

In the Field with eCanvass

eCanvass is a tool that helps with one of the most tedious tasks associated with canvassing -- getting the data you have gathered back into the voter file database.

You have gotten your lists and have walked your district and/or phoned your constituents gathering information. Now you have a lot of responses to your questions, and you need to get that information back into the voter database, so that the campaign can get reports on where they stand and follow up where needed.

eCanvass provides the answer!

eCanvass is web-based,
so all you need is a
computer with an internet
connection...



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The campaign will already have worked with VCS to set up your project. (See [eCanvass Overview](#) for a description of how to set up a project). So you will have been assigned a password and identification for logging in to eCanvass.

Please Login...

Project:

Login:

Password:

Login

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After you login, you will see a screen that looks something like this.



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the eCanvass interface. The browser's address bar and toolbar are visible at the top. The main content area has a light yellow background. At the top, there is a banner with the 'Voter Contact Services eCanvass Selections' logo and a small illustration of two women. Below the banner, a central message reads 'Welcome Mary Smith!' followed by the date and time 'Jun 16, 2002 01:50 PM' and the project name 'Project: ghpropa'. To the left of this message is another illustration of two women. Below the welcome message is a yellow bar containing the text 'Proposition A -- for better schools and a better community'. Underneath this bar, the heading 'Project Selections:' is followed by a 'Logout of eCanvass' link. A form box contains several selection options: 'Precinct:' with a dropdown menu showing '(Select One)', 'Data Entry Form:' with a dropdown menu showing '(Select One)', 'Street Number Select:' with radio buttons for 'Odd', 'Even', and 'Both' (where 'Both' is selected), and 'Voters / Page:' with radio buttons for '10', '25', and '50' (where '50' is selected). A 'Begin' button is located below these options. At the bottom, a 'Project News:' section contains a message: 'By: John Smith - 06/10/2002 11:06:59 The Yard Signs are ready for distribution; please pick them up at Campaign HQ.'

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Welcome Mary Smith!
Jun 16, 2002 01:50 PM
Project: ghpropa

Proposition A -- for better schools and a better community

Project Selections: [Logout of eCanvass](#)

Precinct: (Select One) ▾
Data Entry Form: (Select One) ▾
Street Number Select: Odd Even Both
Voters / Page: 10 25 50

Begin

Project News:
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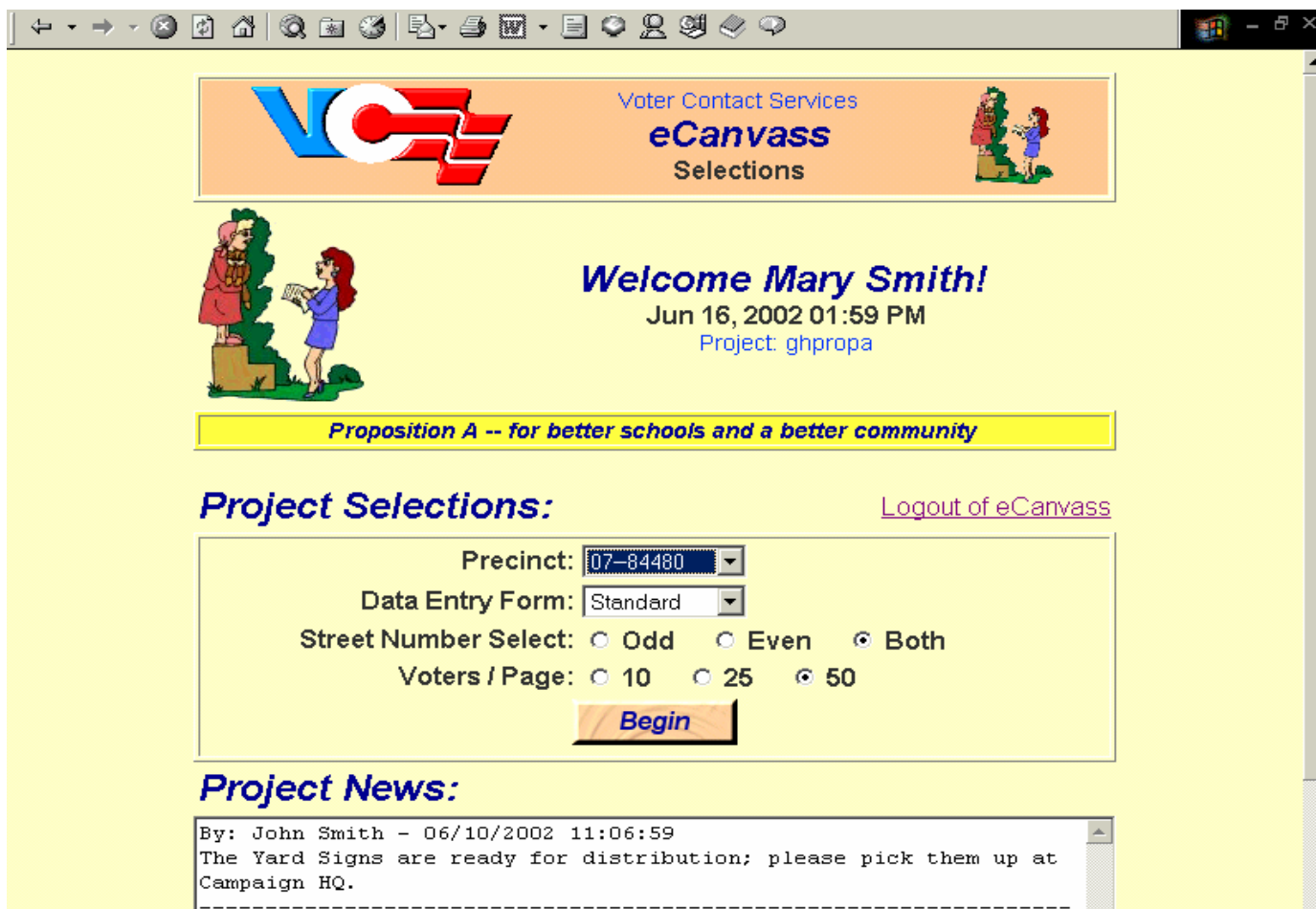
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This screen gives you a chance to catch up on any campaign news. Then you can get to work on your data by choosing a precinct to work on and a style for the page you will see.

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What you see on eCanvass will look like the lists that you worked with in your canvassing. Your manager will tell you the type of list you have. If you have been walking, you may prefer to see one side of a street at a time; so you can choose odd or even. Depending on your preference, you can choose how many voters you see on a page. Now choose the precinct where you have data and **Begin**.



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the eCanvass interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo for Voter Contact Services eCanvass Selections. Below this, a welcome message reads "Welcome Mary Smith!" with the date and time "Jun 16, 2002 01:59 PM" and the project name "Project: ghpropa". A yellow banner highlights the current project: "Proposition A -- for better schools and a better community". The "Project Selections" section includes a "Logout of eCanvass" link and a form with the following options: Precinct: 07-84480, Data Entry Form: Standard, Street Number Select: Odd Even Both, and Voters / Page: 10 25 50. A "Begin" button is located below these options. The "Project News" section at the bottom contains a message from John Smith dated 06/10/2002 at 11:06:59, stating that yard signs are ready for distribution at Campaign HQ.

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Welcome Mary Smith!
Jun 16, 2002 01:59 PM
Project: ghpropa

Proposition A -- for better schools and a better community

Project Selections: [Logout of eCanvass](#)

Precinct: 07-84480
Data Entry Form: Standard
Street Number Select: Odd Even Both
Voters / Page: 10 25 50

Begin

Project News:
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On the screen you see the names and addresses you have been canvassing and on the right all the questions and possible responses. Click on the responses you received.

Name	Address	Flags
MACDONALD 303-499-0313	NANCY A 0 ADDRESS IS CONFIDE	2: Preference <input checked="" type="radio"/> Strong <input type="radio"/> Lean/Yes <input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Lean/No <input type="radio"/> Strong No <input type="radio"/> Clear
		3: Issue <input checked="" type="radio"/> Education <input type="radio"/> Gun Control <input type="radio"/> Health Care <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/> Clear
		4: Volunteer <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Clear
		5: Yard Sign <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Clear
		6: Contribute <input checked="" type="radio"/> \$ 0-25 <input type="radio"/> \$ 25-50 <input type="radio"/> \$ 50-100 <input type="radio"/> \$100 + <input type="radio"/> Clear
		7: Party Affiliation <input checked="" type="radio"/> Democrat <input type="radio"/> Republican <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/> Clear
		8: Moved <input type="radio"/> Moved <input type="radio"/> Clear
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Note that at the top of the screen, it says "Street" followed by letters. You can choose the first letter of the street within your precinct where you want to work. This is helpful when you have not canvassed the whole precinct or you have worked on part of it, then gone away for a while and are coming back to take up where you left off.

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When you reach the bottom of the page, you can save your work and go on to the next page or end work on that precinct for now.

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the eCanvass application. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.salemi.org/3390EMERSON. The page content is divided into two main sections, each representing a different precinct record.

Record 1 (Top):

- SALEM** 303-494-5182
- BENJAMIN L**
- 3390 EMERSON AVE**
- 5: Yard Sign Yes Clear
- 6: Contribute \$ 0-25 \$ 25-50 \$ 50-100 \$100 + Clear
- 7: Party Affiliation Democrat Republican Other Clear
- 8: Moved Moved Clear

Record 2 (Bottom):

- LUKE A**
- 3390 EMERSON AVE**
- 2: Preference Strong Lean/Yes Undecided Lean/No Strong No Clear
- 3: Issue Education Gun Control Health Care Other Clear
- 4: Volunteer Yes Clear
- 5: Yard Sign Yes Clear
- 6: Contribute \$ 0-25 \$ 25-50 \$ 50-100 \$100 + Clear
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Navigation and Summary:

- Save and ...** (button)
- End Precinct** (button)
- Next >>** (button)
- (Records 1 - 50 of 573)

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When you end the precinct, you will see a little summary of the work you have done. At this point you can go on to another precinct if you wish or log off of eCanvass.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with a toolbar at the top. The main content area has a yellow background. At the top, there is a banner with the logo on the left, the text "Voter Contact Services eCanvass Data Saved" in the center, and a small illustration of two people on the right. Below the banner, the text "3 Records Written..." is displayed in a large, bold, blue font. Underneath this, there is a table with two columns: "Count" and "Flags". The table contains three rows of data. Below the table, there are two blue links: "Select another Precinct" and "Logoff of eCanvass", each with a hand cursor icon pointing to it.


Count	Flags
1	Y1
1	AEYY1DY
1	BG 2R

[Select another Precinct](#) [Logoff of eCanvass](#)

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So that's all there is to it. It's easy because the eCanvass screens are in the same order as the lists you are using, and you don't have to type in any information. Getting your canvass data back into the database is a matter of just **point and click!**

As you enter your data, it gets saved on the VCS webserver; but it is not updated to the voter file database until someone explicitly requests that it be posted. If you have been authorized to post data, you will see an extra button on that first screen. When you click "Post all Data" the voter file database is updated.



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the eCanvass interface. The browser's address bar is empty, and the toolbar shows standard navigation icons. The page has a yellow background and a header banner with the VCS logo and the text "Voter Contact Services eCanvass Selections". Below the banner, there is a welcome message: "Welcome Mary Smith!" followed by the date and time "Jun 16, 2002 02:43 PM" and the project name "Project: ghpropa". A yellow banner below the welcome message reads "Proposition A -- for better schools and a better community". The main content area is titled "Project Selections:" and includes a "Logout of eCanvass" link. The form contains several fields: "Precinct:" with a dropdown menu showing "(Select One)", "Data Entry Form:" with a dropdown menu showing "(Select One)", "Street Number Select:" with radio buttons for "Odd", "Even", and "Both" (where "Both" is selected), and "Voters / Page:" with radio buttons for "10", "25", and "50" (where "50" is selected). Below these fields are two buttons: a blue "Begin" button and a grey "Post All Data" button. Under the "Post All Data" button, it says "(2 Files - 7 Records)". At the bottom of the page, there is a section titled "Project News:".

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eCanvass makes it easy to get your canvass data back into the voter file database. Use eCanvass to assure your victory by focusing all your resources on **WINNING!!**

