



NORTHERN PROVINCE POLITICAL & SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

2020 General Election Volunteer Opportunities

September 23, 2020

1. **WHEN WE ALL VOTE – VOTER REGISTRATION CHALLENGE** (Nationwide)

Objective

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. has joined When We All Vote as their 2020 initiative to encourage Americans to get out and vote! As a participant in this challenge, YOU are key to engaging your community to help your organization register and prepare as many people as possible to register to vote.

Goal: *2,000 voters registered by Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.*

Voter Registration Resources

Voter Registration Portal: When We All Vote provides a customized voter registration portal that can be integrated into various ways to increase voter engagement efforts. The only way to track your organization's incoming voter registrations is through this unique link.

Link: <https://www.whenweallvote.org/kapsi>

Short Link: weall.vote/kapsi

Custom QR Code: A resource for voter registration is to access your customized voter registration portal by placing a QR code, readable by any smartphone, on a physical flyer, postcards, or event pamphlets. Please click the below link and download the image.

Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Nv8AITDmg6YWUVysUPqg16H78yh_98p_/view?usp=sharing

Embed Code: This is a code to use on the backend of your website that will add you can

add to your customized voter registration portal on your website.

Link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V7zHZJMn3kluLWuYiZ1w8RSgcTYUG91B/view?usp=sharing>

Printable Flyer: This is a document that can be distributed at large and printed in large quantities to facilitate voter registration at in-person events.

Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/12L_blQ7NapPqVayjoELgNJon9ZG1W2VI/view?usp=sharing

Outreach Resources

Partner Starter Guide: A key document for getting started, which includes draft email language, newsletter/bulletin language, social media language, 2020 tentative timeline, and other resources

Link: <https://www.whenweallvote.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Partner-Starter-Guide-01142020.pdf>

Partner Activation Kit: The Partner's Activation Kit is to be used only by official When We All Vote partners to facilitate voter registration efforts. This kit includes placards, stickers, and voter registration postcards. If your organization has its own voter registration portal and would like your postcards to be linked to your portal, please contact partners@whenweallvote.org.

Link: <https://store.whenweallvote.org/>

For questions or additional information contact:

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2. DEMOCRACY MVP GREEK BATTLE (Michigan Only)

Objective: The Democracy MVP Greek Battle encourages sororities and fraternities to make democratic participation part of their community work. The goal is to cultivate a large pool of candidates to become poll workers for the November general election. Sororities and fraternities will compete against each other to recruit poll workers, which will help our democracy. (Serving as a poll worker is a paid position.) The team that is able to recruit the most poll workers will be recognized by the Michigan Department of State in a press release also be recognized by the Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson as the winner of the Greek Battle.

STEP 1: Commit your fraternity's participation in a meeting with the Secretary's staff. Province leadership reaches out to all alumni and undergraduate chapters in Michigan to highlight the fact that democracy is a team sport; on election day, poll workers are the MVPs; and that Kappa Alpha Psi can step up to help democracy.

STEP 2: Get Kappas to participate in the challenge by signing up at Michigan.gov/DemocracyMVP.

STEP 3: Outline poll worker requirements: 1) Must be a registered voter in Michigan; 2) Participant cannot be a challenger, candidate, member of a candidate's immediate family or a member of the local canvassing board; 3) Anyone convicted of a felony or an election crime may not serve; 4) A person doesn't have to be a member of the Greek letter organization to sign up under the organization's name. Members can encourage friends and family to sign up as poll workers as well under their team name.

STEP 4: Develop your fraternity's action plan. Teams need to register as Democracy MVPs, under their respective Greek letter organization's name on the Democracy MVP sign-up form. [This is how each recruitment number will be tracked.]

STEP 5: Time for action! It's time for the Kappas to put its plan into action! The fraternity should record a scripted 30-second message indicating they have accepted the challenge and complete the following steps: 1) Record your message; 2) Push your challenge video out on social media. Utilize your fraternity/local chapter's social media platform and use the hashtag #DemocracyMVP; 3) Recruit everyone you can!

STEP 5: Participate in Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson's Democracy MVP event the week before election day.

STEP 6: All participants of the Democracy MVP Greek Battle will be recognized for joining the challenge. Greek organizations will be added to the Secretary of State's partnership website at Michigan.gov/SOSPartnersInDemocracy. Shortly after the November General Election, the numbers will be tallied and an official announcement will be made naming the winning organization. The deadline for registration is October 19, 2020.

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3. NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION ELECTION PROTECTION INITIATIVE (Nationwide)

Objective: Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. is seeking members who are lawyers with an interest in assisting our "Voter Mobilization Initiative". Grand Chapter has partnered with the National Bar Association in their non-partisan Election Protection efforts. Other partners in this effort include the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights and the Transformative Justice Coalition. This is a very short-term commitment that will end after election day on November 3, 2020. Volunteers will assist in the following areas.

Areas of Assistance

- Hotline Lawyers-Remote
- Hotline Captain-Remote
- Election Day Poll Monitor
- Lawyer Rapid Response-Litigation

Our Divine Nine colleagues are also volunteering for this important work. All volunteers will receive special training by the National Bar Association on the date and at the time indicated below. Kappa Alpha Psi will be on the front lines securing the vote and ensuring that every vote is counted. Brother lawyers who are interested in participating click [here](#) and complete form no later than Thursday, September 24, 2020 @ 12 Noon.

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4. CITY OF DETROIT ABSENTEE BALLOT COUNTING (Michigan Only)

Objective: Detroit City Clerk, Janice Winfrey has requested that members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., along with, other member of Divine Nine organizations serve as absentee ballot tabulators. The City needs 500 tabulators in order to meet this most pressing need. The counting will take place in the City of Detroit at TCF Center (formally Cobo Hall) on election day. This is a paid position.

Frequently Asked Questions

DO I HAVE TO LIVE IN DETROIT?

NO. You do not have to be a resident of Detroit. If you are 18 years of age or older, you must be registered to vote in Michigan. 16 or 17 year olds may also work as a poll worker.

WHERE WILL I BE ASSIGNED TO WORK?

You will be assigned to TCF Center (Formally Cobo Hall). Please know that Election Day workers at TCF are sequestered.

IS THERE A DRESS CODE?

All Election Day workers are required to wear black or dark blue pants, white shirt or blouse and close toe shoes.

HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO WORK?

Election Day workers report at 5:45a.m. until the completion of processing all ballots- expect to be there 20 hours.

WHAT IS MY RATE OF PAY?

You will be paid \$500.00 plus an additional \$100.00 hazard pay

HOW LONG IS THE TRAINING SESSION?

Each training session will last approximately two hours and fifteen minutes.

WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY PAY?

All worker's checks are mailed within two to four weeks after each election.

Qualifications

- 18 years of age or older
- Registered voter of the State of MI.
- Cannot be a challenger, candidate, member of a candidate's immediate family, or a member of the local Board of Canvassers
- Anyone convicted of a felony or an election crime may not serve

If you are interested in applying to be an election day vote tabulator, click [here](#).

For questions or more information contact:

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PLEASE NOTE: If you decide to serve in a paid election day position, we respectfully request that you pledge to donate all or a portion of those funds to continue the work of the Northern Province's Foundation – The Diamond Achievement Foundation.

Donations can be made via the Foundation's website at <https://www.np-daf.org/>.