

Precinct Overview

What is a Precinct?

A precinct is where elections are won or lost because it is where people live and vote. In your precinct, you know the people, the schools, the churches, the community centers, and the small businesses. You understand the assets and needs of your area and you have the desire to improve it.

What is a Precinct President?

The South Carolina Democratic Party's campaign organization begins with the Precinct President. Being a Precinct President means understanding and promoting our Party's message and utilizing the tools the County and State Democratic Parties provide to organize your precinct, and educate and turn out the voters. It involves a consistent commitment and it's important to be active both in and out of campaign season.

How do I become a Precinct President?

Precinct Presidents are elected by ballot election or appointment by the county executive committee. Any Democratic voter is eligible to become a Precinct President and serve as a precinct officer in the precinct in which he or she lives.

What is the Precinct President term of office?

Each precinct President serves a two-year term, elected in even years.

What are the duties and restrictions of being a Precinct President?

Following the main duties for Precinct President:

- Assist in registering Democratic voters
- Canvass and campaign in your precinct on behalf of all Democratic candidates
- Assist with Get Out The vote (GOTV) projects
- Election Day, assist in turning out a maximum number of Democratic votes
- Precinct Presidents or other Democratic Party Officers may vote for any candidate they wish, but they may **not** publicly support a member of another party. This means a Democratic Party Officer may not have his or her name on the literature or campaign committee of a candidate from another party. He or she may not speak publicly on the candidate's behalf

