

Game on! Now is the time people!



Curing the Mid-Term Blues

Have you been seeing predictions of Democratic losses this November that have left you feeling hopeless + discouraged? You're not alone.

The pundits are absolutely right that the traditional midterm indicators are not in our favor...*right now*.

The election, however, is still eight months away.

At this point in 2016, few thought that Donald Trump would become the Republican nominee, let alone the President.

At this point in 2018, few people thought the Democrats could flip 41 seats + win the majority in the House.

At this point in 2020, few people—I would venture to say no one—thought the Democrats would flip the Senate by winning two runoffs in Georgia.

So, for all their insight and knowledge, the pundits can't see the future. The truth is that we are in a period of uncertainty + there is plenty of space for us to act + influence the outcomes.

The path to victory this November to some extent lies within us.

Being on this path means keeping hope alive + knowing that what we do in the next eight months matters. By taking action together we can create that hope + spread it to others.

We all have a part to play in shaping the outcome of the midterms + the future of our country.

Don't let anyone tell you otherwise.

REDISTRICTING good news

In the new maps so far:

181 Democratic-leaning seats 177 Republican-leaning seats 33 highly competitive seats

Change from old maps:

+11 Democratic-leaning seats -6 Republican-leaning seats -6 highly competitive seats.

PEACE + DEMOCRACY

The war in Ukraine has recently commanded our attention. Political machinations on our own shores, while grave, are dwarfed by the despicable acts of war, the resulting horrific humanitarian crisis, and the unthinkable threat of global war. Let us not forget, especially now, that we need leaders who work to defend and strengthen democracy both in the US and abroad as authoritarian forces gather. Tragically, the events in Ukraine represent only one of many fronts of this worldwide struggle. We are reminded both of the fragility of democracy in the face of autocratic forces and of the need to be vigilant and proactive in upholding and advancing democratic principles.

Here is a [link to an excellent New York Times article](#) with information about ways to support Ukraine with donations. And remember, your funding of Force Multiplier's candidates and groups supports leadership that protects democratic values everywhere.

WHAT'S NEW House + Senate Slates

FM's political research committee has identified new opportunities to make a difference in key races. Our slates will continue to evolve during this election cycle. The full slate of House and Senate races supported by FM can be found [here](#).

New to the House Slate:



Rep. Sharice Davids (KS-3) has served in Congress since 2018. She has the distinction of being the only Democrat in the Kansas congressional delegation and the only Native American in the House. An attorney and former martial arts artist, Rep. Davids has been a staunch supporter of Biden's policies. Committee assignments include the Committee on Small Business (Chair of the Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax, and Capital Access) and Vice Chair of Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Rep. Davids' formidable opponent is former Chair of the Kansas Republican Party. Her '22 race is currently rated Toss-Up by Cook, Sabato and Inside Elections. [DONATE TO SHARICE](#)





Rep. Angie Craig (MN-2) was first elected to the House in 2018. She is a former journalist and healthcare executive and was the first Democrat elected in MN-2 since the district assumed its current configuration in 2003. She has supported Biden's stated positions 100% of the time. Her committee assignments include Agriculture, Energy, and Commerce, and Small Business. Cook and Sabato rate this very competitive race as Toss-Up while Inside Elections rates it Tilt Democrat.

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The Senate: On to Wisconsin

Wisconsin turned blue in '20 and now offers us one of our best opportunities to pick up a seat and expand our Senate majority in '22.

A **Nominee Fund** has been created to support the eventual Democratic candidate to be determined by the Wisconsin primary on August 9. He or she will face off against incumbent Sen. Ron Johnson, Republican. The nominee fund accumulates and holds funds in escrow until the nominee is selected. Funds raised are released to the candidate only at that point.

[DONATE TO THE WISCONSIN NOMINEE FUND](#)

Join the FM **POD SQUAD**

The goal of our **COMMON DENOMINATOR PODS** is to help grow our community + our donor base to elect Democrats who will advance our agenda. We can creatively connect the dots between supporting Democrats in the 2022 midterms + achieving the national policies + programs we all care about.

What are **COMMON DENOMINATOR PODS**?

- A group of four to nine people from around the country with a common interest meet on Zoom. You'll meet interesting people who share your values + work together to help expand networks + get the word out about FM's efforts.
- FM PODs will decide their own meeting schedule + will develop special networking + donation projects that support FM's expansion.
- A POD FACILITATOR will harness the ideas + connections + energy of these vibrant working groups + assist by bringing knowledge of FM + its mission.

Together, we will explore new networks, groups and creative ways to help FM grow.

Which **COMMON DENOMINATOR POD** works for you?

The Climate Change + Environmental Pod
The Voter Empowerment + Social Justice Pod

Please [email Beth](#) if you are interested in joining a pod.

FAQ **Force Multiplier**

"Why should I donate through FM instead of directly to candidates I like and agree with?"

If your priority is to maintain and build the Democratic majority in Washington, you probably want to donate to candidates with the best chance of winning if they are supported — candidates without large amounts of money already, who need our help.

FM does deep research to identify those candidates so that you don't have to. Since FM does not receive any of your donation, the same amount will go to your candidate either way.

"I don't totally agree with some of FM's candidates on some issues. Why should I donate to them?"

Here at FM our only concern is electing Democrats because we know that we can count on Democrats to advance our policy priorities. Rather than focusing on individual candidates and their positions, we are focused on the collective impact of having Democratic majorities in the House and Senate. Having the majority gives us committee chairs and the ability to set the agenda and move forward on climate change, the economy, voting rights and other issues that are important to us all.

"How many people are on your staff?"

We have no paid staff at FM. All the work, other than "multiplying," is done by a group of about 22 volunteers, many of whom spend most of their waking hours on Force Multiplier. We have no budget, no bank account, and we are not incorporated in any way. Our small costs are carried by small donations into a "kitty" made by those 22 volunteers as they are able.

OUR MISSION

is to empower people and multiply their impact on democratic institutions + the electoral process by raising funds for **DEMOCRATIC** candidates for **FEDERAL OFFICE** + for groups that **DEFEND + EXPAND THE RIGHT TO VOTE**.



From Here to the Midterms

Meet Reps. Sharice Davids (KS 03), Dan Kildee (MI 08), and Susan Wild (PA 07), all three in districts we must win in November to hold, and hopefully build, our majority in Congress.

Monday, March 28
7:00-8:00pm ET on Zoom
[REGISTER + DONATE](#)

The BLUE SURGE
TURNOUT FUND 

Voter Empowerment
at its best... a partnership between FM + America Votes

Support 35 groups that are doing the important work turning out Blue Surge voters in the 2022 midterm

election.

[DONATE](#)

THANK YOU

Our last events were a great success!

America Votes Event

345 people contributed **\$53,131**
to the Blue Surge Voter Fund.

Cheri Beasley (NC)

468 donated to her campaign
We raised **\$56,320!**



FM INFO SESSION!

Stop by for FM Info session + talk with someone on our leadership team. These sessions are helpful to the curious + FM newbies + anyone in the FM community.

Wed. March 23, 12:00-1:00pm ET

[REGISTER for the LINK](#)

HELP FM GROW + have impact

Do you belong to a group, an association, a flock, a herd, a school, or a pack (not a PAC)? We'd like to introduce Force Multiplier to your organization + invite your members to our Zoom events. Examples include local Democratic clubs, Indivisible groups, community coalitions, alumni groups, professional organizations, condo associations... If you trust Force Multiplier to help you make strategic political investment decisions, then why not share us with your hive, clutch or gaggle? For more information, please [email Laura](#).

MULTIPLIER CORNER

Almost since inception, our Multiplier program has significantly expanded Force Multiplier's donor base, impact, and national reach. It consistently raises more than 20% of the funds that we send to our candidates and grassroots voter empowerment groups.

We recently held a couple of meetings so Multipliers could learn from each other about best ways to get our messages out to friends, family, and colleagues.

Participants expressed deep appreciation for having an opportunity to be actively spreading the word about the work we do. And they learned some strategies for increasing their multiplying effectiveness like becoming familiar with FM through our "Skinny," making phone contact with individuals before sending our invitations, using our Multiplier Resource Files for templates and ideas and more.

If you're not currently a Multiplier and would like to learn more, please email [Steven Krugman](#).





House Parties aren't fundraisers, but one-hour long informational Zoom meetings. You invite the guests with help from us + we take care of the rest. In the 2020 election cycle we held 200 House Parties which were instrumental in the amazing expansion of our community + resulting successes.

We're looking forward to similar momentum in the coming months. We're organized + ready to go with plenty of dates available. If you'd like to see a list of possible dates, click [here](#). Send me an email to get the ball rolling with a couple of options or with any questions you may have.

Let's do it! Warmly, [Fern Fisher](#)
House Party Coordinator



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