




ALABAMA DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE

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To: County Chairs, District Chairs, and ADCEC Members

From:  Joe Reed, Chair

Re: ADC Executive Committee Meeting – December 10, 2022

The next meeting of the Alabama Democratic Conference Executive Committee (ADCEC) will be held at the ADC Headquarters in Montgomery, 424 South Decatur Street, on December 10, 2022, beginning at 10 am and lasting until around 1 pm. We are asking all county chairs and other members of the ADCEC to be present. This is a very important meeting. We must adopt our budget, discuss the election of officers at the county level, and plan the 2023 agenda. The challenges facing the Democratic Party are awesome. Your thoughts and wisdom are necessary if this Party is to survive and thrive.

Please be reminded that in February, all county ADC units in good standing with the ADC must elect all officers, beginning February 1 and ending the last day in February, 2023. To be in good standing with the ADC, a county unit must have at least 50 active members and paid its affiliation fee. Each county must also have an Executive Committee with representation from each County Commission District. County chairs must notify its members of the time and place of the election at least 10 days prior to the election. A county unit has until December 31 to come into compliance. If not, the State Chair will have to reorganize that unit. I do not want to do that; but, I will if I must. Only persons who are members by December 31, 2022 can vote in the February election. These reports must be in the State Office no later than January 5, 2023.

The officers to be elected are: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Coordinator, Vice Chair for Youth Affairs, and Coordinator for Women.

I am encouraging each County Chair to appoint a committee now to begin your fundraising program and your county service program. In other words, you should have four to five goals you want to achieve in 2023 that will benefit the people of your county. Do something spectacular so your fundraising will be a success. Having a \$10.00 breakfast will not do it. Each county unit must adopt a budget for 2023. That budget should include money to cover county operations and your state obligations. Every ADC County Unit should set an annual budget of not less than \$5,000.

Each congressional district is called upon to have at least one district meeting per year. Each chair of the county unit is called on to ensure that members of his/her Executive Committee, at the county level, attend at least one district meeting. Some county office holders do not attend any meetings. That just isn't good.

AGAIN, I am asking each County Chair to come to Montgomery on the 10th of December. (That is the final meeting for the year and for elections.) We will go over the procedures for elections, adopt a budget, advise you of the steps we will take to bring all counties into compliance, and give you a full status report on the condition of the Democratic Party. This is a very serious meeting. Even though your county may not be in compliance, you need to come to the December meeting anyway. I promise to have you out by 1 pm.