Primary Election Day: March 3, 2020
General Election Day: November 3, 2020
Polls are open: 7:00am - 8:00pm

WHY VOTING MATTERS
In the United States, it’s your right to cast a ballot. Whether you are interested in school improvements, better roads, or lower taxes; whether your priority is immigration reform or loosening restrictions on small businesses; whether you’re concerned about government accountability, environmental protection, or U.S. foreign policy, the ballot box is where you get to choose your city priorities, your state laws, and our federal policies.

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*Postmark date; or complete online  **Received by date

HOW TO VOTE
Voters can learn more about the eligibility requirements to vote in California, how to register to vote, find polling places, and access online forms by visiting the Secretary of State’s website at [http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections](http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections) or calling 1-800-345-VOTE (8683).

VOTER IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
In most cases California State law does not require voters to provide proof of identification. However, a voter may be asked to present identification if they mailed in their voter registration application and did not include a driver license number, California identification number, or the last four digits of their Social Security number on the form. In any case, it is advisable to bring a valid photo ID, particularly if the voter is casting a ballot for the first time. Acceptable forms of identification include:

- Driver’s license or state-issued ID card
- Passport
- Employee ID card
- Credit or debit card
- Military ID card
- Student ID card
- Health club ID card
- Insurance plan ID card
- Bank statement
- Recent* utility bill
- Document issued by a government entity

*Recent is defined as dated after the most recent general election

Other acceptable forms of identification can be found here: [https://bit.ly/2k4hcG8](https://bit.ly/2k4hcG8)

IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING
A new law in California has expanded early voting rights for registered voters. California’s Voter Choice Act gives voters a choice in casting their ballots by mail, expanding in-person early voting, or allowing voters to cast a ballot at any voting center within their county. Voters should call their county election office to learn if in-person early voting is available in their county. Information for county election offices can be found here: [https://bit.ly/2erLf7T](https://bit.ly/2erLf7T). More information on how to cast an in-person ballot early can be found here: [https://bit.ly/2rVYI5J](https://bit.ly/2rVYI5J).

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MAILED ABSENTEE VOTING
If voters are unable to make it to the polls on election day, they can apply to cast a ballot by mail. Voters can apply to vote absentee or to become a permanent vote-by-mail voter by contacting their local county election office (https://bit.ly/21rGsTH), or by accessing the application online at https://bit.ly/1pQ50rH.

Mailed applications to vote by mail in the primary and general elections must be received no later than 7 days before the election, meaning February 25, 2020 and October 27, 2020, respectively. If a voter needs to apply for an absentee ballot after these dates, they must request one in person at the county election office.

Completed absentee ballots must be postmarked no later than their respective election day, or may be dropped off in person at the polling location by close of polls on election day. Read more about voting by mail at https://bit.ly/1VkRM47.

RESOURCES
For more information on voting in California, please call our Yalla Vote Hotline at 1-844-YALLA-US (1-844-925-5287). Voter support is available in both English and Arabic, year-round.