



## WHAT IS EMERGE KENTUCKY?

Emerge Kentucky is an affiliate of Emerge America – the premier training program for Democratic women, inspiring them to run and honing their skills to win. Our goal is clear: to increase the number of Democratic women in political office. Emerge America is operating in nine states including Kentucky.

Emerge Kentucky implements an annual seven-month training program that consists of 25 Democratic women who convene monthly to learn campaign skills, techniques and to network with Kentucky's leading women and politicians. Training topics include:

**Public Speaking**

**Campaign Strategy**

**Labor and Endorsements**

**Media Skills and Message**

**Fundraising**

**Field Organization**

**Networking**

**Ethics in Politics**

## WHY EMERGE KENTUCKY?

Kentucky ranks 45<sup>th</sup> among the states for women in elected office and among the 120 county judge executives, only six are women and two were appointed by Governor Steve Beshear. There are only 15% women in the General Assembly and many seats go unchallenged simply because there are not enough candidates in the pipeline.

## EMERGE GETS RESULTS

Emerge America is changing the face of politics by building a pool of highly qualified Democratic candidates. And we get results! Emerge America now has **512 alumnae** and nine program classes in session each year. So far 41% of our alumnae have already run for office or been appointed to boards and commissions. Of those who have run for office, **60% of Emerge alumnae have won**. We also have a strong record of diversity; 40% of our program members are women of color.

## GET INVOLVED

The success of Emerge Kentucky will be built upon the strength of our board and volunteers. You can help us succeed a number of ways by joining the board, serving on a committee, hosting a house party and recruiting program members. Our volunteer active committees include:

**Finance & Fundraising**

**Recruitment & Selection**

**Curriculum**

**Communications**

**Board Development**

## HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT US

Support the work we do by making a **multi-year commitment** and contributing today.

Become a **founding sister or brother** with a contribution of \$1,000.

**Invest** in Emerge Kentucky by making a contribution of \$50, \$100 or \$500. We can accept checks or credit cards and corporate checks are acceptable.

*Emerge Kentucky is a 501c4 (applied).*

**Host** a house party to help with fundraising and spreading the word in your community about Emerge.

## WHO WE ARE

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