

COLUMBUS, OH

HOW WE DO IT

OUR MISSION

Red Wine and Blue Team Ohio provides an inviting and actionable pathway to political literacy and civic engagement about common-sense issues facing suburban women. We build community through approachable content, friendto-friend organizing, and personal storytelling.



SOCIAL MEDIA

#RedWineAndBlue and #TroubleHuddleOHIO

when posting on social media about today!!



10:00 Welcome, Introductions

11:00 Group Picture

11:20 Strategy & Priorities

Noon RWB App and Rally!

12:30 Lunch with New Friends

1:20 Partner Panel

2:20 Break

2:30 How to Capture It All

3:00 TroubleNation Resources & Their Plans

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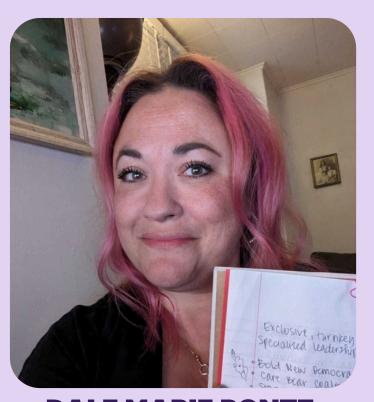


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COMMUNITY NORMS

- Take care of your needs
- Be considerate of the space you take up
- Assume best intentions
- Understand that this space cannot hold everything
- Commit to this not being the last action you take

INTRODUCTIONS

- your name & pronouns (optional)
- where you are from in Ohio
- one thing you hope to gain by joining us today
 - -- OR --
- what is a topic you could teach a lesson on with no preparation?

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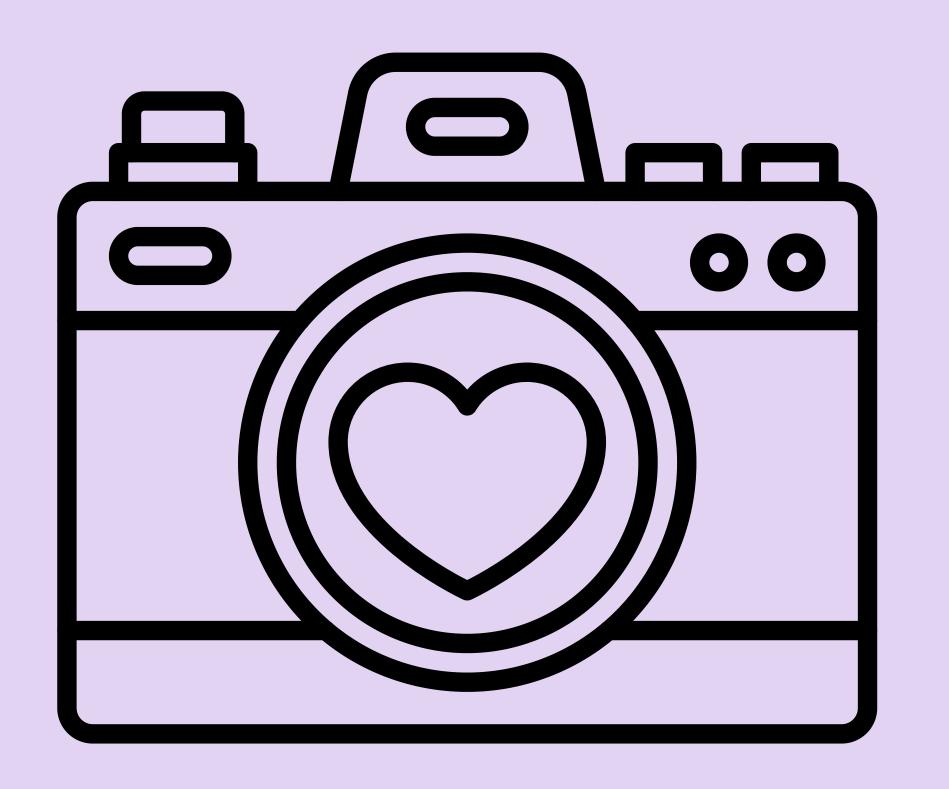
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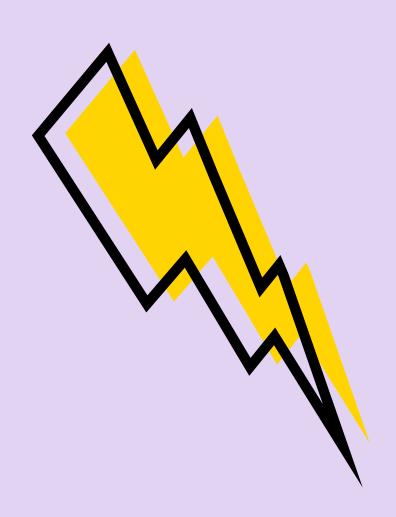
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LIGHTNING BOLTS



Inspiration strikes

- Use your notebook
- Use the post-its on the tables
- Use each other as sounding boards

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STRATEGY

BACKGROUND



8000 Races Across Ohio

- School Board races
- County commissions
- Municipal city and town councils

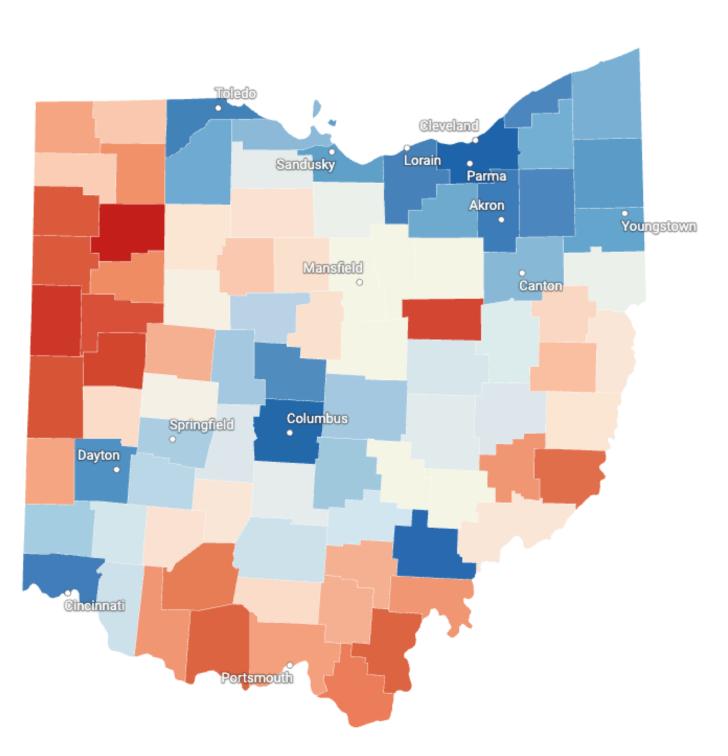




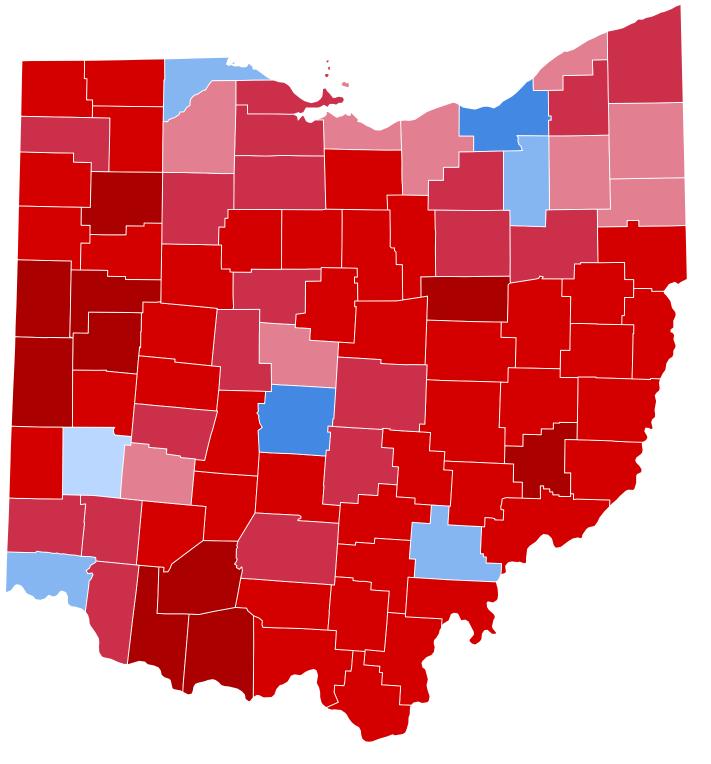




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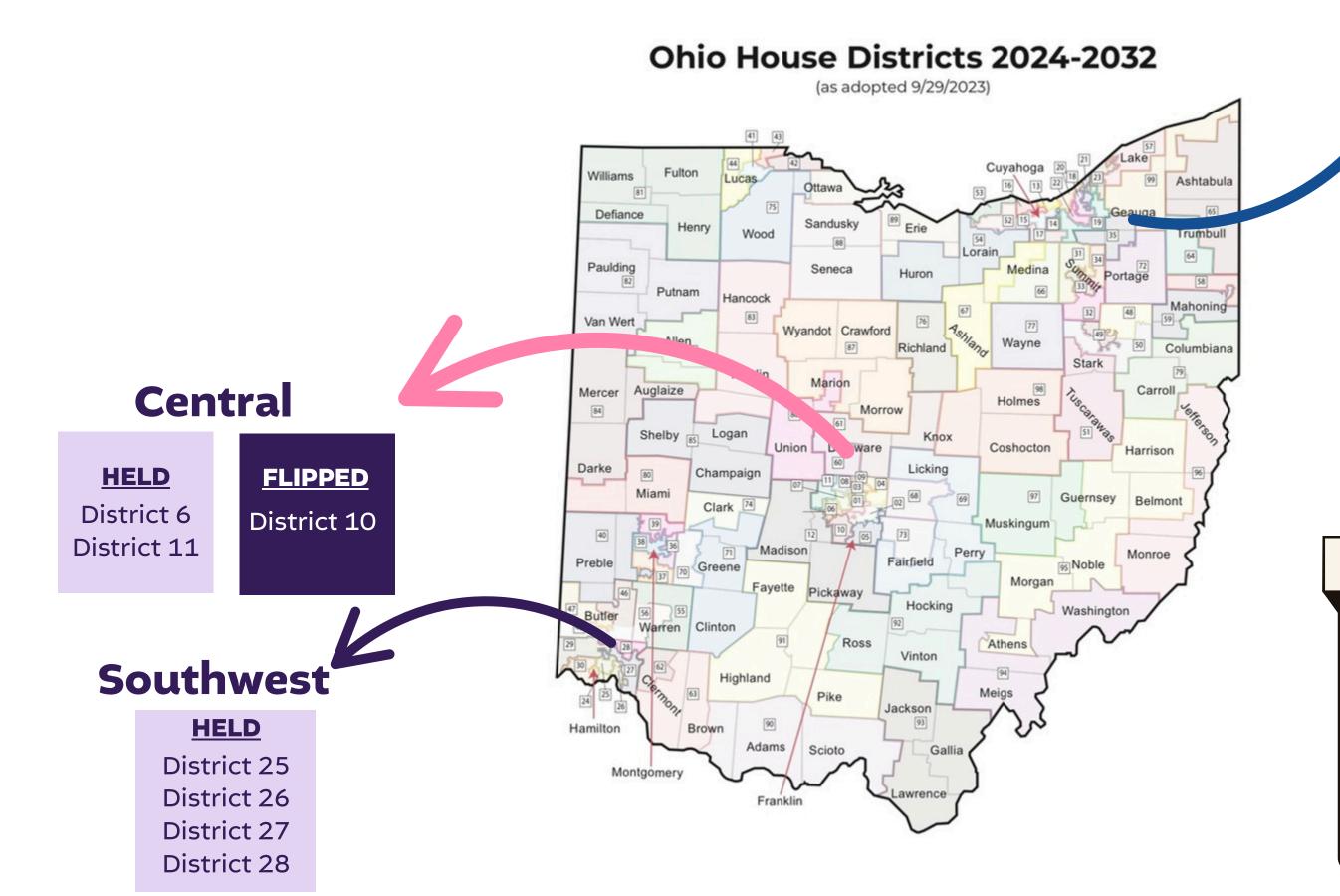


2023 REPRO WIN



2024 CYCLE

Ohio House Races - 2024



Northeast

HELD

District 16

District 23

District 34

District 43

District 53

SUMMARY

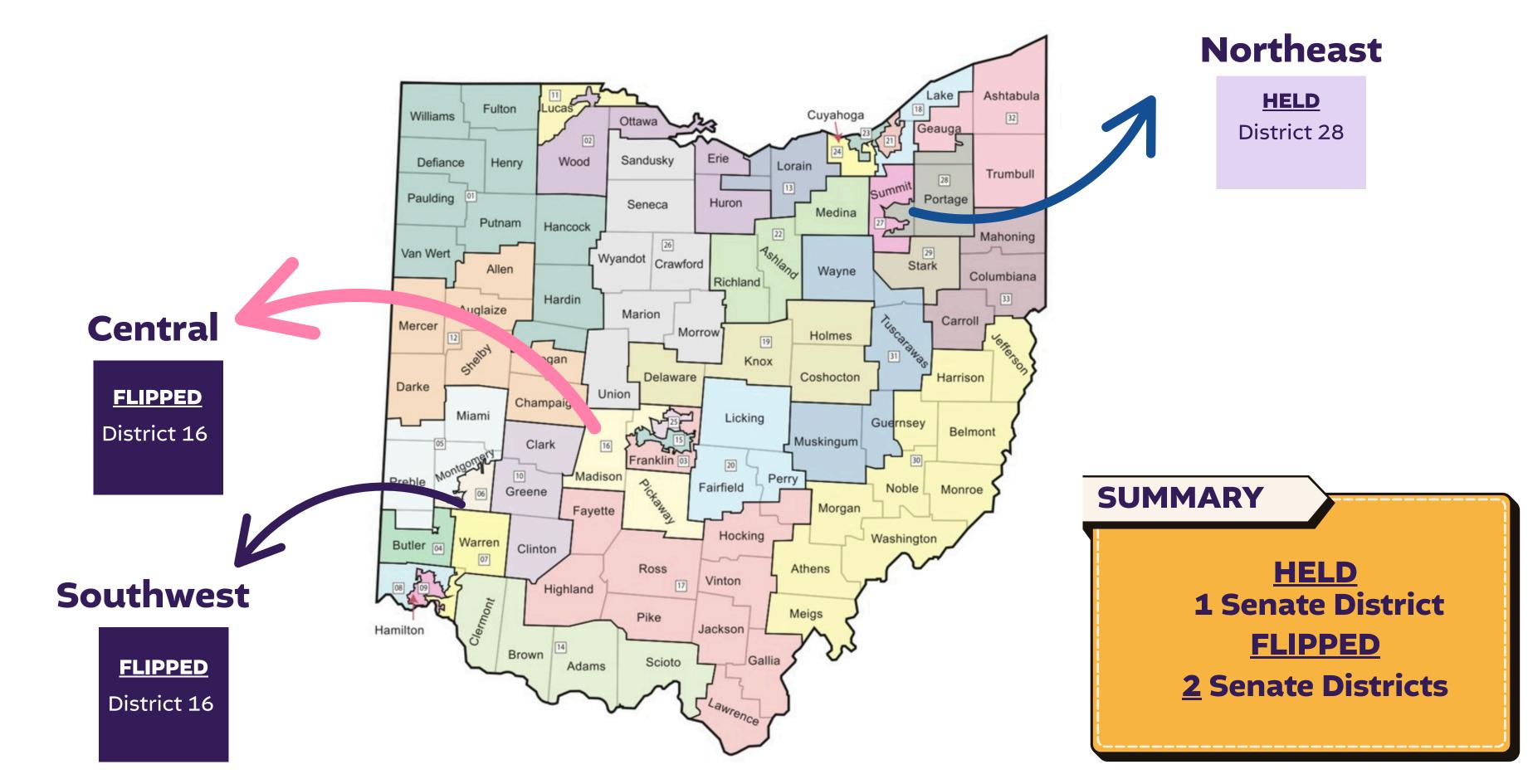
HELD 11 House Districts

FLIPPED

1 House District

* No Supermajority

Ohio Senate Races - 2024



Whatever happened to the tie results in Madison Local Schools' levy vote?



Bebe Hodges Cincinnati Enquirer

Updated June 10, 2025, 5:57 p.m. ET



Show gallery info ✓

Did you wonder what happened to the <u>unusual tie</u> vote from Ohio's primary election in May?

The Madison Local School District's proposed tax levy, which early unofficial results showed voters were split 50-50 on, failed, according to official election results from the Butler County Board of Elections released on May 22.

The levy failed 50.2% to 49.8% with 626 votes against the levy and 621 votes for the levy.

Unofficial election results released shortly after polls closed on May 6 showed the levy received 620 votes in favor and 620 votes against. But the unofficial count did not include eligible provisional ballots and absentee ballots in the vote total.

Officials counted these ballots in the following weeks and certified the results.

Every Vote Counts!

21 Brooklyn CSD Bond Issue (Vote for 1)

1831 ballots (0 over voted ballots, 0 overvotes, 57 undervotes), 7408 registered voters, turnout 24.72%

For the Bond Issue Against the Bond Issue	891 883	50.23% 49.77%
Total	1774	100.00%
Overvotes	0	
Undervotes	57	

WON +7 Votes

wkyc.com





Avon Lake City Schools' bond issue officially passes following recount

The measure will raise \$88.1 million for construction of a new school for grades 5-8, as well as repairs to existing elementary school buildings.

Author: Tyler Carey, Anna Meyer Published: 8:13 AM EDT May 30, 2025 Updated: 8:13 AM EDT May 30, 2025

ELYRIA, Ohio — More than three weeks after Election Day, the Avon Lake City School District's \$88.1 million bond issue has officially been approved.

Issue 16 passed at the ballot box on May 6, but by just 20 votes — a margin of only 0.28%.

Under Ohio law, the result was subject to an automatic recount. According to the Lorain County Board of Elections, Issue 16 passed, 3,531 to 3,511.

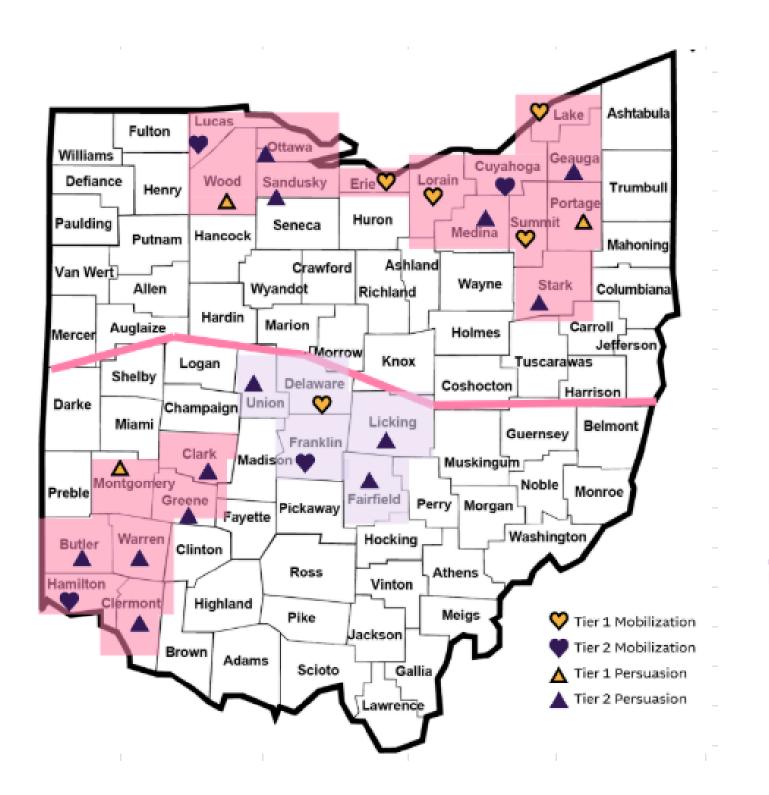
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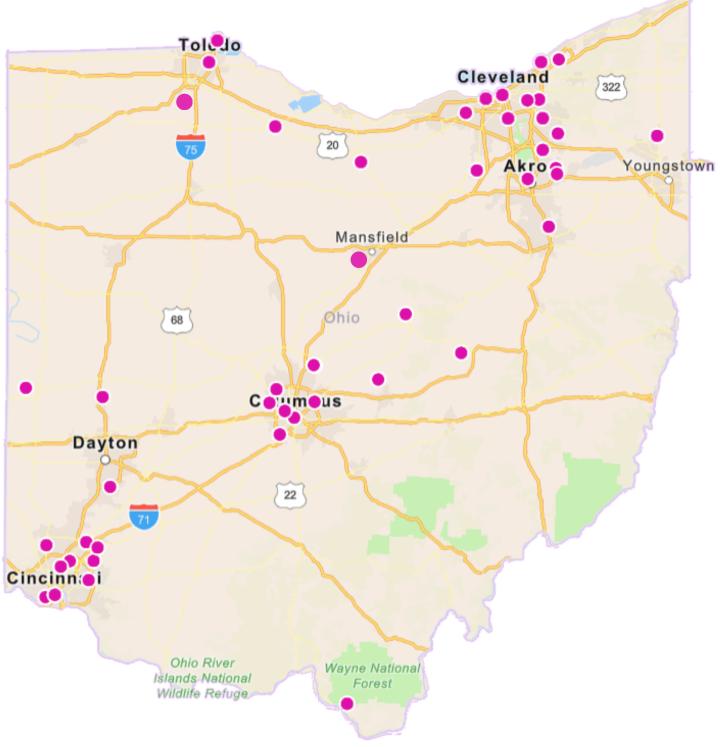
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FRIEND TO FRIEND ORGANIZING, AKA... FRIEND TO FRIEND ORGANIZING —

The simple, proven concept that people talking to their friends and family is more effective than strangers talking to strangers





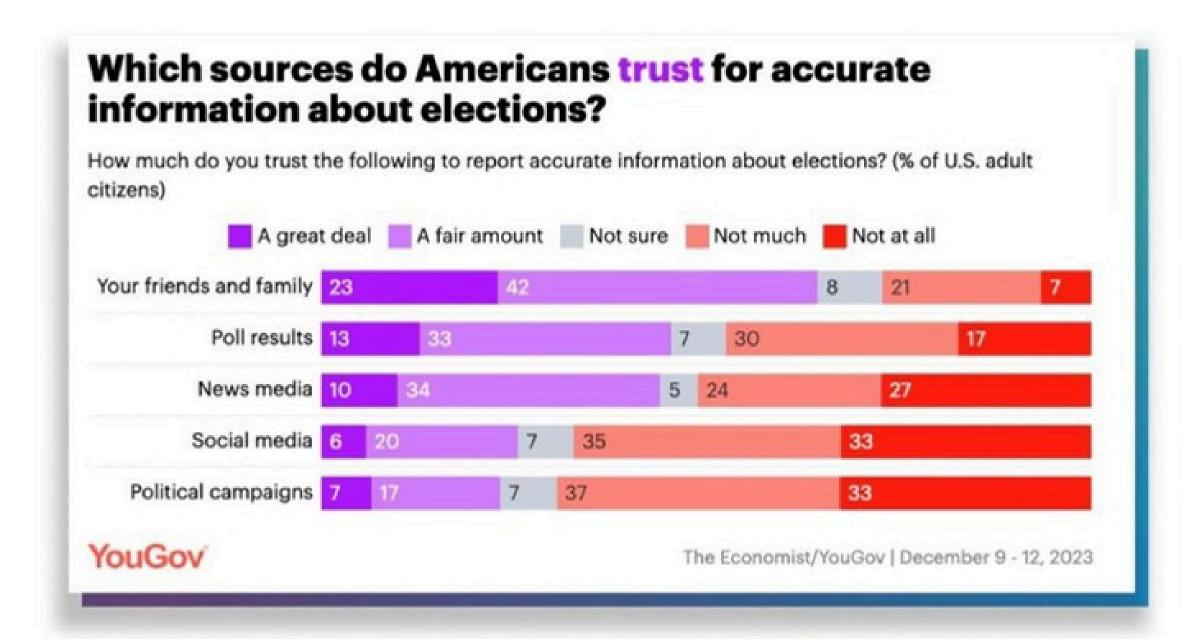
WHO ARE WE TRYING TO REACH?

- Like-minded friends Yes, you need to talk to them! They know who to vote for President or Governor, but they still need info about local races!
- Moderate/non-political friends These are the friends who don't pay a lot of attention to politics but will vote and take your advice on candidates. This may include people that you need to persuade on the issues and educate about why voting is important.



THE MESSENGER MATTERS!

WHO DO YOU TRUST?









TOGETHER



HOW WE DO IT

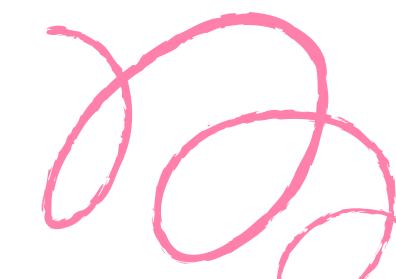
RALLY TOGETHER

Have you used the Rally tool before?

- Rally is RWB's relational organizing tool
- Helps YOU talk to your friends and family about issues that matter to them
- Enables RWB to quantify the impact of our relational organizing efforts
- You choose which of your contacts to add
- Your friends are matched to the voter file
- You answer a few questions about your friend
- RWB provides customized suggestions and reminders of topics to discuss with your friends



Join our Rally Campaign https://go.rally.win/rwb-oh



WE NEED

List Your Friends (besties, neighbors, you group chat and work buddies) 1		
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Family Members to Contact

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Who is on your holiday card list/Who would you invite to a milestone celebration	People who likely agree with you but don't talk politics or are tuned out
1	1
2	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.

Community Groups (mom groups, book clubs, faith institutions, kids' activities, PTA/PTO)	Who are the last 10 people you texted/ called? Who are the last 20 people who engaged on your social media?
1	1
2	2
3.	3.
4.	4.



Events

redwine.blue/events



Troublemaker Resources

go.redwine.blue/resources



Rally Your Squad

redwine.blue/rallyyoursquad



WE NEED

YOU!

- Rally goals for this fall are AGGRESSIVE that's how we make a difference!
- We have a goal to TRIPLE the number of Rally USERS and more than DOUBLE the number of CONTACTS in Rally!
- What works for you with Rally?
- What would you like to see in Rally?
- How are you able to convince people to use Rally?
- Rally on the Road!

BRING YOUR FRIENDS TO THE PARTY

HELP US RALLY TOGETHER!

Want to host a Rally Together gathering or form your own team?







There's an app for that!

We're excited to share the new RWB app!

It's got everything you need and is super easy to use.

Today, we going to walk through getting familiarized with the home screen.

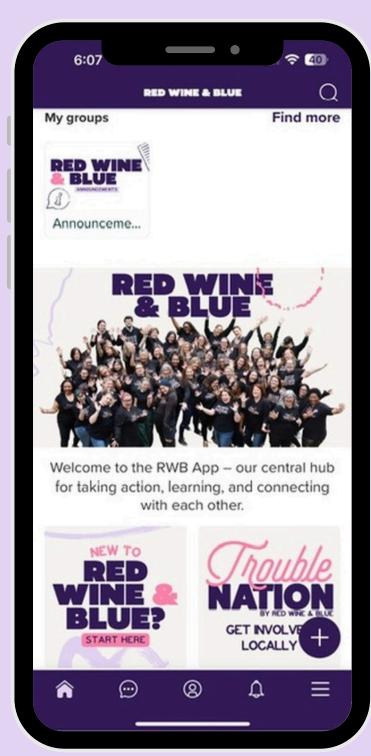


A Tour of the Home Screen

- My Groups Where you will find all the community chat groups in the app.
- Photo & Welcome
 Message Just to
 say Hello!









- The Q in the upper right corner opens the Search field.
- The in the lower right corner of the screen opens the window to create a new post.

The Home Screen (cont'd)

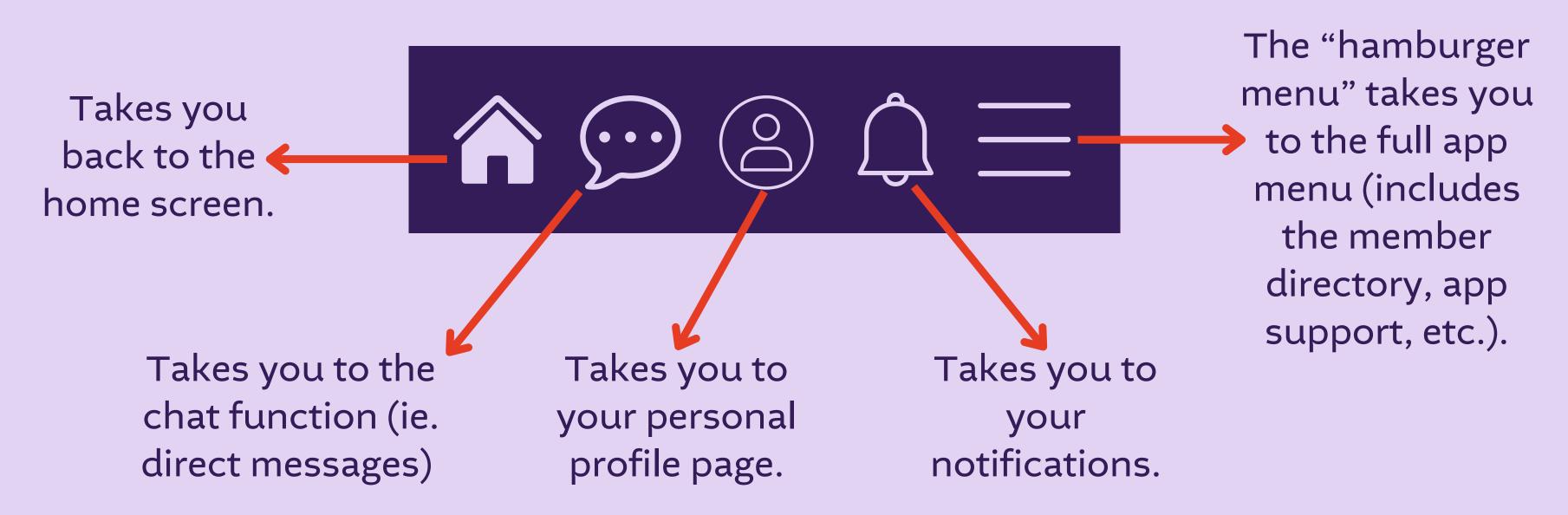
The content in the lower half of the home screen is organized in large square buttons or "tiles."

- New to Red Wine & Blue Everything you need to get started
- Your state
- TroubleNation
- Communities
- Resources
- Important Issues
- Events
- Donate



The Home Screen (cont'd)

At the bottom of the screen, you will see a tool bar:



TroubleNation and the RWB App

- The RWB App does not replace your TroubleNation group page
 - Suggest that your members "follow" you; that way they will be notified when you post on the app. This is one way to stay in touch with your members.
- TroubleNation leaders will receive a tag; this can be used to find other leaders with whom to connect.
- From the RWB App, you'll be able to access the content on the TroubleNation resources page.
- Potential group members can also access the TroubleNation map from the RWB App.

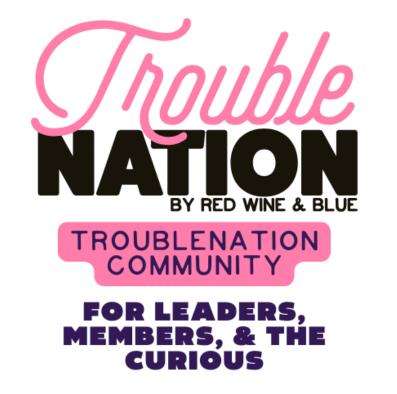
Trouble Nation Communities

Optional (but recommended!) communities:

- TroubleNation Leaders Community exclusively for TroubleNation group leaders.
- TroubleNation Community for all
 TroubleNation members and leaders, as well
 as anyone who'd like to learn more about
 TroubleNation before starting or joining a
 TroubleNation group.

Important: Use your **first and last names** in your username so we (and your fellow leaders!) know who we're chatting with.





Trouble Nation on the App

Ideas for getting involved



Launch
sequence,
Happy Hours,
TroubleNation
University



New Group Orientation

Basic info for running your group; Group services

Ideas for group actions



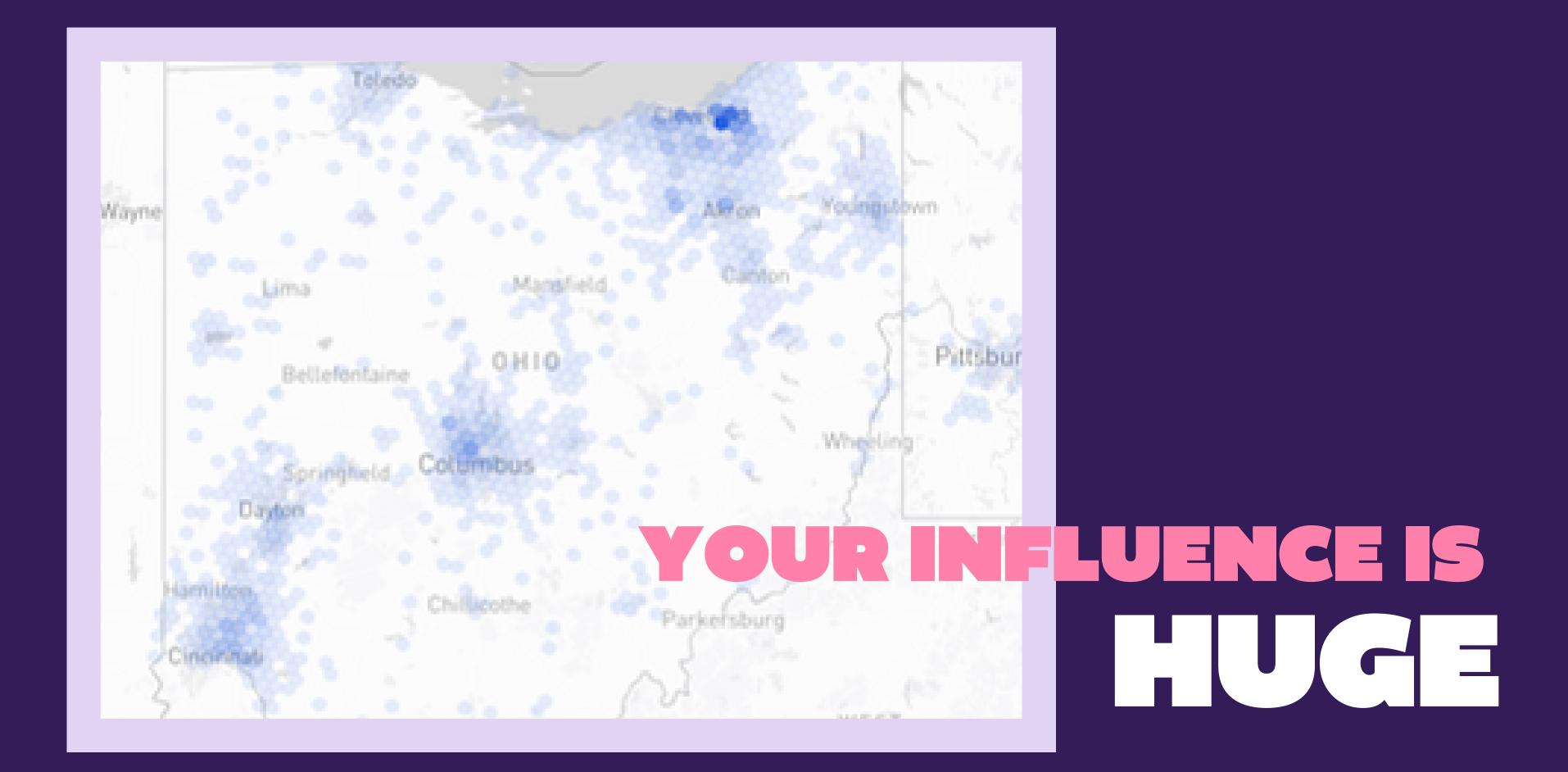
Slideshows, printables, videos



Links to training playlists



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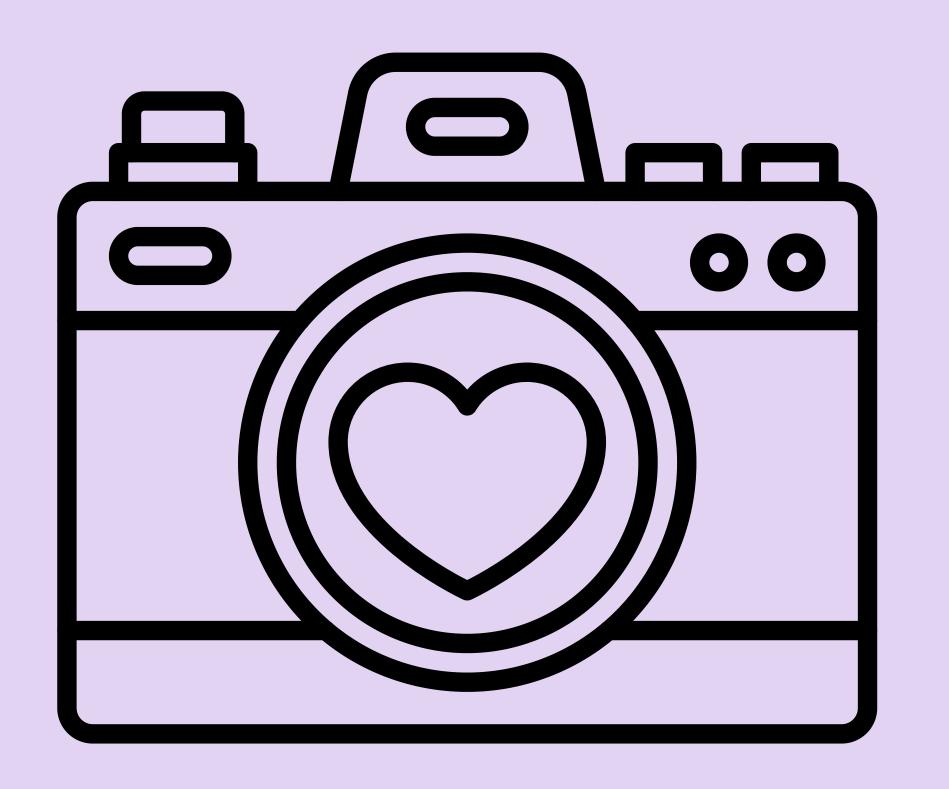
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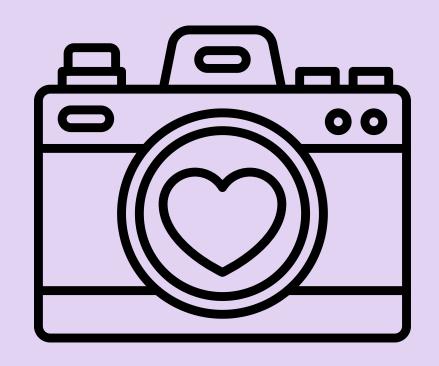
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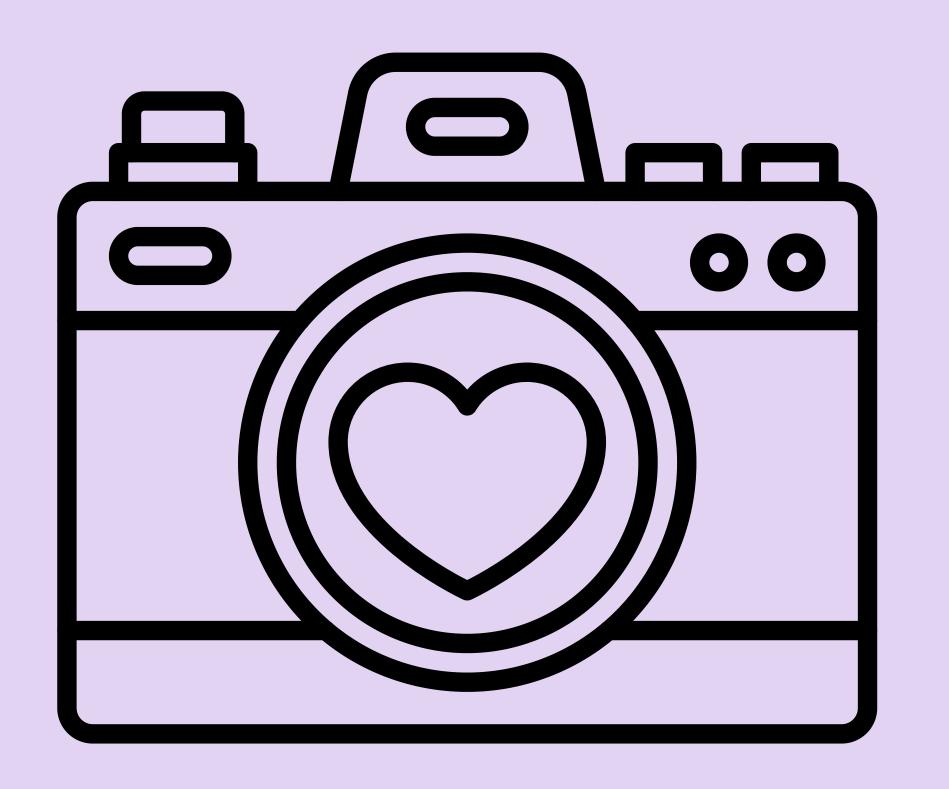
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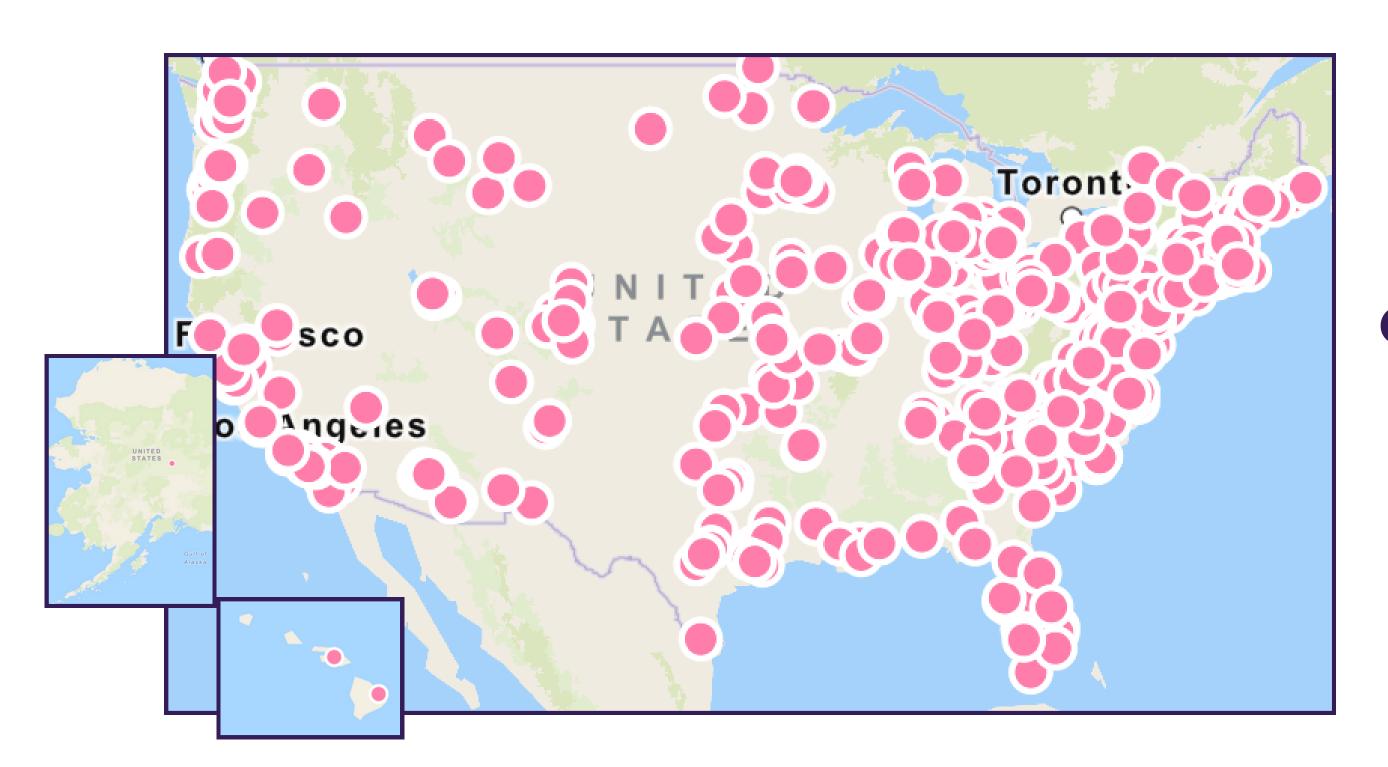


RWB's national grassroots organizing program

We help new local groups across the country get started and existing groups grow and strengthen.

Groups stay independent of Red Wine & Blue, while gaining access to extensive content, training & event opportunities, and connection to other leaders of grassroots groups from across the country.

TROUBLENATION TODAY



LAUNCHED FALL 2023

835+
GRASSROOTS
GROUPS

50 STATES+

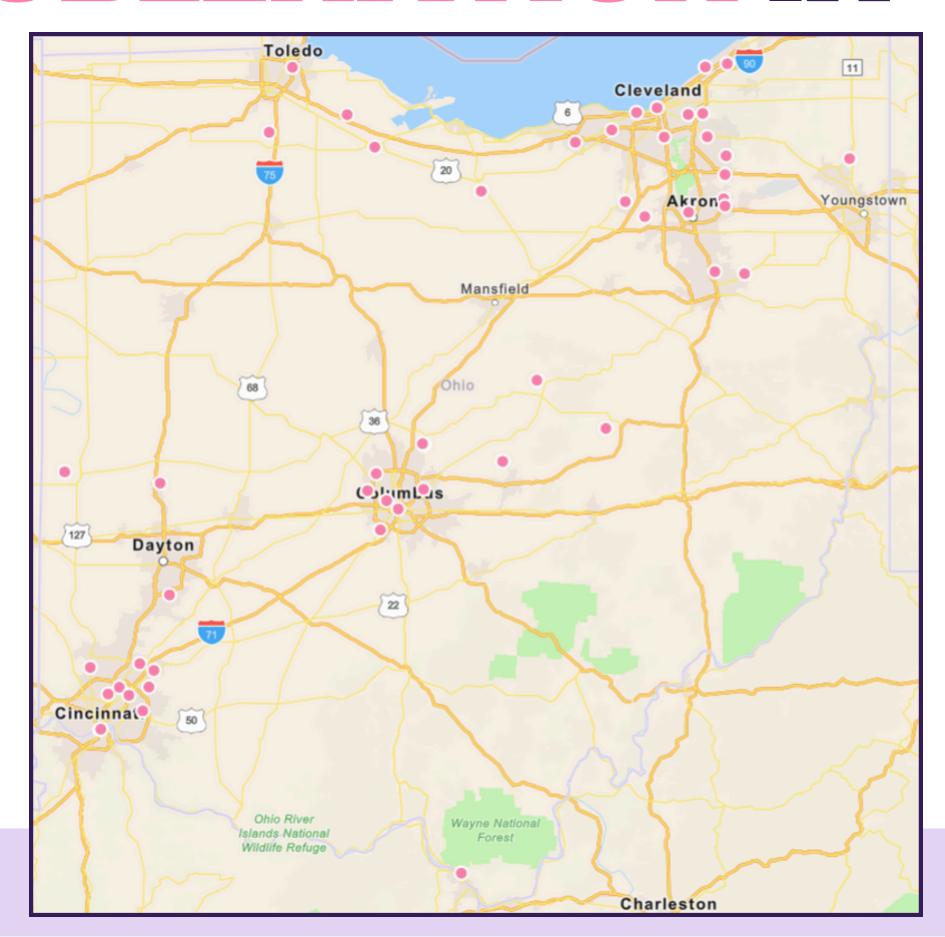
100,000+ MEMBERS





TROUBLENATION IN OHIO

DO YOU
SEE YOUR
GROUP?



61 GRASSROOTS GROUPS

> 16,000+ MEMBERS

174 EVENTS
IN FIRST SIX
MONTHS
2025

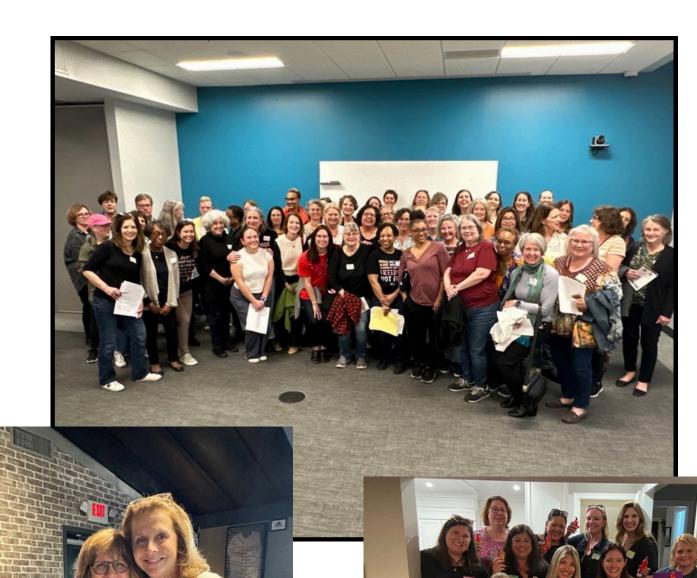




TROUBLENATION IN OHIO











WHAT DO WE OFFER WITH TROUBLENATION?







TOOLS & SUPPORT





Multi-page website

















LEADER TRAINING



RESOURCE LIBRARY



ACTIONS



BACK TO MAP



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Group Services





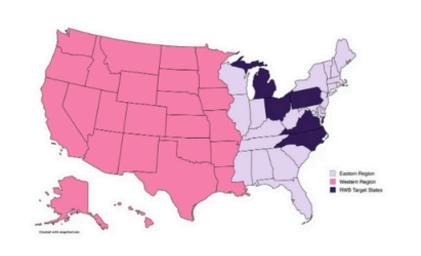




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TroubleNation Team







Western Region

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ANGELA

North Carolina and

Pennsylvania



KELSEY Virginia



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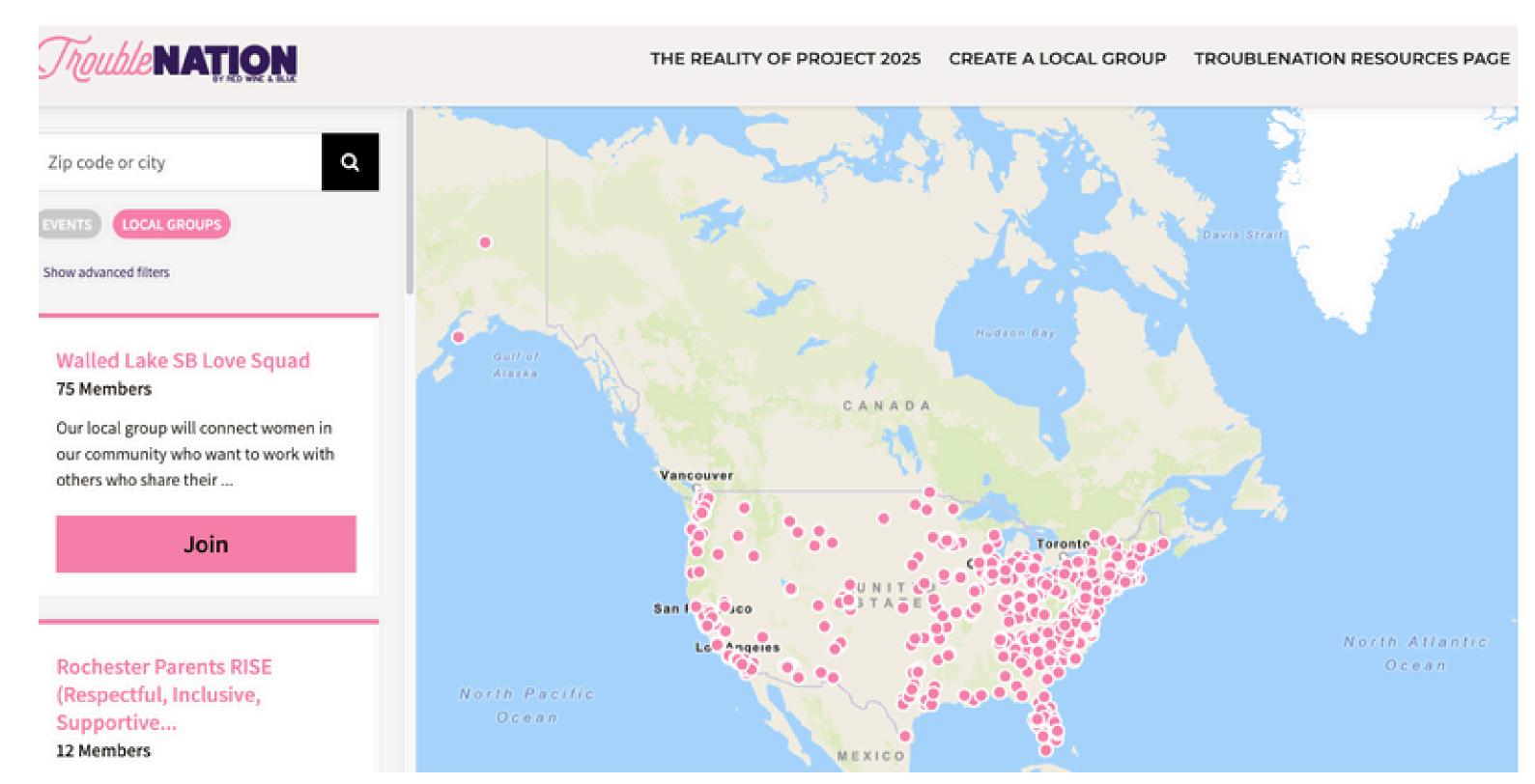
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LET'S TAKE A LOOK!







QUESTIONS?



Email us: troublenation@redwine.blue









EXPLORE AND ENGAGE:



160 WAYS TO CHANGE THE WORLD

WITHOUT LOSING YOUR SH*T



GUIDE FOCUS AREAS













BUILDING YOUR COMMUNITY



- Connection, belonging, collective power
- Taking action in your community
- Starting, sustaining, or growing your group



- Start a TroubleNation group
- Thost a PowerPoint Vision party
- The Participate in community service
- tearn about past community building
- Thold an "Unhappy Happy Hour"



TAKING BACK POWER



- Working to elect commonsense leaders
- Advocating for laws/policies you want
- Getting involved on a local level



- Embracing Rally to do relational outreach
- Learn about races, candidates, ballot initiatives
- tearn how to power map
- Treate legislative flash cards
- Treate and circulate a local petition



SHOWING UP



- Showing folks that they are not alone
- Visibly opposing in both big and small ways
- Sending a message that we will not be silent



- tearn about joy as an act of resistance
- Make and share lists of businesses
- Use the Red Wine & Blue Parent Playbook
- **†** Engage in craftivism
- Contact businesses that dropped diversity programs



CARING FOR EACH OTHER

- Coming together to meet community's needs
- Supporting those being marginalized/targeted
- Being in solidarity with others when they need it most





- Learn about mutual aid from the past
- Build a community resource list to share
- Fundraise to support those in need
- Send cards to groups/people under attack
- Spread the word on how to get reproductive healthcare



USING THE GUIDE



- Explore each of the four action sections in detail
 - Pay particular attention to Taking Back Power: Elections & Advocacy
- Choose 1-2 actions from the any sections for your group to tackle in the short-term
- Identify a long-term action that could be a stretch goal for your group
- Use the guide as a resource to help plan meetups, activities and events for the year



https://redwine.blue/change-the-world-guide/



RWB SUMMER OF ACTION

- Snap a pic or video of how you're making some good trouble this week and share it using #RWBSummerOfAction
- Red Wine & Blue will share some of their favorites on their social channels!











Would you like to start a group?

Have a group but have questions?

Let's talk today!





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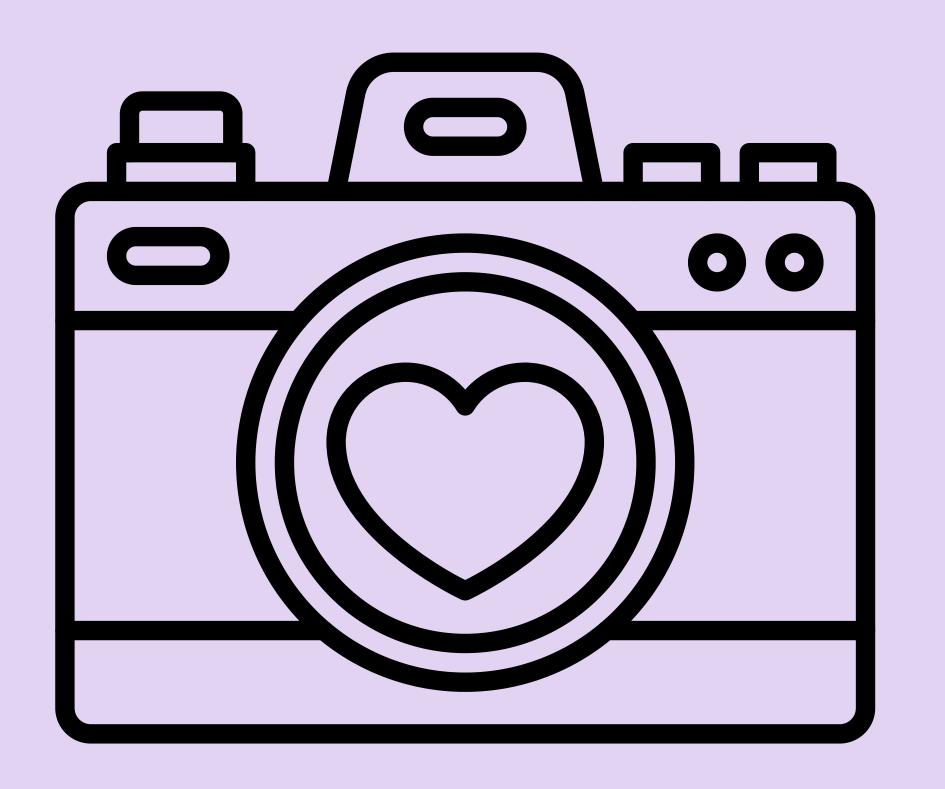


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- Teach others to use Rally
- Talk to friends about issues
- Record their impact in Rally
- Host a get-together house party, craftivism event, etc
- Bring RWB into events you are participating in
- Share information on social media
- Talk to your community about issues that impact them







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