

**Legislative and Public Policy and Voter Education Initiative Subcommittee Report  
Covering October 2016**

NATIONAL VOTER EDUCATION INITIATIVE - *Working to Protect Our Voting Rights  
Legacy, Our Vote, Our Power, Our Time, Our Charge*

All activities planned by the subcommittee will be completed by October 15, 2016.

Subcommittee members are NTS committee members Kim Green, Pamela Jones Hadley (NTS Chair), Constance Lassiter, Carolyn Lee, Dorris Okoro (NTS Co-chair), Lisa Shyne, R. Kirsten Watts (Voter Education Czar), Roz Woodhouse.

- **Scholarship Recipient Registration and Voting Encouragement:** The chapter's 2014-2016 scholarship recipients received an email from Link Dorris Okoro, on August 8, 2016, reminding them to participate in the voting process by registering and voting. She included a link to the state's voter information site for those students who have yet to register as well as deadlines for registration.
- **Voter Registration:** On October 8, 2016, the subcommittee fulfilled its promise to conduct voter registration at Allen AME Church's well attended 2016 Candidates Forum. Although, no unregistered voters attended the forum, Links Pamela Jones Hadley, Stephanie McGriff, Dorris Okoro, Lisa Shyne, Ella Williams, and R. Kirsten Watts came willing and ready to meet the charge of turning out new voters had it been necessary. Allen AME Political Action Committee Chair Veronica Batiste commented that the Tacoma Links Chapter's involvement was "very welcome as it took one more critical duty off of the church's plate." On behalf of the chapter, Link Kirsten will send a thank you card to the church for allowing the successful partnership. Pictures have been posted to the Western Area's Facebook page. Once available, pictures will be added to the chapter's NTS webpage.
- **Candidates Visit Chapter:** Dwayne Christopher, candidate for Pierce County Superior Court Judge Position 8, and Jennifer Ferguson, candidate for U.S. Representative for the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District will talk about their platforms and experience highlights with chapter members prior to the opening of the October 15, 2016 chapter meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by Link R. Kirsten Watts on October 10, 2016