

Theta Epsilon Omega Chapter Election 2008

Over the past several months, Theta Epsilon Omega was actively involved in a robust non-partisan voter empowerment campaign that included:

Voter Registration Drives
Voter Education Forums
Get-Out-The-Vote activities on Election Day

This hugely successful campaign was made possible through the collaborative effort of the Greater New Haven NAACP, the Greater New Haven Branch Youth Council, Jack & Jill Teens of New Haven, the Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches, and all of the individual volunteers from the community.

Take a look at just some of OUR stories...

WE registered over 500 new voters in Connecticut, including 18-year olds who would vote for the first time and ex-felons who were unaware they could restore their right to vote.

WE mailed over 300 reminder postcards.

WE called over 2,000 people in low-turnout neighborhoods.

WE answered over 1,000 phone calls to the NAACP Election Day Command Center with questions about where to vote, how to vote and what ID is required.

WE transported over 30 people, including an 18-year old mother and her 6-week old twins so she could vote for the first time.

WE visited 3 people who found themselves in the hospital emergency room on Election Day and facilitated the Emergency Absentee Ballot so they could vote on Election Day.

WE canvassed several neighborhoods, meeting people along the way and left over 500 reminder cards at doorsteps.

WE quickly responded when we heard the City of New Haven was towing and ticketing cars at polling sites for unpaid taxes and parking tickets. WE called the Mayor's office and got a resolution that the city would not only stop towing and ticketing, but would also refund every person that came out of pocket to get their car back.

WE made several calls to the Election Protection Hotline and WE personally went to polling sites to investigate matters.

WE had a positive presence at the polling sites as well. WE left NAACP lawn signs and WE enthusiastically cheered voters as they walked in and out of the polling sites.

WE were honored to have State Representative Toni Walker, WYBC 94.3 FM Radio, the New Haven Register and other important community members visit the Greater New Haven NAACP Election Day Command Center.

Then, WE partied and celebrated OUR successes at the NAACP Election Results Party at Hula Hanks!

**YES, WE ACCOMPLISHED MUCH WORKING TOGETHER!
THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS**