

CERC Citizens Tool Kit & Guide

In 2022, the U.S. Alliance for Election Excellence ([USAEE](#)), aka The Center for Tech and Civic Life, began awarding their election grants to selected counties across the United States. These are often referred to as “Zuckbucks 2.0.” Once the Alliance realized their public announcements were triggering a grassroots response, shutting down much of what they were doing, they went underground. However, we believe that the Alliance may be resurfacing, often under other names or with their partners, gearing up to do exactly the same thing for the 2024 Elections.

More Information: _

<https://www.influencewatch.org/non-profit/u-s-alliance-for-election-excellence/>

<https://capitalresearch.org/article/the-lefts-plot-to-take-over-election-administration-part-3/>

<https://capitalresearch.org/article/tammany-hall-2-0-part-4/>

ALLIANCE PARTNERS:

[Center for Tech and Civic Life](#)

[Center for Civic Design](#)

[The Elections Group](#)

[Center for Secure and Modern Elections](#)

[U.S. Digital Response](#)

1. RESEARCH:

The first thing a citizen and/or coalition can engage in to thwart the efforts of the USAEE is to RESEARCH. Find out if the “Alliance” has been active in your county and your state. The Freedom of Information Act Requests (FOIAs) are an effective way to do this. Depending on the state, FOIAs may be referred to by another name such as *Records Reports* or *Open Records*. Filling out a FOIA is easy and can often be done online. Log on to your county’s government website and search for a *request for public records* or the equivalent. Below is an example of a request:

Hello _____:

Pursuant to **Arizona Statute - A.R.S. § 39-121.03**, Non-Commercial Purpose Request, I am making the following request.

Please provide any correspondence, including, but not limited to, emails, letters, meeting notes, call notes, between the (County Name) Dept of Elections officials and/or employees, and **The Center for Civic Design, 5443 Tates Bank Road, Cambridge, MD 21613.**

Date Range = 1/1/23 to Present

These records are for my personal use, and I am requesting that they be transmitted electronically.

Thank you.

(The highlighted portions would need to be changed for each different state and organization being researched. At the end of this guide is a list of addresses for the Alliance Partners.)

2. EXPOSE:

Now that you have information about the Alliance's activities, it is time to make it public. Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper with your current findings. Contact your local conservative news outlet or radio host and ask them to help you get the information published. If they have social media, ask them to upload it on their platforms. Share on your own social media, tagging other election integrity organizations.

Here is a link to an example of a letter to the editor:

<https://citizenselectionresearchcenter.org/letter-to-the-editor-example/>

Social Media Hashtag Examples:

#electionintegrity #USAEE #stopzuckbucks #honestelections
#fairelections #notozuckbucks

3. RECRUIT:

The next step is to recruit local citizens and/or conservative groups to peaceably engage with county officials. This is vital in invoking change. Once recruited, it is important to help train citizens on how to best engage with officials. [Example of a "Citizen's Call to Action" Flyer.](#)

ENCOURAGE a withdrawal or a denial of contract/grant(s):

Examples:

<https://citizeselectionresearchcenter.org/template-zuck-bucks-ban-county-resolution-1/> <https://citizeselectionresearchcenter.org/template-zuck-bucks-ban-county-resolution-2/> <https://citizeselectionresearchcenter.org/template-zuck-bucks-ban-ag-opinion/>

<https://citizeselectionresearchcenter.org/template-coconino-county-resolution-to-withdr-aw-from-usaee-draft/>

Alliance Partners' Physical Addresses (for FOIA Requests)

Center for Tech & Civic Life: 303 E Wacker Dr Ste 2106, Chicago, IL 60601

Center for Civic Design: 5443 Tates Bank Rd, Cambridge, MD 21613

The Elections Group: 1333 Burr Ridge PKWY STE 200, Burr Ridge, IL, 60527

Center for Secure and Modern Elections:

US Digital Response: 490 43rd Street Unit #230, Oakland, CA 94609 USA