

# Petitioner Protocol



## DO

1. **Dress appropriately.** No groups, slogans, or statements on shirts.
2. Have a **big smile** when you greet someone.
3. Ask if they are a **registered Lee County voter**.
4. Tell them: **We are collecting petitions to let the voters of Lee County decide if the Lee County Commission elections should be OPEN TO ALL VOTERS.**
5. By signing this petition you are **only allowing the issue to be placed on the ballot** in November, 2018.
6. As they are filling the petition out, **point out what they need to complete** on the form:
  - a. Their **name as it appears on their voter registration card**.
  - b. Ask if they have their **voter registration card**, if not they can use the **birthday (06/09/52, not June 9, 1952 or 6-9-52)**
  - c. A **P.O. Box is fine** for an address
  - d. **Ask them to please sign as they would have signed their voter registration.**
7. If they skip over or do not want to fill in the e-mail and phone, let it go, get the rest of the petition filled out. **When it is completed, ask if they would like to be updated on the progress of the issue**, please fill in the e-mail and phone number if you would to help.
8. Have **plenty of pens**, all the same color
9. Opportunities: 2017 early voting sites for the Cities of Fort Myers & Cape Coral, Clubs, Home Owners' Association meetings, Post Office, Youth soccer events etc.

## DON'T

1. Do not **debate the issue**
2. **If someone writes "PROTECTED" they are in a position that they do not have to expose their address** (Police officer, Judge and so on). Protected should be written instead of being left blank.
3. Do not **offer anything** for someone to sign a petition.
4. **Do not set up a table to collect petitions that block an entrance** (Post Office, government buildings)
5. **Do not collect petitions without permission** (retail stores)

**Petitions should be returned to: 4280 Cleveland Ave, Ft Myers, FL 33901-9033**

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**Call: (904) 834-1357**



## Lee Voter Freedom Talking Points

1. Do you favor OPEN Elections which allow all voters to choose our Lee County Commissioners?
2. No one should be able to deny your right to vote! Currently it is possible to close the election of OUR Lee County Commissioners to almost 60% of registered voters!
3. Officials in all six cities in Lee County, along with the School Board, are already chosen in nonpartisan elections.
4. No matter your politics, OUR Lee County issues which are fundamental to OUR health, economy and quality of life, should be decided by ALL VOTERS.
5. Nonpartisan elections end the practice of using "straw candidates" to close OUR elections to the majority of voters.
6. How will it work? WE THE PEOPLE will collect the signatures of 7% of Lee County registered voters in order for a proposed amendment to the Lee County Charter to appear on the ballot in the November 2018 general election. When the amendment passes we will ensure that OUR County Commission is accountable to ALL VOTERS!

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