



100 Percent Voting Congregations

2024 is a critical election year

Beyond the presidential race, Virginia will be voting for every single one of our congressional representatives and one of our national senators. In addition, 33 cities are electing City Council, 154 towns are electing Town Council, and several counties have other offices being elected. Because elected officials and candidates care the most about voters, Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy (VICPP) wants to make sure people are registered, voting, and then communicating their values and concerns with their elected leaders and candidates. 100 Percent Voting Congregations will ensure that economic, racial and social justice issues are considered in the General Assembly.

VICPP is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. VICPP's civic engagement work is non-partisan. The organization does not endorse or work for candidates. Nor does it collaborate with political parties.

Congregations play critical roles in ensuring that their members honor the sacred privilege of voting in a democracy by ensuring that people are registered, encouraging voting, meeting with candidates and equipping people to advocate with candidates and elected leaders.

What is a 100 Percent Voting Congregation? A 100 Percent Voting Congregation pledges to:

- ***Develop a plan*** to make sure every eligible member is registered to vote. This can be done manually or electronically by working with VICPP.
- ***Distribute voting information*** through congregational sources such as congregational bulletins, newsletters, and bulletin boards.
- ***Promote the sacred privilege of voting*** through sermons, prayers, litanies, and other appropriate opportunities.
- ***Learn about candidates*** by meeting them, asking them questions, attending or hosting candidate forums, and/or distributing information in candidate questionnaires.
- ***Participate in community-wide efforts*** to register people and get people to the polls.
- ***Engage those who are not eligible to vote*** to participate in civic life and help others to vote.

VICPP offers tools and resources to accomplish all these pledged items. Please sign the 100 Percent Voting Congregation pledge or communicate with Robert Lester (Robert@virginiainterfaithcenter.org) about your interest in becoming a 100 Percent Voting Congregation.

Yes, our congregation/spiritual community would like to be a
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Congregation's Name: _____

Congregation's Address: _____

Congregation's Website and email address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Person's phone and email address: _____

To sign up or for more information, contact Robert@virginiainterfaithcenter.org.