Call script for Richland County Fair Maps petition drive

Phase One: Network volunteers call Network members and allies in Richland County to ask that they help circulate the petition.

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IF YOU GET ANSWERING MACHINE

Hi, this is (YOUR NAME) with the SC Progressive Network, calling for (NAME).

We are calling because we know you are an ally and we need your help with our Fair Maps campaign to end partisan gerrymandering in South Carolina. We need to get petitions signed by 15% of Richland County voters by Labor Day. If we do, council will be legally bound to pass a resolution telling Richland County legislators that their voters want citizens to draw the new political districts after the 2020 Census.

This is an ambitious plan, but it is the only remedy on the table that doesn't rely on the courts or lawmakers. This is a grassroots campaign to empower citizens to create fair maps that serve the interests of the people rather than politicians.

With your help, we can be the first state to use a grassroots legal petition drive to make our elections more fair and our lawmakers more accountable.

Please download a petition at the web site FairMapsSC.com and get your friends, family, and neighbors in Richland County to sign it. Return it to the address on the petition. If you have questions, call 803-808-3384.

IF SOMEONE PICKS UP

Hi, this is (YOUR NAME) with the SC Progressive Network, calling for (NAME).

IF THAT PERSON ANSWERS

Our records show that you are a Network ally in Richland County, and we are calling to ask whether you support letting citizens rather than politicians to draw district maps. Have you heard about our Fair Maps campaign to end partisan gerrymandering in South Carolina?

IF WRONG PERSON ANSWERS BUT KNOWS RIGHT PERSON

I'm calling (FIRST NAME) because they are on our email list, and we are looking for allies in Richland County to sign and help circulate our legally binding petition to council that would empower citizens to draw district maps. Can you help?

IF WRONG NUMBER ANSWERS

I apologize for calling the wrong number, but if you are a voter in Richland County, would you have a few minutes to hear about our plan to put citizens in charge of drawing political lines?

IF NO WITH EITHER PERSON

Thank you for your time.

IF YES WITH EITHER PERSON

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Will you help?

IF YES

You can download a petition from FairMapsSC.com and get your friends, family, and neighbors to sign it. We can also email it to you or send it in the mail.

CHECK

Download _____

Email _____

Postal address_____

Once filled out, you must mail the petitions back to the Fair Maps Post office box on the petition because original signatures must be submitted. Each petition can hold 10 signatures. Try to complete all 10, but it isn't necessary. Make sure that people print their name and date of birth clearly, as that's how the election commission will check to ensure the signer is a registered Richland County voter.

ASK

If this campaign works in Richland County, it will be used as a model that can be replicated across South Carolina. Can we count on you to visit our web site - FairMapsSC.com - and download the petition?

(YES)

(NO)

With your help, we can be the first state to use a grassroots legal petition drive to take control of our elections. If you have questions or concerns, please email FairMapsSC.com or call 803-808-3384. Thank you for your time.