

Dear Fellow Citizen,

Congratulations on achieving your United States of America citizenship! The League of Women Voters welcomes you.

Your citizenship gives you the right to vote in elections and participate in American democracy. Voting is not only your right; it is your civic responsibility.

Every election is important and your vote matters. Your vote impacts the direction our elected officials take on policies, programs and laws that directly impact how we live, work and coexist in our communities safely, productively and equitably.

The League of Women Voters of the San Antonio Area provides voters with relevant nonpartisan information about voting and elections including the Texas Voters Bill of Rights and Frequently Asked Questions about Voting and Elections.

You can access these documents and more voting related information – and learn more about the League – at our website at [lwvs.org](http://lwvs.org).

For over 100 years, the League of Women Voters has been a trusted and reliable nonpartisan resource for election and voting related information. The League's mission is to encourage informed and active participation of citizens in government and democracy. Please feel free to contact us at the phone number or email address on the back of this brochure for assistance.

If you do not live in Bexar County, you can visit [lwvtexas.org](http://lwvtexas.org) or your local chapter of the League of Women Voters website to obtain information about elections and voting.

Your first step is the most important – registering to vote. Volunteers are available today to register you to vote so that you can begin participating in elections. After registering, stay informed of election deadlines, the election races, candidates and issues and, most importantly, casting your vote. This pamphlet provides resources for all of these pertinent steps in the voting process.

On behalf of the League of Women Voters San Antonio Area, congratulations and join us in participating in American democracy!

Best Wishes,

Yvonne Pelayo,  
President, League of Women Voters San Antonio Area

# VOTE 411

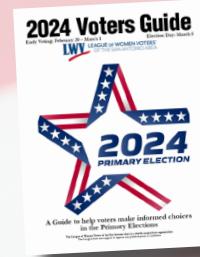
## ELECTION INFORMATION YOU NEED

### VOTE411.ORG – ELECTRONIC VOTERS GUIDE

An award-winning, one-stop, nonpartisan election information resource created and maintained by the League of Women Voters to help you be an informed voter.

#### VOTERS GUIDE

Similar information in a print publication, with additional elections information, available at public libraries prior to early voting.



The League of Women Voters, a strictly nonpartisan organization, does not support or oppose any political party or candidate. Our mission is to encourage informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League envisions a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.

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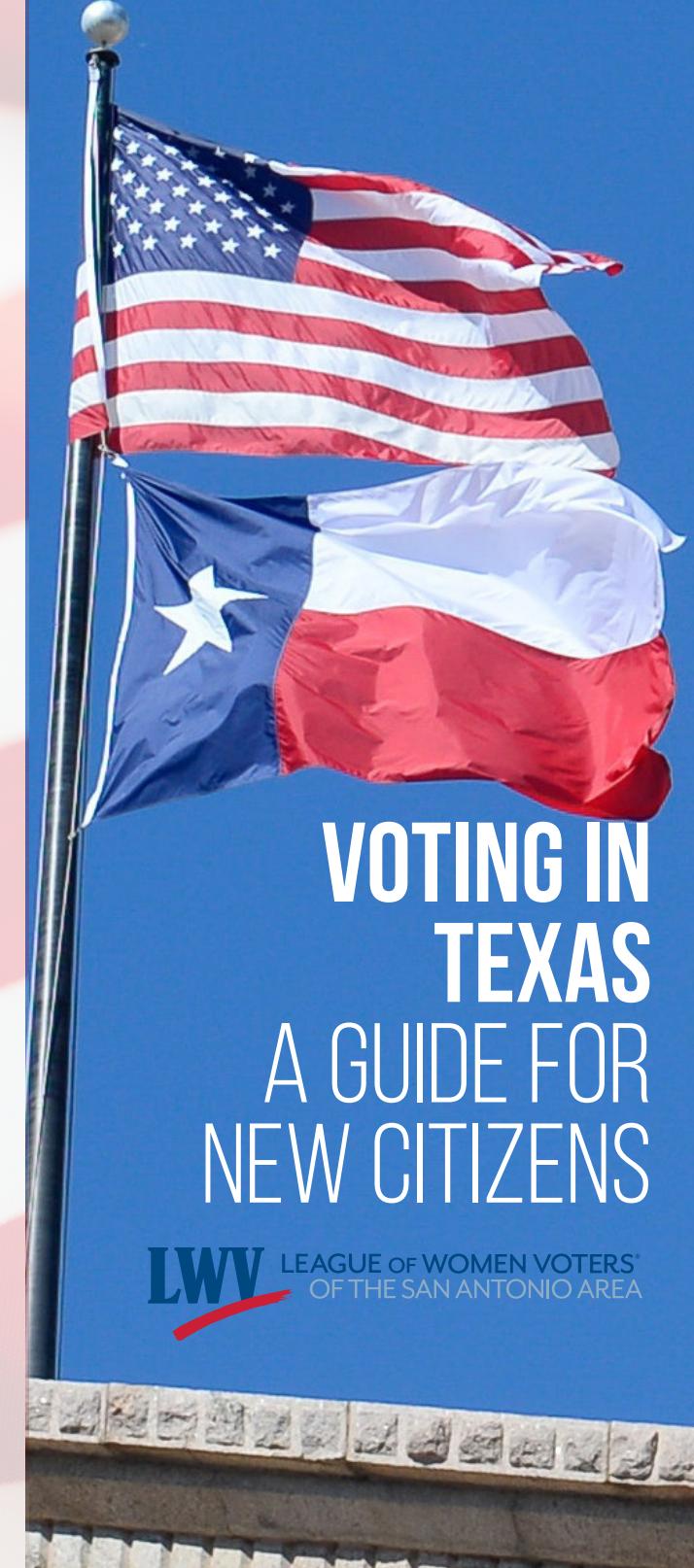
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# VOTING IN TEXAS

## A GUIDE FOR NEW CITIZENS

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# IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT VOTING IN TEXAS

- ✓ Elections are run by county elections officials. Check with your county for the specifics of where and when to vote.
- ✓ There is no online voter registration in Texas. First time voters may download and fill out the form online but must print it, sign it, and mail it to the county elections office. Printed voter registration forms are also available at all public libraries.
- ✓ Texans must be registered to vote 30 days prior to an election to be able to vote in that election.
- ✓ Voters do not register for any political party, but can only vote in one party's primary election.
- ✓ Voters must update their voter registration if they move or have a name change. Update or check status online at [votetexas.gov](http://votetexas.gov).
- ✓ Voting by mail is restricted to those over 65, sick or disabled, pregnant and due to deliver within 3 weeks of the election, out of the county during early voting and election day, or incarcerated but otherwise eligible to vote. Deadlines for the application process can be found at [votetexas.gov](http://votetexas.gov).
- ✓ Early voting, a period of days prior to election day, is recommended and available for all registered voters.
- ✓ Voters must show a photo ID at the polls in order to vote. Acceptable picture ID includes one of the following: Texas Driver License, Texas Election Identification Certificate, Texas Personal Identification Card, Texas License to carry a handgun, US military ID card, US citizenship certificate, or a US passport. If you do not have any of these IDs, check with [votetexas.gov](http://votetexas.gov) for more information.
- ✓ Voters cannot use personal electronic devices at the polling site. Voters may refer to notes made on paper. You must remove all papers when you leave the booth.
- ✓ You are allowed to vote if you are already in line when the polls close.
- ✓ Voters have the right to receive up to two replacement ballots if you make a mistake and spoil your ballot before you cast your ballot.
- ✓ When voting, you have the right to request assistance from a poll worker or anyone of your choice except your employer, an officer of your union or their representatives.
- ✓ You have the right to vote if you cannot read or write. You have the right to bring an interpreter with you who can translate.
- ✓ Voters with disabilities should contact their county election office to determine where curbside voting is available.

# VOTER RESOURCES

Sign up for election email reminders



State election information hosted by the Secretary of State's office including upcoming election dates



Your county's elections office



The Leagues of Women Voters of Texas and San Antonio Area



## PROBLEM AT THE POLLS? CONTACT ELECTION PROTECTION

<p>English 1-866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)</p>	<p>American Sign Language Video Call 1-301-818-VOTE (301-818-8683)</p>	<p>Arabic 1-844-YALLA-US (844-925-5287)</p>
<p>Spanish 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA (888-839-8682)</p>	<p>Asian Multilingual 1-888-API-VOTE (888-274-8683)</p>	<p>Disability Rights Texas 1-888-796-VOTE (888-796-8683)</p>