

PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF AMERICA IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

RECLAIMING THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY!

Since the 2004 Democratic convention, Progressive Democrats of America has led the way in bringing the Democratic Party back to its roots on the issues. PDA establishes chapters in congressional districts to champion the progressive positions the Democratic Party needs in order to regain governing status: The IRAQ Occupation; Katrina/Rita Relief; Ohio and Voting Rights; fair trade, the Bankruptcy Bill; Universal Single-Payer Health Care and more.

INSIDE/OUTSIDE STRATEGY

What is PDA's Goal?

We want a Democratic Party that stands for peace, fair trade, universal health care, clean elections, a clean environment and economic justice. We're achieving this by mobilizing the grassroots to hold the Party leadership accountable and helping to elect progressive candidates on the local level.

Bridges Between Progressives

We need unity between Democrats, Greens and other progressives to overcome right-wing divide-and-conquer tactics. PDA works with diverse groups that share common goals in order to build winning coalitions.

PDA is Building a Movement

Social change begins with social movements and ends with politicians, not vice-versa. Our inside/outside strategy "leads the leaders" by building a powerful movement for true participatory democracy.

We invite you to join us.

Visit the PDA website at www.pdamerica.org and sign up to become a member and get our Action Alerts or call us at: (877) 368-9221.

In only one year, PDA has:

- Brought Jesse Jackson, Howard Dean, Dennis Kucinich, John Conyers, Barbara Lee & Medea Benjamin together in Roxbury, MA to keep the Democratic convention energy burning;
- Immediately jumped into the "Ohio vote count" fight, which led to the historic January 6th challenge by Rep. Conyers, Rep. Tubbs-Jones, Sen. Boxer & friends;
- Helped launch the "Draft Dean for DNC Chair" effort, which encouraged Governor Dean's run for DNC Chair;
- Started chapters in dozens of states, with the explicit goal of moving the Democratic Party back toward its stated values, and built relationships with our progressive friends on Capitol Hill;
- Taken a lead role in the fast-growing organizing against the Iraq War, including organizing grassroots pressure around the historic vote last May in which 122 Democrats and 5 Republican voted to withdraw American Troops;
- Assisted in the mobilization of grassroots Democrats to successfully pass resolutions against the war and occupation of Iraq at Democratic State Party meetings in California, New Mexico and Massachusetts, an effort that continues in many other states;
- Organized two National Call-in campaigns against the war with United for Peace and Justice (UFPJ) and Code Pink;
- Held a highly successful and motivating National conference in Washington, D.C., in January and followed that with a successful regional conference in Arizona.
- Led the drive to organize *Afterdowningstreet.org*. PDA helped gather over 550,000 signatures on the petition to President Bush demanding answers and helped organize the Downing Street Congressional Hearings and Rally with Code Pink in Washington DC.
- Led the drive to organize the first hearing on an exit plan for Iraq. PDA gathered over 20,000 signatures presented at the hearing and helped organize the "Out of Iraq" Congressional Hearing and Rally later that day in Washington DC.

What people are saying about PDA...

“PDA is the real thing. The organizers of PDA are smart, tenacious, and committed. PDA stood by my side when we battled the corrupt vote count in Ohio, when we held our hearing on the lies exposed in the Downing Street Minutes, and every single day as we keep our eyes on the prize of ending this war in Iraq. PDA is helping take our party back for our side — and none too soon!”

Representative John Conyers

PDA National Board

“The Progressive Democrats of America’s effort to reach out and build coalitions among progressive communities is the cornerstone to returning the Democratic Party back to the people and to our rightful place in governance of our country.”

Representative Raul Grijalva

PDA National Board

“PDA gets the job done. Their commitment to promoting progressive values has brought results at the local and national level. Every day that I am on Capitol Hill fighting for economic justice, environmental protections, and a more peaceful and secure world, I know that PDA is right there with me.”

Representative Lynn Woolsey

PDA National Board

“I joined the board because I believe that true patriots should be against preemptive wars of aggression and I want ALL of our democratic leaders to espouse this core value”

Cindy Sheehan

PDA National Board

“Devastated by the results of the 2004 election, I was looking for a group that would help unite progressive Democrats with others, like the Greens, to form a “big tent” for those who believe in social justice and peace. When I attended the founding meeting in Roxbury, I realized that PDA was just the group I’d been looking for.”

Medea Benjamin

PDA National Board, Code Pink, Global Exchange

“The National Rainbow/PUSH Coalition and PDA stood together in Ohio, and in the halls of Congress, when most others stood aside, to fight to make sure that every vote counts. We have continued to fight together day after day to end this illegal war and occupation in Iraq. We appreciate PDA’s tenacity; and its dedication to pushing the Democratic Party to once again stand up for its principles.”

Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr.,

Rainbow/PUSH

“PDA is focused on getting out a progressive message, even while the Democrats seem to be going in the opposite direction. Diverse, inclusive, strategic - thank goodness for PDA!”

Kim Gandy

National Organization for Women

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