

THIS WEEK AT FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WEEK OF 6.22.2026

Welcome to a new week, Democrats!

In just 25 short days we will all gather in Orlando for [Leadership Blue](#)! The weekend promises to be one of community, dialogue, and organizing as we gear up for the midterm elections.

There is much work ahead, but I want to take a moment to highlight a few recent high points:

- Thanks to your hard work, Florida Democrats now have a **129,000 VBM** advantage!
- With qualifying coming to a close, we have now flipped **30 SEATS** from red to blue in the past 18 months.
- We are welcoming **17 Voter Registration** fellows across the state to get even more people registered ahead of the midterms.

This is our time, Florida Democrats. The tide is changing and together we can ride it to victory.

Nikki Fried

Chair



2026 Leadership Blue



We're excited to announce that this year's Leadership Blue Weekend will be held from **July 17-19th** at **Disney's Gran Destino Towers at Coronado Springs Resort in Lake Buena Vista, FL!** We are looking forward to convening our party leadership, supporters, volunteers, candidates, and activists for a weekend full of receptions, trainings, and signature events you will not want to miss.

Visit leadershipblue.com to learn more about our events and the ways you can be involved our 2026 Leadership Blue Weekend.

Don't miss out on special **DEC, Club, and Caucus table discounts!**
Email finance@floridadems.org for more information

[Find more information on Leadership Blue HERE](#)

Room Block - DEADLINE EXTENDED!

Our team has been hard at work to secure a special discounted room rate for our Leadership Blue weekend attendees. **A limited number of rooms are now available at two discounted rates, and we expect them to sell out quickly!**

To reserve your room at this special rate, you can book [here](#), or click below!

[Book Your Room Here!](#)

Field Updates



50 DAYS TO WIN
STATEWIDE WEEKEND OF ACTION

**HOST A CANVASS OR A PHONEBANK
GET DEMOCRATS VOTE-READY FOR AUGUST**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27
SUNDAY, JUNE 28**

We're less than a week away from our **50 Days to Win Weekend of Action** on **Saturday, June 27** and **Sunday, June 28**.

We're kicking off the final 50-day push before Florida's August 18 primary election, when voters will decide school board races and other important local elections across the state.

Here's how to get involved:

1. Join an event in your community

Find a local canvass or phonebank and talk directly with Democratic voters.

[Find an Event](#)

2. Call Democrats from home

Join our Statewide Dialer Phonebank on Saturday, June 27, and help us reach 25,000 Democrats in a single day.

[Statewide Dialer Phonebank](#)

3. Organize your own event

Bring together friends and fellow Democrats for a canvass, phonebank, or volunteer gathering using our hosting toolkit.

[Host an Event](#)

Together, we'll knock doors, make calls, talk with voters about what's at stake, and help them re-enroll in Vote-by-Mail so they are ready to cast their ballots in August and beyond.



This Past Week

Over the last 7 days, Florida Democrats made **29,859** voter contact attempts and spoke with **4,746** voters.



Voter Contact Leaderboard

The counties below reached the most voters this past week.

Rank 🏆	County
1 🏅	Hillsborough
2 🏅	Broward
3 🏅	Clay
4	Marion
5	Highlands
6	Levy
7	Taylor
8	Charlotte
9	Hardee
10	Sarasota

Need help building a voter contact program? Contact FDP Statewide Field Director Chris Byrnes at cbyrnes@floridadems.org



Voter Protection

Ready to be part of the Voter Protection Team? Attend an [upcoming training](#) to be a Poll Watcher! Poll Watchers are our eyes and ears on the ground. This training will show you what to look for, how to report it, and the rules you need to know to protect the vote in this August's primary. [Register for a training session here.](#)

[Sign Up to Protect the Vote](#)

Voter Registration

Our full cohort of summer 2026 voter registration fellows have officially started organizing in their communities! We are excited to have 17 students and young people from 11 counties participating in our program this summer!



Department Office Hours, Resources, and Trainings

Voter Registration

[Office Hours](#) | Weekly, by appointment

[Voter Registration Organizing Call](#) | Tuesday, 07/07 @ 6:00 P.M. EST

Data and VAN

[Weekly Office Hours](#) | Tuesdays from 4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. EST

[Data Hub](#) | Updates, Resources, and Booking Links!

Candidates and Campaigns

[Office Hours](#) | Every other Monday at 3:00 PM EST

[All Candidates Call](#) | Monday, 6/29 @ 7 P.M. EST

[Run for Office Form](#) | Interested in Running for Office? Fill out our form!

Party Affairs

[Party Affairs HUB](#) | Updates, Calendar, Resources, and Booking Links!



Communications Updates

Property Taxes

- **Short Message:** Floridians are working harder than ever during an affordability crisis & need practical solutions that lower costs for everyone. But eliminating property taxes just shifts costs onto small businesses & renters through new taxes or fees so we all pay more for our local services.
- **Full Message:** Floridians are working harder than ever during an affordability crisis but eliminating property taxes for homeowners won't solve the problem. Shifting costs onto small businesses and renters through new taxes or fees means we all pay more for our local services. We need practical solutions like capping insurance rate hikes and taxing insurance corporations' excess profits that lower costs for all working families and seniors.

Fees

- **Short Message:** Hardworking families and seniors deserve real solutions to the affordability crisis, but eliminating property taxes just saddles us with higher costs while handing big profits to corporations for services that are currently public, affordable, and working for us.
- **Full Message:** Local services that our communities depend on like public hospitals and health services, first responders, disaster relief, and schools, rely on property taxes. So what happens if property taxes are eliminated? We'll be forced to turn to private corporations for basic necessities or have to pay new fees to the government that jack up our everyday costs. That's not real savings. Hardworking families and seniors deserve real solutions to the affordability crisis, but eliminating property taxes just saddles us with higher costs while handing big profits to corporations for services that are currently public, affordable, and working for us.

[You can find the full message guidance here](#)


You can hear what breaking news the party is discussing and how we're sharing it. [Register here.](#)

Missed our press releases last week? Read them [here](#)



View Upcoming Events

FDP has exciting events planned for communities across Florida as we approach vital elections. To view and register for upcoming events in your area, please visit our events page floridadems.org/events. To register for statewide events visit the Party Affairs Hub Calendar at floridadems.org/partyaffairs



Democratic Black Caucus of Florida 43rd Annual Conference

DEMOCRATIC BLACK CAUCUS OF FLORIDA
— 43RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE
THE TORCH IS IN OUR HANDS NOW
WE MUST BE THE ONES WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR
THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THOSE WHO SHOW UP

JULY 17, 2026 | **THE ROSEN CENTRE**
9840 INTERNATIONAL DR
ORLANDO, FL 32819 | **DBCF**
DEMOCRATIC BLACK CAUCUS OF FLORIDA

DEMOCRACY | JUSTICE | OPPORTUNITY | COMMUNITY | POWER

Join the Democratic Black Caucus of Florida for our 43rd Annual Conference on Friday, July 17, 2026, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Rosen Centre in Orlando. This year's theme, "The Torch Is In Our Hands Now," will bring together Democratic leaders, activists, elected officials, candidates, and community advocates from across Florida for a day of networking, leadership development, strategic discussions, and action.

[Register Here](#)

EDUVOTER Conference | June 27 | Orlando

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2026 CONFERENCE

Building Pro Public Educational Leadership

JUNE 27, 2026 | ORLANDO, FL



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eduvoter.org/events-conference

Special pricing for current and retired education professionals

Educators | Parents | Community Leaders | Advocates

A statewide convening for educators, parents, labor leaders, community advocates, candidates, and elected officials focused on the future of public education in Florida. With local and state campaigns underway, the conference aims to elevate public education in the conversations voters will have over the next six months. [Register here.](#)



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