How You Can Vote in 2020

Voting at Home

This year all registered California voters will have their ballot mailed to them. Ballots will begin arriving in our mailboxes on October 5th.

This is to keep people safe from COVID-19.

You can vote for any candidate you think is best by marking your ballot. Many races, like the office of the President, allow you to only vote for one candidate. There are some races, at the local level that allow you to vote for more than one candidate.

Your ballot might have other things you can vote for like local bond measures, or candidates for local offices. You can vote for whatever and whoever you think is best for you and your community. If you do not know about something you do not have to vote on it.

Once you have marked your ballot put it in the envelope addressed to your county elections office. You will need to sign your name on the outside of the envelope. If you usually use a stamp or mark an X to sign your name that is how you should sign your envelope.

For your vote to be counted you must mail it on or before election day. This year election day is Tuesday November 3rd. You can mail your ballot any time before election day.

If you do not want to put your ballot in the mail you can drop it off in an election drop box near you any time before November 3rd.
You can vote in person.

Each county will have polling places set up at least 3 days before Election Day on November 3rd. You can vote at your local polling place any of these days.

November 3rd is the last day you can vote.

It may be less crowded if you vote before November 3rd.

You can vote at your polling place if you prefer to vote in person, if you did not get your ballot in the mail, or if you have lost or messed up your ballot.

It is your right to vote in person.

Polling places are changing to keep voters safe from COVID-19. Check to make sure that you go to the right polling place before you leave home. Your polling place may not be the same place as it has been before.

Check with your county elections office to find out where you should go to vote in person.

Each polling place has accessible voting equipment. Some people with disabilities might need to vote in person to use accessible voting equipment.

For more information about voting for the disability community visit www.DisabilityVoteCA.org