

COMMUNITY *Votes*

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The Results are In

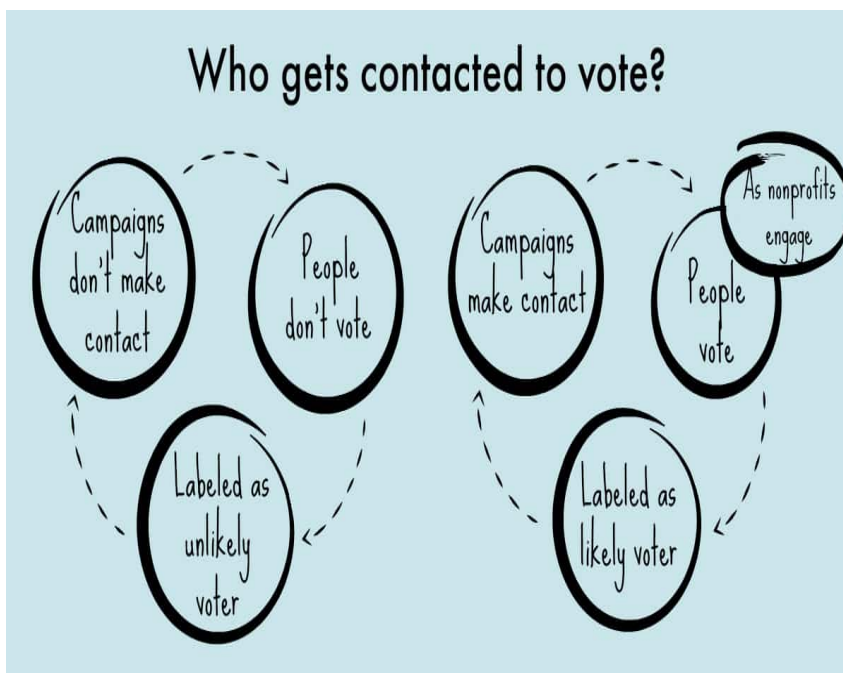
In 2017 **Community Votes** helped nonprofits increase participation by

- Training 162 staff from 33 organizations
- Partnering with **United Neighborhood Houses** to build their capacity to support seven of their members voter engagement work
- Helping community-based direct service organizations track over 1,400 voter contacts
- Implementing phone banking in partnership with the **New York Civic Engagement Table** resulting in six organizations making 6,400 phone calls
- Collaborating with the **Nonprofit Coordinating Committee** and **Nonprofit Vote** on a **Voter Engagement Toolkit for New York Nonprofits**

Read the summary here. Information on voter turnout as a result of these efforts will be available soon.

In 2016 the five partners working with **Community Votes** reached almost 3,500 voters. These voters turned out at a 7% higher rate compared to their neighbors -- a significant difference in a national presidential election. Read about this work here.

Community Votes also joined **Nonprofit Vote** and 11 other regional partners recruit 122 nonprofits that together engaged 39,000 voters. Read **Nonprofit Vote's** report on the success nonprofits across the country had in engaging new voters in the 2016 election.



What's Up in 2018?

Our partners are disrupting a vicious cycle of voter apathy. They have expanded the voter rolls and turning more people into regular voters. With limited resources, campaigns focus their get-out-the-vote work on people that have a history of voting. New and infrequent voters – known as unlikely voters - don't get phone calls or mail or text messages from campaigns to encourage them to vote. But our partners do make contact and are planning how to increase turnout for the 2018 June and September primary elections and the November general election.

