## Republican Precinct Committeeman Quick Start Guide

Welcome! The office of Precinct Committeeman (PC) has been called the most powerful office in the world. PC is the closest political office holder to the registered voter (aka elector). We work together to make voter contact to influence voters and raise awareness. We do this by using targeted lists of voters to drop information at the door or speak with the voter directly. The most fundamental purpose of the PC is to grow our voter base, help voters elect Republicans into office and raise awareness regarding legislation and other political issues.

Arizona Revised Statutes - It's the Law!

In Arizona election laws govern how elections are run and how many elected representatives there are, including PC positions. You can easily search for laws at <u>azleg.gov</u> under Legislative Council tab, Arizona Revised Statutes. Title 16 covers Elections and Electors (voters) and govern how elections are conducted. Most laws are fairly easy to read and understand.

The state of Arizona is made up of voting precincts, legislative districts (LD), supervisory districts (SD) and congressional districts (CD). Maps are redrawn every 10 years after the US census, so don't get too comfortable, every 5 elections things will change!

Precinct Committeemen are the most local representatives. Per statute, each precinct is allowed one Republican PC for every 125 registered Republican voters. We are all volunteers, so give your local leadership some grace. Your fellow PCs and your local district leadership will make of this job whatever they see fit for their own skillset, values and time commitments. It is up to you as a new PC to find your place within the organization and decide how you want to fit in and eventually help us become better. This job is very flexible, can be frustrating at times but also very rewarding. Some tasks PCs and volunteers enjoy are working elections, promoting candidates for office, or helping voters understand their choices or keeping their registration up to date. Most PCs love personal interaction, but there is plenty to do behind the scenes too. This is your experience.

Official Government Websites contain a wealth of information, and county or state employees can be very helpful.

<u>AZSOS.GOV</u> - Secretary of State website. The Secretary of State and each county is tasked with conducting elections, maintaining voter registration records and voter history (ARS 16-163 and other laws cover this). Voter registration records are public information and PCs have access to that data, strictly for political (non-commercial) purposes. **The SOS website is a WEALTH of information**: Voter statistics, election history, and reports.

<u>Elections.Maricopa.gov</u> - Maricopa County elections department website. Like the SOS website many historical and current reports are available here. Also, if you have questions it is often good to open a dialog or send an email to county elections department.

<u>Maricopa.gov</u> - Board of Supervisors meets regularly and they accept public comment. Meetings can also be viewed online live or recorded. Also find a District Locator tool for voters.

<u>AZGOP.com</u> - our state Republican party website. Here you can find statewide information. Here you can find statewide links to the 15 counties in Arizona Republican leadership and other info. AZGOP manages access to their data, called GOPDATACENTER. Once you are an official PC you can request access to the data.

<u>MaricopaGOP.org</u> - Maricopa County Republican Committee website. Here you can find links to Republican clubs as well as the 20 legislative districts within Maricopa County. MCRC manages access to their database, called VOTER SPECTRUM. Request access there once your PC status is official.

<u>LD28gop.com</u> - Under Resources find the PC Handbook 2024. Printable if you want a hard copy.

- . Read LD28 Bylaws. Each Legislative District (LD) adopts their own bylaws annually.
- . Maricopa County Mandatory Statutory meeting is held 2nd Sat. in January, annually.
- . Republican meetings are conducted using Parliamentary procedures, Robert's Rules of Order
- . Consider getting connected with Republican news, clubs, social media or meetings

Go to a meeting, join a committee and start engaging with voters in your neighborhood! Thank you for volunteering and making a difference!