

## Local Politics Matter

# Dear Republican Party

## The Demographics Have Changed

Dear Republican Party you are in denial about the changing demographics in our country. The country is no longer 80% white and will never be so again. Just read [“The State of Change”](#), a report published by American Progress. You are in denial about the impact that the changing demographics are having on our country and on your Party. You are in denial about why the Republican Party does not appeal to the minority community and therefore can no longer win national elections. You say that it’s because you are not explaining your policies and positions appropriately or clearly enough, that you need to do more minority outreach, speak with more kindness and understanding about minorities. Well, guess what, we hear you and we understand you, but we are not buying what you are selling.

Your policies regarding taxes, student loans, immigration, energy, affirmative action, women’s rights, voting rights,

LGBTQ rights, the environment, gun safety and health care, just to name a few, are not supported by mainstream America. But you are oblivious to this fact. You’ve gerrymandered your districts so that you can select your constituents and improve the odds of maintaining your majority in congress. The problem is these homogenous districts are no longer representative of our diverse country. The demographics have changed and will continue to change. Our country no longer looks, acts or thinks like your districts. The demographics have changed, but your Party has not. You continue to promote your ideology, but we are not buying what you are selling. You wrap your outdated policies in pretty packages, but we are not buying what you are selling. You wrap them in pretty words, put a pretty bow on them, but we are not buying what you are selling. You twist and man-



gle the truth to mask your agenda, but we see through your game.

Try to understand, the demographics have changed. There will come a time when no amount of voter suppression, dissembling and manipulation will help you win national elections. If you want to remain relevant, try to un-

derstand that the demographics have changed and you will need to change your policies to remain relevant on the national stage

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