

State of The County Address

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I would like to list some of the accomplishments of the St. Clair County GOP since the start of this new Administration, January 2023. With the assistance of our delegates, we brought in a committee structure and empowered people to be involved. Any of the suggestions brought forth were considered and there was either a committee created or it was combined with one of the standing committees.

We have partnered with our representatives to have an open forum with our delegates and their constituents. We have open communication with them. We have a committee dedicated to the research of the federal and state bills. We have put out calls to action to contact legislators to vote against the democratic introduced bills.

When our representatives call upon our group, we put a call to action out to the county GOP members, both locally and at the state level to show up in support or against local and state issues, including the townships fighting against the green energy and passing the 2A sanctuary resolution, presented by Commissioner Rushing.

We have passed 8 resolutions last year and shared them with other GOP counties across the state.

We have become more active, by empowering the people, within our county GOP. Our attendance has more than tripled since the prior administration. We have sparked enthusiasm, engaged and activated our members.

Our goals for 2024:

1. We need to focus on the elections!
 - Our presidential primary has been moved to February 27th, our primary election is August 6th and the general election is November 5th.
 - There has been found corruption in every county of Michigan, including St. Clair County. We will need poll challengers and poll watchers, willing to work at the polls.

- Our Election committee has presented the multipart resolution to **Acknowledge that Electronic Voting Equipment/Computer Software are Corruptible, Acknowledge Centralized Control of Voting Process is Dangerous, and to Maintain Accurate Voter Rolls in the County of St. Clair.**
- The plan is to present the resolutions to the County Commissioners, and urge them to pass the resolution.
- One of our GOP members were appointed to the Board of Canvassers in November, Barry Mugridge.
- One of our members, Conor Allen, has undergone training and is working with Soles to the Rolls, a state-wide organization working to clean up voter rolls. He will need assistance once he has learned what needs to be done
- I am very excited about this announcement. St. Clair County was identified as a battleground county in the 2024 election, by TP USA. As the St. Clair County chair, I was invited to attend the Turning Point Action Summit. Turning Point Action is a 501(c)(4) organization founded in 2019 by Charlie Kirk. The organization's mission is to embolden the conservative base through grassroots activism and provide voters with the necessary resources to elect true conservative leaders. The grassroots RNC Summit is 2 days before the RNC summit in Las Vegas. This event is tailored for county GOP chairs, offering opportunities to engage with leadership, ask questions, learn recruitment strategies and build connections with national grassroots organizations. They will provide resources for us to be successful in 2024. I have asked Dawn Nowicki to join me so we can absorb as much information as possible.

2. Fundraising

- We are working on our Lincoln Day Dinner in April/May
- We have secured the Viral Tik Tok phenomenon and American Patriot, Shawn Farash as our MC.
- We are working on securing an exciting guest speaker, TBA!

- Hoping for this to be a big event.

3. Expand our Membership

- We added multiple year membership and membership will be active from the time you paid, and lasting for the length of time you chose (1, 2 or 3years)
- Membership committee is going to offer an Incentive for every person you bring in for membership, you get a discount off your membership fee.
- The Committee has a “1000 new member initiative“ for this year!
- We are looking at initiating a Patriot corporate membership with local businesses.

4. Education/Training:

- We feel knowledge is power. The more we know, the more we can become active within our community and take back the wheel, that we let others drive for so long.
- The MIGOP is so encouraged by the Good Neighbor Program-It is about getting to know your neighbors, and building networks within your community. This aligns very closely with the new member training we have been working on.
- We are also putting together a training program for committee chairs and board positions as well as a citizens government workshop.
- We would like to work on a People’s Initiative to repeal one of the laws that has been passed. We are researching public acts to decide which one is priority to target first. We would like to have workers at the polls during the presidential primary election, collecting signatures on a petition.
- We will begin in our own county, and then we will reach out to all of the other counties in Michigan. To launch this petition in all 83 counties, we

only need 4,000 signatures per county, costing about \$500-\$1000 per county to print out their petitions.

- Our Chapter and Grassroots Liaison Committee is beginning to work with other counties and grassroots movements across the state to open communication and build alliances with them.
- Our Media Committee is working with news outlets to spread the word about the SCC GOP: the Yale Expositor, Grant Smith and GBS media network and we have increased our presence on social media platforms.

5. The County Convention

- Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 7pm at the Double Tree by Hilton-The delegates should have received your Call to Convention by now. This is open to the public for attending and viewing, but not to participate. However, there will be an opportunity to elevate citizens to be delegates at the end of the convention. We only have 179 out of 790 available delegate seats filled in St. Clair County. On our website, we have links on how to become a precinct delegate. Disruptions will not be tolerated.

Lastly, our goal is to be the #1 county GOP in the state. We will be the model county in the state! We are a freight train on the move!! You can decide what you are going to do...board the train and join us, or stand on the side and watch the train pass you by! We hope you will get on board!