

# REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

Promote an open governmental system that is representative, accountable, and responsive.



# **Voting Rights**

- Citizen's Right to Vote- Protect the right of all citizens to vote; encourage all citizens to vote.
- DC Self-Government and Full Voting Representation- Secure for the citizens of the District of Columbia the rights of self-government and full voting representation in both Houses of Congress.



#### **Election Process**

- Apportionment- support at all levels based substantially on population.
- **Redistricting-** support processes that promote fair and effective representation at all levels with maximum opportunity for public participation.
- Money in Politics- political equality for all citizens, ensure transparency, protect representative democracy from distortion by big money, and combat corruption.
- Selection of the President- by direct-popular-vote; uniform qualifications and procedures.



### Citizen's Rights

- Citizen's Right to Know/Citizen Participation protect right to know and participation in government decision-making.
- Individual Liberties- oppose major threats to basic constitutional rights.
- Constitutional Amendment Proposals- makes political system more democratic...
- Constitutional Conventions certain conditions must be in place...
- Public Policy on Reproductive Choices- protect constitutional right to privacy.



## **Congress and the Presidency**

- **Congress** support responsive legislative processes characterized by accountability, representativeness, decision-making capability and effective performance.
- The Presidency- promote a dynamic balance of power between the executive and legislative branches within the framework set by the Constitution.



#### **Privatization**

• Ensure transparency, accountability, positive community impact and preservation of the common good when considering the transfer of governmental services, assets and/or functions to the private sector.

