



# THE TORCH

The Official Newsletter of Liberty Is Essential PAC.



# LIBERTY IS ESSENTIAL



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People often refer to Liberty when they mention the Declaration of Independence or the US Constitution. We have a statue on Ellis Island that invokes Liberty. Thomas Jefferson listed Liberty as one of the unalienable Rights endowed by their Creator to all men (humans). So, what is Liberty?

The dictionary defines Liberty as "the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views." The word Liberty is a noun. The word is synonymous with independence, autonomy, and sovereignty. Liberty is something that we possess, or perhaps more appropriately, something we own.

Government does not bestow Liberty upon us. As a matter of fact, Thomas Jefferson clearly stated that the Creator provided Liberty to us and that it is an object that cannot be taken away from us or even given away by us. Let me reiterate meaning of unalienable (inalienable) - unable to be taken away from or given away by the possessor. You see, society cannot decide to forfeit Liberty because it is an unalienable Right. Even if you choose to subjugate yourself to the authority of someone else, you still possess Liberty. You cannot lose it and it cannot be taken from you.

Government's role is to secure and protect our Liberty. Once again, Thomas Jefferson made this clear in The Preamble to the Declaration of Independence when he said "That to secure these Rights, governments are instituted among men." Therefore, the only truly viable laws would be those which protect someone's Liberty, not attempt to restrict it. This concept is the basis for James Madison's assertion in the Fourteenth Amendment to the US Constitution that "nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without the due process of law;". Our laws are supposed to be designed to protect our Rights and, therefore, when someone intentionally and willfully infringes upon our Rights, they can be lawfully deprived of theirs.

So, Liberty is an intangible possession that cannot be taken from us or given away by us. Yes, we can temporarily be deprived of Liberty as recompense for infringing on the Rights of others. However, that is a slippery slope which must be carefully and constantly monitored for abuses, because there is a very fine line between "secure these Rights" and "oppressive restrictions". We must be ever vigilant in protecting our Liberty.

Liberty is akin to Faith. You cannot see it. You cannot touch it. You can, however, perceive it. You must cherish it and protect it from those who would convince you that it doesn't exist and that you are somehow foolish for believing in its existence.

In subsequent chapters, I will discuss why our American government today, especially at the local and state government levels in Indiana today, are oppressively restrictive in a multitude of ways. I will discuss the oppressive nature of income taxes, property taxes, repetitive excise taxes, "public" education, occupational licensing, health department regulations, business licenses, building permits, zoning ordinances, tax increment financing, and many other government activities that are infringements on our Liberty.

Liberty is both the foundation of freedom and the cornerstone of the American Way of Life. If we allow government to deprive us of our Liberty, our freedom and way of life will crumble before us. Liberty is the single most important concept to protecting all of our other Rights. Liberty is essential!

In Liberty,

*Donald Rainwater*



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## 93.1 WIBC The Mock 'N Rob Show



Don joined Rob Kendall and, guest host, Micah Beckwith on Mock 'N Rob on 93.1FM WIBC on Friday, September 17th.

Don and Rob discussed the Worldwide Freedom Rally, voter confidence and election integrity, redistricting, and the importance of the upcoming Secretary of State race in 2022.

You can hear the full interview by clicking on the image above or following this link [The Mock 'n Rob Show - 93.1FM WIBC](#). Don's segment takes place in hour 1 of the show between the 16 and 26 minute marks.



## Indiana Constitutional Coalition and Worldwide Freedom Rally

On September 18, 2021, Don was invited to speak at the Indiana Constitutional Coalition at Memorial Park in Lebanon, Indiana. He was joined by several other guest speakers just prior to a car rally past Governor Holcomb's mansion.

Following this event, Don and Liberty is Essential PAC headed to Carmel, Indiana to participate in the Worldwide Freedom Rally. Speakers at this event included coordinator Holly Harter, Micah Beckwith, Donald Rainwater, and medical professionals.

These events were created to allow Hoosiers an opportunity to voice their concerns and gather to support:

**Freedom of Speech**  
**Freedom of Movement**  
**Freedom of Choice**  
**Freedom of Assembly**  
**Freedom of Health**

To hear Don's speech in it's entirety, click on the video link below.



You can learn more about Operation Take Back America on their website: [Operation Take Back America | Beginning a patriotic journey](#)

Follow Indiana Constitutional Coalition on Facebook: [Indiana Con\\$titution@I Co@lition](#)

## Jonesboro Bike Rally 2021

The Jonesboro Bike Rally is the largest annual motorcycle rally held in Indiana. Don joined up with the Libertarian Party of Grant County to spread liberty and to discuss minimizing government and maximizing freedoms with visiting Hoosiers from around the state.

Special thanks to the LPGC for inviting Liberty is Essential to join them at the Jonesboro Bike Rally!

If you are in Grant County, Indiana and want to learn more about your local Libertarian Party, you can follow them on Facebook: [Libertarian Party of Grant County | Facebook](#)



### **Mission of Liberty Is Essential**

*The mission of Liberty Is Essential PAC is to promote individual liberty and constitutionally-limited government in the state of Indiana and it's 92 counties.*

## Life. Liberty. Property Rights Rally



On Wednesday, September 29th, Elizabeth Coquillard, Ty Shively and the Marshall County Libertarian Party partnered with Libertarian Party of Indiana District 2 and the Libertarian Party of Indiana to coordinate a rally in Bourbon, Indiana to support local resident Suzanne Afolabi.

Afolabi lost her family home back in May when an electrical fire broke out. The insurance company she is using has provided her a temporary trailer to live in while she waits for the insurance money for her new home. Unfortunately, some neighbors are not happy with the temporary home.

Neighbors and other locals of Bourbon, Indiana have complained to the zoning board in an effort to have Afolabi's temporary home removed from her property while she awaits construction on a new home.

While the rally on September 29th attracted attention and support in the town, the final judgement has yet to be handed down from the zoning board which will take place at the town Zoning meeting on October 11th in Bourbon Indiana.

Interested in following this story or attending the October 11th Zoning meeting? Follow here: [Libertarian Party of Marshall County | Facebook](#)

### **Vision of Liberty Is Essential**

*The vision of Liberty Is Essential PAC is to elect and appoint government officials throughout Indiana who prioritize Life, Liberty, Property, and the pursuit of Happiness, as defined by the individual, instead of special interests and partisanship.*

<https://libertyisessential.us>

# Online Store Now OPEN!

Liberty Is Essential PAC has partnered with [Proud Libertarian](#). You can now get some cool gear and support the efforts of Liberty Is Essential PAC and Donald Rainwater too.

The Liberty Is Essential store is now open at <https://www.proudlibertarian.com/col.../liberty-is-essential>.

A portion of every purchase is donated to keep Liberty Is Essential working on Hoosier issues like election integrity; constitutional carry; educational choice; eliminating asset forfeiture, income tax, and property tax; and supporting liberty-minded candidates who can defeat the corrupt incumbents in the Indiana General Assembly.

Take a look at what's available!



# Have you joined the new Liberty Is Essential online community?

Liberty Is Essential's online community is a great way to network with liberty-minded people who are interested in reducing the size and scope of government.

Our platform is a place where you are welcome to express your thoughts and ideas without fear of being banned or blocked for disagreeing on an issue. While not everyone who joins our social network community will agree on every issue, we believe the exchange of ideas and respectful debate are healthy. With that said, we do hope our members will refrain from personal attacks and vicious rhetoric that have made other social media platforms unpleasant and counterproductive.

Liberty Is Essential PAC believes in preserving the right to unabridged speech and will not censor or cancel speech with which we disagree or do not like. We are dedicated to working to defend your right to speak freely on this platform.

We hope this social network community will entertain, inform and educate us all. Are you ready to join Donald Rainwater, Liberty Is Essential, and other liberty-minded Hoosiers at [Liberty Is Essential \(mn.co\)](https://libertyisessential.com)?

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to building out our community with you.

## **Team Liberty Is Essential**

### **We Need Your Help!**

We are seeking individuals who are looking to write content, fund raise, and assist with outreach projects.

If interested, please connect with us at:

<https://libertyisessential.us/contact>

We can't wait to meet you!

### **Become A Loyal Torch Bearer!**

**The October 2021 online fundraising goal is \$3000.**  
*To sustain our work and to continue to provide resources for candidates in upcoming election cycles, Liberty Is Essential PAC needs your financial support.*

Let's not waste another moment saying,  
"If only we had started earlier".

**Donate today!**

[www.libertyisessential.us/donate](https://www.libertyisessential.us/donate)

**Your Support Is Essential!**

"SUCCESS SHOULD BE MEASURED ON  
HOW FREE YOU ARE."



# UPCOMING EVENTS ACROSS THE STATE

## OCTOBER 7-10, 2021: FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL

Location: Courthouse Square

Address: Main Street, Martinsville, IN 46151

Time: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Visit [Fall Foliage Festival \(morgancountyfallfoliagefestival.com\)](http://morgancountyfallfoliagefestival.com) for full event details.

Libertarian Party of Morgan County will be participating.

Visit <https://signup.com/Group/57824872057/> to sign up for volunteer opportunities

## October 11, 2021: Bourbon, Indiana Zoning Meeting

Details TBD

## October 16, 2021: FREEDOM RALLY & DONATION DRIVE

**FREEDOM RALLY  
&  
DONATION DRIVE**

NO Mandates NO Indoctrination NO Tyranny  
NO Censorship NO Overreach

**Sat. October 16, 2021**  
**11am - 2pm**  
**Indiana State House**  
**South Lawn**

Come hear Speakers like:

- Donald Rainwater - 2020 Gubernatorial Candidate, U.S. Navy Veteran
- Pastor Micah Beckwith - Life Church Noblesville, Constitutionalist
- Danny Niederberger - 2022 Candidate, U.S. Senate IN
- Curt Nisly - IN State Representative District 22
- Dr. Ping - Educator, Writer, Inventor & Christian
- Sommer Tolley - Purple for Parents, Child Advocate
- Paige Miller - Unify Carmel & Retired Teacher of 33 yrs.
- Melinda Griesemer - RN, Indpls Medical Consulting & Johnson Co. Council
- Ashley Grogg - Founder of Hoosiers for Medical Liberty

Donation Drive for homeless - Please bring items such as:  
Personal Hygiene Products, Canned or Non-Perishable Food items, Clothes,  
Shoes, Coats, Hats...if you aren't using it, someone else can!

    

Indiana OTBA  
on Telegram

Brought to you through the combined efforts of:  
Indiana Citizens Response Team, Indiana OTBA - Operation Take Back America  
Purple for Parents & PAGO - Parents Against Government Overreach

Do you have an event you would like Liberty Is Essential to attend or would like to share it with a large community of liberty-minded Hoosiers? If so, please contact us at: <https://libertyisessential.us/contact>.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Stay Connected**





# THANK YOU!

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