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Election Protection Program Seeks Volunteers for June Primary

Can you help us spread the word? We are available for public affairs interviews and welcome any mention in community calendars or spots.

The non-profit, non-partisan group, Common Cause New Mexico, is seeking volunteers to monitor polling places and assist voters who may face snafus, confusion, misinformation, intimidation or other obstacles to casting their vote in the June 4 primary election.

Common Cause New Mexico has been running an election protection program since 2008 to make sure that every eligible New Mexico voter who wants to vote can and that every vote is counted accurately. The program is not affiliated with any party, candidate or issue campaign.

Common Cause trains volunteers who are stationed at polling places and equipped with resources that voters need to safely cast their ballots, including **a hotline number** staffed by trained legal professionals.

Anyone who wants to volunteer to help in their own county as a monitor can sign up for training at <http://protectthevote.net> or by calling 505-417-4012. People with legal backgrounds who want to volunteer for the hotline contact <https://electionprotection.wetheaction.org>.

For interviews or more information contact Mason Graham at 505-417-4012 or mgraham@commoncause.org.

Sample Announcements/Items:

If you think that every eligible voter deserves to have their voice heard at the polling place, you can act by becoming a non-partisan election protection volunteer. Call. 505-417-4012 or go to <http://protectthevote.net> today. Voting is the bedrock of democracy! Sponsored by Common Cause New Mexico.

The election's coming up June 4 and Common Cause New Mexico is looking for a few good men and women to protect the vote. Sign up to become a non-partisan poll monitor at <http://protectthevote.net> today or call 505-417-4012. Democracy is worth protecting. Sponsored by Common Cause New Mexico.

Common Cause is a nonpartisan grassroots organization dedicated to upholding the core values of American democracy. We work to create open, honest, and accountable government that serves the public interest; to promote equal rights, opportunity, and representation for all; and empower all people to make their voices heard as equals in the political process.