

Proposition 8 Volunteer Outline (Western Yolo & Northern Solano Counties)

- In less than 90 days Californians will vote on Proposition 8.
- We have been asked to contact over 58,000 registered voter households in Davis, Dixon, Esparto, Woodland, Winters and other portions of Yolo and northern Solano County, and over a 3-Saturday period to determine how they will vote on Proposition 8. Our objectives are to:
 - Find voters who will vote “Yes” and ask them if they would like to help.
 - Find voters who are unsure and offer them more information.
- To meet this objective we will require 40 people from each ward for each of the 3 Saturdays. (August 16, August 23 and September 6)
- We are being asked to canvass the neighborhoods and telephone voters; Not to persuade or convert, but only to determine how they will be voting. This approach is non-confrontational.
- On these Saturdays, we are encouraged to “bring a friend” not of our faith, who is supportive of the initiative to walk or phone with us.
- Eight years ago, 4,618,673 California voters said “Yes” to marriage defined only as a man and a woman. In 2008, four San Francisco-based judges, in an assault to the democratic vote this country’s constitution is based on, essentially stilled the voice of these over four million majority of voters. A “Yes” vote on Proposition 8 reinstates the democratic voice of the people.
- The wording of Proposition 8 is very simple and contains only 14 words:

**“Only marriage between a man and a woman
is valid or recognized in California.”**
- We will be outspent in the media by at least two to one, but we have the volunteer advantage.
- *“We must be more concerned about establishing righteousness than being tolerant. We cannot passively accept, in the name of tolerance, the redefinition of marriage.” . . . Boyd K. Packer.*
- The passage of Proposition 8 will in no way affect Civil Rights. The California Family Code clearly states that “domestic partners shall enjoy all the legal rights and benefits of marriage.” Homosexuals in domestic partnerships already enjoy all the legal rights and benefits of marriage. Proposition 8 will not change this.
- If same sex marriage is legal, it will become illegal not to perform a marriage for them. A school cannot be accredited if it does not teach, professional licenses will not be issued to those who do not agree, tax exempt status could be lost, and our tax dollars would be used to support the education that taught these values.
- Since the Dutch adopted same sex marriage, their out of wedlock birthrate has been increasing at a rate in excess of two percentage points annually for seven consecutive years—a rise unmatched by any country in Western

Europe during the same period. The out of wedlock birthrate in Norway is a staggering 60% to 80%.

- Convince the public that marriage is not about parenthood, and increasingly parents stop getting married and the family unit deteriorates.
- Proposition 8 does not discriminate against anyone, it simply restores the definition and meaning of marriage as it has been known since the beginning of time.
- Gays have the right to live the lifestyle they choose, but they do not have the right to redefine marriage for everyone else. Proposition 8 respects the rights of gays while still reaffirming traditional marriage.
- Voting YES on Proposition 8 does three simple things:
 - o It restores the definition of marriage to what the vast majority of California voters already approved and human history has understood marriage to be.
 - o It overturns the outrageous decision of four activist Supreme Court judges who ignored the will of the people.
 - o It protects our children from being taught in public schools that “same-sex marriage” is the same as traditional marriage.

How You Can Help on August 16, 23 and Sep 6 –

Meet at:



- **Organizer:** Organize walking and phone routes from lists of registered voters in Vacaville, prepare scripts for phoners and walkers
- **Phoner:** Phoning voters to identify where they stand on the proposition
- **Walker:** Knock on assigned voter doors, determine vote position, leave brochure
- **Recorder:** Receive the completed walking and phoning list and enter the vote intentions into a statewide data base

What we will be asked to do as the Campaign Moves Forward

- **Distributors:** On September 22nd, one million “Yes on Prop 8” signs will be put up in yards around the state. We need volunteers to place signs.
- **Messengers:** People who are outgoing and are comfortable giving people phone messages
- **Closers:** In the last days of the campaign, phoners asking for the vote
- **Trackers:** Tracking absentee ballot voters and encouraging their vote, and on election day will calling those who have not yet voted
- **Stickers:** On election day post notes on front doors of voters who haven’t yet voted.
- **Monitors:** will monitor newspaper and TV websites and blogs and comment on their threads regarding articles about Prop 8.

What everyone can do

- Make a **generous donation** to ProtectMarriage.com by contacting your ward Zip Code Supervisor for a donation form.
- Send **personalized emails** over the next three months to all California acquaintances.
- Over 1,200 individuals and businesses have added their endorsements to the coalition. Visit www.protectmarriage.com. Take a stand. **Add your name to the endorsement list.**