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RESTORING TRUST IN OUR ELECTIONS

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TO THE

ELECTION INTEGRITY NETWORK

he Election Integrity Network (EIN) was founded in 2021 in response to broad concerns by American voters about election security and a lack of confidence in outcomes. It was first started by the Conservative Partnership Institute under the leadership of CPI Senior Legal Fellow Cleta Mitchell who also served as EIN's first Chairman.

From the beginning, EIN successfully partnered with the Virginia Institute for Public Policy and benefited from the Institute's decades of experience in creating, building, and sustaining coalitions.

In 2021, the Virginia Institute founded the Virginia Fair Elections Coalition (VFE) – which is now the template for every state election integrity coalition. The Virginia Model is active and operational in more than 20 states, with more states regularly coming on board.

Election Integrity Network is now administered and managed by the Virginia Institute for Public Policy with Virginia Institute president Lynn Taylor also serving as EIN's Chairman as Cleta Mitchell retains an active EIN role as its founder.

Election Integrity Network's primary goal is to ensure elections are properly administered under state laws and procedures. Adherence to election statutes provides lawful voters with confidence in their elections results and the assurance that their political choices are counted and validated. One could say our motto is "making it easier to vote and harder to cheat "

With our strong leadership team and staff, EIN recruits, trains, and equips citizens across the nation in the fight to reclaim our elections from ideological forces that do not support constitutionally-based election integrity. Our election integrity goals are achieved through an organized and carefully managed system of local task forces, statewide coalitions, election policy national working groups, and resources for education and training.

EASY TO VOTE. HARD TO CHEAT.

In a short period of time, EIN, its partners and its coalition members have made a consequential and demonstrable impact on the security of U.S. elections.

Will you join us? We are an organization built on the concerns and actions of citizen activists, grassroots organizations and "regular folks" who share a passion for protecting all ballots of all voters in every election.

We hope you will learn more about us by visiting us at www.WhosCounting.US.

Sincerely,

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Cleta Mitchell Founder Election Integrity Network Lynn Taylor

Chairman Election Integrity Network



EIN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The problem?

American elections are being destabilized by anti-election integrity forces. These efforts to undermine election security have resulted in bitter partisanship and a loss of faith in our election system and its results – which in turn leads to "voting hopelessness" and decreased participation in our electoral system.

The solution?

Citizen engagement at every level of the electoral process that builds a permanent election integrity infrastructure in communities, election offices, and America's political parties.

How do we accomplish this?

Through coalition building, education on essential election integrity issues, training, and resource support.

Election Integrity Network is creating a permanent election integrity infrastructure in every state in which trained citizens are engaged with each other and within the election apparatus as advocates, activists, election officials, and poll observers.

These citizen activists and coalitions are trained to identify problems in the state and local election systems that contribute to the lack of ballot security and voter confidence, and to encourage changes in state laws to embrace pro-election integrity laws and procedures while making sure current law is followed by election officials.



EIN COALITION MODEL

Educate, Engage, Empower

A coalition is defined as a group of people who come together to work on a single critical issue – in this case, election integrity. Election integrity goals can best be achieved through this collaborative method. Election Integrity Network is America's leading platform to bring all interested parties and election integrity concerns together in one place for a combined effort.

Our coalitions comprise local, county, statewide and national groups. These groups do not act as un-related silos, but are able to communicate and collaborate internally within a state, state to state, and state to nation because of the EIN platform that knits them together as part of our core mission.

Local task forces comprise groups of individuals in a city, county or community who have come together to impact their local elections by creating a relationship with their election office, ensuring laws and procedures are followed, and poll observers recruited.

Election Integrity Network is now fostering, mentoring and providing administrative support to more than 20 statewide coalitions, with new coalitions joining the network regularly. These state coalitions are led by a moderator or director, a leadership cabinet and an ever-growing number of members. These coalitions hold an online coalition call in their state every week where they share information, emerging issues and strategy, and they often include discussions led by experts in that state's election law and processes. Statewide coalitions are deeply engaged in EIN's national working groups.

Nationwide, EIN brings state coalition leaders together once a week through the LCEIC (Leadership Council of Election Integrity Coalitions) Zoom meetings where members can share coalition management and growth strategies, update each other on pertinent election integrity issues, and issue a "Be On the Lookout" for election integrity threats in one state that may soon enter another. Through LCEIC, coalition leaders and their cabinet members also grow their own personal relationships with other state leaders as they support and encourage each other in the pursuit of election integrity.



THE EIN APPROACH

Coalition Building

- Use of EIN's Citizens Guide to Building an Election Integrity Infrastructure
- Development of local election integrity task forces
- Creation of statewide election integrity coalitions
- Building relationships with local election officials
- Bringing together statewide coalitions to share information on a nationwide basis

Election Integrity Education: National Working Groups

- Citizens Research Project
- Vote-by-Mail and the Role of the USPS in Elections
- Legislative Initiatives
- Election Technology
- Protecting Vulnerable Voters
- Stop Ranked Choice Voting
- Voter Roll Cleanup

Training

- Introduction to Election Integrity and Infrastructure
- Coalition and issue training by EIN
- Media training
- Managing social media
- Recruiting and training poll observers and poll workers
- Outreach to election offices and elected officials

THE EIN APPROACH

Resource Support

- Who's Counting? With Cleta Mitchell instruction-based Podcasts
- Direct outreach and training from EIN staff to local task forces and statewide coalitions
- Access to national election integrity subject matter experts through National Working Groups

Online Election Integrity Master Classes

- Overview to the Election Integrity Infrastructure/ Introduction to the Citizens Guide for Building an Election Integrity Infrastructure
- Forming your Local Election Integrity Task Force
- How to Grow your Local Election Integrity Task Force & Working Groups
- Researching your Local Election Office
- Working Groups in Election Integrity
- Get Knee Deep in Voting by Mail
- Know the Role of the USPS in Voting by Mail
- Becoming an Election Worker
- Becoming a Poll Watcher
- The Difference Between Poll Workers & Watchers
- Regulations and Requirements for Poll Watchers
- Cleaning Voter Rolls
- Protecting Vulnerable Voters (Part 1 & 2)
- Citizen Oversight of Voting Machines (Part 1 & 2)
- The Virginia Model
- Citizens Research Project
- Supporting your Local Election Integrity Task Force







As the leadership and staff of Election Integrity Network share decades of experience in the election integrity and public policy community, we are able to leverage relationships with experts and officials in all areas of election integrity to benefit our coalition members and training programs.

Through guest presentations on our state and national calls, National Working Groups, the *Who's Counting? With Cleta Mitchell* Podcast, and our series of nationwide summits, election integrity advocates have unprecedented access to real-world election integrity and election procedure experience.



Scan the QR Code to check out our latest podcast of *Who's Counting? With Cleta Mitchell.*



NETWORK PARTNERS

EIN also works on joint projects and events with many state-based organizations and national organizations. A few of these include:

America First Policy Institute

American Constitutional Rights Union

American Restoration

Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC)

Capital Research Center

Citizens for Renewing America

Citizens United

Conservative Partnership Institute

Election Transparency Initiative

Foundation for Government Accountability

Heritage Action for America

Honest Elections Project

Maine Policy Institute

National Center for Policy (Able Americans)

Public Interest Legal Foundation

Save Our States

Stop Ranked Choice Voting

Tea Party Patriots

The Heritage Foundation

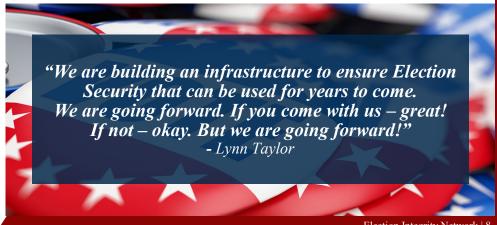
The James Madison Institute (FL)

The Middle Resolution of Virginia

Thomas More Society

Verity Vote

Voter Reference Foundation



LOCAL TASK FORCES

Tips and Strategies for Starting a Local Task Force

Just start! Nobody is an expert at the beginning!

Find a core group of concerned citizens in your community to help you start a task force.

Assign a leader for the task force and establish priorities for your working group based on the Citizens Guide to Building an Election Integrity Infrastructure.

Hold regularly scheduled meetings.

Build your task force deep and wide in order to plan the permanency of the task force - election integrity is not just for election season.

Create a relationship with your local election office - ask questions and be a resource.

Seek out experts to educate your task force.

- Join EIN for the Introduction to Election Integrity Coalitions and Infrastructure trainings live via Zoom on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM EST.
- Visit www.WhosCounting.US and view our Master Classes on creating, maintaining and growing a local task force.
- Let EIN assist you in joining your statewide election integrity coalition.



STATEWIDE COALITIONS

Benefits of Starting or Joining a Statewide Election Integrity Coalition

- Support from EIN to establish and maintain an effective statewide coalition.
- Access to EIN staff and national experts.

A greater level of confidence and support

that comes from working with a team.

- Share knowledge, research, practices and concerns about longstanding or emerging issues between cities and counties.
- Amplify your efforts with other election integrity advocates across your state.
- Ability to have a great influence on legislation that impacts election security and procedures.



ELECTION



BUILDING A SUCCESSFUL COALITION

EIN's Key Rules for a Successful Coalition

- Always be right and polite in any interaction: do your research and always "take the high ground" in any contentious conversation.
- Attend all external meetings in pairs. Having a "witness" protects you and the results of your meeting.
- Park your logo at the door! All state coalitions have members from other established organizations who will have other projects and initiatives outside the coalition. But in this coalition the common goal of preserving election integrity is the only goal.
- Invite individuals and organizations into your coalition including grassroots and public policy groups.
- Establish a meeting regimen: same day of the week, same time, create and follow an agenda, stick to the established timetable for the meeting's duration.

Main functions of coalition meetings: SCIP

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Coordination

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Join the Election Integrity Network!

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Questions? Contact us at (540) 245-1776 or info@whoscounting.us.

Your tax-deductible contribution can be mailed, donated online, or wired.



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From think tanks and legislative offices in Washington DC, to activists' kitchen tables in all 50 states, the **Election Integrity Network** is a broad coalition of groups, elected officials and staff, and individuals who believe protecting the vote of every American is a moral and patriotic imperative.

The Election Integrity Network is a project of the Virginia Institute for Public Policy, an independent, nonpartisan, 501(c)(3) nonprofit, education and research organization committed to individual liberty, economic growth, the rule of law, and constitutionally-limited government.

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