



# The ORBIT

## BERNSTORM for SQ788!

### Our campaign plan:

- Engage 82 OROK-member canvassers — **LIKE YOU!**
- Target 1454 likely pro-SQ788 voters in OKC, Moore & Norman
- Walk 41 Bernie-friendly precincts in teams of 2 or more
- Reach 9 Oklahoma House Districts



Want to help ensure that State Question 788, which will allow Medical Marijuana in Oklahoma, passes with a strong majority this June? Then there's not a moment to waste to increase voter awareness of and turnout for this grassroots ballot initiative!

### All hands on deck!

Our Revolution Oklahoma is all in to work on this vital issue campaign. Some of our hardworking volunteers have developed a canvassing plan that pinpoints voters likely to be pro-SQ788 but needing information and encouragement to get out and vote on June 26. Now we need to recruit volunteers to carry out the plan! That's where **YOU** come in.

### It's by the numbers!

We need at least 82 volunteers to visit with 1454 voters in 41 central Oklahoma precincts in which a majority voted for Bernie Sanders in the 2016 Democratic Party primary. They are likely to be our kind of people! Let's be neighborly and check back in with them and let them know that there's another opportunity to bring progress to our state.

Our March 6<sup>th</sup> ['Bernstorm' for SQ788](#) organizing rally kicks off this campaign, with teams coalescing, selecting captains and deciding on the best day to do their canvass. But if you can't make it to that event, you can still be a part of this fun and fulfilling work. Call or text OROK at (405) 367-4805 to find out where and when your local team will meet up.



Former State Senator Connie Johnson. Campaign photo.

## Connie Johnson's strong record on medical cannabis

[Connie Johnson](#), OROK's gubernatorial candidate endorsee, has a record on medical marijuana that is unequaled among the candidates in the race and which goes back all the way to 2007.

She is rightly known as the mother of Oklahoma's medical cannabis movement. During her time in the legislature she introduced four bills on the issue. Her unflinching persistence and determination to advance this cause was rewarded with the successful 2016 petition drive led by Oklahomans for Health that finally got the question on the ballot after multiple failed efforts.

OROK members are invited to participate in a special canvassing event to support Sen. Johnson's race for governor (this is separate from our SQ788 canvass), tentatively scheduled for early April. As soon as a date is finalized, you can get more details and RSVP through our website or Facebook events.



# Committees drive our work

## Ballot Initiatives Committee

### Meets Tuesday, March 27

Our Revolution Oklahoma's Ballot Initiative Committee has set long term goals for state initiatives, but is currently developing municipal ballot initiatives for Oklahoma City.

Only 6,500 signatures are currently required to place strong progressive-populist initiatives on the OKC ballot. This low figure is a result of the low turnout in the February 13<sup>th</sup> mayoral election, which Rep. David Holt won with only 21,704 votes cast.

As a result of this grassroots-friendly situation, committee chair Susan McCann says "we are discussing some pretty radical ideas," to advance small-d democratic values in the city.

Be part of this effort by attending the next meeting on March 27. Details/RSVP on [our Facebook Page events list](#).

## Transform the Party Committee

### Meets Monday, March 19

This team is dedicated to increasing progressive participation and influence in the political process.

- Recruiting and supporting precinct officers
- Advancing issue campaigns
- Advocating for progressive party platform and reforms

This work is vital if we are going to get corporate money out of politics and restore democracy for working people! If you want to help, come on March 19 and get involved.

Details/RSVP on [our Facebook Page events list](#).

## Communications & Outreach

### Meets Monday, March 12

Promoting OROK's mission and work through publications and online, speakers, marketing, podcasts, videos, and more. Details/RSVP on [our Facebook Page events list](#).

## Candidate Endorsement/ Recruitment

### Meeting TBD

Seeking and supporting candidates who share our progressive agenda. Candidate endorsements require majority support by our voting-eligible members. Details/RSVP on [our Facebook Page events list](#).

## OROK Supports



**March for Our Lives.** OROK will join Oklahoma high school students, teachers, parents and other citizens for a rally and march on March 24 to support common sense gun control and calling for an end to the rampant sales of assault weapons. The starting point in OKC will be at the Oklahoma Election Board parking lot, 4201 N. Lincoln. The march will proceed to the Capitol.



March with High School students from across Oklahoma

Oklahoma State Capitol

Saturday March 24, 11 am



**Ready for 100 Norman** is a local, community driven campaign to move Norman towards 100% renewable energy by 2035. Our Revolution Oklahoma encourages Norman City Council to accept this proposal. This will be on the agenda at the March Norman City Council meeting and we encourage anyone who can attend to show up to make a strong statement to the Council that this is something that the community wants. [RF100Norman on Facebook](#).



**Alex Scott for Norman Ward 6.** Two OROK recommended candidates ran for Norman City Council this year. Thank you to all of our members who helped knock doors and to candidates David Perry and Alex Scott for running!

Our efforts have paid off as Alex Scott made it to a runoff with the incumbent! Please stay tuned on the OROK Facebook events list for more volunteer opportunities to help her flip that seat! The runoff election is on April 3.

OROK members and friends are invited to a [fundraiser for Alex](#) on March 12. Check her Facebook page for details.



## Look for ...

OROK member Dennis Hansen's op-ed in the March issue of the [Oklahoma Observer](#). Dennis stated his opposition to a bill proposed by Democratic Rep. David Perryman (HD-56) that would complicate and suppress voter registration.



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