

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2024

FEBRUARY 20, 2024

Last day to register to vote in the Presidential Preference Election

MARCH 19, 2024

Presidential Preference Election

APRIL 1, 2024

Deadline for filing PC and Candidate Nominating Petitions

APRIL 15, 2024

Deadline for filing as a PC write-in candidate

JULY 8, 2024

Last day to register to vote in the Arizona Primary Election

JULY 10, 2024

Early voting begins for Primary Election

JULY 26, 2024

Last day to request an early ballot by mail for Primary Election

AUGUST 6, 2024

Arizona Primary Election Day

OCTOBER 7, 2024

Last Day to register to vote in the General Election

OCTOBER 9, 2024

Early Voting Begins for General Election

OCTOBER 25, 2025

Last day to request a early ballot by mail for General Election

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

General Election Day

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HOW TO BE A ROCK STAR PC:

A Brief Guide to Being a Precinct Committee Person in Yavapai County



Yavapai
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2024

GETTING STARTED

What is a Precinct Committee Person (PC)?

- ★ We are neighborhood organizers who represent the Arizona Democratic Party (ADP) at the precinct level – there are 57 precincts in Yavapai County.
- ★ We are community leaders on the ground, building a foundation of engaged Democratic voters from the grassroots up.

Who is eligible to be a PC?

- ★ Any registered Democrat who wants to help us win can become a PC in the precinct in which he or she lives.

What are a PC's responsibilities?

- ★ Build relationships with Dems & like-minded Independents in your neighborhood
 - Attend and/or host house parties with Dems and PCs
 - Register new voters
 - Add voters to the Active Early Voting List (AEVL)
 - Volunteer as a poll watcher on election day
 - Phone, text, knock on doors, or send postcards
 - Volunteer at local Party meetings and events.
 - Recruit and/or orient new PCs and other volunteers.

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I'M IN! WHAT'S NEXT?

STEP 1: Build Your Core Team

Solid Democratic voters will become the base from which you can recruit volunteers as needed. Planning to send out some postcards or plan a precinct potluck or house party? **These are the folks you can reach out to for help and support.** The Yavapai Democrats can give you lists of these voters in your precinct, and can help you learn how to reach out. Remember, you are not alone!

STEP 2: Expand Your Network

You'll want to meet as many of the Democrats in your precinct as possible. **Introduce yourself, and begin creating a network that extends across your precinct.** Hosting a casual event – a house party, potluck, or a meetup for coffee – is a great way to break the ice.

STEP 3: Keep Your Precinct Informed

You are a very important link between your precinct voters and the county and state parties. This is especially true during election years, when **you're needed to relay information about candidates and issues.** Whenever you communicate with your local Democrats, be sure to let them know about upcoming Party events.

You know the people, the schools, the businesses and the community centers. You understand the issues and needs of your neighborhood and your precinct. You are their eyes, ears and voice within the party and state.

PCs = MVPs

PCs motivate, inspire, and inform fellow Democrats. You are the main communication channel between the Arizona Democratic Party (ADP) and current and future Democrats in your precinct. The voters in your precinct will come to rely on you as their direct connection to the Democratic Party.

- **Let them know that they are not alone**, and that there are more Democrats in their community than they may have thought. It's empowering to know there are like minded people nearby.
- **Invite them to events** like our county committee meetings, candidate forums, and house parties.
- **Find out what issues matter to them the most.**
- Make sure everyone in the home who is eligible to vote is *actually* registered to vote.
- Confirm their phone and email address and give them your contact information too.
- At some point, **you may ask if they are interested in volunteering** or becoming a PC themselves.
- Educate them on the issues, candidates and opportunities to get involved.
- Let them know you share their values, and that **you are a trusted resource for them.**

THE BIGGER PICTURE

A Precinct is the smallest political unit in the state and in the country. It is the grassroots level of the Democratic Party structure; it is your local neighborhood.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE (DNC)

The DNC and its Chair are elected by the DNC members who have been elected from all the states and territories. Arizona has five elected National Committee Members.

ARIZONA DEMOCRATIC PARTY (ADP)

The ADP is composed of State Committee Members (SCMs) who are elected by the PCs in each LD/County. The State Chair and Executive Board are elected by the SCMs.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Every 2 years, following a general election, county PCs elect an Executive Board and a County Chair.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (LD) COMMITTEE

In bigger counties, the LD committee is composed of all the PCs in that legislative district. Each LD Chair and Executive Board are elected by an LD's PCs every 2 years.

PRECINCT COMMITTEE PERSON

Any registered Democrat is eligible to become a PC if there are openings. PCs serve a 2 year term.

HOW DO I BECOME A PC?

PCs are elected officials. Each precinct is allotted at least one PC but may have more than one.

PCs serve a 2 year term, which begins just after the Primary Election in even years, and ends with the next Primary Election.

Elected PCs: PC elections are held during the primary election of even years. To become a PC candidate at the 2024 Primary Election, you must complete an Affidavit for Nomination; and collect the required number of valid signatures from registered Democrats in your precinct. PC nominating papers for the 2024 Primary Election must be filed by 5:00 pm on April 1, 2024.

Alternately, you can file as a write-in candidate to be a Precinct Committee Person. The deadline for filing as a write-in candidate is April 15, 2024.

Many start out as Appointed PCs. PCs can be appointed at any time during the 2 year cycle wherever a vacancy occurs. Apply with your County Democratic Party – if your application is approved by the County Chair, they then recommend your appointment to the County Board of Supervisors. You become an official PC once you have been approved by the County Board Of Supervisors.

Only elected PCs may vote for and be nominated as officers of the County Democratic Party. Only elected PCs can become members of the Arizona Democratic Party State Committee. Otherwise, all PCs have the same duties, privilege, and access.

BENEFITS OF BEING A PC

- **Stay in the loop** – you'll know what YavDems are doing and what candidates they are supporting.
- **Connect with fellow Democrats** – no more feeling alone in your views and values.
- **Sharpen your leadership skills** – provide your neighborhood Dems with ways to take action.
- **Help create County strategy** – put your two cents in through your precinct leader or serve as an Officer of the Yavapai County Executive Committee.
- **Have a voice in the state** – become a member of the ADP State Committee and influence the platform, resolutions and election of state officers.

And Remember...

You have a life. Start slowly, doing one or two activities at first. You should be able to set some time aside regularly for PC work but remember, you're in control of your time.

You don't have to leave your neighborhood or knock on a Republican's door.

You'll get a list of Democratic friendly voters and a script for phone calls, just let us know the results.

We will give you the training and the resources you need to be successful at registering new voters.