July 15-19, 2019 is National Disability Voter Registration Week

Coordinated by the REV UP Campaign, National Disability Voter Registration Week (NDVRW) is a concerted effort to get people with disabilities registered to vote, educated about this year’s election, and prepared to cast a ballot in November. NDVRW is held annually the third week of July, just before the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The REV UP Campaign, launched by the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD) in 2016, is a nonpartisan initiative that coordinates with national, state, and local disability organizations to increase the political power of the disability community while also engaging candidates and the media on disability issues. The Campaign focuses on voter registration, education, access, and engagement.

Powerful Numbers

- In the 2016 national election, 62.7 million people with disabilities were eligible to vote...over 1/4 of all voters!
- BUT...only 35.4 million registered.
- AND...only 16 million voted.
- Only 42.4% of Ohioans with disabilities voted in the 2016 election...compared to 71% of all voters.
- If people with disabilities voted at the same rate as people without disabilities, there would be 2.2 million more voters.

Diverse Voters

- Americans with disabilities look similar to those without disabilities both in terms of party affiliation and distribution across the ideological spectrum
- Four-in-ten Americans with disabilities express a mix of conservative and liberal political values
- 31% take more liberal than conservative positions
- 26% are more conservative than liberal
- That closely matches those without disabilities

Helpful Resources

- Know your rights
- Checkout AAPD’s Voter Resource Center
- Register to vote or check your registration status
- Read up on voting with a disability
- Check out SignVote
- Share resources with poll workers and candidates
- Get support or report an issue
- Find your polling location
- View your ballot
- Get a ride
- VOTE!