

Why Vote?

To Accept Our Responsibility

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Our country, our home, was built on the idea that every citizen should be allowed the right to vote, the right to have an opinion and say of what happens to our society. Countless Americans have sacrificed so much in order to get the chance to vote, and often, it was against the greatest odds. One out of ten Americans died when fighting in the American Revolution, countless immigrants have resisted the racism that followed them to the poll-booth, and women had worked for a long time for the chance to have their voice heard. And yet, when these different groups succeed in their mission to bring change to the society, we find out that very few people actually do vote. One such group is the rising stars of our nation, the young adult population. With the passing of the Twenty-Sixth Amendment, it seemed that when citizen in the United States reached 18, they would start to have a say in what happens in the country. However, when we look at the trends, we see that only about 1 out of 4 young adults actually do end up voting.

This is something that we, as the new generation of America, have to change. We are the rising stars of this new era, the new generation that is meant to create a much better world. But how, I ask you, are we to create that new world when 3 out of 4 of us can not make the commitment to go to the polls and make change. How are we to do anything that would invite change when we are ourselves unwilling to do so. We are the youngest generation of voters, and there are so many things that need to be addressed in this new world. There are wars being fought, natural disasters waiting to occur, and countless other catastrophes that could happen any moment without our voice. When will we take the responsibility of the country that has been passed down to us, the responsibility to create a freer and better world? Will it be when it is too late, when those who are about to die hand us the mess that they have created? Or should it be now, when we can still fix the system before it crumbles? I'm asking you now, as a citizen of the United States, as a person living in the same generation as you, to step up and have our voices be heard. I am asking you to accept the responsibility of the world that we have inherited. I am asking you to help create the American Dream. I am asking you to Vote.