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CLAY COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE

NEWSLETTER

Chairman's Corner Markus Smith, Chairman of CCRCC

Charlie Kirk was a believer in Jesus Christ. He led by example as a follower of Christ and was a very knowledgeable young man. He knew the persecution he would face, just as Jesus told the disciples and followed the commandment. (Mark 16:15)

Being a Christian, Republican or both is more than just believing. James 2:14-26 Faith without works is dead! Meaning Christ expects more of us than just being saved.

Charlie emulated the parable of the sower. (Matthew 13:1-9), spreading the Good News. You see some of Charlie's words (seeds) - some may be ignored but were spoken anyway, some may change the way they think, about where they stand, some may continue to be persuaded by peer pressure, however many have come to know Christ by the Word being shared. (Matthew 9: 35-39)

Let's continue to be brave and bold to stand up for our conservative values. Let's do it in love and become laborers in a field that desperately needs the Lord, Godly Republican Leaders, and a return to our Conservative values!

In Service,
Markus Smith
Chairman, CCRCC

Upcoming Events

October

- 10/3 & 10/4 Gladfest, Linden Square
- 10/9 Northland Pachyderm Club 6PM Staley Country Club
- 10/14 CCRCC Meeting 6 PM Belvoir Winery
- 10/15 Bill Federer Speaker 6 PM Belvoir Winery
- 10/27 FFRWCCC Meeting 6 PM Belvoir Winery

November

- 11/10 CCRCC Meeting 6PM Belvoir Winery
- 11/13 Northland Pachyderm Club 6PM Staley Country Club
- 11/19 FFRWCC Prayer night at 6PM Freedom House in Liberty
- 11/24 FFRWCCC Meeting 6PM Belvoir Winery

December

- 12/9 CCRCC Christmas Party - Tentative (no meeting in DEC)



Charlie Kirk's TPUSA-Clay County Chapter Efforts

FFRWCCC sold 100 Freedom shirts and CCRCC sold out of 103 Freedom Shirts at Liberty Fall Festival around 1:30 pm on Saturday. Lots of requests for them. Together we raised over \$2,250 for Clay County's TPUSA Chapter in support of several High Schools starting clubs! What an amazing opportunity we have to instill conservative values in these students. CCRCC has officially started a new subcommittee for this cause with Michael Dillon as Chair and Natalie Scholl as Vice Chair. Join with them to make a huge impact!

MAGA MO-mentum Monthly by Michael J. Dillon

“There are decades when nothing happens; and there are weeks when decades happen,”
Vladimir Ilyich Lenin.

On August 29, Governor Mike Kehoe called for a special legislative session to update the state’s congressional districts and to address the initiative petition process for amending the state constitution.

“Today, I am calling on the General Assembly to take action on congressional redistricting and initiative petition reform to ensure our districts and Constitution truly put Missouri values first,” Kehoe said. “This is about clarity for voters and ownership of our future, and I hope the legislature will work together to pass our Missouri First Map and critically needed IP reform.”

The move drew rave reviews from President Donald J. Trump.

“GREAT, Governor Mike Kehoe, of the wonderful state of Missouri, which I love and won SIX times including with 1.8 million votes in 2024, by far the most votes in history, just called a very special session to begin the passage of a much fairer and much improved congressional map that will give the incredible people of Missouri the tremendous opportunity to elect an additional MAGA Republican in the 2026 Midterm elections,” he wrote in a social media post on Truth Social. “Our Party has never been more united, and we are getting so much done for the American people because of it, and, therefore, I call on all of my Republican friends in the Missouri Legislature to work as fast as they can to get this new Congressional map, as is, to Governor Mike Kehoe's desk, ASAP.”

Kehoe also presented his “Missouri First Map” for redistricting designed to be “more compact, contiguous” Missourians values would be represented equally across the state. Kehoe said his Missouri First Map would split fewer counties and municipalities, preserve two congressional districts as previously drawn and keep every current member of Missouri’s congressional delegation in their current district.

“Missourians are more alike than we are different, and our Missouri values, across both sides of the aisle, are closer to each other than those of the extreme Left representation of New York, California, and Illinois,” he concluded. “Missouri’s conservative, common-sense values should be truly represented at all levels of government, and the Missouri First Map delivers just that.” Kehoe’s call for a special session also included a mandate for legislation updating Missouri’s initiative petition process through which the state constitution can currently be amended by a simple majority vote.

Specifically, he tasked the legislature with; banning foreigners from political contributions to PACs, either for or against any statewide ballot measure, establishing criminality for fraudulently signing or gathering signatures for any statewide ballot measure, ensuring statewide ballot measures can be passed only if a majority of voters statewide AND a majority of voters in each congressional district vote in favor of the measure, requiring the opportunity for public comment before a statewide ballot measure is certified for signatures to be gathered and requiring the full text of a statewide ballot measure be printed and made available to voters at all election sites and polling places.

All these measures, he said, will ensure the state’s constitution is safeguarded by its citizens and not special interests.

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“For far too long, Missouri’s Constitution has been the victim of out-of-state special interests who deceive voters to pass out-of-touch policies. It's time we give voters a chance to protect our Constitution.”

The special session ended September 12 after legislators with both measures being passed. Democrats tried to frame the session and its results as partisan politics, calling it kowtowing to the president.

“I don’t think there is a time where a president just said do it this way as is and for that to happen at all is shocking,” Sen. Stephen Webber, D-Columbia said. “For it to be the Republican Party that has been screaming states’ rights and fighting the federal government and fighting federal overreach, we’re no longer the Show Me State. We’re the Yes, Sir, State.”

But, Republicans in the legislature pushed back, saying they were simply doing the work of the people who elected them and President Trump and fixing a broken system.

“We support President Trump and the work he is doing,” said Senate President Pro Tem Cindy O’Laughlin, R-Shelbina, on Facebook. “We want to see it continue.”

“I’m just glad that now we’re going and rectifying what I believe was the wrong decision to do a 6 to 2 map,” Sen. Rick Brattin, R-Harrisonville said, referring to the current map with two reliably Democratic seats including Kansas City and St. Louis. “And now, we’re doing what was a right representation of the state of Missouri.”

Kehoe signed the new congressional map into law September 28.

“I was proud to officially sign the Missouri First Map into law today ahead of the 2026 midterm election,” he said. “Missourians are more alike than we are different, and our values, across both sides of the aisle, are closer to each other than those of the congressional representation of states like New York, California, and Illinois. We believe this map best represents Missourians, and I appreciate the support and efforts of state legislators, our congressional delegation, and President Trump in getting this map to my desk.

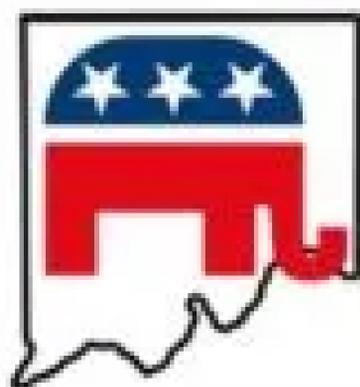
As expected, opponents of the redistricting effort have already begun a petition drive, seeking a referendum forcing the measure to a statewide vote.

Richard von Glahn, who has already waged four initiative campaigns on minimum wage, is reportedly leading the effort. To force the issue before voters, his group will need to collect 110,000 signatures by Dec. 11, a task he says is already well underway.

“In less than a week since this map was passed, we’ve had over 2,200 Missourians sign up to volunteer to gather signatures,” he said. “I’ve obviously been through this a couple times, but I’ve never seen the sort of groundswell we’re seeing now.”

Barring litigation, Initiative Petition Reform is tentatively scheduled to go before the voters in November 2026.

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