Dear San Mateo County Democrats,

September is going to be a very busy month. I hope that you will join us at some or all of these activities and events. We have a lot to do before the election. Everyone is needed.

I am pleased to announce the location of the Carole Dorshkind SMCDems Campaign Headquarters (HQ)! HQ will be at 2336 El Camino Real in Redwood City, just south of Highway 84. We have hired two outstanding individuals to run HQ. Eric Ohlund is the Campaign Manager and April Vargas is returning as a Outreach and Field Coordinator. Please stop by in September to meet them and find out the many ways to volunteer to support Democratic candidates in their races.

Help Us Set Up the Campaign HQ

We'll be moving into the Campaign HQ between August 30 and September 2. We need help cleaning on August 29 and 30, packing and unpacking supplies from our storage locker on August 31 and setting up the HQ over the Labor Day weekend. Do you have a few hours to help?

SMCDems Endorsements Meeting

The SMCDems will hold a Special Meeting on September 6 to discuss the candidates and measures recommended by the Endorsement Committee. The meeting will be held at the Transport Workers Union, 1521 Rollins Road, Burlingame. From 6:30 to 7:00 pm, we’ll have refreshments. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm

SMCDems November 2018 Endorsements information is now available on the website. http://www.smcdems.org/2018novendinfo

SMCDems Headquarters Grand Opening Party

We'll host a not-to-be-missed HQ Grand Opening Party on Sunday, September 9 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend. It will be a great opportunity to meet other active Democrats and local candidates, learn about our campaign activities over the next two months and sign up to volunteer. Refreshments will be served. We'd love to see you there.
Voter Registration Training and Events

With recent changes to the regulations for registering voters in California, it's essential that all 2018 Voter Registration (VR) volunteers attend a two hour training to learn about these changes, ask questions and sign up for upcoming VR events.

North County VR Training
Saturday, September 8, 2018
Burlingame Library
480 Primrose Ave, Burlingame
Lane Room on lower level

2 shifts 10:30 M-12:30 pm and 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Refreshments will be served

South County VR Training
Saturday, September 15, 2018
Carole Dorshkind San Mateo County Democratic Party Campaign HQ
2336 El Camino Real (just south of Hwy 84), Redwood City

2 shifts 10:30 am-12:30 pm and 1:30 am - 3:30 pm

Refreshments will be served

Individual VR Trainings are also available. For those who are unable to attend the two scheduled trainings, we're happy to schedule an individual training for you or your group at our campaign HQ in Redwood City. Please contact us for more information.

While it's essential to expand the number of eligible voters for Democrats to be successful on November 6, our efforts are strictly non-partisan and we register anyone who is eligible to vote regardless of party affiliation. We're counting on you. Please attend training and sign up for an upcoming VR event near you!

Phone Banking

Starting on September 12, we'll host two types of phone banks at HQ.

1) Into flip-able Congressional District in California to identify potential Democratic voters, recruit local volunteers, make sure new voters register in time to vote, and vote early whenever possible to avoid long lines on November 6.

2) To call local voters in support of our endorsed candidates on the local, statewide and federal levels and to support of the California Democratic Party's endorsed positions on the ballot propositions
Phone banks will be held from noon until 8:00 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and until 7:00 pm only on Saturday and Sunday. Lap tops and cell phones will be available for volunteers to use when making calls at the HQ.

Direct Voter Contact

Starting in mid-September we'll organize precinct walking in collaboration with our local endorsed candidates and ballot measure committees to get information out to San Mateo County voters about what's on the ballot and why it's so important to vote. We'll also hand out information about the county's all mail ballot system adopted before the June primary election.

We'll help organize local Democrats who want to travel to Central Valley Congressional Districts to precinct walk in support of our Red to Blue Democratic challengers.

Be sure to watch or website, Facebook and Twitter for more upcoming events and activities.

To rsvp, to volunteer, or to get more information about any of the events described above, email contact@smcdems.org

Democratically Yours,

Cecily Harris, Chair
San Mateo County Democratic Party