

Dear Fellow Republican:

There is no question that this is a challenging time for Republicans here in Allegheny County. There's really no need to review our recent string of high-profile defeats, or our party's failure to field candidates for a wide range of county and city offices.

What we need to concentrate on instead is how we move forward. There is no question in my mind that you share my view that it is absolutely imperative that we re-elect President Trump next year and deliver a strong vote for our entire ticket, and that we carry to victory our whole team this year, from candidates for borough council and the school board to our County Council candidates and our very strong ticket for the Superior Court. The stakes are simply too high for us not to take up this challenge.

I am running for chair of the Republican Committee of Allegheny County for exactly that reason.

Like you, my roots in grass-roots Republican activism run deep. I've served as a local committee member, a local chair in North Fayette, a state committeeman, and since 2015 as one of our party's representatives on the Allegheny County Council.

In each of those roles, I've seen how vitally important the work of local committee members like you really is. No amount of money, no clever ad on social media, no robocall can possibly compete with the impact of someone willing to carry the Republican message to their neighbors.

We need to do that in every community in Allegheny County—and we need a proactive, responsive county committee to make that a reality.

I'll be sending you more details in the days ahead on my plans to build a team who can be a strong messengers for President Trump and our Republican values, recruit candidates for every office and help them run effective campaigns, help our local committees do what they do best, start new committees where we do not have one, take advantage of new technology to reach voters and potential volunteers, and build the kind of fund-raising operation needed for our party's long-term stability.

In the meantime, I would be grateful for your support—and if you want to give my campaign a real boost by signing my nomination petition for the RCAC election, please let me know. I can be reached by e-mail at samueldemarco3@gmail.com or by phone at 412-370-1737. I look forward to talking to you soon.

Sam