

## **Democratic Party of Oregon Election Integrity Caucus**

### **MISSION**

The Democratic Party of Oregon has affirmed in the Election Reform plank of its Platform that it stands for “Opposing Privatization of the Vote and Guaranteeing Transparent Elections that Reflect the Will of the People”.

In addition, the DPO has enumerated the following “Democratic Principles” in regard to Election Reform:

- Efforts must be made to engage all eligible voters in the election process. Any attempt to disenfranchise voters, including burdensome ID requirements, voter suppression tactics, or refusal to restore voting rights to ex-felons, has no place in our system.
- Privatization of any aspect of elections (voter registration, casting and counting of votes) has no place in a democratic system.
- All eligible voters must have the opportunity to vote and have their vote counted as cast with a procedure that must produce a voter-verified paper ballot, which will be the official ballot of record.
- Elective office must be available to all candidates regardless of their personal wealth or that of their associates. We support campaign finance reform that works towards these goals.

### **PROPOSED GOALS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Support the Election Reform plank of the current DPO Platform
- Engage in efforts to realize the Election Reform Democratic Principles enumerated in the current DPO Platform
- Work for successful implementation of the Legislative Action Items associated with the Election Reform plank and Democratic Principles of the current DPO Platform
- Develop future legislative action items to support the Election Reform Plank and Democratic Principles of the DPO Platform
- Promote election reform legislation and lobby for its passage with members of the Oregon Legislature, U.S. Congress and the voting public
- Identify and Research other aspects of Election Integrity affecting local, state, and federal elections in Oregon
- Through research and writing of “white papers”, serve as a resource on Election Integrity issues for the DPO and county Democratic parties
- Similarly, serve as a resource on Election Integrity issues for Oregon’s county, state, and federal elected officials
- Provide a forum for Oregon Democrats concerned about Election Integrity
- Draw Election Integrity activists within Oregon into the DPO and county Democratic parties
- Offer support for the Democratic National Committee’s “50 State Strategy”/Election Protection Project in Oregon