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Voter Information



HOW CAN I REGISTER TO VOTE?

You may register to vote if you are a U.S. citizen, 18 years of age or older by election day, a resident of California, not in prison or on parole for a felony, and not deemed by an appropriate court to be mentally incapacitated. To obtain a voter registration card, you may either contact the Secretary of State's office voter information number at 1-800-345-VOTE, or contact your county elections official (see the following pages for phone numbers and website information). Voter registration forms may also be obtained from most public libraries, post offices, civic and political party organizations, and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Upon acquiring a voter registration form, simply fill in your name, residence and mailing addresses, date of birth, birthplace, driver's license or California identification card number (optional), political party affiliation, and any previous registration information (if applicable). Be sure to sign and date the postage paid card, and drop it in the mail. It is as simple as that!

If you move or change your name or political party affiliation, you must re-register. However, if you move within the same county and don't re-register, you may go to the polling place assigned to your new address. Bring your driver's license or state identification card showing your new address or two forms of identification (current utility bill or rent receipt) to establish your new residence address. You will be allowed to vote under the "fail-safe" voting provisions, and the elections official will update your registration information. If you move to another county, you should re-register no later than 29 days before an election. The only exception to this rule is: If you move within 29 days before an election, you may return to your old polling place to vote. You should then re-register at your new address.

HOW DO I VOTE BY MAIL?

Any registered voter may vote by "absentee" ballot. You may register to vote absentee by: (1) completing the absentee ballot application that is included with the sample ballot and voter information pamphlet sent to you by your county elections official prior to the election or (2) applying in writing to your local elections official (see the following pages for address information) and providing your printed name and residence address, the address where you want to receive your absentee ballot, your signature, and the name and date of the election for which you want an absentee ballot.

Upon receipt of the absentee ballot, vote and mail the ballot back to your county elections official. All absentee ballots must be received by your county elections official no later than close of polls (8:00 p.m.) on election day to be counted. If you are unable to get your voted absentee ballot in the mail on time, deliver the voted ballot to any polling place or county elections office within your county on election day.

The first day that county elections officials will begin processing absentee ballot applications for the November 7, 2000, General Election is October 9, 2000. The last day that county elections officials will accept any voter's application for an absentee ballot is October 31, 2000.



ALAMEDA COUNTY

Alameda County Court House
1225 Fallon Street, Room G-1
Oakland, CA 94612-4283
510-272-6973
510-208-4967 TDD
www.co.alameda.ca.us/rov

ALPINE COUNTY

P.O. Box 158
Markleeville, CA 96120
530-694-2281
www.co.alpine.ca.us

AMADOR COUNTY

Elections-Sheldon D. Johnson
500 Argonaut Lane
Jackson, CA 95642
209-223-6465

BUTTE COUNTY

Butte County Clerk-Recorder/Elections Division
25 County Center Drive
Oroville, CA 95965-3375
530-538-7761
<http://clerk-recorder.buttecounty.net>

CALAVERAS COUNTY

Election Department
891 Mountain Ranch Road
San Andreas, CA 95249
209-754-6376

COLUSA COUNTY

546 Jay Street
Colusa, CA 95932
530-458-0500
www.colusanet.com/colusaclerk

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P.O. Box 271
524 Main Street
Martinez, CA 94553
925-646-4166
www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/depart/elec/index.htm

DEL NORTE COUNTY

981 "H" Street, Ste. 160
Crescent City, CA 95531
707-465-0383

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El Dorado County Elections Dept.
2850 Fairlane Court
P.O. Box 678001
Placerville, CA 95667
530-621-7480
www.co.el-dorado.ca.us/elections

FRESNO COUNTY

2221 Kern Street
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559-488-3246
www.fresno.ca.gov

GLENN COUNTY

516 W. Sycamore St., 2nd Floor
Willows, CA 95988
530-934-6414

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

3033 H Street, Rm. 20
Eureka, CA 95501
707-445-7678
co.humboldt.ca.us

IMPERIAL COUNTY

Dolores Provencio, Registrar of Voters
940 Main St., Room 202
El Centro, CA 92243
760-482-4226
www.co.imperial.ca.us

INYO COUNTY

P.O. Box F
Independence, CA 93526
760-878-0224

KERN COUNTY

1115 Truxtun Avenue-1st Floor
Bakersfield, CA 93301
661-868-3590
www.co.kern.ca.us

KINGS COUNTY

1400 W. Lacey Blvd.
Hanford, CA 93230
559-582-3211 Ext. 4401
www.co.kings.ca.us

LAKE COUNTY

Registrar of Voters Office
255 North Forbes Street, Rm. 209
Lakeport, CA 95453
707-263-2372

LASSEN COUNTY

220 S. Lassen Street, Ste. 5
Susanville CA 96130
530-251-8217
www.co.lassen.ca.us/elections_mission.htm

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650
562-466-1310
www.co.la.ca.us/regrec/main.htm

MADERA COUNTY

209 W. Yosemite Avenue
Madera, CA 93637
559-675-7720

MARIN COUNTY

P.O. Box E
San Rafael, CA 94913
415-499-6465
www.marin.org

MARIPOSA COUNTY

4982 10th Street
P.O. Box 247
Mariposa, CA 95338
209-966-2007

MENDOCINO COUNTY

501 Low Gap Road, Rm. 1020
Ukiah, CA 95482
707-463-4371
www.co.mendocino.ca.us

MERCED COUNTY

2222 "M" Street, Room 14
Merced, CA 95340
209-385-7541
www.co.merced.ca.us

MODOC COUNTY

Maxine Madison
P.O. Box 130
Alturas, CA 96101
530-233-6200

MONO COUNTY

Annex II, Bryant Street
P.O. Box 237
Bridgeport, CA 93517
760-932-5241

MONTEREY COUNTY

P.O. Box 1848
Salinas, CA 93902
1370 B South Main Street
Salinas, CA 93901
831-755-5085
831-755-5485 FAX
www.mocovote.org

NAPA COUNTY

Elections Division
900 Coombs Street, Room 256
Napa, CA 94559
707-253-4321
www.co.napa.ca.us

NEVADA COUNTY

Nevada County Elections
County Clerk Recorder
10433 Willow Valley Rd., Ste. E
Nevada City, CA 95959-2367
530-265-1298
www.co.nevada.ca.us/coclerk



ORANGE COUNTY
 P.O. Box 11298
 Santa Ana, CA 92711
 1300 S. Grand Avenue, Bldg. C
 Santa Ana, CA 92705
 714-567-7600
www.oc.ca.gov/election/

PLACER COUNTY
 P.O. Box 5278
 Auburn, CA 95604
 530-886-5650
www.placer.ca.gov/elections

PLUMAS COUNTY
 520 Main Street, Room 102
 Quincy, CA 95971
 530-283-6256
countyofplumas.com

RIVERSIDE COUNTY
 Registrar of Voters
 2724 Gateway Drive
 Riverside, CA 92507
 909-486-7330
 909-486-7335 FAX
www.voteinfo.net

SACRAMENTO COUNTY
 Department of Voter Registration
 and Elections
 3700 Branch Center Road
 Sacramento, CA 95827
 916-875-6451
www.co.sacramento.ca.us/elections

SAN BENITO COUNTY
 440 Fifth Street, Room 206
 Hollister, CA 95023
 831-636-4016

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
 Registrar of Voters
 777 E. Rialto Avenue
 San Bernardino, CA 92415-0770
 909-387-8300
www.sbcrov.com or
www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/rov

SAN DIEGO COUNTY
 Registrar of Voters
 5201 Ruffin Road, Ste. I
 San Diego, CA 92123
 858-565-5800
www.sdvote.com

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY
 1 Dr. Carlton B Goodlett Place, Rm. 48
 San Francisco, CA 94102
 415-554-4375
www.ci.sf.ca.us/election

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
 212 N. San Joaquin Street
 P.O. Box 810
 Stockton, CA 95201
 209-468-2890
www.co.san-joaquin.ca.us/elect/index.htm

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
 Clerk-Records-Elections
 1144 Monterey Street, Ste. A
 San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
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SAN MATEO COUNTY
 Registration and Elections Division
 40 Tower Road
 San Mateo, CA 94402
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 Santa Barbara, CA 93102
 805-568-2201
www.sb-democracy.com

SANTA CLARA COUNTY
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 San Jose, CA 95108
 408-299-VOTE (8683)
www.sccvote.org

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
 701 Ocean Street, Room 210
 Santa Cruz, CA 95060
 831-454-2060
www.votescount.com

SHASTA COUNTY
 Downtown Redding Mall
 1643 Market Street
 Redding, CA 96001
 530-225-5730
www.co.shasta.ca.us

SIERRA COUNTY
 P.O. DRAWER D
 Downieville, CA 95936
 530-289-3295

SISKIYOU COUNTY
 311 Fourth Street, Room 201
 P.O. Box 338
 Yreka, CA 96097
 530-842-8086
www.co.siskiyou.ca.us

SOLANO COUNTY
 P.O. Box I
 Fairfield, CA 94533
 707-421-6675
www.solanocounty.com/elections

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 435 Fiscal Drive
 P.O. Box 11485
 Santa Rosa, CA 95406-1485
 707-565-6800
www.sonoma-county.org

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 County Elections
 1021 I Street, #101
 Modesto, CA 95354
 209-525-5200
www.stanislauselections.com

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 433 Second Street
 Yuba City, CA 95991
 530-822-7122

TEHAMA COUNTY
 P.O. Box 250
 633 Washington Street, Rm. 33
 Red Bluff, CA 96080
 530-527-8190

TRINITY COUNTY
 101 Court Street
 P.O. Box 1258
 Weaverville, CA 96093
 530-623-1220
www.trinitycounty.org

TULARE COUNTY
 221 S. Mooney Blvd., Rm. G-28
 Visalia, CA 93291
 559-733-6275
www.tularecoauditor.org/elections

TUOLUMNE COUNTY
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 Sonora, CA 95370
 209-533-5570

VENTURA COUNTY
 800 South Victoria Avenue
 Ventura, CA 93009
 805-654-2781
www.ventura.org/election/elecidx.htm

YOLO COUNTY
 625 Court Street, Room B05
 Woodland, CA 95695
 P.O. Box 1820
 Woodland, CA 95776
 530-666-8133
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 Elections Department
 935 14th Street
 Marysville, CA 95901
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American Independent Party

The American Independent Party, California affiliate of the Constitution Party, supports:

- The sanctity of innocent human life, including the lives of the unborn;
- Protection of American jobs from unfair foreign competition; repeal of NAFTA, GATT/WTO;
- Limits on legal immigration, and an end to illegal immigration; no tax funded benefits to illegals;
- Excellence in education, and right of parents to choose public schools, private schools, or home schooling;
- Control of crime; capital punishment for the most aggravated offenses;
- Right of citizens to keep and bear arms as provided by the Bill of Rights;
- Ending the personal income tax, and abolition of the IRS;
- A debt free money system;
- A non-interventionist foreign policy, and a strong national defense free of waste;

Protection of consumers' rights in utility rates, insurance, health care, and housing;

Consideration of human needs in environmental concerns.

We oppose any revision of the California Constitution to limit the right to vote, impair the people's right of initiative, overturn voter approved term limits, make it easier for government to tax and spend, or create bureaucratic regional governments.

We oppose both government speculation with social security funds, and affirmative action programs which substitute racial favoritism for individual ability.

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Libertarian Party

The Libertarian Party, founded in 1971, is one of the most successful third parties in U.S. history. Dozens of Libertarians hold office across California, including Mendocino County District Attorney Norman L. Vroman, Calaveras County Supervisor Thomas Tryon, and Moreno Valley Mayor Pro Tem Bonnie Flickinger. Libertarians are neither liberal nor conservative. Libertarians believe that you have the right to live your life as you wish, without the government interfering—as long as you don't violate the rights of others. Politically, this means Libertarians favor rolling back the size and cost of government and eliminating laws that stifle the economy and control people's personal choices.

Specifically, the Libertarian Party of California is fighting to:

- Improve education by reducing the role of government and encouraging choice and competition
- Make neighborhoods safe by ending the failed War on Drugs, giving law-abiding citizens greater freedom to protect

themselves, and punishing violent criminals rather than prosecuting victimless crimes

- Sharply reduce California's bloated \$100 billion state government

Increasingly, voters frustrated with the status quo are turning to the Libertarian Party. We invite you to join us as we fight for everyone's liberty on every issue, all the time.

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Website: www.lp.org

Green Party

The Green Party's core values include social and economic justice, ecological wisdom, nonviolence, and grassroots democracy.

We Support:

- Living wages, safe workplaces, and the right to organize unions.
- Strong local economies and an end to corporate welfare.
- Universal health care, including alternative methods and mental health.
- Protection of reproductive freedom.
- Higher taxes on pollution and large corporations, lower taxes on working people.
- More funding for education, while allowing schools to try new ideas.
- Ending unfair global trade laws.
- Equal rights for people of all races, religions, genders, sexual orientations, abilities, national origins, and economic backgrounds.
- Ending attacks on the poor and immigrants through so-called welfare reform.
- Stronger regulations for clean air and water and protection of endangered species, and eliminating toxic and cancer-causing chemicals.

More mass transit and bicycle access.

Increasing renewable energy and ending nuclear power, coal, and big dams as energy sources.

Organic and family farms.

Crime prevention—promote education, job opportunities, and nonviolent problem solving. Treat addiction as a health issue. No new prisons.

Abolishing the death penalty.

Use of the internet for free speech and information distribution.

Campaign finance reform and proportional representation.

The right of all to participate fully in democratic processes.

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Democratic Party

With your support, Democrats from Governor Gray Davis to your local candidates will continue fighting for working families, our youth and the elderly. Democrats are dedicated to the issues that matter.

Together, Democrats have:

- Increased school accountability, supported teachers and improved public education, resulting in higher test scores
- Insured that California's economy will continue to expand
- Passed tough legislation to get assault weapons and Saturday Night Specials off our streets and out of our schools
- Enacted meaningful HMO reform, giving healthcare decisions back to patients and their doctors

By electing Al Gore as President, re-electing U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein and supporting Democratic candidates for Congress and the State Legislature, Democrats will be able to continue fighting for:

- Expanded educational opportunities, including hiring more teachers

- Further reductions in violent crimes to make our neighborhoods and schools safer
 - A woman's right to choose
 - Seniors by protecting Social Security and Medicare benefits
 - Affordable prescription drugs, especially for seniors
 - Greater environmental protections and a clean environment for future generations
 - Tolerance and the eradication of hate crimes
- Please join us. Become a member of our e-mail network. Together, we can build a better California.

SENATOR ART TORRES, (Ret.), *Chairman*
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Republican Party

Abraham Lincoln, the first Republican President, fought to protect the freedoms of every American citizen. The California Republican Party shares his vision and spirit of fairness. Today, we are working hard to see that all of California's residents are empowered with the opportunity to enjoy the American dream.

Today, the California Republican Party is fighting for:

- *Better Schools* for our children. Parents, teachers and local school boards should decide what's best for our children—not the state education bureaucracy in Sacramento.
- *Safe Neighborhoods*, victims' rights and tougher criminal laws. No one is free if they feel threatened in their own homes and communities.
- *Tax Relief* and an accountable, efficient government responsive to the people who pay their salaries.

We feel that California's government today should be more like the businesses that serve you well. Your government should not be a burden in your life—saddling you with excessive taxes and regulations.

We are working for our state's future and to ensure that every Californian has the same opportunities regardless of race or ethnicity. Please join us as we work together to build a brighter, more prosperous California.

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Natural Law Party

The Natural Law Party was founded to create a new, mainstream political party to offer voters forward-looking, prevention-oriented, scientifically proven solutions to America's problems. Our principles and programs harness the most up-to-date scientific knowledge of natural law—the intelligence of nature that governs our complex universe—and apply it to public policy.

Currently America's fastest growing political party, the Natural Law Party stands for prevention-oriented government, conflict-free politics, and proven solutions, including:

- Natural health care programs shown to prevent disease and cut costs
- Education that develops students' full potential through programs that increase intelligence and creativity
- Effective, field-tested crime prevention and rehabilitation programs
- Lowering taxes through cost-effective solutions, not reduced services

- Protecting the environment through energy efficiency and use of nonpolluting energy sources
- Safeguarding America's food supply through sustainable, organic agriculture practices
- Mandatory labeling and safety testing of genetically engineered foods
- Ensuring a strong economy by harnessing the creativity of our citizens and implementing pro-growth fiscal policies
- Promoting more prosperous, harmonious international relations by increasing the export of U.S. know-how, rather than weapons
- Ending special interest control of politics by eliminating PACs, soft money, and lobbying by former public servants

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Reform Party

The *Reform Party* is the leading national "third" party and is committed to:

- *Setting the highest ethical standards for the White House and Congress;*
- *Implementing Campaign Finance reform:* reduce campaigns to four months and require Members of Congress to raise all money from their district voters;
- *Balancing the budget and passing the Balanced Budget Amendment;*
- *Creating a new simpler and fairer tax system* to pay the bills, and requiring future tax increases be approved by the people;
- *Election reform:* voting on Saturdays and Sundays, not Tuesdays, so working people can get to the polls;
- *Term Limits:* three terms for the House and two terms for the Senate;
- *Carefully established plans for Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security;*

- *Negotiating trade agreements* promoting American jobs, protecting the environment and creating an environment in which small businesses can develop;
- *Lobbying reform:* prohibiting former officials from working for foreign interests as foreign lobbyists and prohibiting gifts from foreign interests at any time.

Join the thousands of Americans from every part of the country who want to reform their government **now** and bring the control and the destiny of their families in line with the American Dream!

RAYMOND O. MILLS, *Chair*
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WHERE DO ALL THOSE BALLOT INITIATIVES COME FROM?

About Initiatives

The initiative process, often referred to as “direct democracy,” is a tool which citizens can use to propose changes to California law or the State Constitution or both for voter approval or rejection.

HOW TO QUALIFY AN INITIATIVE FOR THE BALLOT

The first step in the process of qualifying an initiative is to write the text of the proposed law. The measure’s proponents can write the text themselves, seek the assistance of their own private counsel, or can request assistance from the Legislative Counsel’s office.

TITLE AND SUMMARY

Once the text of the measure has been written, a written request must be submitted, along with \$200, to the Attorney General. The Attorney General prepares an official title and summary of the measure, and if necessary, a fiscal analysis is prepared by the Department of Finance and Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

PETITION CIRCULATED

Once the title and summary are issued by the Attorney General, an official filing date is established and a calendar of important filing deadlines is prepared for the proponents by the Secretary of State. The proponents have 150 days to circulate petitions and gather enough signatures to qualify. The proponents must collect five percent of the votes cast for all candidates for Governor at the last gubernatorial election to qualify an initiative statute (currently 419,260) and eight percent of the total gubernatorial votes cast (670,816) in order to qualify a constitutional amendment for the ballot.

FILING AND CIRCULATION

Once the requisite number of signatures has been collected, the proponent must file the petitions with the appropriate county elections official. The signatures are then verified. The initiative is considered qualified once the Secretary of State receives certificates from the county elections officials showing the petitions have been signed by the required number of registered voters.

PROPOSITION PLACED ON THE BALLOT FOR VOTER APPROVAL

Once the measure qualifies, it is placed on the ballot. However, it must qualify at least 131 days before the statewide election in which it is to be submitted to the voters. If approved by a majority vote, the measure takes effect the day after the election unless the measure specifies another enactment date in the text.

For more information regarding the initiative process, you may visit our website at www.ss.ca.gov or call the Elections Division at 916-657-2166.



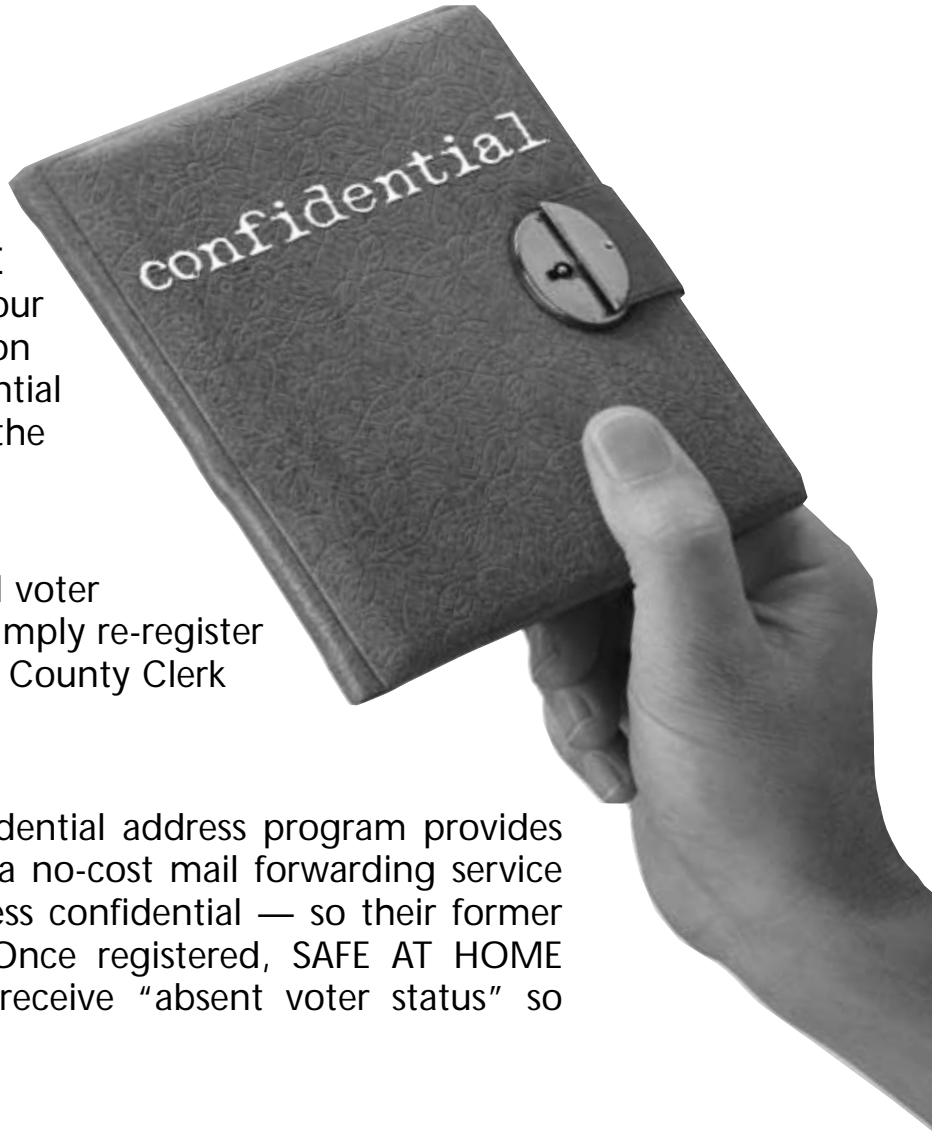
Protect Your Privacy

AND YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE.

There's a new program available for victims of domestic abuse called **SAFE AT HOME**. If you qualify, your voter registration information can be kept strictly confidential from campaigns, pollsters, the media, and other parties.

Just complete a confidential voter registration affidavit — or simply re-register at the Registrar of Voters or County Clerk offices in your area.

The **SAFE AT HOME** confidential address program provides victims of domestic abuse a no-cost mail forwarding service that helps keep their address confidential — so their former partner can't find them. Once registered, **SAFE AT HOME** participants automatically receive "absent voter status" so they can vote by mail.



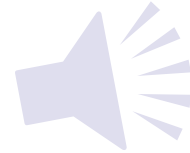
call 1-877-322-5227.

Audio Version

of the Ballot Pamphlet



The Secretary of State's office produces a cassette-recorded version of the ballot pamphlet for the visually impaired. Cassettes can be obtained by calling your local public library or by calling **1-800-345-VOTE**.



Promote the Vote!

The Secretary of State's office asked high school students throughout the State to design a logo that would inspire participation in the democratic process. We are pleased to unveil the winning logo.

AND THE WINNER IS...



Stephanie Borboa

10th Grade

San Bernardino High School

San Bernardino, California