



DDI President's Message

These past several months have been difficult as we've watched the Trump Administration work tirelessly to undermine voter rights and weaken our democracy.

Each day brings new reports of:

- Deep cuts to essential programs and services
- Aggressive gerrymandering
- Troops deployed to intimidate residents
- The justice system weaponized to target political opponents

In moments like these, I turn to the words of **Pastor Martin Niemöller**:

"First, they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out because I was not a socialist. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak for me."

Today, we are witnessing members of our communities being targeted and detained on false charges. Rights and protections that took generations to secure are being stripped away. Now, **more than ever**, we must stand together, united to defend every member of our community. We must fight back against abuses of power that aim to concentrate wealth and control in the hands of a few at the expense of the many.

While these times are challenging, they are also inspiring. Last weekend, more than **7 million Americans** participated in the **No Kings Marches** across the nation, a powerful grassroots stand for democracy. This is **the Power of the People**, and it is the path forward to restore justice and equality.

Communities everywhere are organizing, creating programs, and rebuilding support networks dismantled by this administration. New leaders are stepping up, running for office, proposing real solutions, and putting people first. Now is the time to **stand up and be counted**.

Make sure your ballot is submitted before the November 4th Election!

Ballot boxes are open throughout the county, and postage-paid ballots can be mailed.

 **Mail by Friday, November 1st** to ensure a valid postmark.

Do your part. Participate. Make your voice heard. **VOTE**.

Encourage your friends, neighbors, and family to vote as well—because **every vote counts**.




Ballot Support

It's election season, and ballots are out! You should have already received yours.

If you haven't:

 Call **King County Elections** at **206-296-VOTE (8683)** to request a replacement ballot.

Visit the official elections website for voting centers and ballot drop box locations:

 Return Your Ballot – King County, Washington

Make sure your vote—and every vote—gets counted!

DDI Endorsed Candidates

Over the past six months, DDI members have worked diligently to research and interview candidates running for city, county, and executive offices.

After review by the **Endorsement Committee** and approval by our membership, DDI is proud to announce our **officially endorsed candidates**—leaders who share our commitment to diversity, inclusion, and justice for all.

Please take time to learn about these candidates and **vote for those who represent DDI's mission and values.** www.DemocratsForDiversityAndInclusion.org

Elections and Accountability

Our responsibility does not end on Election Day.

After the votes are counted, we must continue to **hold our elected officials accountable** to the promises they made and the needs of our communities.

DDI is already planning its post-election strategy to ensure that our voices are heard at every level of government.

Now is the time to prepare for 2026.

Join DDI and be part of a movement that stands for justice, equity, and democracy.

 **Join us today:** Democrats for Diversity and Inclusion

Together, We Rise

We are stronger together—when we speak out, when we organize, and when we VOTE.

Let's continue to build a future rooted in equality, dignity, and inclusion for all.

Join DDI. Stand up. Speak out. Make change happen.

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-Democrats For Diversity and Inclusion, President Clarence Gunn