

SOUTH CAROLINIANS: HOW TO VOTE THIS ELECTION

Make sure you are registered to vote:

The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights and its All Voting is Local campaign launched And Still *I Vote*, a call to action to empower our communities to fight for a democracy that works for all of us. We promote solutions that remove barriers to voting, share testimony from those fighting for a full, inclusive democracy, and mobilize people to take action. Our campaign is for people who believe everyone's voice should be heard and are willing to fight for fair, safe, and accessible elections.

This fall, make your voice HEARD. Below is what you need to know to get registered, vote, and ensure your ballot counts:

Election Day is **TUESDAY**, **NOVEMBER 3**.

Note that some changes may occur as a result of litigation or executive orders, so please check for the latest information on the secretary of state's website <u>here</u>.

- \mathbf{M} Register to vote online <u>here</u> if you have a driver's license or state ID (deadline for online registration is October 4), OR
- **M** Print and complete an application, and then mail, | fax, or email it to your county registration/election office (must be postmarked by October 5 – the Monday after October 4, which is a Sunday), OR
- Register in person at your county registration/election <u>office</u> (deadline is October 4 – check county dates and times for potential weekend hours)

THEY TRY TO SILENCE ME. SCARE ME. FIND ST SUPPRESS ME. ERASE ME.







If you qualify, please vote **absentee in person**. You must meet one of several <u>criteria</u> in order to vote absentee.

- \checkmark Absentee in-person voting is from October 5 to 5 pm on November 2.
- \checkmark You can find your absentee in-person location <u>here</u>.
- Don't forget to bring your ID! (For a list of acceptable types, see <u>here</u>.) If you don't bring your ID, you can vote with a provisional ballot, which will count so long as you bring your ID to your election commission before the start of canvassing, generally the Thursday or Friday after the election. If you cannot get an ID, you may sign a "reasonable impediment" affidavit and vote with a regular ballot.

If voting in person isn't an option for you, please consider voting **absentee by mail** if you <u>qualify</u>. Please request your ballot as soon as possible – two to three weeks in advance of the election – and return your completed ballot one to two weeks before Election Day on November 3.

You can request an absentee ballot <u>online</u> – but you must have a printer to print and







- mail the form to your county registration/election office.
- You can also call or email your county registration/election <u>office</u> to have them send you an application.
- Applications for an absentee ballot may be emailed, mailed, faxed, or delivered in person to the county registration/election office by 5 pm on October 30.
- Completed ballots must be received by the county registration/election office by 7 pm on Election Day (November 3). You can mail it or return it in person. Contact your county office for information on drop boxes.
- M NOTE: Witness Signature Required. The witness signature requirement for mail-in absentee ballots was reinstated by the U.S. Supreme Court on October 5. Under the court's order, any ballots received by county officials through October 7 will be counted regardless of whether the return envelope has a witness signature. To ensure your absentee ballot counts: Sign the voter's oath on the return envelope. Have a witness sign and provide address. Any other person can be a witness. Return your ballot before 7:00 p.m. on November 3. Ballots can be returned in person or by mail. You should mail your ballot as soon as possible and at least a week before election day to allow time for delivery before the deadline

If you **vote on Election Day**, please get there early! Polls open at 7 am and close at 7 pm (if you are in line by 7pm, you may vote regardless of how long it takes). You can find your voting precinct <u>here</u>. Don't forget to bring your ID! (See list of acceptable types <u>here</u>.) If you don't bring your ID, you can cast a provisional ballot, which will count so long as you bring your ID to your election commission before the start of canvassing, generally the Thursday or Friday after the election. If you cannot get an ID, you may sign a "reasonable impediment" affidavit and cast a regular ballot.