

## SAMPLE SCRIPT WHEN CANVASSING DEMOCRATS FOR GET OUT THE VOTE CAMPAIGN (GOTV)

Get ready: Be sure to know the location of your precinct's polling place on Election Day and opportunities for Early Voting before Election Day. The Early Voting dates and locations are made available by the Sarasota County Supervisor of Elections 30 days before an election. (Go to [Sarasotavotes.com](http://Sarasotavotes.com)). Have candidates' literature, a sample ballot and other handouts.

Wear a nametag or t-shirt or some other way to identify yourself as a Democrat. Always be courteous and listen well. Smile!

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Before going to the door, review the age, gender, name of the Democrat(s) you are contacting.

"Hello, is (Name of Vote) available?" Or "Hello, are you \_\_\_\_\_ (name)?"

"My name is (Your Name) and I'm a volunteer with the Democratic Party. As you know Election Day is on November 3. **Do you intend to vote for Democrats on Election Day?**"

**If yes, they intend to vote:**

"Great! Voter turnout is predicted to be high this year so it's really important that all Democrats show up at the Polls!"

(Proceed to **Making a Plan** Below.)

**If no, not voting or not supporting candidate?**

Is there a reason?

(Discuss voter concerns, address and persuade, if possible.)

All right. Thank you for your time. Have a good Day.

### **MAKING A PLAN**

"Your polling location is at (Polling Location). Do you know where that is?"

"The polls will be open from 7 a.m.- 7 p.m."

"There is also Early Voting." (Find out the nearest locations and dates when offered by going to the Supervisor of Elections web site ([Sarasotavotes.com](http://Sarasotavotes.com)))

"When do you plan to vote?"

"Do you have any questions about voting?"

"Thank you for your support. Have a great day."