



Secretary of State

Dear Fellow Voter:

By registering to vote, you have taken the first step in deciding California's future. To help you make your decisions, my team created this Official Voter Information Guide—just one of the useful tools for learning about what is on your ballot and how this election works.

Your county sample ballot booklet has information about candidates and measures unique to your region. For more election details such as how to check your voter registration, find your polling place, or confirm your vote-by-mail ballot was received, visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections or call my toll-free voter hotline at (800) 345-8683.

Every registered voter has a choice of voting by mail or voting in a local polling place. The last day to request a vote-by-mail ballot from your county elections office is October 28. On Election Day, polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

There are more ways to participate in the electoral process.

- Be a poll worker on Election Day, helping to make voting easier for all eligible voters and protecting ballots until they are counted.
- Spread the word about voting rights through emails, phone calls, brochures, and posters.
- Educate other voters by organizing discussion groups or participating in debates with friends, family, and community leaders.

This voter guide contains titles and summaries of state ballot measures prepared by Attorney General Kamala D. Harris; impartial analyses of the ballot measures and potential costs to taxpayers prepared by Legislative Analyst Mac Taylor; ballot measure arguments prepared by proponents and opponents; text of the proposed laws prepared and proofed by Legislative Counsel Diane F. Boyer-Vine; and other useful information. The guide was printed under the supervision of State Printer David Gerald "Jerry" Hill.

It is a wonderful privilege in a democracy to have choices. Some contests really do come down to a narrow margin of just a few votes. I encourage you to take time to carefully read about each candidate and ballot measure, and to know your voting rights.

Thank you for taking your civic responsibility seriously and making your voice heard!