

Components of your Task Force might be:

- voter roll maintenance
- helping vulnerable voters by adopting nursing homes in your area and/or monitoring the military vote (see Federal UOCAVA law)
- recruiting & training election workers (election judges & poll watchers)
- being a liaison between the Election Authorities and your Election Judges (making sure your Judges are trained and assigned to work)
- holding voter registration drives
- learning about and monitoring vote-by-mail and how the postal service interacts with the Election Authority
- learning about and monitoring any outside, 3rd-party organizations that are working with the Election Authority
- communications: keeping your voters informed of your progress, restoring confidence in voting

There are many components to elections. Keep it simple as you begin. You don't have to tackle every issue all at once. As you bring people together to join your Task Force, find out what their areas of interest may be. Some people love working with data – those folks are your voter roll maintenance team. Some people have a heart for the elderly or disabled – they are your vulnerable voter team.

### Overcoming the “Crisis of Confidence”

Confidence in our elections has been eroded across the board. Too many of our voters believe that it's not worth casting their ballot because they believe it doesn't count. Your Local Task Force can play an important role in restoring confidence in your local elections. One person can't do it all, but together we can be a powerful force. With the national network, state coalitions, and local Task Forces which have formed across the country all working together, we can make a difference and restore confidence in our elections. Turnout is everything, and every single vote *really* does count!

### ICU and IEIP Accomplishments

We're quiet about what we do and what we accomplish – we don't want to “tip our hand” to people who don't support honest elections. Sadly, there are some who think “the end justifies the means” and they don't hesitate to cheat during elections. Here are just a few of the things we do to help ensure honest elections:

- Provide training to election integrity activists throughout the state (over 3,500 to date).
- Partnered with Judicial Watch to sue the IL State Board of Elections for access to the voter rolls, to ensure they are properly maintained.
- Mail Statutory Notice letters to Administrators of all nursing homes and group homes in Illinois prior to each election, detailing their legal obligations to safeguard the voting rights of their residents.
- Our Stop Ranked Choice Voting Coalition has beat back three RCV bills in the IL Legislature.
- We validate, recruit, train and deploy Election Judges and Poll Watchers throughout IL.
- Educate the voting public to ensure their vote counts.

#### How to get involved:

**The Election Integrity Network (EIN)**  
[www.whoscounting.us](http://www.whoscounting.us)

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**To become an Election Judge or Poll Watcher:**  
[cj@illinois.gov](mailto:cj@illinois.gov)



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# Your country needs you.



# Yes, YOU!

## You can make a difference in the upcoming elections. Here's how...

## The mission of the Illinois Election Integrity Program and the IEIP Coalition

Illinois Election Integrity Program is a non-partisan group of citizen volunteers helping to defend the integrity of the voting process which protects our freedoms and our way of life. IEIP seeks to protect our Republic – a government of, by, and for the people – by maintaining an active role in the election process which empowers citizens with our most fundamental right: the right to choose our representatives by fair and honest elections.

*We want to make it easy to vote while making it hard to cheat.*

### What is the Illinois Election Integrity Program?

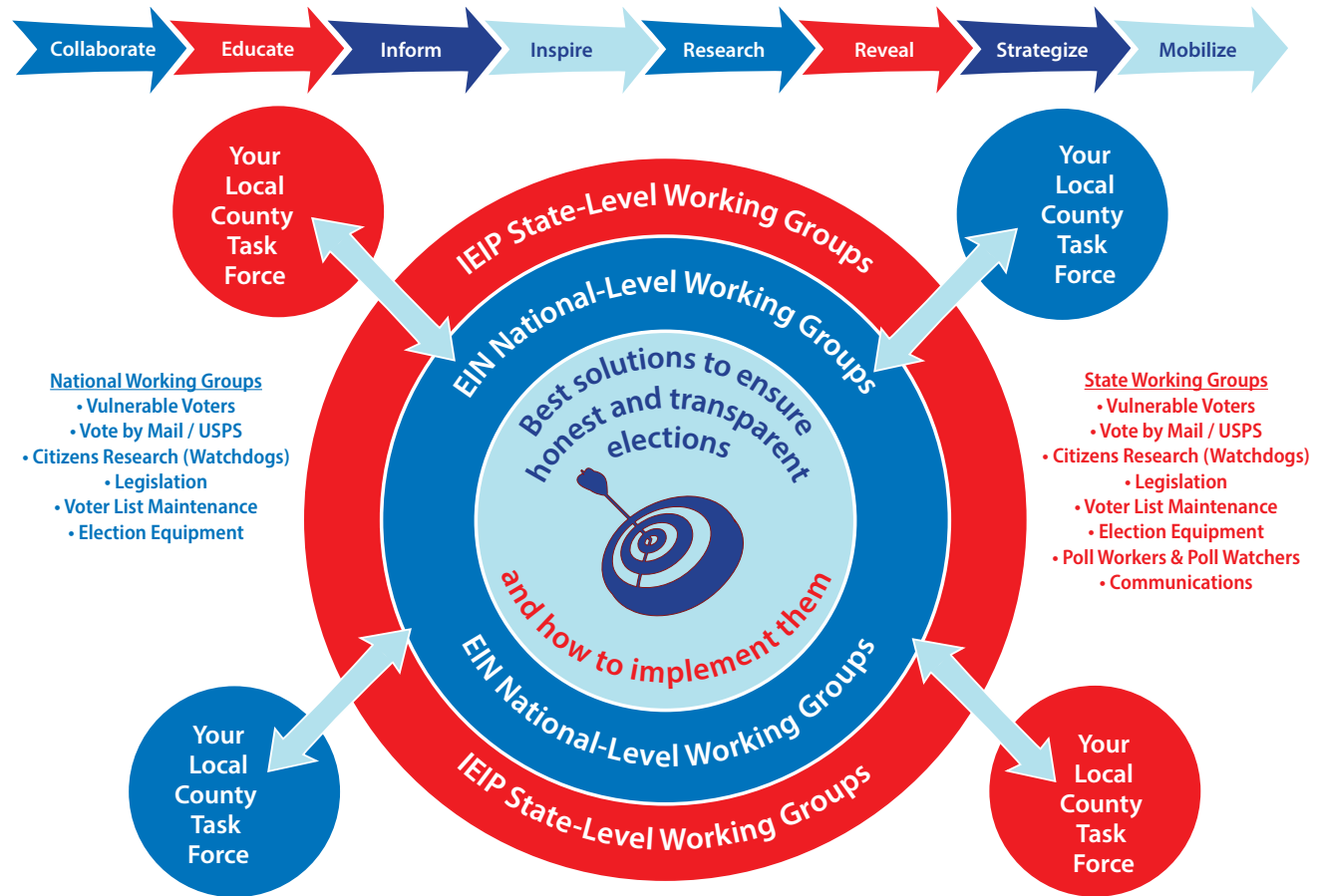
The Illinois Election Integrity Program (IEIP) was founded in 2012 as a project of Illinois Conservative Union (ICU). Illinois Conservative Union is a 501c4 non-profit, non-partisan, bona fide state civic organization. ICU has established a reputation for election expertise, professionalism and integrity throughout the state.

The IEIP Coalition is focused on election process and infrastructure. The Coalition does not endorse, promote or support candidates or campaigns. Coalition members work together to resolve common issues and act as “force multipliers” to help pass good election legislation and stop bad legislation. The IEIP Coalition is the Illinois statewide election integrity coalition recognized by the national Election Integrity Network.

### What is the national Election Integrity Network?

EIN was founded by Cleta Mitchell, and was expanded and continues to grow under the direction of the founders of the Virginia Coalition and the Virginia Model. Individuals and groups that are part of the Coalition operate by the tenets which make the Virginia Fair Elections Coalition successful. One of those tenets is to “leave egos and logos at the door”. Coalition partners can access

## Illinois Election Integrity Program (IEIP.org) Local, State and National Network



national and statewide working groups, training and resources.

Through the national EIN weekly working groups, honest election advocates from many states share best practices, strategize on how to implement best practices in each state, discuss and analyze tools and techniques to assist them in their work.

### What is a Local County Task Force?

When an election “goes off the rails”, it usually happens at the local level. As we learn of election issues across the nation, we hear “Fulton County”, “Maricopa County”, “Broward County”, etc. These problems often occur because the Local/County

Election Authority either doesn’t know election law, misinterprets the law, or blatantly disregards the law. Your Local County Task Force members serve as citizen “watchdogs” to ensure that Federal and state election laws are being followed. However, your Task Force should not take an adversarial approach when working with the local Election Authority. Our network and coalition encourages local Task Force members to assist and advise the Election Authorities in a knowledgeable and professional manner. Your Task Force should reflect the needs of your County. Local Task Force members are close to the issues and can discern which aspects of the election process they should focus upon.