# MIDTERM ELECTIONS 2022 ( HEADCOUNT

# ON NOVEMBER 8TH AMERICANS **WILL VOTE FOR:**

members of the Senate

members of the House of **Representatives** 



**3** governors

referenda and ballot questions including voting rights

HUNDREDS state reps across the county

mayors, commission and council members, school boards, etc

# **FOR 22 YEARS MIDTERM ELECTIONS HAVE** RESULTED IN A CHANGE OF CONTROL IN AT LEAST ONE CHAMBER OF CONGRESS.

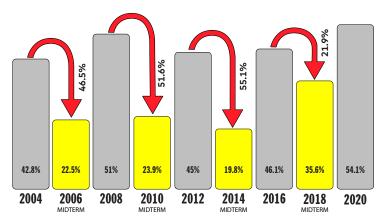
(Constitution Center)

Challenge: Historically, nearly half of young voters drop off in midterm elections. The voters that do turnout are generally older, whiter and college educated. (Center for Politics)

**Solution:** Inspire, inform and empower young voters by meeting them where they are with our hallmark, culturebased voter registration and Get Out the Vote campaign

- Peer to peer interactions at concerts, music festivals, cultural and community events
- **Digital campaigns** with cultural leaders and brands to directly reach young voters on their mobile devices

# 18-29 YEAR OLD VOTER DROP-OFF



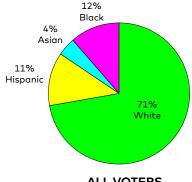
18 to 29 Year Old Eligible Voter Turnout Rates by Year

U.S. Census

new 18 and 19 year old voters that will be eligible to vote for the first time in 2022

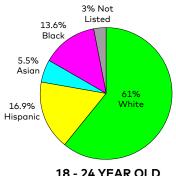
allow 17 year olds to vote in primaries if they are 18 on or before the general election

# **DEMOGRAPHIC MAKEUP OF 2020 VOTERS**



Nearly 30% of American voters are non-white. U.S. Census

### **ALL VOTERS**



Nearly 40% of voters 18 to 24 are non-white. U.S. Census

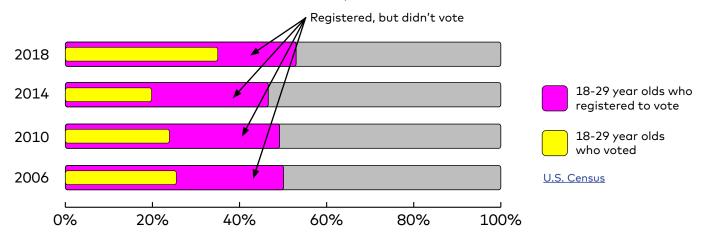
18 - 24 YEAR OLD **VOTERS** 

These pie charts do not have demographics to represent 100% of the population as they only represent specifically identified race and origin groups based on the U.S. Census Population Survey.

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# **REGISTRATION VS. TURNOUT** Midterms 18 to 29 year olds



# A DEEPER DIVE INTO YOUNG VOTER TRAITS

## What we know about young voters:

- 47% do not identify with a political party (American National Election Studies)
- 3/4 of young voters believe we need less partisanship and more open mindedness in politics (Harvard)
- Motivated to vote by social movements and culture (Tufts)
- · Issues matter! Environment, Reproductive Health, Criminal Justice, Racism and Discrimination (Harvard)
- Less likely to vote in 2022 because there has not been enough change (CNN)

## Why some young people do not vote:

- **Do not understand** how government works (NPR)
- No one asks them to vote (Knight Foundation)
- Economic and legal barriers to voting (Tufts)
- Do not trust elections (Tufts)
- Don't feel like their vote makes a difference (Knight Foundation)

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# CHARACTERISTICS OF MIDTERM **DROP-OFF VOTERS:**

- · Young voters
- Non-college educated
- · Voters from diverse backgrounds

Center for Politics

## **MEETING THE NEED**

HeadCount's programs provide solutions to turn out drop off and new young voters:



Peer to peer interactions at festivals, concerts, cultural and community events to register people to vote and answer questions about the process in an open environment.



Provide non-partisan voter information that sees the voter through Election Day, including key dates, and reminders.



Work with cultural leaders to educate young voters on what midterm elections are to demystify the election.



Save The Vote! Campaign: National campaign to address barriers to voting in order to have fair, accessible and trustworthy elections.