

# Turns Out California Democrats Used Illegals For Ballot Harvesting

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Sometimes a clueless leftist media is a conservative's best friend.

The Los Angeles Times published a big mushy kiss of a puff piece on New Year's Day about how Dreamers got deeply involved in the 2018 midterm elections that turned so many red Congressional seats blue — particularly in the days *after* the election through ballot harvesting.

Nowhere were the Dreamers more active than in California, where the almost entirely Republican blue Orange County flipped to 100 percent Democrat red and where these DACA beneficiaries were very active.

Here's the story's [lead](#):

*"Gabriela Cruz, who was brought to the U.S. illegally when she was 1, couldn't vote, but in the final hours before the Nov. 6 election, she was making one last run to get people to the polls.*

*The sun was setting in Modesto when she found Ronald Silva, 41, smoking a cigarette on a tattered old couch behind a group home. He politely tried to wave her off until she reminded him he had a right that she as an immigrant without citizenship didn't have.*

*"It could really make a change for **us**," said Cruz, 29.*

*Half an hour later, she was helping Silva look up candidates as he filled out his ballot by the light of her phone. "I'm glad you guys came," he said. "I was going to leave it in my drawer.""* (Emphasis added)

The notion of an ethnic "us" in America has always been poisonous. It requires the opposite and equal reaction of a different ethnic "them." Divisive poison that the LA Times flatters.

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So a foreigner, a non-citizen of the United States, was openly working to affect the outcome of our elections. In another context, this is a scandal of enormous proportions. In this context, it is a wonderful example of immigrant civic involvement.

More from the L.A. Times' story:

*"In California, Dreamers like Cruz phoned voters, walked precincts and protested outside Republican lawmakers' offices, reaching people who had not been called or visited by either party. Their efforts helped boost turnout among Latinos in this year's midterm election — 29 million nationwide were eligible to vote, according to the Pew Research Center — which is projected to surpass levels higher than in past presidential election years, political analysts said.*

An [analysis of data](#) from eight states by the Latino Policy and Politics Initiative at UCLA found the Latino vote grew by an estimated 96% from 2014 to 2018, compared with 37% among non-Latinos. The

*surge, researchers said, helped move 20 House districts held by Republicans to Democratic control in California, Arizona, Nevada, Texas, New Mexico, Florida, New Jersey and New York.*

*In another study, the political research firm Latino Decisions found that an increase in Latino voter turnout contributed to flipping six GOP-held congressional seats in California — four in the once conservative bastion of Orange County and two in the Central Valley that [have long eluded Democrats.](#)”*

In eight states, the Hispanic vote doubled in four years? Does that in any way seem legitimate, in a real sense?

Let’s be clear. The Democratic Party employed the manpower of hundreds, perhaps thousands, of foreigners living in the United States to effect the outcome of an election. And the media applauds. Further, there were no controls on the actions of those involved with ballot harvesting — whether legal or illegal — in how they handle ballots.

Is there really any doubt that the Time’s example, Gabriela Cruz, or other Democrat ballot harvesters, would be highly incentivized to “help” these indifferent and obviously politically ignorant “voters” in how they should vote? Remember her comment about “us.” She was pursuing Hispanics to vote in Democrats to help other Hispanics like her in the country illegally become legalized.

In most states, laws require political activity at polling places to be a certain distance from where voters are actually voting to limit undue political pressure.

But in ballot harvesting, there is no such thing. Quite the opposite, with people hunting down registered voters who had not voted because they want specific votes to be cast. They are not looking to simply turn out voters. They are turning out Democrat votes by people too indifferent to know the issues, the candidates or even vote until someone knocks on their door and essentially does it for them.

And in 2018, in California, a lot of the people doing that were not even American citizens.

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