

RI DISABILITY VOTE PROJECT

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Disability Vote Action: The Email Newsletter of the RI Disability Vote Project

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Dear Friends,

This is the second email newsletter of the Rhode Island Disability Vote Project. This newsletter will contain updates about the Project, notices about local disability events, and action alerts either sponsored by the Rhode Island Disability Vote Project or referred to us by other disability organizations. If you would not like to receive this email newsletter, or if you know of someone else who would like to be added to the list, please email Lee Strauss. Her email address is ampersand1@cox.net. Please email Project Organizer James deBoer if you have items that you would like to submit for future newsletters.

There are a few upcoming items that we want to let you know about.

We have learned that the local Boards of Canvassers are still looking to recruit **Election Day poll workers**. No experience is necessary and you will be reimbursed for your efforts. In order to be eligible you must be registered to vote and a Rhode Island resident. If you are still not registered to vote, go to your local Board of Canvassers **today or tomorrow** (it should be open on Saturday) **and register!!** Then, contact the Board of Elections as soon as possible at 222-2345 to sign up for Election Day. We believe that the best way to ensure that people with disabilities are treated with respect at the polls, is to serve as poll-workers ourselves.

Beyond participating in the elections process, we must inform ourselves about the candidates. On Wednesday, October 11th the Rhode Island Disability Vote Project is co-sponsoring the **Civil Rights Roundtable Congressional Candidates Forum**, 6-8pm at the East Providence City Hall. Please see the attached flier and pass it on. (NOTE: the Rhode Island Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing will be providing interpreter services for this event.) The Automark machine will be available to try out at this event.

If you have any questions or ideas, please call Project Organizer James deBoer at 295-5757 ext. 14, or email jldeboer@gmail.com.