



Why Midterm Elections Matter

CIVIC PARTICIPATION • INFORMED DECISIONS • COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Midterm elections choose federal, state, and local officials whose decisions affect taxes, public services, schools, safety, rights, and the day-to-day direction of communities.

Reasons to Vote in the Midterm Election

- **It's your money**
The people elected make decisions about taxes and spending. You deserve a say in how much they take and what they do with it.
- **Schools need your attention**
Decisions about education affect your children, your neighborhood, and the next generation. Have a say in who makes them.
- **Your rights need people willing to defend them**
Religious freedom, free speech, and parental rights deserve more than a campaign promise.
- **Make politicians earn their jobs**
If they have done a good job, support them. If they have not, voting is your opportunity to replace them.
- **Your everyday costs matter**
Government decisions affect the cost of doing business, housing, and energy. Vote for people who take your bills seriously.
- **You want to feel safe where you live**
Leadership matters when it comes to public safety, law enforcement, and how your community handles crime.
- **A presidential election does not settle everything**
Congress, state leaders, and local officials make decisions that affect your life between presidential elections too.
- **Someone will decide either way**
Staying home does not stop the decisions. It simply leaves your voice out of them.

Reasons to Join Family Values First Coalition

- **You do not have to figure out every election yourself**
Get voter resources and candidate information without spending your evenings searching through campaign websites.
- **Your concerns can get more attention**
It is easier to get an issue heard when other people are willing to show up with you.
- **Have a place to bring your ideas**
If something needs attention, you will have people who can talk it through with you and work toward a solution.
- **Get more comfortable speaking up**
Attending a meeting or asking a public official a question is easier when you understand the issue and know someone there.
- **Know what is happening before it is already decided**
Stay informed about issues and meetings while there is still time to ask questions and speak up.
- **Meet people you can actually do something with**
Build friendships with neighbors who care about family values and want to help their community.
- **Find a way to help that fits your schedule**
You do not have to take on a second job to make a difference. Start with the time and skills you have.
- **Help shape the place you call home**
Joining gives you a practical way to work for the kind of community you want your family to grow up in.