

# Priorities for Oklahoma

## **BOOST ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION**

Oklahomans are patriotic, but our voting record is undermining that reputation. Our plunging levels of civic participation are reaching crisis levels. ... This matters because it influences everything else. Oklahomans hand over billions of dollars to government, and they need to stand up and be a part of this process or they likely won't care for the results.

-Senator David Holt (R-Oklahoma City)

#### Oklahoma voter turnout has fallen to near the lowest in the nation.

- In this year's midterm elections, less than 30 percent of eligible voters made it to the polls to cast a ballot for Governor and other offices. This was the lowest turnout in at least 50 years and perhaps in state history.
- In 2014 a majority of Oklahoma's Legislature took office without facing any opponent in the primary or general election.

#### We can do better!

There's a lot Oklahoma can do to make voting easier and give voters more choices. Proven reforms include:

- Online voter registration
- Extended early voting
- ✓ Vote-by-mail
- Instant run-offs
- And more...

Less than 1 in 3 eligible citizens

voted in Oklahoma's 2014 elections



Unless Oklahoma can find a way to get more citizens engaged in our democracy, we have little chance of solving the challenges we face as a state.

### **What You Can Do:**



- Contact Lawmakers
- Engage Your Community
- Join the Grassroots Movement

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<sup>\*</sup>Find out more about this problem and the possible solutions at www.okpolicy.org/brokendemocracy.