

Red2Blue Update for the Week of Dec. 3, 2017

Red2Blue Returns to Original Charter

Leadership of the Red2Blue Action Team is seeking to return to the original charter of our team: identify local groups with similar goals and collaborate with them to maximize our collective impact on electing Democratic and progressive representatives to office. We convened a meeting on Nov. 25th with representatives of the IndivisibleHoCoMD Voting Rights Action Team, Together We Will/Do The Most Good, Sister District, Ellicott City Huddle, and Progressive MD to discuss a work plan for the 2018 election cycle. We agreed to create a shared work plan and calendar, coordinate across the groups, and support each other's activities to focus on the 2018 elections. Our attention will go primarily to Howard County positions at the county and state government levels, with efforts aimed to improve voter registration and turnout, and facilitate trained volunteers to support candidate campaigns of their choice. If you are a member of a Howard County based group that shares our goals, please have a representative contact us at red2bluemd@gmail.com. We welcome groups with similar goals to join our coalition.

Last Red2Blue Weekly Newsletter

This will be the last weekly newsletter from the Red2Blue Action Team. There are so many groups with so much activity that in-boxes are over-crowded with information. We are an Action Team within IndivisibleHoCoMD and have decided to contribute a single item to the IndivisibleHoCoMD weekly newsletter that comes out on Wednesdays. Events that we think you should know about will be posted on the IndivisibleHoCoMD Events Calendar. Thanks for your readership during 2017 and stay with us in 2018!

Want to join the Indivisible HoCo mailing list? Send your info

to: IndivisibleHoCoMD@gmail.com

Events

Dec. 5 – Tuesday, 10:00 am, Let People Vote Rally to support Automatic Voter Registration Bill in MD legislature, Lawyers Mall, Bladen Street, Annapolis, MD – sponsored by ACLU’s People Power Team – RSVP [HERE](#)

Dec. 6 – Wednesday, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, Meet Bernie Sanders at a rally in support of Healthcare for All and Ben Jealous for MD Governor. At Notre Dame of Maryland University, doors open at 6:30 pm, limited seating, RSVP [HERE](#)

Dec. 7 – Thursday, 6:00 – 8:00 pm – Red2Blue Happy Hour; RSVP [HERE](#)

Dec. 17, 2017 – Sunday, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Owen Brown Interfaith Center; Together We Will/Do The Most Good meeting. Meet Democratic Candidates from Howard County, ask questions, and find out how you can help with candidate campaigns.

Jan. 13, 2018 – Save the date! A big event is coming from IndivisibleHoCoMD to kick-off the New Year! Owen Brown Interfaith Center, 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Howard County Elections

Locally, the 2018 campaign season is kicking off. Candidates’ sites are listed below as a courtesy and do not represent R2B or Indivisible HoCo’s endorsement.

- [Calvin Ball](#) (County Executive)
- [Harry Dunbar](#) (County Executive)
- [Jon Weinstein](#) (Council District 1)

- [Opel Jones](#) (Council District 2)
- [Hiruy Hadgu](#) (Council District 3)
- [Christiana Rigby](#) (Council District 3)
- [Greg Jennings](#) (County Council District 3)
- [Steve Hunt](#) (County Council District 3)
- [Deb Jung](#) (County Council District 4)
- [Byron MacFarlane](#) (County Council District 4)
- Ian Bradley Moller-Knudsen (County Council District 4)
- [China Williams](#) (County Council District 5)
- [Rich Gibson](#) (Howard County State's Attorney)
- [Natalie Ziegler](#) (House of Delegates District 9A)
- [Courtney Watson](#) (House of Delegates District 9B)
- [Dan Medinger](#) (House of Delegates District 9B)
- [Katie Fry Hester](#) (State Senate District 9)