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Upcoming Events

- **Thurs, Oct. 15, 6:30 p.m.:** Matt Rothschild Zoom with the League of Women Voters of Ripon. “Why We Need to Ban Gerrymandering in Wisconsin.” [Contact the League](#) for registration information.
- **Thurs, Oct. 15, 6:45 p.m.:** [Movie screening: Slay the Dragon](#), Delta Beer Lab, 167 E Badger Rd, Madison.
- **Fri, Oct. 16, 6:45 p.m.:** [Movie screening: Slay the Dragon](#), Delta Beer Lab, 167 E Badger Rd, Madison.
- **Sun, Oct. 18, 10:00 a.m.:** Matt Rothschild Zoom with the [Free Thinkers of Sauk County](#) on “Why We Need to Ban Gerrymandering in Wisconsin.”
- **Wed, Oct. 21, 7:00 p.m.:** Matt Rothschild Zoom with [Shawano County Dems](#), “How to Talk to Our Fellow Citizens”

To arrange for a speaker, please use this link to the Speakers’ Bureau Request Form: <https://forms.gle/pGtcPdRhyyuvAvNW8>

Meet Myra Enloe

2011 was a wakeup call for me in Wisconsin. I’ve always been an informed citizen, voted, and supported several watchdog type organizations. But for most of my adult life, I took our democracy’s strength



for granted. In 2011, it became suddenly apparent how fragile democracy can be, and much of its strength is dependent on all things related to voting – including how our voting district maps are drawn. As a volunteer for the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, I became more familiar with the work around the state to end gerrymandering. Joining the League of Women Voters Wisconsin provided further incentive. A postcard writing group in Dodgeville/Mineral Point gave me a network of people I could count on for support and a “sister” postcard group in Mazomanie provided a willing co-leader, Janet Brandt, to bring forth a resolution in April 2019 to propose a nonpartisan procedure to end gerrymandering to the Iowa County Board of Supervisors. We had to learn more about how county government works and network with people on the board and in the community to build support. Our supervisors pride themselves on the

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nonpartisan nature of their roles, and we found strong support at the board level; it also helped that many Iowa County residents were present at the board meeting to show their support. The resolution passed with 17 yes votes out of 21 board members.

While the resolution was important, it did not show the full extent of voter support for fair maps. A strong showing in a nonbinding referendum could provide quantitative data to the legislature regarding how voters stand on the issue of gerrymandering. Janet Brandt (Arena), Christine Tsubokura (Mineral Point), Kathie Swanson (Linden), Allen and Judy Pincus (Barneveld), Claudia Looze Wood (Highland) and I (Dodgeville) formed a mighty team to pursue getting a referendum on the ballot and educating voters throughout Iowa County. We were able to quickly get through the General Government Committee to have our issue placed on the agenda for the full county board. In lieu of asking people to show support in person during a pandemic, we circulated a petition to assure the board that this referendum had broad voter support. In two weeks, we gathered over 250 signatures from all over the county! In June 2020, the county board voted to place the referendum on the November 2020 ballot.

So now we are in the midst of the real work of educating and advocating for Fair Maps. Our team includes people from all over the county who are expert organizers, writers, media consultants, public speakers, and doers. The Grassroots Gazette, an online newsletter edited and distributed by Claudia, has provided a platform for us to get our message out broadly. A local newspaper reporter agreed to write a series of four articles, "Deciphering Democracy", to educate the public. We've had enough donations to purchase and distribute 250 yard signs (designed by Claudia), rent two billboards, send over 550 postcards, present to Kiwanis and Lions Clubs, and distribute about 500 brochures. We've also written local newspaper articles and letters to the editor. We've gotten great support from the League of Women Voters Wisconsin (brochures, stickers, radio ads), the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign (radio ads by Matt Rothschild), the Fair Maps Coalition (postcards, grant), and RepresentUs Madison (postcard writers). Regardless of the results, we know we've done our part in fighting to safeguard this aspect of voting rights. Now it's time to vote and wait for the results!



The Gerrymandered Olympics

~ Maureen Ash, member of Western Wisconsin for Nonpartisan Voting Districts

In summer I don't watch much TV, except those amazing days every four years when the Olympics captivate me and so many other people. The only races happening now are for political office. Important, but less riveting.

Because gerrymandering has been so much on my mind, I'm thinking about how the Olympics would look if they were gerrymandered. Neither politics nor the Games are strangers to cheating, so I can see a similarity.

Gerrymandering is defined as the drawing of political voting districts in such a way as to advantage one party over the other. Here in Wisconsin, the Democrats had a pretty good hold on the state legislature through the careful manipulation of partisan data to draw the maps (gerrymandering)—until 2010. Then the national GOP invested in key state races across the United States, changing the legislative balance enough in Wisconsin to allow the Republicans to re-draw the maps using a sophisticated computer program that used partisan data to give them an almost unbeatable advantage in holding the majority of seats in the state Assembly and Senate (gerrymandering on steroids).

Which brings me back to the Olympics. In this thought experiment on gerrymandering them, we'd first pick two sports to represent our two main parties. The other sports, however interesting they are, have to go. Just as minor political parties, no matter how intriguing their ideas may be, are mostly ignored.

Let's choose sprint races and weightlifting as our sports in the gerrymandered Olympics. Speed and strength, the basic components of sport. Working together, speed and strength can do amazing things. But the sprinters are loathe to cooperate with the weightlifters. The sprinters want to control the outcome of the Games. To do this, they need to make every competition all about speed and they must write their own rules. Through skillful use of money and questionable ethics, the sprinters wrest control of the Olympics for themselves.

Once in the catbird seat, they add running requirements to the weightlifting competitions and vastly reduce the weights. Disgruntled weightlifters seek justice, but the sprinters chose the committee members to whom the weightlifters complain. Their arguments fall on deaf ears.

So now Olympic medals are won only by the swift. Only one characteristic is emphasized for every athlete: speed. Every problem has just one solution—run faster. Do you see how this cannot be good for the future of sports and the Olympics? What about Wisconsin? If power is held without challenge, if district representatives are guaranteed re-election, and if the members of one party need never debate or reach a compromise with the other party, then where is the opportunity for creative and unifying solutions?

Speed and strength combined with the coordination of a motivated athlete can lift us, astonished, from our seats for a moment. Politicians working together with the greater good in mind can lift people from poverty for a lifetime. Can create opportunities for businesses that revive our small towns. Can change mediocre schools into good ones, where students can be inspired and engaged with ideas that will better the world.

Seventy-two percent of Wisconsin residents oppose gerrymandering. You can be part of saving our state. Support only candidates this November who have signed pledges to end gerrymandering in Wisconsin ([see the list here](#)). Imagine the end of the legislative session being as joyous and celebratory, filled with memories of breathtaking feats and heartwarming examples of sportsmanship, as the closing ceremonies of the Games.

Our state motto is "Forward." The Olympic motto is "Faster, Higher, Stronger." We can take the spirit of the Olympics and move Wisconsin forward faster, aiming higher, and making our democracy stronger by putting an end to gerrymandering.

Otherwise, same old, same old, let the (rigged) games begin.



The People's Maps Commission (PMC) held its first hearing on October 1, focused on the 8th Congressional District (CD). Beginning with an explanation of the Commission's work and introductions of each CD's Commissioner, Chairperson Christopher Ford facilitated a virtual hearing that included remarks from former Attorney General Eric Holder and expert testimony from Ruth Greenwood, attorney of the nonpartisan Campaign Legal Center and Karen Nelson, coordinator of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion for the City of Appleton. Commissioners had an opportunity to ask technical and situational questions of the [experts](#) before hearing testimony from voters of the 8th CD and beyond. Watch the recorded hearing [here](#).



The next PMC hearing will be focused on the 5th Congressional District, which includes Jefferson and Washington Counties and part of Waukesha, Dodge and Milwaukee Counties. We **STRONGLY** encourage fair maps supporters in the 5th CD to participate in the hearings. Please register to give oral testimony when the window opens next week. Submit written statements [here](#).

To prepare voters for the hearings, the Fair Maps Coalition is hosting a panel discussion and testimony training in each CD as they move around the state. The 5th CD panel was on Monday, October 12 and testimony training will be on Thursday, October 15th at 6:30pm. Register for the training [here](#).



Organizing Empowerment Project

Following the November election, the Fair Maps Campaign will be gearing up. People's Maps Commission hearings continue through the end of 2020 and into 2021. The new legislative session will begin in January and new nonpartisan redistricting legislation will be introduced. We will be relying on you, Fair

Maps Team members, activists and others volunteers to continue to elevate this issue, educate your family, friends and neighbors, and help us take our advocacy for representative democracy to a whole new level.

In that spirit, we strongly encourage you to participate in Relational Organizing training with the Organizing Empowerment Project. Take time to become familiar with the Empower app and dashboard, and learn how this simple tool can help us reach beyond our usual networks.

If the date and time below do not work for you, check out their training calendar:

<https://web2.getempower.com/organizer-training>

Use this link to download the Empower app: <https://getempower.com/fairmaps>

Relational Organizing and Empower Basics Training

When: Tuesday, November 10, 1pm – 2pm

Where: Zoom

Description: Introduction to Relational Organizing, Empower App and Organizer App/Dashboard training for new staff or volunteer leaders.

[Register in advance for this meeting.](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Wisconsin Candidate Fair Maps Pledge Update (10/14/20)

Voters deserve to know where candidates stand on nonpartisan redistricting legislation. To that end, the Wisconsin Candidate Fair Maps Pledge is now available for candidates to sign on our website.

Those who sign will receive the ‘Pledged Nonpartisan Redistricting Supporter’ emblem which they can display on their social media platforms. It is important to know that the distinction IS NOT AN ENDORSEMENT of any candidate. Nonpartisan redistricting is NONPARTISAN.



Do you know a state legislative candidate not yet on the list? They can still take the pledge [here!](#)

Candidates who have taken the Fair Maps Pledge as of 9.28.20:

As a candidate for the Wisconsin State Assembly/Senate, I support an independent process to draw legislative district maps. I pledge to support fair maps legislation, along the Iowa Model, to ban partisan gerrymandering in Wisconsin, and I will refuse to vote for any gerrymandering scheme.

If elected, I will fight to pass a bill by June 30, 2021 so we can be sure the next redistricting process results in Fair Maps for the next decade.

State Assembly

1ST DISTRICT—KIM DELORIT JENSEN (D)
3RD DISTRICT—EMILY VOIGHT (D)
4TH DISTRICT—KATHY HINKFUSS (D)
6TH DISTRICT—RICHARD SARNWICK (D)
23RD DISTRICT—DEB ANDRACA (D)
24TH DISTRICT—EMILY SIEGRIST (D)
26TH DISTRICT—MARY LYNNE DONOHUE (D)
28TH DISTRICT—KIM BUTLER (D)
29TH DISTRICT—JOHN CALABRESE (D)
30TH DISTRICT—SARAH YACCOUB (D)
31ST DISTRICT—ELIZABETH LOCHNER-ABEL (D)
33RD DISTRICT—MASON BECKER (D)
34TH DISTRICT—KIRK BANGSTAD (D)
35TH DISTRICT—TYLER E. RUPRECHT (D)
37TH DISTRICT—ABIGAIL LOWERY (D)
38TH DISTRICT—MELISSA WINKER (D)
40TH DISTRICT—DEB SILVERS (D)
41ST DISTRICT—NATE ZIMDARS (D)
42ND DISTRICT—MELISA ARNDT (D)
44TH DISTRICT—SUE CONLEY (D)
45TH DISTRICT—MARK SPREITZER (D)*
48TH DISTRICT—JORGE RAMIREZ-CENTENO (I)
49TH DISTRICT—SHAUN MURPHY-LOPEZ (D)
51ST DISTRICT—KRISS MARION (D)
52ND DISTRICT—JULIE SCHROEDER (D)
55TH DISTRICT—DANIEL SCHIERL (D)
56TH DISTRICT—DIANA LAWRENCE (D)
57TH DISTRICT—LEE SNODGRASS (D)
62ND DISTRICT—AUGUST SCHUTZ (D)
63RD DISTRICT—JOEL JACOBSEN (D)
67TH DISTRICT—CHRIS KAPSNER (D)
68TH DISTRICT—EMILY BERGE (D)

69TH DISTRICT—BRIAN GILES (D)
70TH DISTRICT—JOHN IVER BALDUS (D)
71ST DISTRICT—KATRINA SHANKLAND (D)*
72ND DISTRICT—CRISTE GREENING (D)
75TH DISTRICT—JOHN ELLENSON (D)
81ST DISTRICT—DAVE CONSIDINE (D)*
82ND DISTRICT—JACOB MALINOWSKI (D)
87TH DISTRICT—RICHARD JOHN PULCHER (D)
88TH DISTRICT—KRISTIN LYERLY (D)
89TH DISTRICT—KARL JAEGER (D)
90TH DISTRICT—KRISTINA SHELTON (D)
91ST DISTRICT—JODI EMERSON (D)*
92ND DISTRICT—AMANDA WHITEEAGLE (D)
93RD DISTRICT—CHARLENE WARNER (D)
95TH DISTRICT—JILL BILLINGS (D)
97TH DISTRICT—AARON PERRY (D)

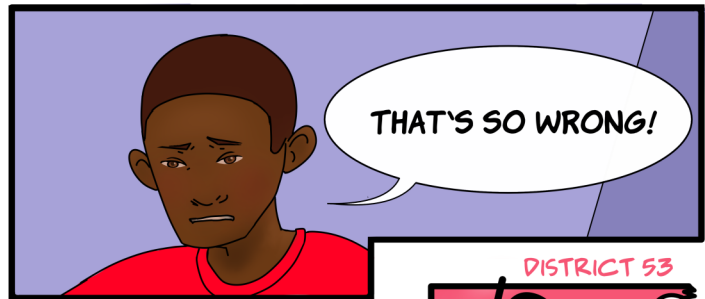
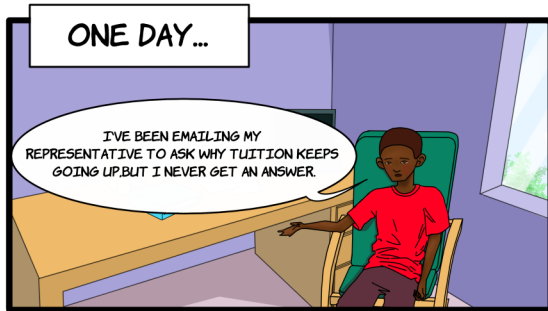
State Senate

7TH DISTRICT—CHRIS LARSON (D)
8TH DISTRICT—NEAL PLOTKIN (D)
10TH DISTRICT—PATTY SCHACHTNER (D)
12TH DISTRICT—ED VOCKE (D)
14TH DISTRICT—JONI ANDERSON (D)
18TH DISTRICT—AARON WOJCIECHOWSKI (D)
24TH DISTRICT—PAUL POITROWSKI (D)
26TH DISTRICT—KELDA ROYS (D)
28TH DISTRICT—ADAM MURPHY (D)
30TH DISTRICT—JONATHAN HANSEN (D)

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Sample Fair Maps LTE

Thank you to Tess Carr for penning this great letter for Fair Maps supporters to use as a guide for writing their own letters.

I get upset when my elected representatives don't share my views. Generally, I have to respect that their views were supported by the majority of voters, and that's just how democracy works.

These days, however, I know many representatives' views are NOT shared by most voters. In fact, our citizens' votes are not accurately reflected in Wisconsin's current mix of government representatives. Some of our votes are artificially weakened while others are artificially strengthened, so our representatives (both Democrat and Republican) are far less accountable to us than they should be. How is this possible?

It's possible via a process called "gerrymandering," or the corrupt practice of politicians to draw voting district boundaries in irregular shapes that serve only their reelection. It's wrong, Republican and Democrat voters hate it, and the US Supreme Court said it's up to state legislatures to fix it. Unfortunately, incumbent legislators have zero incentive to do so.

So, we have to elect representatives to Wisconsin's Assembly and Senate legislative bodies who support gerrymandering reform. To find out if your candidates will reform district boundaries, check <https://www.fairmapswi.com/candidatepledgeresponses>. Or, you can call/email them and ask them directly. Your informed vote carries the power to reform our democracy.

Dunn County Fall in Line for Fair Maps

On October 11, *Fall in Line for Fair Maps* drove through the beautiful rolling hills of Dunn County, enjoying peak fall color, stopping at local businesses for snacks and raising awareness of the ways in which our gerrymandered districts are hurting Wisconsin and depriving people of equal representation in the state legislature. The event, organized by [Western WI for Nonpartisan Voting Districts](#) and the [League of Women Voters Greater Chippewa Valley](#) in coordination with [Building Unity](#), encouraged “YES” votes on the nonpartisan redistricting referendum as well as to vote for candidates who have signed the [Fair Maps pledge](#), indicating their desire to introduce legislation to end gerrymandering in Wisconsin.

You can read local news coverage of the event [here](#) and [here](#).



[LWVWI Fair Maps Toolkit](#)

END GERRYMANDERING
EVERY VOTE MUST COUNT



COVID-19, Governor Evers, Legislative Leadership and Gerrymandering

~ Pat Kreitlow, Former Wisconsin State Senator, current Editor of UpNorthNews

Let me start by admitting my discomfort in writing something for a group fighting for fair maps. Not because there's anything wrong with that, but because I'm the reason one of those maps is so unfair. I'm flattered that Sean Duffy and his friends were so threatened by candidacy that they felt compelled to rig the lines and draw my hometown and other Democratic-leaning communities out of the 7th Congressional District, but it has also devalued the votes of people in central, northern, and western Wisconsin for an entire decade.

Fast forward eight years and here I am serving as managing editor for a new progressive, state-based digital newsroom. It's been a dream of mine for many years, and I'm so thankful to have finally been able to find and partner with people who could fuel the launch of *UpNorthNews*.

Our rapid growth and its accompanying feedback reaffirm my sense that we were going to fill a niche that a lot of people have been waiting a long time to see. None of the right-wing propaganda which has become a cancer on America's media spectrum, but more importantly, none of the vanilla-to-a-fault, don't-upset-anybody false equivalency that renders so many traditional newsrooms impotent. It's why I left my evening anchor job to run against a right-wing state senator in 2006. I could no longer look into the TV camera each night and pretend both sides were equal. They are not. That's not bias. That's actual reporting. I'm grateful to be at a place where we don't report that "Mike says it's cloudy and Bill says it's sunny." Instead, we open the window and say, "It's sunny. Mike is wrong." How basic and yet overdue.

As *UpNorthNews* covers the 2020 campaign, we bring candor and perspective to how elected officials and candidates have been helping or hurting the battle against a deadly virus as well as their role in this national reckoning on systemic racism.

Perhaps most noticeable to me is how this year—and other events leading up to 2020—has become a master class in two types of basic political behavior.

Let's start with labels. We have learned that a group calling itself pro-life continues to shrug its legislative shoulders in Washington and Madison as nearly a quarter-million Americans die in a pandemic. These are people who have spent far more time in courtrooms attacking Gov. Tony Evers and reasonable safeguards than in their own chambers considering ways they can fight the virus and provide relief to weary constituents.

It's not that they're embracing another label: fiscal conservatives. One need only look at the \$2 trillion tax giveaway in 2017 that will keep us in perpetual debt. Or, at the state level, a \$4 billion Foxconn giveaway that shifted money away from roads and schools statewide in order to help the ever-shrinking plans of a foreign company with a poor track record. Nothing fiscally conservative there.

I remember when one political party referred to our adversaries as an "evil empire" but now coddles a president whose actions on behalf of dictators around the world and who calls for the arrest of his political enemies in true third-world fashion.

And don't even get me started on the "family values" label given what they have chosen to tolerate or even embrace.

The other bit of basic politics being upended in 2020 is the notion that a candidate or elected official should be "for" something. After all, anyone can be against what their opponent is doing or saying, but the real proof of your worth is to describe what you are for.

Take Gov. Evers, for example, as someone who is for something important: wearing face masks in public to slow the spread of the coronavirus. He's not alone. The latest Marquette Poll shows a face mask requirement in public is supported by a 72-26 margin. It shouldn't be hard to be for something that has 72% public agreement.

What I've seen instead in 2020 is one group of politicians who only seem to be against anything and everything that might fight a pandemic, provide assistance, and enhance democracy.

This group is against face mask safeguards. Against crowd limit safeguards. Against one set of state rules to avoid a chaotic patchwork of local regulations. Against local regulations. Against keeping schools closed until it's safe again for teachers, staff and families.

Against self-isolation to avoid infecting others. Against a science-backed timetable to develop a vaccine so that public confidence is not harmed.

Against extending desperately needed help for the unemployed. Against assisting state and local governments whose budgets to provide basic services are depleted.

Against accessible early voting. Against safe early voting in sports venues. Against allowing absentee ballots to be cast and mailed on Election Day. Against supporting the postal workers who have delivered ballots throughout our nation's history. Against protecting voters from being struck from the rolls based on faulty data.

Against non-partisan redistricting, something supported by 72% of respondents in a Marquette University Law School poll last year, including 63% of Republicans!



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And, based on six months of inactivity in the Legislature: against working.

There is one thing they are for and will excel at: voting when it helps them. Sen. Ron Johnson said he'll wear a "moon suit" so he can cast a vote for a right-wing extremist to serve on the US Supreme Court. Assembly Speaker Robin Vos will likely wear full PPE as he did in April to ensure his base of voters will show up on Nov. 3. And President Trump may be endangering lives with his activities, but they are all geared toward motivating his fans to not be discouraged from voting on Election Day.

You can laugh at the moon suit visual. You can scoff at how many things some politicians are against. You can be amazed at the political gymnastics required to wear a label that no longer describes what a politician does. But do not underestimate their commitment to vote and get others to the polls on Nov. 3.

The only question that remains to be answered in this election season is this: What's your level commitment to do the same? Moon suit sold separately!

[2019 Marquette poll \(Redistricting question\)](#)

[Oct. 7, 2020 Marquette poll \(Face mask requirement\)](#)

Reflecting on our work...

~ Carlene Bechen

With the election less than three weeks away and many voters already casting their ballots, I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on all we've accomplished together over the past year. It was just about a year ago when I was hired at Wisconsin Voices as the Fair Maps (grassroots) Organizer. Before that, my work on this issue had been as a volunteer with the Oregon Area Progressives (OAP) coordinating the Fair Maps for Wisconsin (FM4WI) Summit that happening on November 9, 2019 in Marshfield. OAPers had a vision of informing and motivating grassroots action around Wisconsin to take on the unaccountable, unresponsive legislators who want to continue to rig the system, through gerrymandered electoral maps, to keep their power at the expense of Wisconsinites. Little did I know where that would lead.

Out of the FM4WI Summit and with the support of Wisconsin Voices and our Fair Maps Coalition partners (especially Holly Bland), the grassroots movement in Wisconsin has swelled and continues to grow. Since January, over 15 active Fair Maps Teams have formed in every congressional district. You, members of Fair Maps Teams along with League of Women Voters chapters and others, worked to get seven nonpartisan re-districting countywide and sixteen municipal referendums on the April 7th ballot – all of which passed overwhelmingly – and eleven countywide and three municipal referendums on the November 3 ballot. Dozens of letters to the editor have been penned and in-person and virtual events have been staged in every part of Wisconsin in an effort to educate voters, elevate the issues on partisan gerrymandering and the need to fix the problem, and hold legislators accountable.

Fair Maps yard signs are now distributed to hubs all around the state: Milwaukee, Madison, New Berlin, Dodgeville, Adams, Wausau, Appleton, Dunn County, and Pierce County. Plus, I still have 500 at my house. Contact [Holly Bland](#) to order a supply.

Just last month, the People's Maps Commission (PMC) began with the first virtual hearing focused on the 8th Congressional District (CD). I am proud to report that two members of the Commission are actively engaged with the Fair Maps Team in their region. And two of the people who gave oral testimony during the

*Looking Back,
Looking Ahead:*
**Accomplishments,
Reflections &
Gratitude**

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first hearing are part of the 8th CD team. Countless others have submitted written testimony.

All this has been accomplished, yet the work is far from complete. Following the election, we will have a better sense of what the maps drawn in 2021 are likely to look like, based on who is elected and who support nonpartisan redistricting. New nonpartisan redistricting legislation will be introduced in January after the new Wisconsin State Legislature is sworn in.

I want to personally thank you for all you have done to get us to this point and ask that you continue to work through the election. Then it will be time to take some time to rest and reflect as we prepare for the next phase of our work – holding legislators accountable, those who have pledged support and those who want to ignore us.

In the words of David Daley, “We are the only ones who can save us!” I am so grateful to be in this fight with all of you.

In-Person Absentee Voting (Early Voting)

In Wisconsin, any registered voter can vote early by casting an in-person absentee ballot at their municipal clerk’s office, or cast their absentee ballot by mail. In-person absentee voting cannot occur more than two weeks before an election. The first day to vote absentee in your municipal clerk's office or other designated location for the Nov. 3 general election is **October 20**. The last possible day to do so is November 1. However, each city, village and town in Wisconsin is responsible for setting the dates and hours of in-person absentee voting for their municipality. To find the dates and hours for where you live, [contact your municipal clerk’s office](#).

Local officials will be taking the pandemic and public health considerations when determining in-person absentee voting. These early voting sites will likely primarily be drive-up or outdoors, but keeping ballots dry will also be a consideration, so on days with inclement weather, please check with your clerk's office before heading out to vote.

You will need to show your [acceptable photo ID](#) for voting when voting by in-person absentee ballot.



Also, it is not too late to help staff your local polling sites. With the pandemic, we face a record shortage of poll workers. A functioning democracy depends on adequate staffing to ensure our elections run smoothly and everyone's vote is counted. Inquire with your local clerk’s office to get more information and sign up.

