



ELECTION SEASON TIMELINE + FAQ

The Washington Interfaith Network organizes to ensure that every DC resident is equipped with the power to shape the policies and conditions that affect their lives — and is treated with dignity in the process.

We do this through three core strategies:

Relational Power Building — We use election cycles to advance our issue campaigns and provide nonpartisan civic education, deepening connections between member institutions, neighbors, and allies.

Public Witness — We unite with local allies to lead vigils and rallies, bringing a moral voice to the public square and holding leaders accountable to the dignity of all people.

Collective Care — We strengthen our community through mutual aid and neighborly care, building the trust necessary to exercise our collective power.

WIN Votes 2026 — Election Season Timeline



OUR THREE CORE STRATEGIES

Relational Power Building

1-on-1 conversations
and house meetings

RCV Education

Nonpartisan voter education
for DC's first RCV primary

Candidates Forum

May 17 — 1,000+ organized
DC residents

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do we build WIN's collective issue agenda?

We shape it together. WIN's issue agenda grows out of relationship building and engagement in our communities, shared learning about our active campaigns, and honest conversation about what is missing. Members will vote to approve the Issue Agenda by the April Action Team meeting, to ensure our priorities reflect the real needs and leadership of our people. See an example from the previous election season at windc.org/win-2023-issue-agenda.

How can your organization and Core Team engage?

WIN's goal is to collectively engage 5,000 people in early 2026 — convening people within and across member institutions to align around the issue agenda and connect with neighbors, schools, and housing communities. Here are the key ways to plug in:

- **Internal Listening and Engagement** — Who in your organization doesn't yet know about WIN or the issues we're organizing around? How can you build understanding of WIN's collective issue agenda in ways that strengthen relationships?
- **Community Relationship Building** — Who does your team want to build or deepen relationships with? Parents or teachers at a nearby school? Residents who live near your institution?
- **Ranked Choice Voting Education** — This is the first DC primary to use RCV, and we want every community we touch to understand how it works. Join one of our Train-the-Trainer sessions to learn how to deliver this content.
- **May 17th Candidates Forum** — Prepare your congregation to participate in WIN's districtwide forum. Hold a WIN Collective Issue Agenda Teach-In and set a goal for how many members or neighbors you want to bring.
- **WIN's 30th Anniversary** — This year marks three decades of WIN building power in DC. We want to share our history, celebrate our work, and fundraise to ensure another 30 years. Want to help plan a celebration or join our fundraising team? Reach out.

Questions? Contact us at 2026@windc.org

