

Abolish Slavery - Just 42 days until Election Day!

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Election Day is just 6 weeks away and the Abolish Slavery campaign is kicking into high gear. Ballots are arriving in people's mailboxes and early voting is starting. The success of the Abolish Slavery campaign hinges on people being aware of the constitutional amendment and knowing that a Yes vote is the way to abolish slavery.

There are some *really easy* ways that you can help.

1. If you haven't already, go to <https://bit.ly/AbolishSlaveryVT> and take the pledge to Vote Yes on Proposal 2 and abolish slavery in Vermont, once and for all, no exceptions!
2. Talk to people you know and make sure they know that
 - o abolishing slavery is on the ballot this November,
 - o our current constitution abolishes slavery with exceptions that allow slavery for people under 21, people in debt, or people who consent to being enslaved, and
 - o voting Yes on Proposal 2 is the way to abolish slavery once and for all, no exceptions.
3. Ask your friends to go to <https://bit.ly/AbolishSlaveryVT> and take the pledge.

There are also **phone banking opportunities this Friday 9/30 3-5pm**. You'll need a computer and a phone to be a phone bank volunteer. (If you want to phone bank and have a phone but no computer, contact debbie@viavt.org. VIA has Chromebooks to loan out to help with phone banking.) Go to <https://viavt.org> and scroll down on the home page to find the links to sign up for phone banking. I know that for a lot of people phone banking sounds scary. And I'm one of those people, but I'm doing it anyway! There will be training at the start, a script you can use, and a breakout room if you have questions during the phone bank.

And there will be more phone banking opportunities every Tuesday and Friday in the coming weeks. Contact melissa@viavt.org for more details on those upcoming opportunities.

If you have any questions about the Abolish Slavery amendment or any of the above information, email your questions to racialjustice@uusociety.org.