

How to Become a Precinct Committee Person

The office of Precinct Committee Person (PC) is an elected official with responsibilities prescribed by the state of Arizona and the Arizona Democratic Party (ADP). PCs are the link between the ADP and the voters in their precinct.

Responsibilities

PCs represent the ADP at the precinct level

The responsibilities of a PC include:

- Canvassing or knocking on doors. Research shows that the most effective way to turn out supporters to vote is one-on-one contacts. Knocking on doors is proven to increase a person's likelihood to vote by 4 - 8%.
- Registering voters. By registering voters we are changing the electorate. People we register are very likely to turn out. And Democrats win when more people who are able to participate.
- Add Permanent Early Voter List (PEVL) voters. Voters on PEVL are more likely to vote because it is the easiest way to vote in Arizona.
- Participate in Get Out the Vote (GOTV) efforts. As soon as the PEVL ballots are mailed, we will begin a rigorous "ballot chase" and GOTV program. During GOTV we knock on doors and make phone calls.
- Recruit, train, and manage volunteers. To talk to all the voters we need to win we need to build a large grassroots volunteer organization. We recruit through making phone calls, events, house parties, one-on-one meetings, digital tools and personal networks.

Becoming a Precinct Committee Person

Any registered voter is eligible to become a PC in the precinct in which they live. There are two ways to become a PC.

1. By appointment: To apply you complete a short form, and submit to the County Chair. The County Chair submits your application to the County Elections Department verifies your voter registration and precinct then forwards your name on to the Board of Supervisors, who in turn vote to approve your application.
2. By election: During each Primary Election, Democrats in your precinct elect one PC, plus one additional for each 125 Democratic voters registered in the precinct.
 1. To be elected you must:
 1. Complete an affidavit for nomination with the County Recorder
 2. Send to the county through the County Chair
 3. Collect the required number of signature of registered Democrats in your precinct (8 to 10 normally). If more candidates than PC positions available your name will be placed on a Primary Election Ballot.
 2. The role of the appointed and elected PC is largely the same.
 1. All PCs are eligible to seek election as a delegate to national conventions. All PCs elect a slate of qualified replacements for vacated legislative seats. All PCs are members of the County Committees.
 2. There are a few advantages to being an elected PC. Elected PCs count towards the County's quota for State Committee Members and are eligible to run for State Committee, County and State party offices.