ELECTION BULLETIN

Welcome to the 1st CARE Action election bulletin. This monthly bulletin will provide you with the latest updates on the 2018 mid-term elections and how you can engage.

2018 COMPETITIVE SEATS

23 Republican-held House seats in districts that voted for Hillary Clinton.

20 House seats considered “toss-ups” and another 29 considered very competitive.

10 Democratic-held Senate seats in states that voted for President Trump.

WOMEN RUNNING FOR OFFICE

Record number of female candidates running for office in 2018.

ENGAGE & EDUCATE

- Attend town halls
- Share on social media
- Host pre-election parties
RACES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Open Senate Seat in Arizona

First Rep. Kyrsten Sinema got into the race against Sen. Jeff Flake... then he dropped out and Rep. Martha McSally got in.

The Cook Political Report

Check in on how Charlie Cook is rating all the competitive House and Senate races from California to New Hampshire.

...And don’t forget to track the bellwether Primary Races!

RETIREDJECTIONS

Record number of chairmen that are retiring in both the House and the Senate. Click Here for more.

Several Republicans we work with on a number of issues are leaving office:

• FL-27 Illeana Ros-Lehitinen
  • President Trump lost district with 39.4% of the vote.
• WA-9 Dave Reichert
  • President Trump lost district with 36.8% of the vote.
• PA-15 Charlie Dent
  • President Trump won district by 7.6%.
34 SENATE SEATS UP FOR ELECTION

Minnesota has two contests; one is a special election after Al Franken's resignation

- Democratic seat (24)
- Republican seat (8)
- Independent seat (2)

Note: Independents caucus with the Democrats
ACT NOW!

It is incredibly important to act now. With every House seat and 34 Senate seats up for election, it is a critical time to engage with candidates and make sure they know that voters care about global poverty. As a CARE Action advocate you have the power to change the status quo by urging those seeking office to take a stand for women and girls around the world.

CURRENT RACE

**HOUSE**
There are 12 House Democrats currently sitting in districts won by President Trump.

**SENATE**
Democrats have to defend 26 seats as compared to just 8 for Republicans.

**Battle for Congress, 2018**
Democrats need **24** seats to flip the GOP-controlled House and **2** seats to flip the Republican-led Senate.

**House of Representatives**
- **239** Republicans
- **194** Democrats
- **2** Vacant
- **24** seats needed to flip the GOP-controlled House

**Senate**
- **51** Republicans
- **47** Democrats
- **2** Independent
- **2** seats needed to flip the Republican-led Senate

All **435** House seats are up for election in 2018. Democrats are targeting **91** GOP-held seats while House Republicans are targeting **36** Democratic-held seats.

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