



CANVASSING RESOURCES

When you go canvassing, make sure you have the following items for a successful trip.

1. **Go with a partner.** Divide your walk list between odd and even addresses. You knock all the houses on one side of the street, and your partner will knock on the opposite side. Keep in eyesight of each other while you're canvassing.
2. **Map and Walk list.** These are the households you must visit. Try to talk with the voter listed on the sheet but only visit the houses on the list unless your canvass director specifically tells you otherwise. If the voter is not home and you reach someone other than that person, please engage him or her in a conversation about the campaign. Remember to ask their name and track the information you gather from all interactions.
3. **Campaign Literature.** Give each voter one of these. If the person is not at home, leave the literature with someone else or on his/her doorstep. Do not leave this information in a mailbox, THAT IS ILLEGAL.
4. **Campaign Sticker, Shirt or Button.** Please wear an item to notify the person at the door that you are representing Senator Obama's campaign as a volunteer.
5. **Tally Sheet.** THIS IS CRITICAL. Accurate data is essential to any campaign. When you talk to a voter, make sure you code your conversations correctly on the walk sheet. Write down what issues are important to them, and if you talked to someone else in that household not on the list note that too.
6. **Information on Voting Requirements.** Voters may have questions about the process, even if they have voted before. Please refer to <http://my.barackobama.com/voterreg> for any questions you or anyone you speak with may have. If someone has a question about voter registration, ask them if they have visited voteforchange.com
7. **Extra Pens and a Clipboard.** Be prepared by making sure you have supplies to make canvassing easier. Having a clipboard to write on will make recording the results of your conversations much easier.
8. **Contact Information.** Exchange cell phone numbers with the staff or other volunteers who you are working with, in case you are delayed or get lost.
9. **Issues Sheets.** Print off issues sheets from our website, www.barackobama.com/issues to hand out to voters who want more in depth information on Senator Obama's stances.
10. **Comfortable walking shoes and water.** Be prepared for spending a few hours on your feet, and drink plenty of water while you're out.