

## Liberty at the ballot box: Ensuring trustworthy elections, accountable government, and the will of the people of Missouri

## Policies under consideration for the 2024 ballot

Missourians deserve trustworthy elections and accountable leaders who make our state a better place. Unfortunately, our broken elections encourage politicians to focus on what divides us, instead of where we agree, because they limit our freedom to express our will at the ballot box. **But it doesn't have to be this way.** We're taking long overdue reforms directly to voters to ensure trustworthy elections, protect the will of the people, and create accountable, effective government. Together we will:

## Ensure trustworthy elections by putting best practice policies into the Missouri Constitution

- Remove deceased individuals from voter rolls: Ensure accurate voter rolls by requiring election authorities to remove deceased voters.
- Fair ballot language: Require all ballot summaries for ballot questions to be unbiased and only include language found in the proposed measure.
- Candidate ballot access: Guarantee that all qualified political parties and candidates continue to appear on the general election ballot.
- Audits: require audits of 5% of precincts in every county before the election is certified. This is recommended by nonpartisan experts but is only in regulation, and not enforceable under law.

## Give voters the freedom to pick all the candidates they want in each primary and general election.

- Very similar to school board elections: let voters select multiple candidates, and whoever gets the most votes, wins. This helps:
  - Increase accountability among political leaders
  - o Protect the will of the people and ensure the most popular candidate wins
  - Prevent vote-splitting between similar candidates
  - Elect candidates with broad support, instead of narrow appeal
  - Discourage attacks, incentivize problem-solving
- Proven, Constitutional, and easy to administer
  - We already vote for multiple candidates in school board races, so this system is compatible with every voting machine in the state—no additional costs to taxpayers.
  - The Constitution gives states the freedom to decide how to administer their elections.
  - Results are quickly determined. Races are decided on election night, the same as today.
  - NOT ranked choice voting. It's quick and easy to understand results with freedom voting.

Missouri Agrees is a new cross-partisan coalition of reformers across the state, from Joplin to Sikeston, and from St. Joseph to St. Louis, passing desperately needed election reforms in Missouri. We're currently seeking public input for a ballot measure through a community survey, town halls, and a scientific poll.

YOU are invited to fill out the community survey to help decide on the policy. Then, if Missourians can agree on a policy, we will officially launch a statewide ballot initiative campaign to accomplish what Missourians want. Take the survey <a href="here">here</a>.