



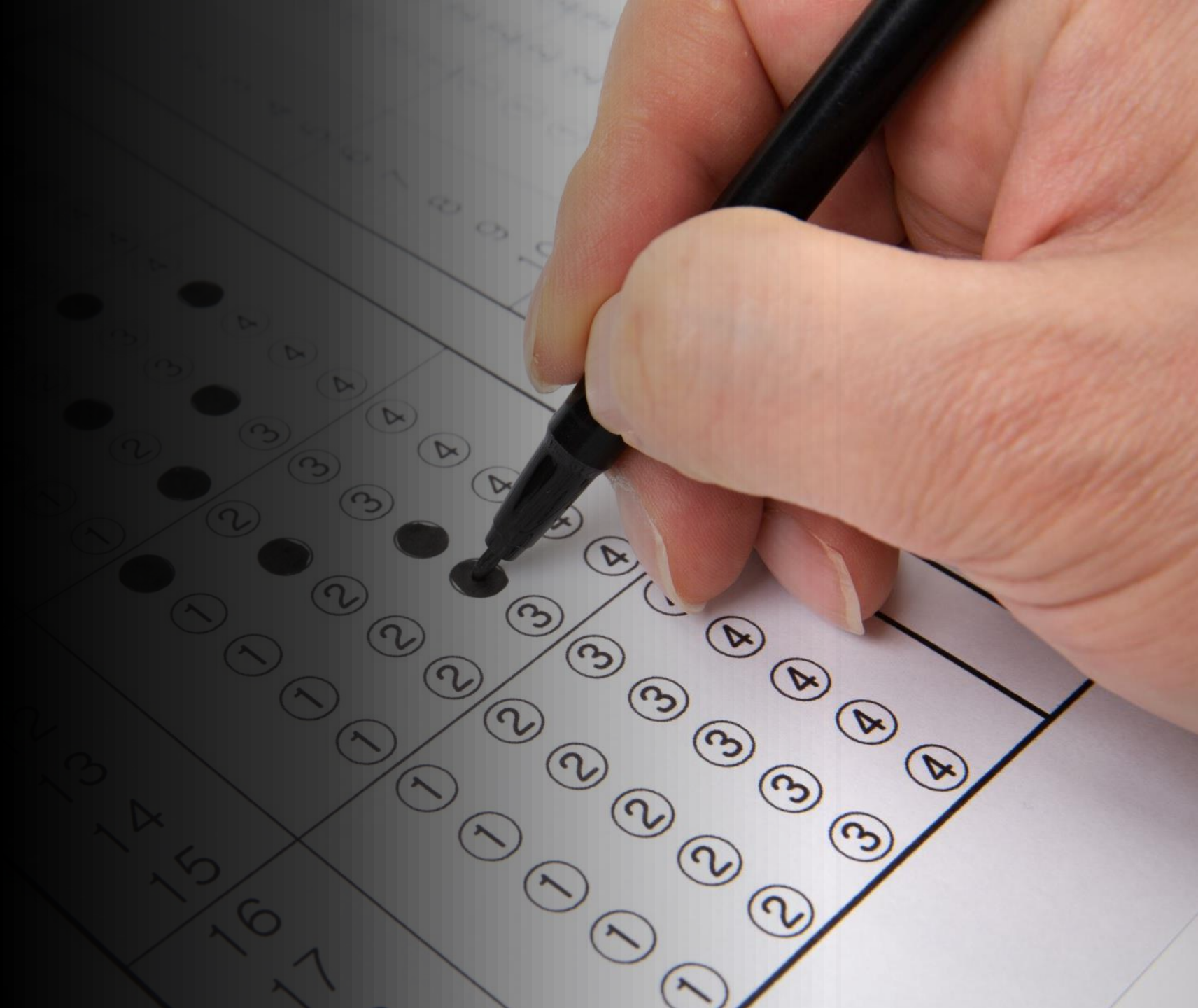
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September 2026



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Massachusetts panel reviews involuntary commitment rules

Politics

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Idaho Capital Sun on Yahoo

Idaho's Medicaid work requirements start in January. Here's how they will work.

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Medicaid work rule leaves homeless people in cold

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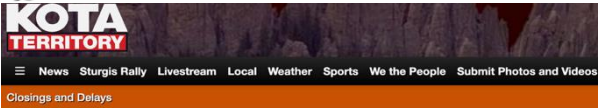
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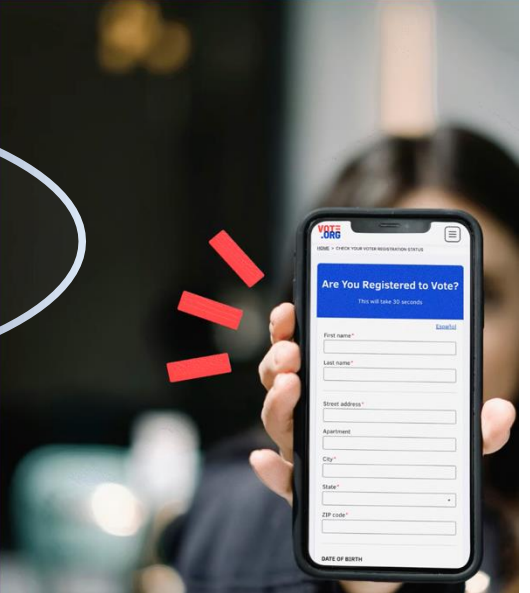
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State	Election Day Registration	Online Registration	Automatic Voter Registration	No Excuse Absentee Voting	Absentee Voting With Excuse	ID Needed for Voting	Drop Boxes	Ranked Choice Voting	Early/In-Person Absentee Voting	Vote by Mail
ALABAMA	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
ALASKA	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ARIZONA	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
ARKANSAS	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
CALIFORNIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
COLORADO	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CONNECTICUT	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
DELAWARE	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
FLORIDA	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
GEORGIA	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
HAWAII	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
IDAHO	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
ILLINOIS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
INDIANA	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
IOWA	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
KANSAS	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
KENTUCKY	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
LOUISIANA	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
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MASSACHUSETTS	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
MICHIGAN	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗

MISSISSIPPI	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
MISSOURI	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
MONTANA	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
NEBRASKA	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
NEVADA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
NEW HAMPSHIRE	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
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PENNSYLVANIA	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
RHODE ISLAND	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
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VERMONT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
VIRGINIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
WASHINGTON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
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Voter Registration Deadlines

The voter registration deadline for the Tuesday, November 3, 2026 General Election is October 24, 2026. Online registration deadline: 10 days before the election.

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**Tuesday,
November 3,
2026**

General Election

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Registration Deadlines

ONLINE [Get Registered!](#)
Saturday, October 24,
2026

BY MAIL (POSTMARKED)
Saturday, October 24,
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Saturday, October 24,
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AM I REGISTERED TO VOTE?

If you're not sure if you're registered at your current address, you can find your state resource on [this page](#). If you find out you're not registered, or you need to update your registration, you can do so by using our easy, [online tool](#). Be sure to check your state's registration deadline. Some states allow you to register in person on Election Day or during early voting, while others require that you register in advance.

WHERE CAN I VOTE?

Where you vote in person depends on your state, your address, and where we are in the election cycle (early voting vs. election day voting). To find your address specific information, enter your address on our [homepage](#) and you'll find your specific polling locations! If your locations aren't available just yet, you will also find a link to your state resource where you can access the polling location you're looking for today!

WHEN IS MY NEXT ELECTION?

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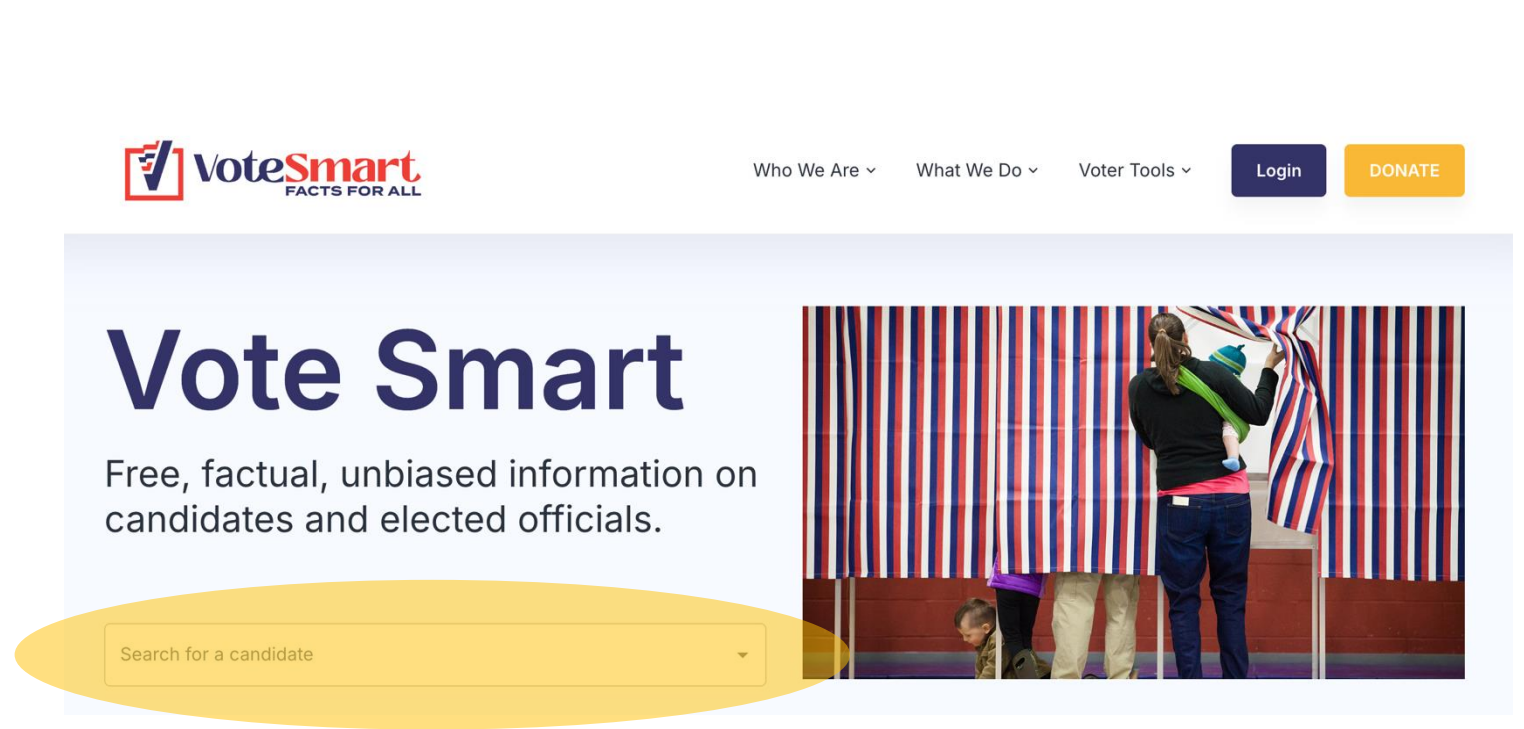
WHAT'S ON MY BALLOT?

As with your voting location, who and what appears on your personal ballot also depends on your specific address, but don't worry, we've got you covered! Learn where candidates running for office in your area stand on the issues, and about the ballot measures on your ballot by checking out our [voters' guide](#). You can hear directly from the candidates before you cast your vote!

WHAT ID DO I NEED TO VOTE?

Every state has different rules around what ID requirements are needed to cast your ballot. You can find the [rules for your state here](#). If you're interested in other voting rules, like absentee voting, eligibility requirements, polling place hours, and much more, you can access those by clicking on your state on our [homepage](#).

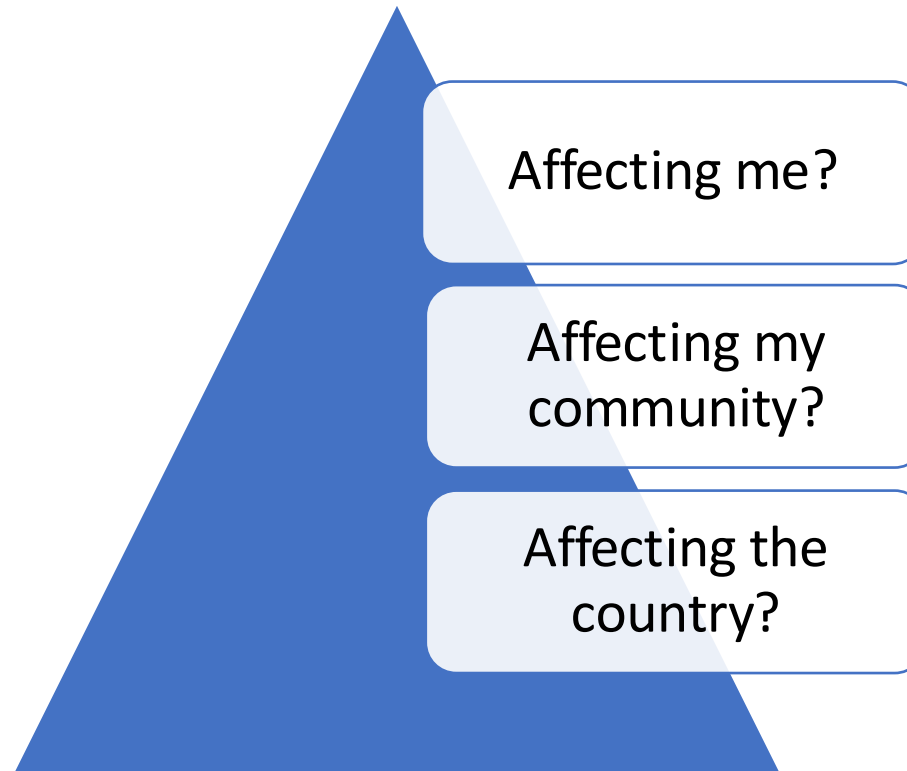
Preparing to Vote



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- Now a website (<https://www.votesmart.org/>) contains the non-partisan information about candidates.

The Issues?

The Candidates?



- <https://www.Ballotbrief.org>

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U.S. Senate

No 2026 election

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U.S. House - CA-30

2 candidates

FEDERAL ▼

CA Governor

2 candidates

STATEWIDE ▼

CA Lieutenant Governor

2 candidates

STATEWIDE ▼

CA Attorney General

2 candidates

STATEWIDE ▼

CA Secretary Of State

2 candidates

STATEWIDE ▼

Los Angeles County Sheriff

2 candidates

COUNTY ▼

LA County Superior Court Judge, Office No. 64

2 candidates

COUNTY ▼

LA County Superior Court Judge, Office No. 65

2 candidates

COUNTY ▼

LA County Superior Court Judge, Office No. 87

2 candidates

COUNTY ▼

LA County Superior Court Judge, Office No. 131

2 candidates

COUNTY ▼

Mayor of Los Angeles

2 candidates

CITY ▼

Los Angeles City Attorney

2 candidates

CITY ▼

California Statewide Ballot Measures

14 measures

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 **Richard Neal**
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BIO VOTES ISSUES RATINGS

Birthdate
02/14/1949

Birthplace
Worcester, MA

Home City
Springfield

Education
MA, Public Administration, Barney School of Business and Public Administration, University of Hartford, 1976
BS, Political Science, American International College, 1972

Political Experience
Representative, United States House of Representatives, Massachusetts, District 1, 2013-present
At-Large Whip, United States House of Representatives, present
Candidate, United States House of Representatives, Massachusetts, District 1, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026
Representative, United States House of Representatives, Massachusetts, District 2, 1989-2013
Mayor, City of Springfield, 1984-1989
Member, Springfield City Council, 1978-1984

Current Legislative Committees
Member, Joint Committee on Taxation
Ranking Member, Ways and Means Committee

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Member, Congressional Fire Services Caucus, present
Associate Member, Congressional Hispanic Caucus, present
Member, Congressional Portuguese Caucus, present
Member, Congressional Travel and Tourism Caucus, present
Member, Democratic Homeland Security Task Force, present
Member, Democratic Steering Committee, present
Member, Executive Board, Congressional Arts Caucus, present
Co-Chair, House Machine Tool Caucus, present
Member, Minor Language Research Caucus, present

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State and local elections

Check for elections coming up in your area, including city mayoral elections. Learn about the types of state and local elections and candidate: and get election results.

How often are state and local elections?

State and local elections can take place in any year at various times throughout the year.

- For elections coming up in your area, [check with your state or local election office](#) or the [U.S. Vote Foundation](#).
- [See a list of 2026 city mayoral elections.](#)

Types of state and local elections and elected officials

Many state and local governments are organized similarly to the U.S. government with legislative, executive, and judicial officials. But how the government works and who and what you can vote for depends on your state,

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As of September 7, 2026, **164 statewide ballot measures** were certified for the ballot in 40 states for elections in 2026.

From 2010 to 2024, the average number of statewide ballot measures in an even-numbered year was 161, including 53 citizen-initiated measures.

The most recent state ballot measure election was on August 25 in [Oklahoma](#), where voters decided on two constitutional amendments related to [tax exemption reimbursements for local governments](#) and [voter identification](#).

Click [here](#) to learn more about the [local ballot measures](#) decided in counties, cities, school districts, and special districts across the United States in 2026.

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Track proposals moving through signature gathering or legislatures that could reach the ballot.

South Dakota

See also: [South Dakota 2026 ballot measures](#)

November 3

Type	Title	Subject	Description	Result
LRC	Constitutional Amendment I	Public health insurance; Public assistance programs	Condition Medicaid expansion on federal funding remaining at least 90%	
LRCA	Constitutional Amendment J	Citizenship voting requirements	Provide that "[a]n individual who is not a citizen of the United States is disqualified from voting in any election or upon any question submitted to the voters"	
LRCA	Constitutional Amendment K	Restricted-use funds	Establish an unclaimed property trust fund	
LRCA	Constitutional Amendment L	Initiative and referendum process; Ballot measure supermajority requirements; Ballot measure process	Require a 60% supermajority by voters to approve constitutional amendments	

Missouri

See also: [Missouri 2026 ballot measures](#)

November 3

Type	Title	Subject	Description	Result	Yes Votes	No Votes
LRCA	Amendment 3	LGBTQ issues; Abortion policy; Healthcare governance; Sex and gender issues; Constitutional rights	Prohibit abortion in most cases, and prohibit gender transition procedures for minors under eighteen			
CICA	Amendment 6	Ballot measure process; Initiative and referendum process	Prohibit the legislature from repealing or amending a citizen initiative unless eighty percent of voters approve the changes, and would prohibit the legislature from making changes to the citizen initiative and referendum process			
LRCA	Amendment	Tax and revenue administration; Restricted-	Create a permanent public endowment fund managed by the state to generate revenue, state-imposed taxes when sufficient to replace them			

Massachusetts

See also: [Massachusetts 2026 ballot measures](#)

November 3

Type	Title	Subject	Description
IndISS	Question 1	Open meetings and public information	Make records held by the state legislature and the governor's office public records
IndISS	Question 2	Collective bargaining	Permit employees of the Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS) to participate in collective bargaining practices
IndISS	Question 3	Primary election systems	Eliminate political party primaries for state elections and create a single primary where candidates are listed regardless of their political party
IndISS	Question 4	Voter registration	Provide for same-day voter registration
IndISS	Question 5	Revenue and spending limits	Change the limit of how much revenue the state can collect in a given year
IndISS	Question 6	Parks, land, and natural area conservation; Restricted-use funds; Revenue allocation	Create a fund for state money, titled the Nature for All Fund, that would be used to further efforts of nature conservation
IndISS	Question 7	Land use and development policy	Require cities and towns to allow single-family homes on residentially zoned lots that meet minimum standards of at least 5,000 square feet in area
IndISS	Question 8	Marijuana laws; Drug crime policy	Repeal laws that permit the sale of recreational marijuana and the personal cultivation of cannabis in homes
VR	Question 9	Firearms policy	Uphold the legislation, An Act Modernizing Firearm Laws (H. 4885), passed in 2024

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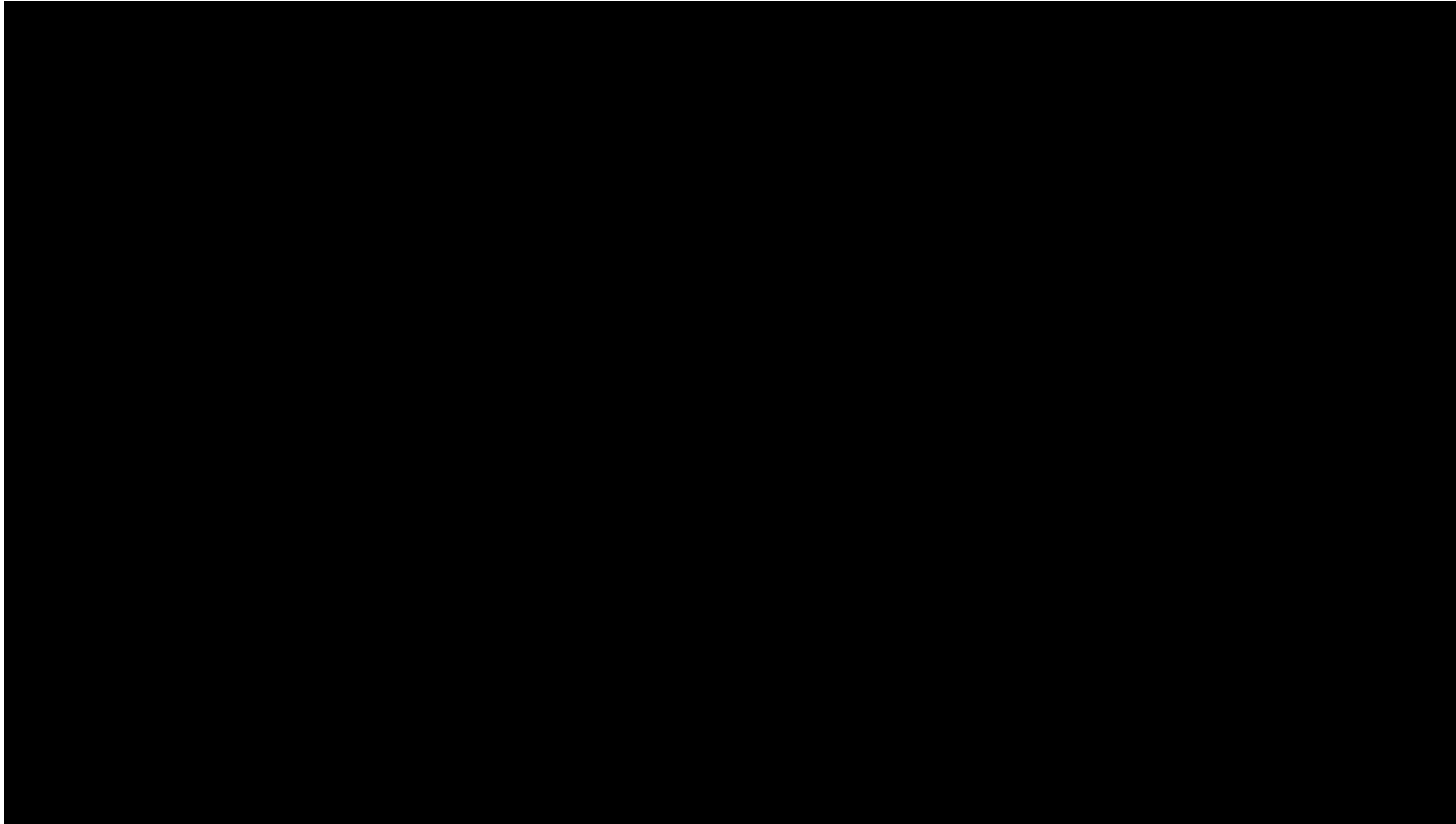
Georgia

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November 3

Type	Title	Subject	Description	Result
LRCA	Authorize Creation of Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund Amendment	Restricted-use funds	Allow the state legislature to create and dedicate revenue to a fund titled the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund	
LRCA	Increase Acre Limit for Agriculture and Timber Conservation Use Property Tax Classification Amendment	Property tax exemptions; Agriculture policy; Forestry and timber	Increase the maximum acreage of agricultural and timber property that can be classified as bona fide conservation use property, which is taxed at 40% of the land's value, from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres	
LRCA	Require Nonpartisan Elections for Probate Judges Amendment	State judicial selection	Require that probate judges be elected on a nonpartisan basis	

Jenessa Seymour – Disability Rights New York



Make a Plan to Vote

Create a checklist of important things to consider, including:

Transportation –
bus or subway,
carpool or ride
share

Documentation or
identification

Household
assistance,
including
babysitting

Accommodations
for special needs

Weather -- Do I
need an umbrella,
water bottle,
power snack?

Sample ballot or
hand deliver a
ballot

CASTING A BALLOT:

HOW?

Phyllis Vine and Luke Sikinyi, Alliance for Rights and Recovery, September 2026



Last updated: September 23, 2026

Early voting dates

Early voting takes place in person before Election Day. You do not need an excuse to vote early: if your state offers early voting, you can simply choose to take advantage of it. If you have any question about early voting, please contact your [local election office](#).

If anything on this page is incorrect, please [fill out this form](#).

State	Early voting starts	Early voting ends	What to bring
Alabama	N/A	N/A	N/A
Alaska	15 days before Election Day	1 day before Election Day	You must show ID when you vote. Acceptable photo IDs include: • Alaska driver's license or non-driver ID card • Alaska hunting or fishing license with a photo • U.S. passport or passport card • Driver's license from any state • Current student ID with a photo issued by any school in any state

[Early Voting Dates - VoteAmerica](#)

State	Election Day Registration	Online Registration	Automatic Voter Registration	No Excuse Absentee Voting	Absentee Voting With Excuse	ID Needed for Voting	Drop Boxes	Ranked Choice Voting	Early/In-Person Absentee Voting	Vote by Mail	MISSISSIPPI									
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ALABAMA	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	MONTANA	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓
ALASKA	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NEBRASKA	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
ARIZONA	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NEVADA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓
ARKANSAS	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	NEW HAMPSHIRE	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
CALIFORNIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NEW JERSEY	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓
COLORADO	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NEW MEXICO	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
CONNECTICUT	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	NEW YORK	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	NORTH DAKOTA	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
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ARIZONA VOTING INFORMATION

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Vote-by-mail (absentee voting) is available in Arizona and no excuse is required.

The last day to request a mail in ballot is 11 days before the election. You can return your absentee ballot request form through mail, in person at your local elections office, or [online](#).

Ballots must be received by 7pm on Election Day to be counted. For more information, please visit [www.vote411.org](#) or sign up to track your ballot by mail on your Secretary of State's website.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ABSENTEE?

In Arizona, all registered voters are permitted to vote absentee.

HOW DO I REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT?

Registered Arizona voters have two ways to request an absentee ballot:

1) Join the Active Early Voting List (AEVL)

Voters on the AEVL are automatically sent a ballot-by-mail for all elections in which they are eligible to vote, as long as they signed up at least 11 days before Election Day. Sign up for the AEVL [here](#).

2) Request a One-Time Ballot-by-Mail

- [Apply Online](#)
- Submit [a written request form](#)
- Call your [county recorder](#)
- Send an email to your [county recorder](#)

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT?

The last day to request a mail in ballot is 11 days before the election.

DO I HAVE TO REQUEST AN EARLY MAIL BALLOT EACH YEAR?

You can sign up to be on the Active Early Voting List [here](#). A ballot will automatically be mailed to you for every election in which you are eligible.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT?

Voted ballots must be received by 7pm on Election Day to be counted.

WHEN ARE ABSENTEE BALLOTS MAILED OUT TO VOTERS WHO HAVE REQUESTED THEM?

Early ballots by mail will be sent out about 27 days before the election, depending on when you requested the ballot.

HOW DO I COMPLETE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT?

Mark your ballot according to the instructions included in your early ballot package. Place your voted ballot inside the early ballot affidavit envelope, sign the early ballot affidavit envelope, and then seal it.

Return your voted ballot by mail to your county election office or a ballot drop box if available in your county. Your ballot must be received by 7pm on Election Day to be counted.

HOW DO I RETURN MY ABSENTEE BALLOT?

You can mail your ballot to your County Election Office or drop it in your local drop boxes. Please contact your [county official](#) for additional information

CAN I TRACK MY MAILED ABSENTEE BALLOT?

You can sign up to [track your mailed ballot](#) on your Secretary of States website.

WHAT IF I REQUESTED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BUT WANT TO VOTE IN PERSON?



WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE BY MAIL?

In New York, any registered voter may apply for an early mail ballot.

HOW DO I REQUEST A BALLOT BY MAIL?

You can apply for an early mail ballot by:

- **Using the online Ballot Request Application portal:** [Request a Ballot - New York State Board of Elections](#).
- If you are visually impaired and require a ballot with accessible features, you may apply using the [online Accessible Absentee Ballot Application portal](#)
- **Going in-person to your local** [county board of elections](#)
- **Designating another person to deliver your application in-person** to your local county board of elections to receive your ballot

You can download a PDF version of the New York State Absentee or Early Mail Ballot Application Form on [the state’s website](#).

DO I HAVE TO REQUEST AN EARLY MAIL BALLOT EACH YEAR?

Yes, you must apply each calendar year to receive an early mail ballot.

If you are permanently ill or disabled, you have the right to receive an Absentee Ballot for each subsequent election without further application. Simply file an application with your county board of elections indicating permanent illness or physical disability. See below for more information on Absentee Ballots.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST AN EARLY MAIL BALLOT?

Your early mail ballot application must be received by your county board of elections no later than 10 days before the election. If you want to receive an early mail ballot in person, your application must be received by the day before the election.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT MY EARLY MAIL BALLOT?

Your early mail ballot must be postmarked by Election Day or received in-person by 9pm on Election Day.

HOW DO I COMPLETE MY EARLY MAIL BALLOT?

Once you receive your early mail ballot, follow these steps:

1. Mark the ballot according to your choices for each office following the instructions on the ballot.
2. Once you have completed marking your ballot, fold it up and place it in the Security Envelope. This envelope will have a place for your signature.
3. Sign and date the outside of the Security Envelope.
4. Seal the Security Envelope.
5. All early mail ballots include a pre-paid Return Envelope. Place the Security Envelope in the Return Envelope. This envelope will have the return address of your county Board of Elections on the outside and should have a logo that reads, "Official Election Mail." The Return Envelope does not require any additional postage.
6. Seal the Return Envelope.

HOW CAN I RETURN MY EARLY MAIL BALLOT?

You can return your marked early mail ballot the following ways:

1. Put it in the mail, ensuring it receives a postmark by Election Day. It must be received by the County Board of Elections no later than 7 days after Election Day.
2. Bring it to your County Board of Elections Office by 9pm on Election Day.
3. Bring it to an early voting poll site in your county during early in-person

*What to Do
if You Have
Problems on
Election Day*

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS? 📞

Report an election problem by calling:

1-866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)

1-888-VE-Y-VOTA (en Español)

1-888-API-VOTE (Asian multilingual
assistance)

1-844-YALLA-US (Arabic)

13 Things Voters with Disabilities Need to Know, Disability Rights New York



www.drny.org mail@drny.org 1-800-993-8982

13 THINGS VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES NEED TO KNOW

1. **Your vote matters.** Elections are often determined by voter turnout, and a handful of votes can change the outcome of an election. There are over 34 million eligible voters with disabilities, making the disability community a substantial voting bloc with the capacity to impact elections and policy.
2. **You have the right to vote independently and privately.** You have the right to make independent choices about voting and to cast a ballot without any interference. You have the right to do so privately and to keep your vote secret.
3. **You have the right to get help with voting from a person of your choosing.** Help can be provided by a friend, family member, caregiver, a service provider, or a poll worker. The only persons who cannot help you mark or cast your ballot are representatives of your employer or union.
4. **Only a judge can make the decision that someone is not competent to vote.** Election officials and poll workers cannot stop you from voting because of your disability. Staff in hospitals, nursing homes, and other institutions cannot refuse to allow residents to register and vote or to obtain absentee ballots.
5. **You have the right to vote by absentee ballot.** An absentee ballot enables you to mail in your vote, or deliver your ballot early, instead of appearing at a polling site on Election Day. You can call 1-800-FOR-VOTE (1-800-367-8683) to request an absentee ballot application or download one at www.elections.ny.gov.
6. **You have the right to an accessible polling place.** The Americans with Disabilities Act requires all polling sites to meet accessibility standards. Those standards ensure equal access for people with disabilities, including voters who use wheelchairs or other mobility devices or who are blind or have vision loss.
7. **You have the right to use a Ballot Marking Device (BMD).** The Help America Vote Act requires all polling sites to have working BMDs. A BMD is an accessible voting machine that allows individuals with low vision, limited dexterity, physical impairments, or other disabilities to mark their ballot privately and independently. You do not need to have a disability to use a BMD. Using a BMD can also be helpful because it provides audio instructions for the voting process.

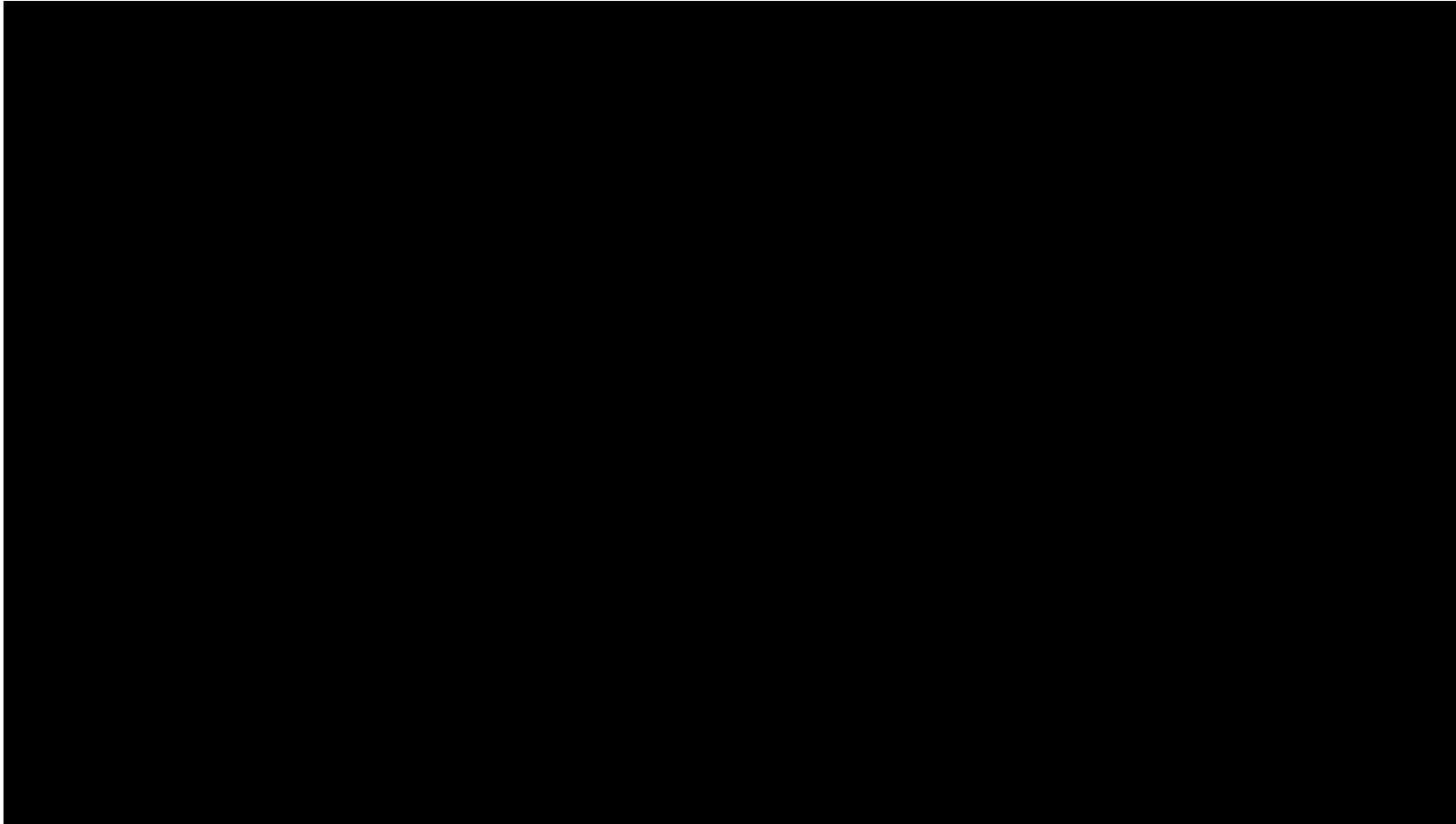
8. **It's easy to register!** You can call 1-800-FOR-VOTE (1-800-367-8683) to request a registration form and to inquire about registration deadlines. You can also visit www.elections.ny.gov to download a voter registration form and access other voting information. To check your registration status visit voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us.
9. **You must show up at the right polling place.** You can identify your polling site by calling 1-800-FOR-VOTE (1-800-367-8683) or visiting voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us.
10. **You don't need a government-issued ID to vote.** Most voters are not required to present identification when voting in New York. If you are voting for the first time in New York and did not provide any identification information when you registered, you may be asked to provide some verification of your identity, such as a photo ID, a utility bill, a bank statement, a paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and address.
11. **You have the right to a provisional ballot.** If you are asked for identification and cannot provide it, or if there are any other problems with your registration, you can ask the poll worker for a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot allows you to cast your vote pending verification of your eligibility.
12. **You have the right to make informed voting decisions.** It's important to learn about the issues and candidates before voting. You can visit the following sites to learn about ballot measures and candidates, and to find out about upcoming debates or forums:
 - VoteSmart.org Vote411.org
13. **You have the right to file complaints about accessibility violations or other voting-related problems.** If you believe that your right to equal access to voting has been violated, you can file a complaint with the New York State Board of Elections. **If you experience any issues related to being a voter with a disability, please contact Disability Rights New York at Voting@DRNY.org or 518.432.7861.**

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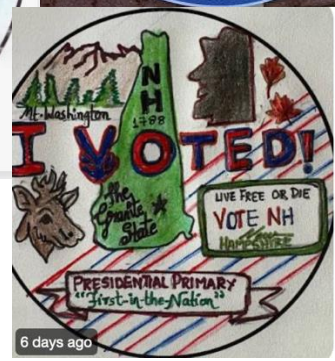
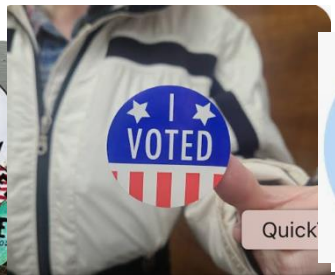
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Become A Candidate: Utah's Evan Done



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Thank you!

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