What Can You Do If You Are Not a Citizen?

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BEFORE YOU READ: What do you see in the picture above? What does it mean to "make things happen"? How do you make things happen?

If you are not a U.S. citizen, you might think that you can't participate in a U.S. election. Actually, you can! How?

There are various ways to get involved. You can engage in debates and discussions. You can set up little meetings with friends and talk about the issues that are important to you. You can set up meetings at school, at church, or at work.

Also, you can try to motivate your friends who are U.S. citizens to vote. At my job, I have many friends who can vote, so I will organize a meeting with them to convince them to vote for candidates that I think will do a good job. I will make sure they register to vote and they know where to go to vote.

Voting is an obligation for all citizens! Even if you are not eligible to vote, there is still a lot you can do. I suggest you help educate people about the issues and make sure that everyone around you votes!

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