



GOTV Voter Registration

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As Republican women we must always strive to share the opportunity to vote with other Americans. We need to make ourselves available in our communities to assist in registering to vote, educating the public on elections, and locations for voting. Texas will face a very fierce push by Democrats over the next two years. They WANT our State! Ladies, it is up to us to lead the way in defending our conservative principles and standing firm for family values. The freedom afforded us in this country to have a voice in who our leaders will be, and laws that will be passed, is absolutely an honor and an opportunity which we should never take for granted.

Any United States citizen may vote provided he or she is:

- *a resident of the country
- *18 years of age on Election Day
- *registered to vote
- *not a convicted felon (unless a person's sentence is completed, including any probation)
- *not declared mentally disabled by a court of law

As TFRW clubs there are specific steps we must take in order to fulfill our responsibility to assist in this effort:

- ✓ Each club should appoint a **Voter Registration Chairman**. That chairman is a valuable asset to the club president and she should set a goal of holding at least two events each year. You should work together as a team to make sure each event is successful and well supported by your club.
- ✓ Each club should invite their **County Elections Administrator** to one of your General Meetings and have them **deputize all your members!** You will be deputized for a 2-year term and given an official ID card with a number identifying you as a Voter Registrar. Bear in mind, when you are deputized, you must register any legal citizen – whether they are Republican OR Democrat.
- ✓ **Hold Voter Registration Events!!** Take advantage of happenings in your area. And while you are working so hard to hold these events – you are also racking up those award points that go toward your club winning the TFRW John Goodwin Tower Award of Excellence.

- ✓ Ask local **restaurants, churches, libraries** – if you can set up a table one Saturday for Voter Registrations. Other locations you should consider: Civic groups (garden clubs, newcomers clubs,) fitness centers, organized gun shows, local festivals, rodeos, assisted living centers (may be able to assist residents with change of addresses), naturalization ceremonies for new citizens
- ✓ Have meetings that accomplish more than one thing – for instance, have a “New Member” event at a restaurant and set up a voter registration table at the door. Nothing says you can’t do both in one night.
- ✓ The most important step of all is to be motivated and enthusiastic about holding Voter Registration Events – promote it in your club newsletter and at meetings. Your club will only be as involved and excited as YOU are. Make this a group effort and a fun experience for everyone. Be excited about the opportunity to share the right to vote, and everyone around you will be equally excited!