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FRRC's Mission Remains Centered on Providing Access to Democracy for All Returning Citizens

We are committed to making sure our efforts to help returning citizens in Florida become full members of society are not infected by partisan politics. At the core of our mission and our Fines and Fees Program is the belief that all returning citizens - from all walks of life and political persuasions - should have access to our Democracy, if they choose.

We have been openly, honestly and legally working with local clerks to clear fines and fees for returning citizens since 2019. That includes payments to clerks offices in the vast majority of Florida's 67 counties. We will continue to make decisions that center on the lives of returning citizens and do the work of building a more inclusive democracy in Florida.

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About The Florida Rights Restoration Coalition

FRRC is a grassroots, membership organization run by Returning Citizens (Formerly Convicted Persons) who are dedicated to ending the disenfranchisement and discrimination against people with convictions and creating a more comprehensive and humane reentry system that will enhance successful reentry, reduce recidivism, and increase public safety. For more information, visit <https://floridarrc.com/>.