

Student Choices – Student Voices Task Force Leader Newsletter

FREE UPCOMING WEBINAR FROM NONPROFIT VOTE:

THE PROBLEM OF LOW VOTER TURNOUT IN LOCAL ELECTIONS

When: Tuesday, November 14th 2 PM ET, 11 AM PT

In this webinar, Phil Kiesling, Oregon Secretary of State from 1991 to 1999 and Director of Portland State University's Center for Public Service, will explore the problem of low voter turnout in local elections and offer some possible solutions. This could help you generate ideas and tactics for your SCSV project! If you are unable to attend, e-mail Arielle (arielle.delrosario@projectpericles.org) for webinar materials.

To register: bit.lv/Nov14thWebinar



Occidental College, 10/28

Students at D4D on the Road: A workshop through Project Pericles and Midwest Academy where students gain skills to work effectively for policy change.



The 2017 Election is over: Now what?



Many of you have been asking: How do I engage my campus on a non-presidential election year? What kind of activities can I have on campus that engage students, faculty, and staff?

Remember there are many national and local issues for which to advocate! Here are some ideas:

- **Themed Lunch Lecture Series/ Panel Discussions**: Speakers present on an issue and food is provided. A successful approach at Wagner College is to have student groups organize an event that address a social issue. Some current ideas include the NFL players' kneeling controversy, the Affordable Care Act, and the travel ban.
- **Game Night**: Host Game Night on your campus! Think about playing Citizen Test Trivia, Political Jeopardy, or a State of the Union Bingo (the 2018 address is January 30).
- **Movie Night:** Screen voting or civil rights-related films such as: *Suffragette; All the Way; Iron Jawed Angels; The Youngest Candidate; Journeys through the Red, White, and Blue;* and *Selma*.
- Team up with other student groups and contribute a civic engagement element to their event: For example, if there's a student group hosting a discussion or forum on healthcare, consider making and distributing a pamphlet that outlines local elected officials' stances on healthcare and how students can contact officials to voice their opinions.
- **Make your campus a polling place:** Save the date, on December 5th at 3 pm ET there will be a webinar on how to accomplish this. If you'd like to register or want more information, please e-mail Arielle at Project Pericles: arielle.delrosario@projectpericles.org.

For more ideas, refer to pages 14 and 15 of the SCSV Guidebook, contact your Project Pericles Program Director, or Project Pericles Staff. We love hearing from you!