



2017 ANNUAL REPORT

A MESSAGE FROM DOUG HOUSE

Dear IDCCA Family & Supporters:

Throughout our country, 2017 was the year of resistance. Individuals from all walks of life stood up to Donald Trump and the Republicans to say loudly that we're not going to let them destroy our country. Millions of women around the globe marched on January 21st demanding that their voices be heard. Activist and resistance groups are now at work in almost every county in Illinois.

We saw a small wave in the Illinois municipal elections, but it is becoming a tsunami. Democrats have stood their ground in New Jersey and Virginia. For the first time in 25 years voters in the brightest of red Republican states, Alabama, have elected a Democrat to the U.S. Senate. In 2018, Illinois will be back in the national spotlight as we unseat the "Worst Governor in America."

The IDCCA has been building this year as we prepare for the 2018 elections. This past May, we partnered with the National Democratic Training Committee to host our first ever Candidate Boot Camp that trained over 70 individuals to run for office. We hosted 20 Precinct Committeeperson and Votebuilder trainings, and we sponsored 3 of Congresswoman Cheri Bustos' Build the Bench candidate training programs.

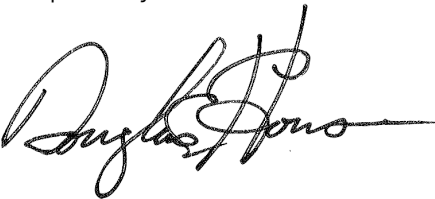
Our Annual County Chairs Brunch was a huge success. It was the largest Democratic event in Illinois since the 1996 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Over 1,800 people attended our County Chairs Brunch on Democratic Day for the Illinois State Fair. We exceed all of our expectations by raising over \$255,000 for this event. It was a sight to see so many Democrats in one place at one time, **all of them fired up and ready to go!**

The IDCCA recognizes the need for the Democratic Party to foster a culture of trust and respect for all individuals. That is why I have called for the creation of a Sexual Harassment Task Force to review IDCCA policies and make recommendations to our General Membership. The Sexual Harassment Task Force will also be responsible for developing a Vision Statement for the IDCCA and assisting with recruiting women to run for office.

We honored four leaders with the Democratic Party Builder Award. These individuals have worked tirelessly, and often thanklessly, to help build our Party and get Democrats elected. We wanted to honor their contributions to the Democratic Party and say thank you. It was our pleasure to recognize Hon. Clem Balanoff, Kevin Conlon, State Central Committeewoman Lauren Beth Gash (IL 10th) and State Central Committeeman Bill Houlihan (IL 18th).

In 2016, I put together a three-year plan with the goal of retiring Governor Bruce Rauner. 2017 was the building year of this plan. Now it's time to put this plan in action as we start knocking on doors, making calls, putting up yard signs and getting out the vote. **I know I can count on each of you to help make this happen. Let's get to work!**

Respectfully,



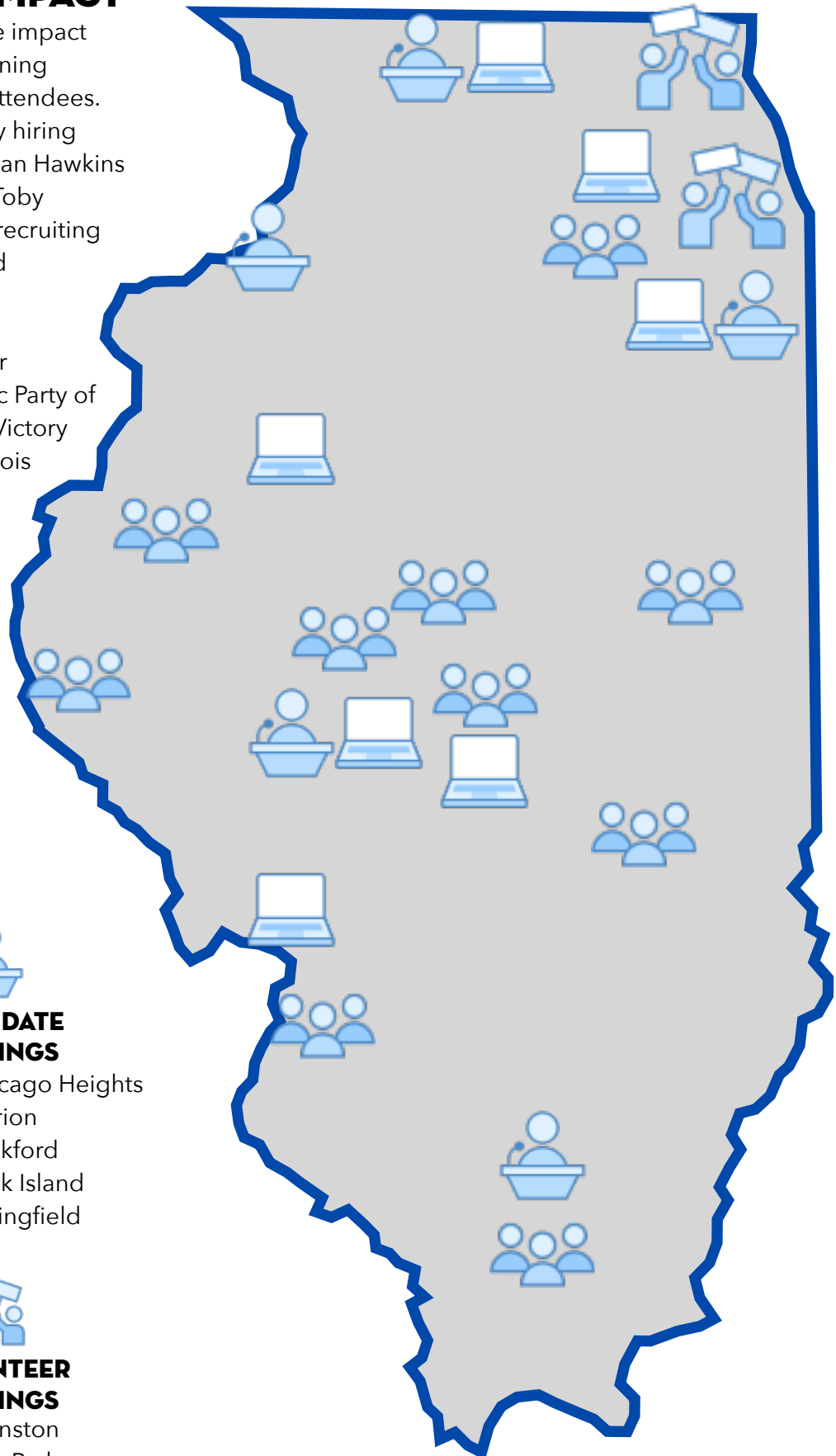
Doug House
President, Illinois Democratic County Chairs' Association
Chairman, Rock Island County Democratic Party



PARTY BUILDING IMPACT

This year the IDCCA had a huge impact across Illinois co-hosting 25 training sessions that drew over 1,000 attendees. We have expanded our team by hiring Assistant Executive Director Jillian Hawkins and Communications Director Toby Trimmer. We also assisted with recruiting Precinct Committeepersons and candidates statewide.

We are honored to continue our partnership with the Democratic Party of Illinois, the Senate Democratic Victory Fund, Organized Labor, the Illinois Democratic Women, the Young Democrats of Illinois & the College Democrats of Illinois.



PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON TRAININGS

- Belleville
- Champaign
- Decatur
- Effingham
- Lincoln
- Macomb
- Marion
- Morris
- Petersburg
- Quincy



CANDIDATE TRAININGS

- Chicago Heights
- Marion
- Rockford
- Rock Island
- Springfield



VOTE BUILDER TRAININGS

- Decatur
- Edwardsville
- Galesburg
- Kankakee
- Lombard
- Rockford
- Springfield



VOLUNTEER TRAININGS

- Evanston
- Oak Park

ILLINOIS DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CHAIRS' ASSOCIATION NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TRAINING COMMITTEE CANDIDATE BOOT CAMP - CLASS OF 2017

Carlos Acosta, *McHenry*

Nathan Arroyave, *Winnebago*

Marc Bell, *Sangamon*

Jill Blair, *McLean*

Angelique Bodine, *Boone*

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Nathan Colombo, *Jackson*

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Sara Dady, *Winnebago*

Jeff Deppe, *Rock Island*

Chris Doscotch, *Peoria*

Lloyd Droege, *Ogle*

Jonathan Ebel, *Champaign*

Lauren Eiten, *LaSalle*

Stephanie Elliott, *Madison*

Donald Froelich, *Knox*

Kevin Gaither, *Coles*

Dave Geene, *Rock Island*

Cynthia Givens, *Richland*

Monica Gordon, *Cook*

Marsha Griffin, *Union*

Kevin Hall, *Madison*

John Hamilton, *Sangamon*

Zachary Hand, *Will*

Eric Johnson, *Madison*

Gregg Johnson, *Rock Island*

Nicole Johnson, *Cook*

Sarah Johnson, *St. Clair*

Kathy King, *Franklin*

April Kostenski, *Macon*

John Laprise, *Cook*

Mary Mahady, *McHenry*

Joyce Mason, *Lake*

Jennifer McMillin, *Macon*

John Medley, *St. Clair*

Dave Melsbakas, *DuPage*

Samuel Mills, *Macon*

Ken Monken, *Clinton*

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Shareef Smith, *Cook*

Michael Sprinkle, *Knox*

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Jamie Stout, *Sangamon*

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Tera Wenner, *Winnebago*

Ann Williams, *Jo Daviess*

Elaine Yoon, *Piatt*



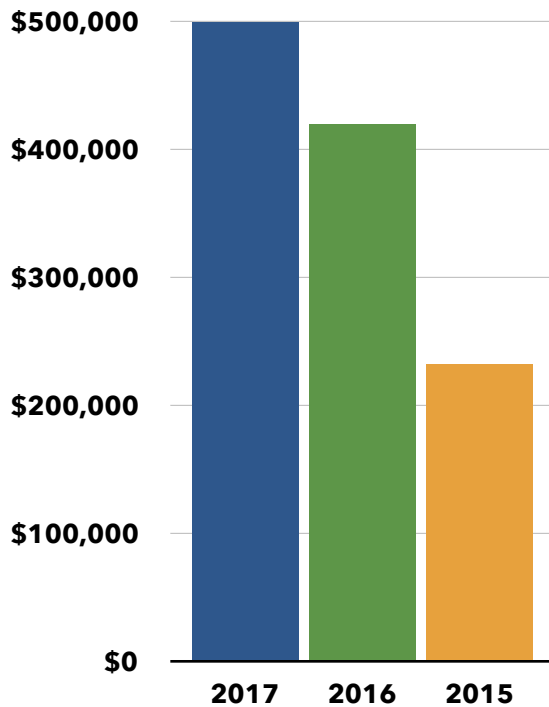
Save The Date

The 2018 National Democratic Training Committee & Illinois Democratic County Chairs' Association Candidate Boot Camp will be May 18-20th in Springfield. For more information, contact Dan Kovats at dan@ildcca.org.

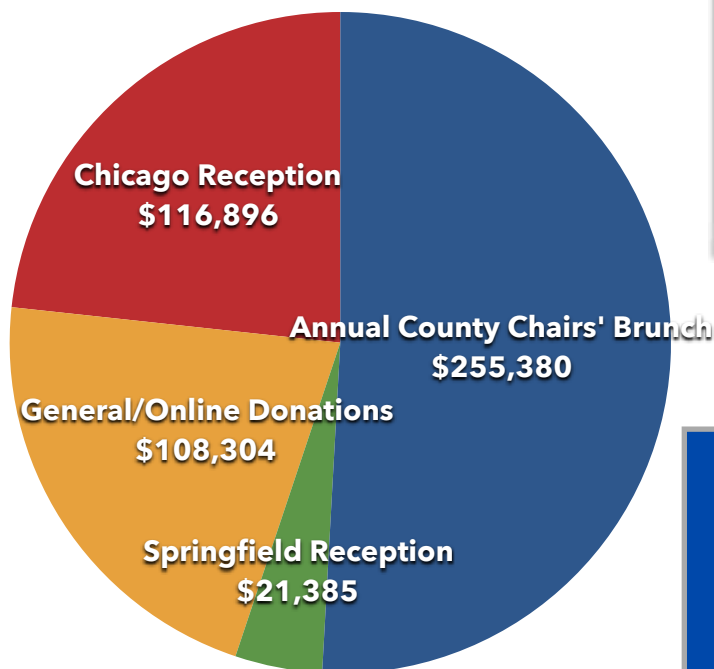
FUNDRAISING

Once again, the IDCCA held three fabulous events that have become the “go to” events for Democrats in Illinois. In 2017, we broke records for event attendance and raised over half a million dollars!

2017 FUNDRAISING INCREASED BY 19%



2017 FUNDRAISING TOTALS BY SOURCE



Save The Date

**Thursday August 16, 2018
Annual Democratic County
Chairs' Brunch-Springfield**

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