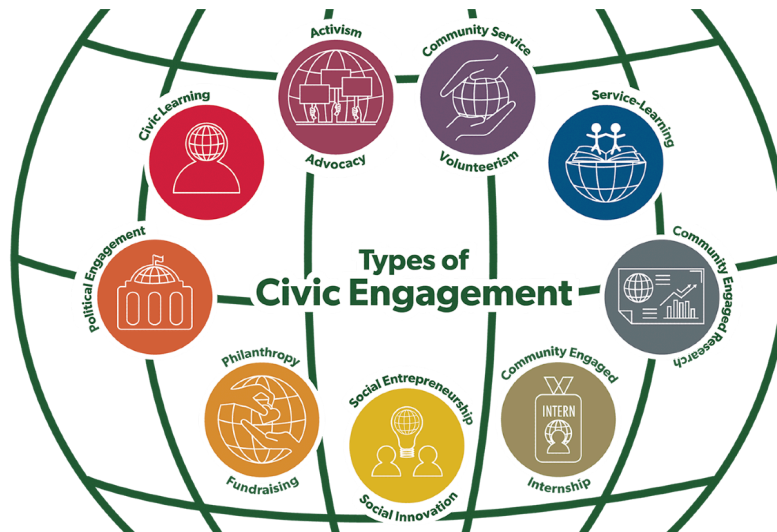


REMINDER



Since we are approaching election season (I'm sure you've noticed the flurry of posts about signatures) and we've added so many followers recently, I thought it might be prudent to refresh the group on how things work at Progress Grove City when it comes to elections.

First and foremost, it is critical to understand that Progress Grove City is NOT a political organization. We are a community based civics organization, which in simple terms means that we are a group of civically engaged people trying to guide our community into a future based on our core values (you can get more detail on the website, but those values are: Promoting Truth, Inclusivity, Equality, Collaboration, Education, and Advocacy)

While many on the leadership team lean left, we have multiple members in our organization who are independent or Republican and quite a few that would consider themselves conservative in one regard or another. What binds us together is our commitment to a better future for our city and an understanding that that future must support and be supported by those core values!

With that in mind, it's important to understand that as a group we do not endorse candidates UNLESS the opposition is clearly not aligned with our values. And for clarity, an aligned candidate is one that we find practices and aligns with our core principles as listed above and on our website. What we will do is provide an avenue for the aligned candidates to bring their message directly to you as members of this group! So while we would clearly back any opponent of Trump for instance, as a group we might not endorse a candidate in a local race. Instead you might see individuals supporting candidates or the candidates posting themselves to reach you. It's a subtle nuance, but an important one for us as we do not want to put our thumb on the scale unless it's 100% clear that we should. It is the candidates responsibility to earn your vote, and we will do our best to allow that to occur.

So again...we will:

- Provide a way for aligned candidates to access you through our Facebook page
- Invite aligned candidates to events so that you can meet and interface with them
- Individuals might back or support particular aligned candidates

We will not:

- Support 1 aligned candidate over another as Progress Grove City
- Restrict an aligned candidate from posting on our site

With all of that said- please join us at our next monthly meeting for a chance to meet and chat with our local candidates!

If you have any questions, please reach out and we'll do our best to answer fully.

Thanks so much.
Progress Grove City

[Visit Our Website](#)

[Become a Member](#)

[Donate to the Cause](#)

Emergency Preparedness - Be Ready!



Are you ready in case of an emergency? Here are some simple items that you should consider storing in a safe, easy to access place.

Must Haves:

- Flashlight (Battery-Powered) – \$10 - Essential for power outages, especially at night.
- Extra Batteries (AA/AAA) – \$5 - Keeps flashlights and radios working when you need them most.
- First Aid Kit – \$15 - Treats cuts, scrapes, and minor injuries until help arrives.
- NOAA Weather Radio (Battery or Hand-Crank) – \$20 - Get life-saving alerts and weather updates without internet or power.
- Bottled Water (1 Gallon per Person per Day) – \$3 - Hydration is critical—have at least a 3-day supply per person.
- Non-Perishable Food (Cans, Energy Bars) – \$10 - Easy-to-store items to keep you nourished during emergencies.
- Multi-Tool or Manual Can Opener – \$5 - Open canned food and perform small repairs if needed.
- Blanket or Emergency Mylar Blanket – \$5 - Stay warm if you're without heat or shelter.
- Whistle – \$2 - Signal for help if you're trapped or need to be found.
- Basic Hygiene Items (Wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Toothbrush) – \$5 - Maintain hygiene and comfort during power or water outages.

Optional:

- solar power radio/flashlight
- military grade 12 hour glow sticks. for simple power consumption(they also help kids relax in a scary time)
- road maps (physical, not on your phone)

For kids:

- comfort items (stuffed animal, blanket, or small toys)
- child-friendly snacks (pouches, crackers, fruit snacks)
- activity kit (coloring book, crayons, puzzle, sticker pad) – keeps kids busy during long blackouts
- child-size headphones or ear protection – tornado sirens and loud winds can be frightening so protect little ears or help block noise
- copies of important info & family contact card (laminated) – and a photo of each child in case you're separated

It's helpful to have these items prepacked so that you can just grab and go in case you need to.

Five Minute Activism

We know that many of you have seen the Hands Along High Street event being sponsored by Indivisible Central Ohio... and now we are officially partnering with them!! Progress Grove City is responsible for filling "Section 24" which runs from 10th Ave. to King Ave.

We will meet at the sidewalk in front of the Columbus Library Northside Branch @ 1423 N High St. You can park on any of the side streets for free or in the Gateway garage for a fee.

Please RSVP [here](#) to find instructions and more information.



Next Up...



This will be a great get together with lots of finger foods (please bring your favorite!) and opportunities to chat with many of our local candidates.

We are collecting items to support our Head Start teachers as they get back to work, so if you're able, we'd love your help! **We are collecting paper towels, tissues, and Clorox wipes.** Cash is always welcome if you'd rather just donate!

Register [here](#) for the location, stay tuned for more information, and as always, bring a friend!

Join Our Partners In Action



If you're eager to make a significant impact in your community, consider taking action now. It's time to address the issues that matter to you and express your concerns about leadership. Our friends with Indivisible Central Ohio are planning in person visit's to Senator Moreno's office. Please consider joining them to share your thoughts and help drive meaningful change! You can find the sign up sheet at [this link](#).

Thanks everyone!!

Monthly Meeting Recap - July

At our July monthly meeting we had the opportunity to hear from Mike Chapman at Clear Creeks and Byways, Chris Anderson from Rank the vote Ohio, and our very own Grove City at large council member Jodi Burroughs.

Mike from Clear Creeks and Byways shared how he started his initiative, just noticing a lot of trash on the side of a bridge and waterway. He cleaned up one side and saw how great it looked and the rest is history. He now partners with organizations from all around Ohio to raise money and awareness on the effect of litter and trash in and around our communities and waterways. Check out their [website](#), and if you'd like to volunteer you can reach out on their Facebook [here](#).

Chris from Rank the Vote Ohio had a great demo using desserts. Each group voted on their most favorite to least favorite. He was able to show in real time and in an easy way for everyone to understand exactly how rank choice voting works! Learn more about the efforts on their site [here](#).

Jodi our Grove City at large city council representative shared information about changing our form of government here in Grove City. She talked about what it could look like going from a strong mayor to city manager and how our city council holds their discussions about this for the 1st hour before every city council meeting to have as much transparency as possible. They hope to bring this change to the voters sometime in 2026.

Thank you to all of our presenters and guests!



ProgressGroveCity.com



If you would like to unsubscribe, please click [here](#).

