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Why My Vote Matters

The reason our vote matters is because democracy is an endless experiment attempting to find the best leader for the country. And every two to four years, the people get a chance to speak their mind to alter the path of the game.

The people vote for representatives who hash out their arguments for them on Capitol Hill, where the laws can actually be changed. The reason an individual vote matters is because, the founding fathers of this country wanted every individual's voice to be heard so they implemented democracy into our Democratic Republic. That granted the option for the people to vote—which is an aspect of democracy—with the opportunity to have representatives— an aspect of a republic.

Webster Dictionary describes Democracy as “A government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation usually involving periodically held free elections” and defines Republic as “a body of persons freely engaged in a specified activity.”

Oftentimes, young people don't vote, and the candidates in elections know that. Because they know that, they intentionally ignore that *entire* demographic of people. They have learned that because the majority of that demographic doesn't vote, that demographic doesn't matter.

Young people have strong voices. If someone wants something changed, whether that be the legal drinking age, or gun rights, legalizing abortion, or any thing else, they can change that. There are sirtenty people out there who have the same ideas as you. Together with fellow

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American citizens, we can create groups, a group creates trends, and a trend creates a majority—
and the majority rules.