

## *Your Vote In Ohio*

A juvenile court judge in Hamilton County lost by 21 votes. After a two year court battle over county provisional ballots, she was declared the victor by 70 votes. Those without identification made the difference.

The mayoral election in Urbancrest (Franklin County) was decided by a coin toss because of a tied



Your parents and forefathers shed blood and fought for the rights of minorities and women to vote. Only white land owning males had the right to vote in 1790. It is our obligation to protect our right to vote!

### *How to Protect Your Vote!*

(See [www.neoch.org](http://www.neoch.org):  
“Homeless Voting” button on  
bottom of left panel)

- Bring a state issued I.D. if you are voting in person on Election Day.
- If you address changes, you must record the change by filling out the voter registration form.
- The registration deadline is **October 6**.
- You can vote by mail if you do not think you can make it to the polls.
- Early voting at the Board of Elections is also an option. The application must be mailed by **November 1** and must be received by the Boards of Elections by **November 3**.
- On Election Day, you must cast your ballot in your precinct at your designated polling place between the hours of **6:30 AM – 7:30 PM**.

**ELECTION DAY:**  
**NOV. 4<sup>th</sup>!**

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION...**



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Coalition for the  
Homeless*



## The Power of One Vote...

*When you think your vote doesn't matter, remember:*

- In 1776, ONE VOTE gave America the English Language instead of German.
- In 1845, a ONE VOTE difference brought Texas into the Union. A SINGLE VOTE also admitted California, Oregon, and Washington to statehood.



- John F. Kennedy's margin of victory over Richard Nixon in 1960 was less than ONE VOTE per precinct.



## ...And Many Voices

*In the 2008 Presidential election, about 41% of eligible voters did not cast a ballot!*

- The reason affordable housing is not a top priority is that families with incomes below \$30,000 per year vote at less than 50% of the eligible voters. The reason that we



are debating more tax cuts for wealthy families is because those with incomes above \$100,000 have a voting rate of nearly 80% of eligible voters.

- In 2008, nearly 50% of the eligible Hispanic population did not vote. If there was a higher percentage, the Dream Act and immigration reform might be a higher priority in Washington.

- The reason that high unemployment among African Americans is not addressed in Washington or Columbus is because only about 65% of eligible voters voted in the historic Presidential election of 2008 up from 60% of eligible voters in 2004.



- We have a strong safety net for seniors (social security and health care) because 70% of those over 65 years of age vote. Seniors are one of the most reliable voting age populations.

