact and wants our materials.

Upcoming school voter registrations:

- Santa Fe Prep
- Santa Fe High
- Monte Del Sol
- Academy of Technology and the Classics
- The Master's Program will register with SFCC

Upcoming Voter Education days already scheduled:

- The Master's Program - Stephanie Schlanger
- Santa Fe Prep – Anne

Santa Fe Community College report: The administration decided they could not add our survey or the forum to their already busy schedule. The SGA president sent me an email with the decision and hoped that we would arrange early for next year.