



LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS: TIME TO UNITE!

Our door is open to all supporters of the Tea Party movement and the Campaign for Liberty, the fiscally conservative Republicans, and socially progressive Democrats, and to independents and moderates looking for a place to turn for the 2010 election.

The Libertarian Party of Illinois invites you to join with us in our effort to change the atmosphere in our state, from one of political corruption and fiscal mismanagement to a government run by citizens, with a business sense, who will make decisions based on reason, not for personal gain.

Haven't you had enough of business as usual? Beginning March 23, 2010, we will be petitioning to place our slate of candidates on the ballot. We plan on obtaining 50,000 signatures state-wide.

Why not become a part of history? Click here to be redirected to our [Campaigns](#) section for more details.





Candidates Corner



Our Candidate for U.S. Senate

Mike Labno

Mike grew up in a working-class neighborhood in the Chicago suburbs. He worked his way through college as an auto-mechanic and earned an engineering degree.

Mike's concern for others led him to volunteer with the Chicago Guardian Angels to protect the commuting public. He also protected victims of domestic abuse, by providing personal security in their homes and escorting them to court appearances.

Mike is currently a senior project manager in the electrical construction industry and resides in Oak Brook. He enthusiastically co-parents his six-year-old daughter, Emily.

Mike is a parishioner and volunteer with St. Mary of Gostyn church in Downers Grove. In his spare time, he enjoys weightlifting, off-road bicycling, playing football, making music, and NHRA Drag Racing.

Mike is actively involved in his local Libertarian Party and is also a member at the State and National levels. He is a constitutional conservative, and takes great pride in his understanding of our Founder's true intentions, when they formed our modern government.

Mike believes in our founding fathers and despite their faults and inconsistencies, he thinks they laid a great foundation for this country. In contrast, he also understands the concerns stated by the local representatives at the various state conventions of 1787 regarding the formation of the “new” US Constitution. It is the fruition of these concerns that now affect our everyday lives. He feels something must be done to reverse this course and recapture our values.

He feels the federal government is now on a continual path of destroying our country and they are largely held unaccountable. “I am compelled, by the needs of my family and my fellow Americans, to extend my tireless work habits, in the effort to bring sanity back to Capitol Hill.”

Mike states; “Our citizens are losing their freedoms and our economic prosperity has come to a grinding halt. We are on the verge of the greatest disaster this country has ever seen and the insanity must stop.”

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Petition Drive 2010

The Petition Drive to get our 7 state-wide candidates on the November 2010 ballot in Illinois will begin on **March 23**. Our goal is 50,000 signatures. That is a tall order, literally. We need your help to make it happen.

Please donate [your time](#) collecting signatures or [your money](#) so that others can collect them for you. This is your opportunity to make a big contribution to our candidates and for liberty in Illinois.

Collecting signatures is not difficult, but it can be intimidating if you have never done it before. To help, we have developed a variety of ways you can learn how to be successful.

- 1) Visit the [petition drive page](#) on our website. Download the documents in the top section of the sidebar for How To and FAQs.
- 2) Attend a [Libertarian Chapter](#) meeting. Members will be talking about the petition drive and making plans to collect signatures.
- 3) Join in a petitioning teleconference call on March 10 or March 19 at 7:30 p.m. The call-in number is 218-862-7200, code 680156.

We are also seeking volunteers to serve as collection points for petition circulators in their area. A list of the current [Campaign Coordinators](#) is on our website. If you would like to join them, please email Petition Drive Manager David Davies (PDM@LPillinois.org).

To support our volunteer effort, we are in the process of hiring contractors to put up some of the big petition numbers required. If you or someone you know is interested, see the [Contractor Information](#) on the Petition Drive page of our website. Democrats and Republicans wrote the laws that make it so difficult for Libertarians to get on the ballot in Illinois. We need you to contribute to the drive, so our candidates can put a stop to "business as usual" in Springfield and Washington.





Campaign Workshop - March 20

Are you interested in running for public office or helping a Libertarian get elected? Not sure how to get started or what is involved? Want tips on what works and what doesn't?

Libertarian candidates, future candidates, and those interested in campaign management can attend a Libertarian campaign workshop on Saturday, March 20. The location will be in the northern third of the state, centered near the attendees.

The workshop will be 3 hours and cover:

- Preparing to run
- Building a team
- Developing a plan
- Marketing a candidate
- Raising, Spending, and Disclosing funds
- Getting on the ballot
- Leveraging resources

A \$20 donation to the LP Illinois is requested of attendees (\$10 for additional attendees from the same Chapter or Campaign).

If you are interested in attending this campaign workshop, please email Crystal (Campaign@LPillinois.org). Workshops are also scheduled for July 10 in the southern third of the state and September 11 in Springfield during the Illinois Convention.

Medical Marijuana Update

The Illinois primaries are over and the legislators are back to focusing on official business. SB 1381 (the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program) could become law this year. SB 1381 has passed the Senate and is awaiting a floor vote in the House of Representatives.

You can help push medical cannabis access in Illinois across the finish line. Your representative needs to continue hearing from compassionate supporters of this reform as well. You can let your representative know how you feel about SB 1381 by sending a letter asking for his or her compassionate "YES" vote.





Local Chapters

For your convenience this is a list of our local chapters. Please contact any of our chapters to get information about meeting times, meeting places, or just to get together with like minded people and share your freedom ideas and experience.

<u>Bond-Fayette</u>	<u>libertarian.meetup.com/316</u>
<u>Carroll</u>	<u>groups.yahoo.com/group/lpofcc</u>
<u>Champaign</u>	<u>www.lpchampaign.org</u>
<u>Chicago</u>	<u>www.lpchicago.org</u>
<u>DeKalb</u>	<u>www.meetup.com/lpdekab</u>
<u>DuPage</u>	<u>DuPageLibertarians.org</u>
<u>Fox Valley (Kane)</u>	coming soon
<u>Kankakee</u>	<u>k3libertarians@gmail.com</u>
<u>McHenry</u>	<u>www.meetup.com/lpmchenry</u>
<u>McLean</u>	<u>www.McLeanCountyLP.org</u>
<u>Metro-East</u>	<u>http://www.meetup.com/Metro-East-Libertarians/</u>
<u>Rockford</u>	coming soon
<u>Sangamon</u>	<u>www.sangamoncountylibertarians.com</u>
<u>Stephenson</u>	<u>gnileorg@aeroinc.net</u>
<u>Will</u>	<u>willcolibertarians@gmail.com</u>

