



ArtsVote in California

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Ensure Your Vote is COUNTED on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022

CONFIRM

Pre-Requisites

- A United States citizen and a resident of California
- 18 years old or older on Election Day, November 8, 2022
- Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, but persons on parole can vote. (Read [rights of people who have been incarcerated](#))
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

STEP 1

Register to Vote & Check Accuracy

Check the Accuracy of your [current voter registration](#) or **Register to Vote** for the first time [online](#) or if you would like to register using a paper voter registration application, you can pick one up at your county elections office, library, Department of Motor Vehicles offices, or U.S. post office. The voter registration application must be completed and POSTMARKED or HAND-DELIVERED to your [County Elections Office](#) by **Monday, October 24, 2022**. If you miss this deadline, then the only way to register to vote will be **in-person** at a [County Elections Office](#) or your local [Vote Center](#) from **October 25, 2022** until **Election Day, November 8, 2022**. (NOTE: Your application will be considered a [Conditional Voter Registration](#).) **Don't delay, pledge to check the accuracy of your voter status or register to vote by September 20, 2022.**

STEP 2

Receive Your Vote-By-Mail Ballot

You do not have to request a ballot. In California, all pre-registered voters will **automatically** be sent a [Vote-By-Mail Ballot](#). Counties are required to mail each registered voter a [Vote-By-Mail Ballot](#) by **Monday, October 5, 2022**, so it is imperative that your registration is up-to-date. If you did not receive a Vote-By-Mail Ballot, or you need to change where the ballot is mailed, please notify your local [County Elections Office](#). **Don't delay, pledge to check and update your voter registration by Tuesday, September 20, 2022.**

STEP 3

Cast Your Vote

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT: Cast your vote by **mailing-in** your completed and SIGNED Vote-By-Mail Ballot which must be POSTMARKED to your [County Elections Office](#) or dropped off at your local [ballot drop-off location](#) or [Voting Centers](#) by **Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022**. If you hand-deliver your completed Vote-By-Mail Ballot, you must return it to your local Early Voting Location or County Elections Office by **Monday, November 7, 2022**. Open days and operating hours vary by location (check with your local [County Elections Office](#).) To track the status of your Vote-By-Mail Ballot, use the California [BallotTrax](#). **Don't delay, pledge to return your completed Vote-By-Mail Ballot by Tuesday, October 18, 2022.**

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IN-PERSON VOTING: If you choose to vote in-person on **Election Day, November 8, 2022**, polling hours take place between **7:00am to 8:00pm** at your correct [polling place](#). Always be sure to bring your government ID with you. **Don't delay, pledge to cast your vote in-person during Early Voting and avoid the crowds.**

STEP 4

Celebrate Your Vote

Celebrate being an ArtsVote leader by posting a selfie of you mailing-in your ballot or wearing an "I Voted" sticker on social media. You can also share one of our [Shepard Fairey "ArtsVote" images](#). Make sure to use #ArtsVote and tag @ArtsActionFund! Encourage your network to also [take the pledge](#) to make their vote count by learning the new voting rules and deadlines in their own states www.ArtsActionFund.org/Pledge.



For general election information, visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections.

For military and overseas voters, visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/military-overseas-voters.