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Former Speaker Larry Householder should resign from the House All dirty money donations should be returned

Ohio's Republican political operatives have created a culture of corruption in Columbus. They used their relationships with big business to win positions of power and line their pockets. Five of Ohio's top Republican influencers were arrested in July by the FBI and accused of a multi-year plot to funnel \$1.3 billion directly from Ohioans pockets to nuclear plant owners First Energy.

The corrupt move also crushed renewable energy investment, hobbling First Energy's competitors. In exchange, First Energy allegedly donated more than \$60 million to bank accounts controlled by Householder. Republican candidates and elected officials across Ohio benefitted from Householder's substantial donations to their campaigns. The others arrested included former Ohio Republican Party Chairman Matthew Borges; Republican lobbyists Neil Clark and Juan Cespedes; and Republican political strategist Jeff Longstreth.

During these uncertain times when all our lives are at risk from a once-in-a lifetime pandemic, Ohioans need leaders who will look out for their best interests. Time and again, Ohio's Republican elite have rigged the political system in their favor through often-shady relationships with corporate overlords. Speaker Householder came to power after former Republican Speaker Rosenberger resigned amid a different federal investigation into public corruption and payday lending corporations.

Despite his arrest, Householder returned to the



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Rep. Larry Householder, who was removed as Speaker of the Ohio House after his arrest on federal racketeering charges, returned to the Statehouse on Sept. 1, despite calls for him to step down. Here he speaks to Rep. Phil Plummer.

State House floor in September. He said he would take his seat in the next Legislature if he is re-elected. He faces only write-in candidates.

The Montgomery County Democratic Party demands Householder resign his seat in the House immediately. In addition, all candidates, elected officials, and political organizations that received donations from Householder or his accused criminal affiliates should immediately return them. This dirty money doesn't belong in our political system.

This sordid story shows that it has never been more important for everyone to vote this November. It's up to us to put an end to the corruption in Washington and Columbus.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 23, 6:00 p.m.

Phonebank for Desiree Tims for Congress hosted by Greater Dayton Young Democrats
Sign-up: [Mobilize.us/ohdems/event/310334](https://mobilize.us/ohdems/event/310334)

Friday, September 25, 9:30 a.m.

Gruner for Engineer Golf Outing at Meadowbrook in Clayton.
Sign-up: grunerforengineer@gmail.com

Tuesday, September 29, 9:00 p.m.

First Televised Presidential Debate

Wednesday, September 30, 6:00 p.m.

MCDP Virtual Judicial Fundraiser
Honoring Judges Gorman and Froelich
More Info: [MontgomeryDems.org/judicial-fundraiser](https://montgomerydems.org/judicial-fundraiser)

Thursday, October 8, 4:00 p.m.

Drive-Thru Picnic Fundraiser for Mark E. Owens, Dayton Clerk of Court
More Info: <https://bit.ly/3c0ignA>

Thursday, October 8, 6:30 p.m.

Socially Distant Drive-In Movie Night Event with Marshall Lachman for Judge
More Info: jocelyn.rhynard@gmail.com

VOTE EARLY BY MAIL

Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, Oct. 5

Early Voting Begins/Requested Ballots

Mailed: Oct. 6

1) Request an absentee ballot. Instructions and application available at montgomery.boe.ohio.gov/absentee-voting.

Triple check that your application is complete and accurate -- pay special attention to item #3 and #6!

2) Complete your mailed ballot fully using the MCDP Sample Ballot available on [MontgomeryDems.org](https://montgomerydems.org).

3) You can mail your application/ballot OR put it in the drop-box on Vista View Drive between Second Street and Third Street behind the Montgomery County Administration building.

SEPT. MCDP MEETING

Thursday, Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m.

(Executive Committee meets at 7:00 p.m.)

Our September Executive and Central Committee meetings will be held via Zoom for all voting members. Others will have the opportunity to watch the meeting taking place via Facebook Live. Voting members will be required to log-in to Zoom and use a special link to participate in voting.

Executive and Central Committee members will receive a link to join the meeting by email.

Agenda

1. Treasurer's report
2. Committee reports
3. Club reports
4. Candidate/Campaign updates
5. Upcoming events and volunteer opportunities
6. Report on Ladies Luncheon

VOTE EARLY IN-PERSON

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1) Bring your ID and the MCDP Sample Ballot available on [MontgomeryDems.org](https://montgomerydems.org)

2) Go to the Board of Elections located in the basement of the Montgomery County Administration building at 451 W. Third St., Dayton, OH 45422.

Early Vote In-Person Hours:

Mon. - Fri., Oct. 6-9 and Oct. 12-16: 8am - 5pm

Mon. - Fri., Oct. 19-23: 8am - 6pm

Saturday, Oct. 24: 8am - 4pm

Sunday, Oct. 25: 1pm - 5pm

Mon. - Fri., Oct. 26-30: 8am - 7pm

Saturday, Oct. 31: 8am - 4pm

Sunday, Nov. 1: 1pm - 5pm

Monday, Nov. 2: 8am - 2pm