



## *No Seat Left Unchallenged*

More than a third of the 125 Kansas House of Representative seats currently have a Republican running ***unchallenged*** by a Democratic candidate in the 2018 election. The goal of the Kansas House Challenger Project (KHCP) is to eliminate this "no challenge" election and have a Democrat on every district ballot in the state. In early February, **42** Kansas House districts had **no** Democratic challenger registered with the Secretary of State's office.

*Please consider putting your name on the ballot to represent your district in the Kansas House.* The information below is intended to take some of the mystery out of running for office, and hopefully motivate you to run.

## *Filing Information*

If you are unsure of which Kansas House district you are in, search for your voter information on the [My Vote Info](#) website. To find out if your district already has a Democratic challenger, check the Secretary's [public list](#) of those currently on the ballot, including Kansas House candidates, gubernatorial candidates, judges, etc.

The [fee for getting your name on the ballot](#) as a Democrat for a Kansas House seat is \$120. You can go to the Secretary's office in Topeka, fill out a form, pay the fee, and be on the ballot. Or, you can go to your [county election office](#), fill out a form, and mail it along with the fee to the Secretary's office. The Secretary's mailing information is:

Kansas Secretary of State  
Memorial Hall, 1st Floor  
120 SW 10th Avenue  
Topeka, KS 66612-1594

You can also file by petition. The fee for this method is \$70 to go along with the [petition and circulation affidavit](#). For more information on filing by petition, call the Secretary's office at 785-296-4564.

## *Summary*

Government in Kansas will never become what we want it to be unless Democrats challenge and win some of the state house seats held by Republicans. *We can't win if we don't run.* Here's an overview of what you need to do:

1. Go to the [My Vote Info](#) website to check your Kansas House district number.
2. Go to the Secretary's office in Topeka, fill out the form and pay the fee. Or, go to your [county election office](#), fill out the form, and mail it along with the fee to the Secretary's office. The deadline to file as a Democrat is June 1.
3. Obtain a list of registered voters in your district from your [county election office](#), or the [Secretary's office](#).
4. Start campaigning! And don't forget about the voters who are registered as Independent. They may be the key to your victory.

5. Get in touch with your local [Democratic party](#). They can steer you in the right direction to learn about campaigning and fundraising.

## *Conclusion*

In the November 2016 elections, Republicans lost 12 seats but maintained control of the lower chamber of the statehouse. House Republicans went from a 97-28 majority to an 85-40 majority. It's time to regain control of the lower chamber ... *and* elect a Democratic governor. It's time to end the Republican trifecta in our state's Capitol Building. Get on the ballot. Help us make our state #bluekansas!

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