

## Florida

**Sabino Jarquin - Miami**



Nicaraguan server who was laid off due to COVID-19 from La Pausa, Areas USA at Miami International Airport. He tested positive and was hospitalized and intubated for over two weeks with COVID-19 along with his wife. Canvassing in Miami-Dade.

*"I'm canvassing because receiving unemployment benefits in Florida has been a complete disaster. Trump and Governor DeSantis have failed us. After being laid off and hospitalized with COVID-19, I came home to a pile of bills and no idea how I would pay them."*

**Yolette Lareus - Miami**



Cook for 27 years at Calder Casino. Single mom of two who was laid off in March due to COVID-19. She's struggled for months to receive a \$275 weekly unemployment payment from Governor DeSantis.

*"Donald Trump insulted my home country of Haiti, calling us a 'shithole country.' But I'm not a shithole person, and I don't see how Haitians in America, like me, can make it through another four years of Trump."*

**Faberna Pierre - Miami**



Young Haitian cashier laid off from the Fort Lauderdale Airport in March due to COVID-19. She waited seven months before receiving her first unemployment check the State of Florida.

*"I immigrated with my parents from Haiti when I was 15 years old. For people like me and my parents, our lives depend on this election. I've knocked on over 3,000 doors, and my mom is calling all her friends, helping to arrange rides. Everything is on the line."*

**Harry East - Miami**



Black American. Laid off banquet server at the Diplomat Beach Resort who has worked in the hospitality industry for over 45 years.

*"I'm 64 years old and I've had two knee surgeries, but I don't let that slow me down. I'm walking the streets, canvassing every day, because I'm fiercely committed to delivering Florida for Joe Biden."*

**Charles Williams - Orlando**



Cook at Disney World, Black American canvassing in predominantly African-American neighborhoods in Orange County, encouraging less likely voters to get to the polls. He lives with his wife in Polk county.

*"This Spring, I lost my mother to COVID-19, so I'm canvassing in her memory. We need to elect Joe Biden to prevent more deaths as this pandemic goes on, to make sure that my mother's death and the deaths of the hundreds of thousands of others aren't in vain."*

**Francesca Clerizier – Orlando**



Housekeeper at Disney World, is a widow and the mother of six children. She is a TPS holder from Haiti.

*"I have Temporary Protected Status, so I can't vote in this election. But for TPS holders like me, everything is on the line. Under another Trump presidency, I'm worried that I will be deported, and my family separated. I canvass because I want people who are able to vote to think of me when they cast their ballot."*

**Jessica Pedro - Orlando**



Cook at Disney World. Puerto Rican, Hurricane Maria refugee who is the only member of her family on the mainland U.S.

*"This will be my first time ever voting in a presidential election, because this is my first election on the mainland. I came to Florida after Hurricane Maria, and I'm here supporting my family who are still feeling the effects of Trump's disastrous response to the hurricane. Puerto Ricans like me remember Trump's response to the hurricane, and we're going to remind him on Election Day."*

**John Restrepo - Orlando**



Server at Disney World, 25 years old. Arrived from Colombia with his parents when he was six. DACA recipient.

*"I have DACA, and because of that I'm not able to vote in the election. I'm canvassing because this election is so important, and I feel that I can do my part by making sure that others take advantage of their opportunity to cast a ballot."*

## Pennsylvania

### Earlene Bly - Philadelphia



Black American in her 50's, grandmother, born & raised in Philly. Former hotel room attendant, most of her work life in the industry. Canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"I believe in 2<sup>nd</sup> chances. I'm proud to be a recovering addict, and I'm willing to give Biden and Harris a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance to fix any past mistakes. I truly believe they will make a difference in this country, so I don't have to fear for the safety of my children and grandchildren."*

### Rob Pate - Philadelphia



Black American in his late 30's, father, born and raised in Philly. As a casino cook, Rob was laid off for many months due to COVID. He's been canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"I have 5 children, ages 9, 10, 13, 15 and 16. What bothers me most is the blatant racism that Trump encourages. Growing up in the South, I was disrespected because of the color of my skin. I don't want my kids to grow up being treated differently because they're Black."*

### Nene Diallo - Philadelphia



Immigrant from Guinea, West Africa, has lived in Philly for over a decade. She was laid off from her airline catering job last Spring. Recently became a citizen last Fall. Canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"My husband was deported back to Guinea shortly after I became a citizen, and I'm now raising my three children by myself. That includes helping them with virtual learning, which has been very challenging for them. I'm eager to vote for president for the first time."*

### Corean Holloway - Philadelphia



Black American in her 60's. Long-time union leader, laundry attendant at the Radisson Warwick Hotel. Canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"I was born and raised in South Carolina, and my siblings and I were the ones to desegregate our elementary school, so we know a little bit about standing up to take what's ours. Trump's response to COVID-19 has been a disaster—we need a change in the White House."*



**Briheem Douglas - Philadelphia**



Black American in his late 30's, father of 3 small boys, born & raised in Philly. Former Stadiums concessions worker.

*"My 21-year-old niece Brianna was hospitalized on the same day she was supposed to graduate from high school. She passed away in late Sept leaving behind a 1-year-old daughter, who my family is now caring for. This didn't have to be. I dedicate my work on this campaign to her memory."*

**Charles Patton - Philadelphia**



Black American in his 30's, born & raised in Philly. Laid off food service worker from PHL airport. Has a mother who is disabled who he cares for—healthcare is a big issue for him. Canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"COVID-19 would never have gotten this big if somebody else was President—somebody who spent more time focusing on what actually matters, instead of tweeting."*

**Renee Wilson - Philadelphia**



Black American in her 50's, grandmother, born & raised in Philly, longtime worker in casino and hospitality industries, laid off hotel front desk agent. Canvassing full-time in Philly since Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"I got COVID-19 from a guest at my hotel back in March. I got very sick and was hospitalized, in part because I had pre-existing medical issues. After I recovered and returned to work, I was laid-off. I want to Take Back our Health because I need affordable health care that covers pre-existing conditions."*

**Arizona**

**Marisela Mares – Phoenix**



Food service worker, Latina. Marisela was instrumental in helping organize her 800 food service coworkers in the middle of pandemic to win the union. Canvassing in Arizona since August.

*"I first got involved with electoral politics when I was just 14, as a volunteer on the Adios Arpaio campaign. One of the things that pushed me to action was growing up in Arizona during SB1070—I witnessed my state's anti-immigrant tendencies firsthand. I'm also a member of the LGBTQIA community, and having access to healthcare is crucial for me."*



**Lucia Salinas – Phoenix**



Cook at Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport, Lucia was laid off and lost her healthcare after the pandemic began. Canvassing since August in Arizona.

*“When I lost my job because of the pandemic, it took two months for my unemployment to kick in, and when it did, the \$214 a week I received wasn’t enough. I had to collect scraps of metal and ration diabetes medication between myself and my mother. I went back to work in July, but I don’t work enough hours and do I don’t qualify for health insurance through my employer.”*

**Marilyn Wilbur – Phoenix**



Food service worker at Arizona State University, Black American. Canvassing in Arizona since August.

*“I’m a cancer survivor and military veteran—I served four tours in Iraq. I’m also a single mother who is parent to a child with special needs. So there are so many things at stake for me and my family in this election, including racial and economic justice, and health care for my family.”*

**Jaime Gomez – Los Angeles/Phoenix**



A cook at the Balboa Bay Club, Jaime was laid off in March because of the pandemic and was brought back to work in May.

*“Trump’s failed coronavirus response made me the sole provider for my family. In addition to economic support, my 63-year-old father lost his job due to the pandemic, and he depends me for health care. I came to Phoenix from Los Angeles in September to canvass and flip the state. We deserve better than Trump.”*