



Message from the Secretary of State

Dear California Voter,

Thank you for taking the time to learn about the candidates and propositions that will appear on the November 3, 2026, General Election ballot. This Voter Information Guide is designed to provide you with important, nonpartisan information to help you make informed decisions when casting your vote.

California is a leader in offering voters secure, accessible, and transparent elections. Each active registered voter will receive a vote-by-mail ballot, allowing them to vote safely and conveniently. You may return your ballot at an official ballot drop box, by voting in person at a voting location, or by returning it at least 7 days prior to Election Day via the United States Postal Service. Early voting opportunities are available in many communities, and Election Day remains an option for those who prefer to vote in person. You will be able to access voting options at <https://caearlyvoting.sos.ca.gov/>.

Your vote is your voice. Participating in elections helps shape the future of our communities, state, and nation. The Office of the Secretary of State works closely with county elections officials to ensure every eligible Californian has the opportunity to register, vote, and have their ballot counted accurately and securely.

This guide contains information about statewide candidates and voting resources available to you. I encourage you to review it carefully and seek additional trusted election information by visiting the Secretary of State's website at vote.ca.gov or by contacting your county elections office. A list of California county elections offices can be found at <https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices>.

California's strength comes from the participation of its voters. When you vote, you help ensure that our democracy reflects the voices and values of our diverse state.

Thank you for being an engaged and informed voter.