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Description of the organization from a third party source: "Our mission is to develop a movement of independent voters for progressive post-partisan reform of the American political process. Independents seek to diminish the influence of parties and partisanship by opening up the democratic process."

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Paragraphs: Since 2018, Independent Voting has conducted a number of surveys so independents can share their thoughts. Take a look at some of the results of these surveys.; From 2022 to 2024: Independents Look Ahead; Confronting a New Reality:_x000D_

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Independents Look Ahead!; Read the results of our latest survey!; Take the Survey Here; What is Independent Voting?; If you're one of the 45% of Americans who consider themselves independent, you've come to the right place. We are a national strategy, communications and organizing center working to connect and empower the 45%. We work to gain the respect, recognition and reforms that independents deserve.; Get Involved.; A Message from Wayne Griffin_x000D_

Greenville, South Carolina; For the latest on what independents are doing across the country, sign up for The Hub.; Connect with other independents in your state.; Invest in independent voters, America's engine for political reform.; We are in this for the long haul. Welcome.; ; I want to connect to independents in my state; ; I want to educate the public about independent voters; ; Sign up for Virtual Discussions and live updates on the state of the independent movement; ; I want to join a national book club for independents; ; I want to build a network of independents; Drawing on historical and contemporary data (including survey data, participation observation, interviews, and current writings and scholarship) and providing timely new analysis, the authors argue that independents are an engine for a transformation of US democracy, perhaps even its saviors.; What makes independent voters tick?Read the results of Independent Voting's latest survey.; Democracy Unchained: How to Rebuild

Government for the People features a chapter on independent voters written by Jacqueline Salit and Thom Reilly; Independent Voting's_x000D_

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was held on October 25! Watch the event here!; The American people are rebelling against the over-reach of parties, partisanship and ideology. This is at the heart of the political disruptions which are becoming commonplace in our country.; In a blockbuster survey of close to 5,000 independent voters conducted by Independent Voting from early June through Labor Day 2018, non-aligned voters rendered a clear verdict on whether they get the respect they deserve from the media, the political parties or the candidates. A resounding 87.56% said they did not.; Morrison Institute for Public Policy at Arizona State University and the Schwarzenegger Institute for State and Global Policy have teamed up with Independent Voting to better examine the independent voter phenomenon and the impact that it is having on the American political landscape. The findings have been outlined in this important briefing paper.; Independent Voting has published a 39 page interim report outlining the progress of the EYES on 2020 campaign, which is pressing for the inclusion of independents in the presidential primaries across the country. The report includes state by state updates, a review of the significant inroads made, and sample press coverage and organizing materials.; Independent voters-the 40-50 percent of Americans who reject identification with either of the two major parties or with any party-are increasing in number and impact. Independents are determining the outcome of major elections, upending the long-held categories of political science. Drawing on historical and contemporary data (including survey data, participant observation, interviews, and current writings and scholarship) and providing timely new analysis, the authors argue that independents are an engine for a transformation of US democracy, perhaps even its saviors. Rather than "leaning" to a party or an ideology, independents vary on issues but share a deep distrust of the partisan system. What are the consequences of this distrust? What about shifting trends among Black, Latino, and Asian communities regarding party loyalty? What of young voters who eschew party identification wanting a different kind of political culture? For a wide variety of audiences, this book gives students, scholars, campaign professionals, activists, and media analysts an insight into current voting dynamics and future possibilities.; "The Independent Voter does a fantastic job chronicling the rise, and power, of the fastest-growing segment of the electorate in the United States. It is clear that more and more Americans are tired of partisan gridlock and want their leaders to be public servants, not party servants. Republicans and Democratic leaders should take note and anyone interested in the future of American Democracy should read this book." -- Arnold Schwarzenegger, Former Governor of California; Order The Independent Voter from Routledge; Democracy Unchained: How to Rebuild Government for the People, published by New Press, addresses the complex question of how to make our American democracy work to solve problems that have long impaired our system of governance. This collective work of thirty of the country's most perceptive

writers, practitioners, scientists, educators and journalists includes a chapter on the 42% of Americans who are independents. Co-authors Jackie Salit and Thom Reilly examine the power of independent voters and the pivotal role they can play in responding to the systemic failures in our political system in their chapter "Can Independent Voters Save American Democracy? Why 42 Percent of American Voters Are Independent and How They Can Transform Our Political System." On sale now.; Order Democracy Unchained Here; Both major parties, acting as if they are equivalent to the government, have created a matrix of laws, practices and precedents that make them "too big to fail," even as they have failed to move our country forward. Meanwhile, over 40% of Americans now identify themselves as independents, not as loyalists to any political party-major or minor. These voters migrate from candidate to candidate (Obama in 2008, Trump in 2016) searching for ways to put our country on the right track.; Years of putting partisan interests ahead of humanist and developmental needs have eroded public trust in the parties. Yet the political system binds us to those parties and discriminates against any voter who does not give blind loyalty to a partisan way of seeing the world. This must change.; Americans must be free to vote in all elections no matter their party status. Americans must be free to converse and to coalesce across party, racial, social, ideological and economic barriers. We need an election system that supports that kind of mobility.; The American people, by working together to retool our political system, can overcome the divisions that polarize us, rebuild our national infrastructure and deliver a decent life for all. We strive for an Independent America.; The "9 Questions for the 44%" survey asked unique questions about how independents view their place within the political system, their relationship to the parties and the rules of the electoral game. Independents from all 50 states participated and registered deep distress with the current political process and a strong desire to level the playing field.; [Click Here for Survey Results](#); Morrison Institute for Public Policy at Arizona State University and the Schwarzenegger Institute for State and Global Policy have teamed up with Independent Voting to examine the independent voter phenomenon and the impact that it is having on the American political landscape. Their findings have been outlined in the briefing paper *Gamechangers?: Independent Voters May Rewrite the Political Playbook* released October 4, 2017.; "Like Einstein's theory of relativity or Galileo's insistence that the earth revolves around the sun, new ways of seeing the dynamics of our world can be gamechanging," said Jacqueline Salit. "In our work with USC's Schwarzenegger Institute and ASU's Morrison Institute, we're showing the world new ways of seeing the independent voter. This will have a dramatic impact on the politics of our country."; "The rising number of voters in the United States who are registering and identifying as 'independent' is a very important phenomenon and is already impacting local, state and national elections," said former California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. "Understanding who these voters are and what they care about is essential to a strong democracy, and I am proud to have my Institute involved with this study."; Joseph Garcia, a lead author of the report and Director of Communication & Community Impact and Director of the Latino Public Policy Center at the Morrison Institute added this: "This paper provides an important foundation for a better understanding of independent voters, as well as the underreported undercurrent of independent sentiment in a traditionally viewed political world that is still very much

controlled by the two major parties. That long-held duo control is becoming more tenuous, however, as more voters disassociate themselves with polarizing partisanship and constricting party lines by joining the independent movement -- either by action, name or both."; Click Here to Read "Gamechangers"; "We launched EYES on 2020 in January of this year to address a hidden form of voter suppression in our national election process -- the exclusion of close to 26 million independents from the presidential primaries. We wanted to test the willingness of the parties to adapt themselves to a new and permanent set of circumstances in our democracy -- namely that upwards of 44% of Americans have become independents. They have no intention of giving up their independents to join a political party."; Jackie Salit, President; Click Here to Read "EYES on 2020: An Interim Report"; El pueblo estadounidense se esta rebelando en contra de la extralimitacion de los partidos, el partidismo, y la ideologia. Esto esta en el centro de los trastornos politicos que se estan convirtiendo en algo comun en nuestro pais.; Los dos partidos principales, actuando como si fueran el equivalente del gobierno, han creado una matriz de leyes, practicas, y precedentes que los han hecho "demasiado grandes para fallar," aun cuando no han hecho avanzar a nuestro pais. Mientras tanto, 43% de los estadounidenses ahora se identifican como independientes, no como leales a ningun partido politico - mayor o menor. Estos votantes migrance a candidato a candidato (Obama en el 2008, Trump en el 2016) buscando maneras de poner nuestro pais en el camino correcto.; Anos de poner los intereses partidistas por encima de las necesidades humanitarias y del desarrollo humano han erosionado la confianza publica en los partidos. Sin embargo, el sistema politico nos enlaza a esos partidos y discrimina contra cualquier votante que no da su lealtad ciega a una manera partidista de ver el mundo. Esto debe cambiar.; Todos los estadounidenses deben tener la libertad para votar en todas las elecciones independientemente de su afiliacion o no aun partido. Los estadounidenses deben ser libres de dialogar y unirse atravezando barreras partidistas, raciales, sociales, ideologicas, y economicas. Necesitamos un sistema electoral que apoye este tipo de movilidad.; El pueblo estadounidense, trabajando junto para a reequipar nuestro sistema politico, puede superar las divisiones que nos polarizan, y reconstruir nuestra infraestructura nacional y garantizar una vida decente para todos. Nos esforzamos por una America Independiente.; ; ; For generations, African Americans have been politically connected to the Democratic Party. Find out how that is changing and who is leading the way.; 5 days ago; Share on Facebook_x000D_

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Paragraphs: We are a national strategy, communications, and organizing center working to connect and empower the 40% of Americans who identify themselves as independents. Our mission is to develop a movement of independent voters, in partnership with Americans of all persuasions, to reform America's political process, create unorthodox coalitions and use our democracy to develop our nation.; Four in ten voters don't want to be in a political party. Why? Because parties have become special interests - perhaps the biggest special interests of all.; Independents become independents because we are repelled by the current political system-by the self-dealing and arrogance of politicians and political parties. We are 43% of the country today. Many are young. Growing numbers are from the communities of color. Among millennials and Latinos, 50% identify as independent and 35% of African American between the ages of 18 - 34 are independent. We have been, and continue to be, a restless engine for political and economic renewal.; Independents care deeply about our identity. We go by many names: "Decline to State," "Unaligned," "No Party Preference," "Other." In states where independents are forced to join a party to vote in a primary, there is anger. Voters of all persuasions believe this is unfair. When people choose a political identity that is other than what the parties want, it is an act of resistance and a step towards changing the partisan nature of the system.; Issues that animate independents across the political spectrum aren't really issues in the traditional sense. They are about process, the way things work. After this election cycle, many people became educated about the pitfalls of the process-closed primaries which locked out nearly 25 million voters; controlled presidential debates; the convention delegate selection rules; the electoral college; and so forth. Independent voters became more visible as a result. We believe that independent voters deserve respect, recognition and reform and we work in every state-

from the ground up-to make that possible.; Independents have been, and continue to be, a restless engine for political and economic renewal.; While the major political parties redefined themselves in the 1980's and the 1990's--via Reaganism and Clintonism--encroaching on each other's electoral coalitions to win the White House, diverse Americans began to chafe at the idea that the Republican and Democratic Parties reflected their aspirations for the 21st Century. The numbers of Americans who identified as independents began to grow.; During that time, independent presidential campaigns large and small--with candidates as politically diverse as Ross Perot, Lenora Fulani, Ron Paul, and Ralph Nader--demonstrated a public appetite for political alternatives. The major parties and major media railed against these "outsider" choices, ignoring or demeaning those Americans who refused to ally with any political party. To many in the progressive wing of the independent movement, it seemed that creating a new political culture would require some unorthodox coalitions and a set of meaningful structural changes to the political process itself. The percentage of independents rose to 43%. Political revolts simmered just below the surface.; We were initially founded in 1994 as the Committee for a Unified Independent Party ("CUIP"), to spur the creation of a new national party out of the Perot revolt. Our mission was to create a left/center/right multiracial alliance and to press for a set of political reform principles that empowered Americans across ideological, racial and geographic lines.; Jacqueline Salit, President of Independent Voting, is a political innovator and advocate for the rights of independent voters. She has built the largest network of independent leaders and activists in the country. Her network is a sought after coalition partner in pursuit of political and structural reform.; Salit hosts regular national conference calls with hundreds of activist independents nationwide. Her firsthand account of this growing and influential voting bloc, *Independents Rising: Outsider Movements, Third Parties and the Struggle for a Post-Partisan America*, was published in 2012 by Palgrave Macmillan.; An architect of ground breaking independent presidential runs in the 1980's and 1990's, Salit played a central role in the 1988 "Two Roads are Better Than One" campaign of Lenora Fulani, the first African American to achieve 50-state ballot access, who parlayed Jesse Jackson's Democratic Party run into a platform for black political independence. Salit was a frontline figure in shaping a coalition with Ross Perot and the Perot movement which led to the founding of the Reform Party in 1997. Within the Reform Party, Salit brought together left, right and center Americans under its non-ideological independent tent.; In 2008, Salit's network of independent voters galvanized support for Barack Obama in the open Democratic primaries, key to Obama's primary win over Hillary Clinton and his general election win over John McCain.; Salit managed Michael Bloomberg's three campaigns for New York City Mayor on the Independence Party (IP) line, playing a crucial role in delivering the IP's margin-of-victory-vote in 2001 and 2009, and the exodus of 47% of African American voters from the Democratic Party to support Bloomberg in 2005. Bloomberg and Salit partnered in 2003 in an effort to bring a nonpartisan election system to New York City. A second effort, in 2010, never came to the ballot.; Over the years, Salit and IV have supported ballot initiatives for nonpartisan primaries as well as legal and political defense of open primaries in Idaho, Hawaii, South Carolina, New Jersey, California, Oregon and Arizona._x000D_

Salit has hosted five national conferences bringing together independents, political reform leaders and community organizers from across the country. The next conference is scheduled for March 2017.; Salit's political commentaries have appeared in: USA Today, Christian Science Monitor, The Huffington Post, New York Daily News, San Francisco Chronicle, Washington Times, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Daily Beast, Legal Times, Buffalo News, Union Leader, Albany Times Union, and New York Newsday. She's been a featured commentator on CNN, MSNBC, CNBC, CBC, PBS, FOX and CSPAN.; Salit is a native of New York City and resides in Greenwich Village.; Independent Voting hosts its ninth National Conference of Independents.; Independent Voting reaches out to supporters of Bernie Sanders who are among the 24 million independents nationally blocked from voting in the first round due to closed primaries. Helps to form New Yorkers for Primary Reform after protests draw national media attention to NY's closed primary barring 3.4 million independents from voting and backs efforts in Colorado and South Dakota to open the states' primaries. CO's Prop 107 passes with 63.7% of the vote, creating an open presidential primary system that allows all voters to participate, including the 36% of voters in the state who are registered independent. Prop 108 passes with 52.5% of the vote, leveling the playing field for independents in CO, allowing them to cast ballots in state and local primaries. SD Amendment V for top two primaries receives backing from AARP and League of Women Voters and garners 45% of the vote.; Independent Voters for Arizona formed.; Independent Voting joins the EndPartisanship coalition, files lawsuit with Independent Voter Project (IVP) in NJ federal court challenging state's election process in which nearly half of voters are barred from voting in primaries because they are independent. Joins Equal Vote coalition in OR and backs passage of top two primary initiative. Missouri Independents Stand Together (MIST) founded.; Independent Voting pressures Hawaii Democratic Party to withdraw its federal lawsuit attempting to close state's primaries to independents. Democrats refuse, IV submits amicus brief. Coalition of Independent Voters of Colorado ("CIVIC") founded.; Publication of Independents Rising: Outsider Movements, Third Parties, and the Struggle for a Post-Partisan America (Palgrave Macmillan) authored by Jacqueline Salit. Publishers Weekly calls it "Earnest and informative...Covering both national and regional concerns, the book is strongest when it demystifies the movement itself...[Independents Rising] gives necessary voice to voters who are fed up with partisan politics and desire change." Independent Ohio founded. Efforts to persuade Obama to rebuild the 2008 coalition with independent voters are turned down by Obama re-election campaign leaders. Mitt Romney wins majority of the independent vote.; U.S. District Judge in South Carolina grants coalition of independents, voter groups and black elected officials organized by Independent Voting, the right to intervene in defense of state's open primary system. Groups include the South Carolina Independence Party; the South Carolina Constitution Party; the Progressive Network Education Fund, Inc. the Columbia Tea party, Inc.; and 13 members of the Black Legislative Caucus of South Carolina. Across state lines, North Carolina Independents founded.; Independent Voting, along with its California affiliate Independent Voice, works in coalition with Lieutenant Governor Abel Maldonado and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger for passage of Prop 14 for top two open primaries. Measure passes with 54% of the vote and gives state's 3.4 million independents

the right to vote in primaries. Independent Voters of Nevada founded.; Using the ChIP fusion strategy, Independent Voting mobilizes national networks to support Obama insurgency. Independents vote in 33 open primary and caucus states, giving Obama edge over Clinton. Utah League of Independent Voters founded. Independent Voting wins right to intervene in federal lawsuit brought by the Idaho GOP attempting to close the state's primary to independents and institute a system of partisan registration while representing eleven independent voters from Twin Falls, Salmon, Filer and Jerome, along with The American Independent Movement of Idaho (AIM).; Independent Voting's New Hampshire affiliate helps defeat HB 196 which would have denied independents the right to re-claim their independent status at the polls immediately after voting in a statewide primary.; CUIP establishes IndependentVoting.org as its dba name. Independent Pennsylvanians founded.; CUIP launches Let Nader Debate campaign, a grassroots petitioning effort calling for independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader's inclusion in the debates. Thousands of signatures are gathered and sent to President Bush in an open letter urging him to use his authority as president to intervene in the matter.; Nonpartisan elections measure, a means to transfer power from the parties to the people, is placed on the ballot in New York City by Mayor Bloomberg's Charter Revision Commission. Initiative draws fierce opposition from the parties, the media and the political establishment. Similar efforts follow in California, Oregon and Arizona. CUIP initiates Choosing an Independent President (ChIP) process. Howard Dean, John Edwards, Dennis Kucinich, Al Sharpton, and Ralph Nader participate, leading to a partnership with Ralph Nader in 2004. Four years later, the ChIP process yields support for Barack Obama. Independents deliver Obama's margin of victory over Hillary Clinton. CUIP supporters and affiliate groups hold debate watch parties.; CUIP California affiliate Independent Voice forms. Independents representing a cross section of local and national third parties and voter associations submit a formal Advisory Opinion Request to the Federal Elections Commission, asking the FEC to allow federal funding to be allocated to a coalition who, in the aggregate, earn 5% of the national vote for their respective candidates. The FEC refu

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Summaries of Links: Independent Voting is an organization dedicated to promoting and supporting independent voters in the United States. They advocate for open primaries, ranked-choice voting, and other reforms that they believe will make the electoral system more fair and representative. The organization also works to educate voters about their rights and options, and to encourage them to participate in the political process.

Independent Voting has a presence on social media platforms such as YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and also has a website and a newsletter. They offer resources such as surveys, reports, and activist training, and have a network of affiliates and activists across the country. The organization also hosts events and conferences, and has published books and articles on the topic of independent voting."""