

It's Time to Reach Out!

Our Hot Texas Summer is Just Around the Corner

and We are Calling On all Our Excited Hot Montgomery County Democrats to Help Us!

This is Ginger Blair, the Outreach Chair for the Montgomery County Democratic Party asking for your help.

First I would like to share our success from the 2020 election:

1. We increased voter turnout by 30,000 voters.
2. We now have 100 Precincts and are always looking for more precinct chairs.
3. We currently have Judges and Clerks for all elections but are always looking for new people to participate in the election process!
4. Hung Spanish/English Flyers in more than 30 apartment complexes
5. Block walked in 75 Precincts.
6. Hosted dozens of "Meet and Greet" parties for our local candidates.
7. Helped register hundreds of young new voters.
8. Sent letters to more than 5000 High School Seniors enclosing a voter registration card.
9. Mailed "Get Out the Vote" Information to at least 40,000 households with our bulk mailing project.
10. Mailed "absentee" ballots to all Democratic voters over 65 in the County.

We are planning to build on these successes by continuing to reach out to interest groups throughout the county. Here are our Outreach Chairs and their contact information.

Outreach Committee Chair

Ginger Blair

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If you are interested in one of our existing Outreach Committees, please reach out to that Committee Chairperson directly. Feel free to call Ginger with any questions regarding either working on or chairing a vacant committee. With your help we know we can return Texas to Blue again.



African American Outreach Subcommittee Chair

Warren Bell

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Since moving to Montgomery County in 2005, Warren Bell brings a valued perspective to both his professional and community activities. Warren's community roles include co-chair of Precinct 92, Treasurer for the Texas Coalition of Black Democrats – Montgomery County chapter, Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrar for Montgomery (since 2013) and Harris (since 2017) counties along with volunteering for both Planned Parenthood and Rebuilding Together Houston. Professionally, Warren is program manager for HP Inc. with over 20 years of experience in the technology industry. A native of Sacramento, California, Warren possesses a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of California at Riverside and a Master of Business Administration from Southern Methodist University.



Americans with Disabilities Outreach Subcommittee Chair

Caroline Stansky

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Caroline Stansky was a Special Education Teacher for over 28 years. She had to retire in 2013 because of her disability. Her interest in politics evolved over time and became intense during the Trump years. She has served the Democratic Party as Precinct Chair in Precinct 68, is a member of Moms Demand Action on Gun Violence, Indivisible, and the Democratic Club of The Woodlands. In addition, she has generously given of her time for the last several years to be an active Volunteer Deputy Registrar and a weekly volunteer at Democratic Headquarters where she also served as Office Manager. Caroline plans to “help with disability inclusion, making sure everyone has the same opportunities to participate in every aspect of life to the best of their abilities and desires”.



Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Outreach

Subcommittee Chair

Rashmi Gupta

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Rashmi Gupta has been practicing Real Estate for the past 17 years in the entire Houston area. Since moving to The Woodlands, she has been active in her local Precinct and has been a candidate for the local Township Board of Directors. Her community involvement includes arranging for blood drives, participation in food bank distributions, and volunteering at COVID vaccination sites around Montgomery County. She has been on the Board of Directors for the Hindu Temple of the Woodlands for the last four years. In that time, she helped with Holi and Diwali and was instrumental in taking 300 members to a Rockets game to bring youth together.



Attorney Outreach Subcommittee Chair

Claire Lindsay

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Claire Lindsay is currently in private practice at the Claire E. Lindsay, PLLC focusing on estate planning, family law (CPS litigation and adoptions), probate and guardianship law as well as non-profit formation and governance. Claire has her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Trinity University in San Antonio and her Juris Doctorate from New York Law School in New York City. During college she spent a semester in London, England with Boston University. Claire has been a Candidate for Justice of the Peace in Pct 3 and volunteers frequently for the Montgomery County Democratic Party. In her spare time, she also serves on the Trinity Episcopal Day School's board of directors, serves as a Brownie Girl Scout co-troop leader, volunteers with the Lone Star Chapter of the National MS Society's Walk MS and the National MS Society MS Entrepreneur program as well as being room mom for her youngest daughter's class.



Christian Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Dr. Pamela Gunter recently completed her Doctor of Worship Studies from the Robert E. Webber Institute of Worship and has been professionally employed with Abbott Laboratories over 25 years where she has either managed or been an individual contributor in various roles over the years. Her current role is a Project Manager. Dr. Pamela serves as the Precinct Chair of Precinct 92 where she co-chairs this role with Warren Bell. She is also a Volunteer Deputy Registrar and a member of the Montgomery County chapter of the Texas Coalition of Black Democrats.



Dr. Pamela is excited to chair this subcommittee because she believes Christians have a great responsibility to be Christ upon this earth which is summed up in the words, "What would Jesus do?" The charge for all of us is then to go and do likewise.

Education Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Dr. Chrisanne Christenson has been an educator for over 25 years in university and K-12 environments. She emulates the “nevertheless she persisted” mantra by a continuous campaign to support teacher voice. Her fascination with education has focused on the changing nature of teacher responsibilities, work life balance, and pay equity. Chrisanne has earned three graduate degrees, an M.A. in Psychology, M.Ed. in Educational Leadership and Special Education and a Ph.D. in Counselling Psychology. Before becoming a K-12 teacher she was a tenured associate professor of psychology and grant writer. When not dreaming of a library, she can be found in a lap lane or a garden.

Hispanic Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Volunteer with the Montgomery County Democratic Party as its Hispanic Outreach Subcommittee Director and Precinct 97 Chair. The subcommittee handles all outreach activities aimed at the county's Latino population encouraging them to register and vote. This includes messaging and advertising via all Spanish media including social, radio and print venues and holding special events such as Fiestas and by supporting other registration events around the county. Spanish speaking volunteers are encouraged to join our subcommittee to enhance our outreach efforts and to provide linguistic support to the party. The next special event is a Fiestas Patrias celebration at Conroe's Heritage Place Park on September 12th. Sponsors and donors to support this large Festival are needed to make it supremely successful. Funds for the Fiesta are now being raised. Please consider donating to the Montgomery County Texas Democratic Party to support our efforts to make it successful. Contact MCTXDP headquarters at 936-703-5841 for donation information.



Immigration Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Lorena Perez McGill is an attorney and counsellor at law admitted to practice in the Dominican Republic, New York State, and the District of Columbia. She currently is an immigration law solo practitioner and consults on alternative dispute resolution and international litigation matters. She taught at Georgetown University Law Center, at American University Washington College of Law, and at University of Houston Law Center. Before relocating to Houston, she was in the Department of Legal Services at the Organization of American States, in Washington DC; and previously, at Baker Botts LLP, with the litigation, corporate, and environmental groups in Washington, DC.



Ms. Perez McGill received her Licenciatura en Derecho from the Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre Y Maestra in Santiago, Dominican Republic in 1992, and her LL.M. Degree in Common Law Studies from Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, DC in 1999. She is an active member of the DC Bar and the Montgomery County Hispanic Chamber. She is listed on the roster of arbitrators of the Camara de Comercio y Produccion de Santo Domingo.

Jewish Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Mandy, her husband, and two children have lived in Montgomery County for 15 years. They are active members of their synagogue. She is a degreed Industrial Hygienist and through her company, Sunderland Environmental, she provides consulting services in Industrial Hygiene, Occupational Safety, Environmental Services, and Oil Spill Response. In late 2017 Mandy launched a political campaign for Montgomery County Treasurer. As a first-time candidate, she stated that she received over 44,000 votes and provided a choice for her constituents at the ballot box for the first time in over 30 years".



LGBTQ Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Lauri Panova has been a resident of Kingwood since 2015 and has been the voice of that small sliver of Kingwood that is in Montgomery County since that time. She is currently serving as Precinct 37 Chair. In addition, she is the LGBTQ Chair and ally. Her passion is equality for all, and she is dedicated to working however she can to be sure that social justice and civil liberty is never again in the jeopardy that it has been in during the last four years. Her biggest passion and first priority is equality.



Muslim Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Maher Hussein has spent many years in law enforcement and security industry. He is the former CEO of Jaguar Security and Investigations and has studied Criminal Justice at the University of Chicago-Illinois Texas Southern University. He is professionally certified for his profession as a lecturer and field trainer, but he considers himself "to be a human and a family man before anything else". He is originally from Jerusalem and is married with a family. He is a former Montgomery County Democratic Party Candidate for the Position of Sheriff and is currently working for the Harris County Sheriff's Office.



Prisoners Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Michael Hayle is U.S. Army veteran, retired oil and gas executive, small business owner, church pastor, and devoted family man. He has been a Montgomery County Democratic Candidate for State Office and is a frequent speaker at Party events. He has dedicated the last 25 years of his life directing his non-profit ministry, the Coat of Many Colors Ministry, Inc. It serves the needs of the with programs that range from veteran reentry assistance to food distribution, counseling, computer, and job training to help all our neighbors including prisoners make ends meet, cope with challenges, and get ahead. Michael, and his organization, is committed to providing the Montgomery County a ready resource for job skills development, job readiness, interview preparation, job counseling, and goal setting.



Social and Environmental Justice Subcommittee Chair

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Betty Daugherty has lived all over the United States, including has North Hollywood, Memphis, Atlanta, New Orleans, Midland, Wichita Falls, Jackson MS and now The Woodlands, Texas. Betty is a graduate of Mississippi University for Women with a degree in theatre and psychology. She was able to use her degrees as Director of a child sexual abuse theatre project. She has worked with adolescent mothers and their babies. She was the director of children and family services of the Mississippi State department of Human Services. The last years of her career were in alcohol and depression intervention as Director of the Lawyers Assistance program of the MS Bar Association. Since retiring to The Woodlands in 2011 she has run a theater company and has managed the Lone star Montgomery theatres. She currently volunteers as the chair of the Montgomery County Democratic Party Precinct 78. She was recently elected as a Director of MUD 60 in The Woodlands.



Union (Labor) Outreach Subcommittee Chair

Mary Hamm

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Mary Hamm is SDEC 4 Committeewoman and Chair of Montgomery County Democratic Party Precinct 93. She is also Ombudsman II, Office of Injured Employee Counsel, for the State of Texas. She has been an active volunteer with the Texas Democratic Party for many years serving on multiple levels and has been a paid staff/consultant in several campaigns. Ms. Hamm has also volunteered for organizations such as Battleground Texas with Voter Registration and block walking activities. At work, Ms. Hamm is an advocate for injured employees in the State of Texas. She is well versed in the rules and laws governing the Workers' Compensation System and guides people through their disputes. She is also a member of TSEU-CWA 6186 and acts as a delegate to the Texas Gulf Coast Area Labor Federation and to the Harris County Labor Assembly. Through these three activities she has strived to look out for working families in Texas. She has mentored many people through the political process and finds it a privilege to help people expand their knowledge of how government is truly run.



In her down time Ms. Hamm likes to travel, garden and work in a variety of fiber related crafts. She also has an Etsy shop called DemocrtaticVinal where she sells political decals as well as a variety of other goods.

Veterans Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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John-Brandon Pierre's life gained traction at the age of 18 then the United States experienced the 9/11 attack on the Twin Towers in New York. In response to this devastating act, he made the decision to join the United States Marine Corps as a Combat Engineer and Demolition Specialist. He found himself on the front lines of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003 attached to 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. During 12 years in the Marine Corps, he held the jobs of Range Safety Officer, Body Conditioning Specialist, OSHA Officer, Squad Leader and Platoon Sergeant. John-Brandon Pierre worked with Veterans while employed at Ashford University assisting them in using their benefits to excel in education. After working with Met-Rx on their Met-Rx 180 program, he got certified through the International Sports Science Association and created Pinnacle Fitness and Training. In 2013, John-Brandon Pierre left Southern California to return home to Texas with his business. Having dealt with PTSD and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy since 2003, he decided to enroll at Sam Houston State University and achieved his Bachelor's degree in Psychology, minoring in Philosophy. To provide better service and security to those living in Montgomery County, he ran in 2018 for Montgomery County District Clerk. In February of 2020, John-Brandon began working for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in their Rehabilitation Programs Department teaching psycho-educational, cognitive behavioral reconstruction to violent inmates approved for parole. Through his work, villages, towns, and cities across Texas are safer as inmates leave prison with the tools to reintegrate into society and live meaningful lives.



Young Democrats Outreach Subcommittee Chair

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Via Rockitter moved from Houston to the Conroe area in 2016 where she immediately began to take an interest in local politics. She was first sworn in as a Montgomery County Democratic Party Precinct Chair in 2019 and became the Texas Young Democrats Outreach Subcommittee Chair later that year. Via is passionate about all social justice issues, especially LGBTQ rights, women's rights and promoting the youth voice in politics. She is a student at Lone Star College where her studies include welding and paralegal certification.



Women's Outreach Subcommittee

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Christy Vines has recently been named Election Coordinator for the Montgomery County Democratic Party (mcdptx.org). Christy earned a BBA (Eastern New Mexico University) and an MBA (Wayland Baptist University). Christy is an activist, ally, and advocate. She is chair for Precinct 70, a VDR, Election Judge/Alternate Judge, and works with the Ballot Board. She was a delegate to the Texas Democratic Convention in 2020. Christy serves on both the Rules and Women's Outreach Committees of MCDPTX. She is a member of Texas Democratic Women and TDW Awards Committee, Democratic Club of The Woodlands, and the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County. She has been a volunteer for Mom's Demand Action, Conroe ISD, Junior Achievement, and is a Volunteer Advocate for AARP-TX. A lifelong learner, Christy completed the DNC 2020 Campaign Academy, TDP Train-the-Trainer, and DNC Best Practices Institute's T3 Program.



Vacant Subcommittees

Active Military Families Subcommittee

Men's Outreach Subcommittee

If you or a Democrat you know would like to serve as the Subcommittee Chair to fill a vacant position, please contact the Outreach Committee Chair, Ginger Blair, at 713-256-1420 or by email at ginger@idesignsolutions.com today to get involved!

Our Democracy is counting on YOU!