

Running a Canvass

Two rules decide the day: nobody walks alone, and every door gets logged.



Full guide,
links & dates

Committee _____

Date _____

Staging _____

Before the canvass

- ☐ **Walk lists pulled and assigned** — split by turf, no overlap
- ☐ **Printed materials in stock** — headcount plus a buffer
- ☐ **QR codes tested** — on a real phone, on every piece
- ☐ **Talking points reviewed** — especially the amendments
- ☐ **Badges and lanyards counted** — plus spares
- ☐ **Paper or app decided** — one method, briefed to everyone
- ☐ **Disclaimer confirmed** — treasurer signs off on the “paid for by” line
- ☐ **Slate flyer current** — your locality’s candidates, not another unit’s

Day of

- ☐ **Staging location confirmed** — time, address, parking — sent the day before
- ☐ **Buddy pairs assigned** — nobody walks alone
- ☐ **Turf maps ready** — printed or loaded before anyone leaves
- ☐ **Check-in / check-out** — use the roster below
- ☐ **Emergency contact list circulated** — in hand, not texted mid-shift
- ☐ **Water and snacks at staging**

After

- ☐ **Collect tally sheets same day** — or confirm the app synced
- ☐ **Enter the data** — voter file or CRM
- ☐ **Flag urgent responses separately** — rides, information, volunteers
- ☐ **Restock** — on what ran out, not what you guessed
- ☐ **Two-minute debrief** — what question did the card not answer?

Sign-out roster — nobody walks unlisted

Name	Phone	Turf / walk list	Out	Back

Materials count

Item	Printed	Issued	Back
Candidate flyer			
Amendments card			
Talking points card			
Door hangers			
Yard signs			
Badges / lanyards			

Debrief — what question did the card not answer?

Fix the talking points before the next outing. Restock on what actually ran out, not on what you guessed.