



Everyday Democracy Plan Your Vote Guide

2022

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INTRODUCTION

Democracy and democratic values are on the ballot in 2022. This year's midterm election will determine control of the Senate and House of Representatives, which pass the laws that impact the day-to-day lives of everyday people.

But more than federal representation is on the line this election. Most states, cities, and towns also have state and local officials and ballot initiatives (also called ballot measures or propositions) on the ballot.

Local elections and ballot initiatives directly affect what goes on in our communities and represent a way for everyday people to vote directly on policies that impact them.

Use this guide to plan your vote on (or before) November 8th. The links included are from national organizations, but you can also visit your state's Secretary of State website for information.

REGISTERING TO VOTE

Check your voter registration status:

<https://www.vote.org/am-i-registered-to-vote/>

Register to vote:

<https://www.vote.org/register-to-vote/>

Check your eligibility following a felony conviction:

<https://campaignlegal.org/restoreyourvote>

Pledge to register if you are 15-17 years old:

<https://turbovote.org/pledge-to-register/voter-info>



TIP:

Check your voter registration even if you voted in the last election, but especially if you changed your name or address or turned 18 since the last election.

IN-PERSON VOTING

Find your polling place:

<https://www.vote.org/polling-place-locator/>

Early voting dates, times, and locations:

<https://www.vote.org/early-voting-calendar/>

Find out your state's voter ID requirements:

<https://www.voteriders.org/staterules/>

Learn about provisional ballots (also known as "challenge" or "affidavit" ballots), in the case of an administrative error on Election Day:

<https://www.ncsl.org/research/elections-and-campaigns/provisional-ballots.aspx>

1-866-687-8683

English: 866-OUR-VOTE

Spanish: 888-VE-Y-VOTA

Arabic: 844-YALLA-US

Asian Languages: 888-API-VOTE

Call the Election Protection Hotline for questions about voting rights or if you are being prevented from voting.

VOTING BY MAIL

Find out if your state offers voting by mail:

<https://www.nass.org/can-i-vote/absentee-early-voting>

Request a mail-in ballot:

<https://www.vote.org/absentee-ballot/>

Track your mail-in ballot:

<https://www.vote.org/ballot-tracker-tools/>

Learn your state's vote-by-mail ballot deadlines:

<https://www.usvotefoundation.org/vote/state-elections/state-election-dates-deadlines.htm>

Make sure your ballot is counted! Follow all instructions to properly complete the ballot, then sign the outer envelope before returning. Then track that ballot! Learn more:
<https://n.pr/3fRojOt>



TIP:



If you haven't mailed your ballot by 11/5, check with your local election office to see if you can drop it off in person or at an official, secure drop-box to make sure it's received by the deadline.

KNOW YOUR CHOICES

Preview your ballot:

https://ballotpedia.org/Sample_Ballot_Lookup

Research the officials and initiatives on your ballot:

<https://www.ballotready.org>

Ballot initiatives (also known as ballot measures or propositions) are a way for citizens to vote directly on the policies that affect them. Learn about the history and processes behind ballot initiatives:



**When The
People Decide
Podcast**

A podcast about ballot initiatives, the people who organize them, and how they've shaped democracy,

<https://thepeopledecide.show/>

**Citizen Ballot
Initiatives: A
New Tool for
Election Reform**

Organizers of successful citizen-driven campaigns from different parts of the country, which beat the odds and succeeded, discuss their issues, their motivations, and how they won.

<https://bit.ly/ashcenterballot>

Harvard Kennedy School's

**ASH
Center**



**NPR Voting
Stories: Ballot
measures on
voting to watch**

Read about states where voters this year are set to decide ballot measures relating to the elections process.

<https://n.pr/3SAd9ih>

OTHER RESOURCES

Resources for voters with disabilities:

<https://www.ndrn.org/voting/>

Resources for overseas voters:

<https://www.overseasvotefoundation.org/vote/home.htm>

Sign up to serve as a poll worker:

<https://www.powerthepolls.org/>

Sign up for election reminders:

<https://www.rockthevote.org/how-to-vote/get-election-reminders/>

Learn about incarceration and voting rights:

<https://www.sentencingproject.org/issues/voting-rights/>

Download voting advocacy artwork to share:

<https://www.planyourvote.org/>

MY VOTING PLAN

I am voting: IN PERSON BY MAIL EARLY ON ELECTION DAY

My Polling Location:

I am voting on:

My back-up plan:

VOTING CHECKLIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Register to vote | <input type="checkbox"/> Learn about candidates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Check registration status | <input type="checkbox"/> Learn about ballot initiatives |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for mail-in ballot | <input type="checkbox"/> Mail in ballot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Find drop-box location | <input type="checkbox"/> Track ballot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Find polling location | <input type="checkbox"/> I VOTED! |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Look up polling times | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Look up ID requirements | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make sure I have correct ID | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make voting plan | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make back-up plan | |



VOTING DATES & DEADLINES

Register to vote: _____

Early Voting dates: _____

Apply for mail-in ballot: _____

Early Voting times: _____

Return mail-in ballot: _____

Election Day poll times: _____

ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

RESOURCES TO LEARN MORE

For more information, visit your state's Secretary of State website, or the following:

ballotpedia.org
ballotready.org
blackvotersmatterfund.org
nationalvoterregistrationday.org
rockthevote.org
vote.org
vote411.org
votolatino.org
whenweallvote.org

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