

COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE AND SAMPLE BALLOT

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Clerk, Recorder, Assessor and Registrar of Voters

General Election Tuesday, November 3, 2026

**POLLING PLACES WILL BE OPEN FROM
7 AM TO 8 PM ON ELECTION DAY**

Please see the back cover of this guide for your assigned polling place.

EVERY REGISTERED VOTER WILL RECEIVE
A VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT



Scan here for more information
about the election!

4440-A Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA 93110

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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ELECTIONS DIVISION

Phone Number: 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)

Website: SBCVote.com

Mailing Address: PO Box 61510, Santa Barbara CA 93160-1510

SANTA BARBARA OFFICE

4440-A Calle Real
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Office Hours

Monday - Friday, except holidays
8 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 5 pm

Office Hours Beginning October 5, 2026

Monday - Friday, except holidays
8 am - 5 pm

Extended Hours

Saturday, October 31, 2026
8 am - 2 pm

SANTA MARIA OFFICE

511 E Lakeside Pkwy, Ste 134
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Office Hours Beginning October 5, 2026

Monday - Friday, except holidays
8 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 5 pm

Extended Hours

Saturday, October 31, 2026
8 am - 2 pm

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

October 5 - October 27, 2026 - Vote By Mail ballots mailed to ALL eligible voters.

October 5 - November 3, 2026 - Voting at County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria.

October 19, 2026 - Close of Registration. Register to vote online at registertovote.ca.gov.

October 20 - November 3, 2026 - Conditional/Same Day Voter Registration Period.

October 27, 2026 - Deadline to request a replacement Vote By Mail ballot.

November 3, 2026 - Election Day

Polling Place Locations and County of Santa Barbara Elections Division Offices in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria will be open 7 am – 8 pm.

IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION

All voters will receive a Vote By Mail ballot for this Election. Please review the information provided with your ballot and return envelope for instructions on how to properly mark and return your ballot.

Official ballots will begin mailing by October 5, 2026. If you do not receive your Vote By Mail ballot by Tuesday, October 13, 2026, contact our office or check your ballot status at voterstatus.sos.ca.gov.



VOTE! DON'T DELAY!

Plan ahead and return your ballot early. Don't wait until Election Day to return your ballot.
The County of Santa Barbara Elections Division strongly encourages voters to use an official secure ballot drop box.

Drop boxes are a safe and reliable way to return your ballot.



- ▶ **Use an official secure ballot drop box whenever possible.** For hours and locations, visit our website at countyofsb.org/3265/ or scan the QR Code to the right.



- ▶ **You may also return your ballot in person** at any polling place or County Elections Office in California by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.



- ▶ **If you return your ballot by mail, drop it off as early as possible** to allow enough time for postal delivery and ensure it is postmarked on or before Election Day, November 3, 2026.



- ▶ **If you choose to wait and mail your ballot the day before or on Election Day**, it is recommended that you get a manual postmark by visiting the counter at your local U.S. Post Office.



**DON'T FORGET TO
SIGN AND DATE**
your Vote By Mail ballot return
envelope **before** returning your ballot.



YOUR VOTE. YOUR VOICE. OUR COMMUNITY.



How to Vote By Mail

The County of Santa Barbara Elections Division will send all registered voters a Vote By Mail ballot in an envelope similar to the one pictured to the right by **October 5, 2026**.



VOTING BY MAIL IS EASY DON'T DELAY, VOTE TODAY!



MARK IT.

Follow the instructions on the ballot to mark your choices.



SEAL IT.

Insert your voted ballot in the return envelope provided and seal it.



SIGN IT.

Make sure to sign and date your return envelope. Your ballot will not be counted unless you sign in your own handwriting and your signature compares with the signature(s) on your voter registration record, which may include your California driver's license or state identification card. **(Power of Attorney is not acceptable).**



RETURN IT.

By mail: No stamp required. **Mail your ballot early so that it is postmarked by Election Day. Ballots dropped off in a USPS mail box close to or on Election Day may not receive a timely postmark.**

In person: Return your ballot to any county elections office, official ballot drop box, or polling place within the state by 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on **November 3, 2026**.

This guide contains a list of official ballot drop box locations in the County of Santa Barbara. County Elections Division office locations and business hours may be found on the inside cover of this guide.



TRACK IT.

Sign up at **wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov** to receive status alerts by text (SMS), email, or voice call notifications to confirm the County Elections Division has received your ballot.

OFFICIAL SECURE BALLOT DROP BOX

LOCATIONS BY AREA

This list is subject to change. Be sure to check the list on our website before returning your ballot at a drop box. For more information about ballot drop boxes, visit our website at countyofsb.org/1944/ or scan the QR code.



OFFICIAL SECURE BALLOT DROP BOXES WILL BE AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED) FROM OCTOBER 5, 2026, UNTIL 8:00 PM ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026.



Drive-Up (D)



Walk-Up (W)

AREA	BALLOT DROP BOX	ADDRESS	ACCESS
Buellton	Buellton City Hall	107 W. Highway 246	D, W
Carpinteria	Carpinteria City Hall	5775 Carpinteria Ave.	D, W
Goleta	Goleta City Hall	130 Cremona Dr.	W
	Goleta Valley Community Center	5679 Hollister Ave.	D, W
Guadalupe	Guadalupe City Hall	918 Obispo St.	W
Isla Vista/UCSB	UCSB Student Resource Building Building # 221	UCSB Campus	W
Lompoc	Lompoc City Hall <i>Near utility payment drop box</i>	100 Civic Center Plaza	D, W
	Vandenberg Village Library	3755 Constellation Rd.	D
Orcutt	Oak Knolls Shopping Center <i>Parking lot in front of State Farm Office</i>	1103 E. Clark Ave.	W
Santa Barbara	County Administration Building <i>Entrance from Anapamu St.</i>	105 E. Anapamu St.	W
	Elections Division Main Office	4440-A Calle Real	D, W
	MacKenzie Park <i>Corner of State St. and Las Positas Rd. Hours: sunrise to ½ hour after sunset</i>	3111 State St.	D, W
	Santa Barbara City College <i>Roundabout at West Campus drop-off zone</i>	721 Cliff Dr.	D
	Santa Barbara City Hall	735 Anapamu St.	W
Santa Maria	Allan Hancock College <i>Enter through Bradley Rd., Parking lot 3</i>	800 S. College Dr.	W
	Santa Maria Elections Office	511 E. Lakeside Pkwy.	D, W
	Santa Maria Public Library <i>City Library Parking Garage</i>	421 S. McClelland St.	D, W
Solvang	Solvang Veteran's Memorial Building	1745 Mission Dr.	D

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Accessible Voting

Language Assistance. Bilingual (English/Spanish) staff is available at County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices and polling places. Assistance for additional languages is available using an interpreter service.

Election Materials in Other Formats. Audio CDs and large print versions of the information printed in this guide and the State Voter Information Guide are available upon request. To request an audio or large print copy of this guide, please contact the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division by phone at **1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)** or by email at **electionssupport@countyofsb.org**.

Remote Accessible Vote By Mail (RAVBM) System. The RAVBM system allows a voter to independently download, mark, and print their ballot on their own computer using their personal assistive technology. A voter may use the return envelope that came with their Vote By Mail ballot packet or their own envelope to return their voted ballot and signed declaration.

RAVBM ballots can be returned in the same way as all other Vote By Mail ballots and have the same return deadline.

To request an RAVBM ballot, you may visit **SBCVote.com/RAVBM**, email **votebymail2@countyofsb.org**, or call **1-800-722-8683**. For more information, please see the “Remote Accessible Vote By Mail” page in this guide or visit the “Remote Accessible Vote By Mail” webpage at **SBCVote.com**.

Curbside Voting. Curbside voting is available at all County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices and polling places for voters unable to come into their designated voting location. To use curbside voting, voters can:

- Call **1-800-722-8683** in advance to request curbside voting at one of the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices or their polling place; or
- Follow the curbside voting signs to the designated parking space and call **1-800-722-8683** once arriving at an elections office or polling place.

Accessible Voting System. All County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices and polling places have at least one ballot marking device (BMD) with all ballot types available in English and Spanish. The ballot marking device (BMD) provides:

- an audio option that reads the ballot in English and Spanish through provided headphones;
- a universal plug for personal assistive technology;
- large print viewing options; and
- black/white contrast viewing options.

Other Aides Available Upon Request. Easy grip pens and magnifiers are available upon request at all County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices and polling places.

Personal Assistance Marking Your Ballot. Voters have the right to get help casting their ballot from anyone they choose, except from their employer or union representative. Voters may bring up to two (2) people to their polling place to assist them while voting.



Remote Accessible Vote By Mail (RAVBM)

The RAVBM system gives voters the ability to read and mark their ballot privately and independently on their personal devices. Any active voter can request and receive access to the RAVBM system.

The RAVBM system allows you to:

- ✓ Mark your selections and review them prior to downloading and printing your voted ballot.
- ✓ Use your own assistive technology devices to read and mark your ballot.
- ✓ Select English or Spanish language, change the screen contrast and font size for your ballot.

RAVBM is not “internet voting.” **You cannot submit your selections online. You must print and return your marked ballot by mail or in person.**

How to vote with RAVBM:

1. Request an RAVBM ballot access link. Submit your request:

- **Online:** Complete an electronic request online at **SBCVote.com/RAVBM** or when you review your voter information on My Voter Status webpage at **voterstatus.sos.ca.gov**, or
- **Via Email:** Email your request to **votebymail2@countyofsb.org**, or
- **By Phone:** Contact the County Elections Division at **1-800-722-8683**.

SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST FOR RAVBM EARLY: To ensure there is enough time to receive, complete, and return your ballot, we strongly recommend submitting your RAVBM request no later than 7 days before Election Day.

After your request is processed, you will receive an email from **info@uocava.com**. Please allow one (1) full day for the email to arrive and check your spam folder before contacting our office.

2. Mark your ballot

You will receive a secure link via email with detailed instructions on how to access the secure RAVBM portal. Follow the instructions to mark your ballot.

3. Print your ballot and return materials

Download and print your ballot, return instructions, envelope, and Declaration of Voter form.

4. Sign and seal your ballot return envelope

Sign the Declaration of Voter form and return envelope, then follow the instructions to return your ballot and Declaration. You may return your RAVBM ballot in your own envelope or the return envelope provided. If you misplace the official return envelope, please email **votebymail2@countyofsb.org** or call **1-800-722-8683** to request a new envelope.

5. Return your ballot by: November 3, 2026.



By mail. Must be **postmarked** by Election Day.



At any official ballot drop box in California by 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day.



At any in-person voting location or county elections office in California by 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day.



How to Vote at the Polls

To find your polling place, check the back cover of this guide, visit our *Elections & Events* webpage at **SBCVote.com**, or call the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division at **1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)**.



Look for the wheelchair symbol on the back cover of your guide to determine if your polling place is accessible to voters with specific needs. Curbside voting is also available at all County Elections Division offices and polling places.

How do I vote at my assigned Polling Place?

1. You may bring the Vote By Mail ballot you received in the mail to your assigned polling place and:
 - Surrender it to the Check-In Officer to vote a poll ballot; or,
 - Let the Check-In Officer know that you will vote your Vote By Mail ballot in-person; or,
 - You may forfeit the above options and provide your name and address at the Check-In Workstation.
 - The Check-In Officer will confirm that you have not already voted in the election, and you will be issued a poll ballot to vote.
 - If the Check-In Officer is **unable** to confirm that you have not already voted in the election, you will be issued a Provisional Ballot to vote. Your Provisional Ballot will be counted once it is confirmed you have not already voted in the election.
2. Verify your information and sign the Electronic Poll Book Tablet. You will receive a ballot issue ticket.
3. Take your ballot issue ticket to the Ballot Issue Officer.
 - Let them know if you need assistance marking your ballot.
4. Fill out your ballot at one of the voting booths.
5. Deposit your voted ballot into the correct ballot bag.

What to do if...

You changed your name and did not re-register:

- Inform the Check-In Officer. They will direct you to re-register online at **registertovote.ca.gov** or give you a new voter registration card.
- You will need to sign your new and your old name on the Electronic Poll Book Tablet.

You are at the wrong polling place or you are listed at a different address:

- If you are at the wrong polling place, you have the following options:
 - Go to your correct polling place; or
 - Vote using the ballot marking device (BMD) for your precinct's ballot; or
 - Vote a provisional ballot from the available ballots at the polling place. In this case, only the contests you are eligible to vote on will be counted.
- If you have a new address, the Check-In Officer will give you a form to update your address. You do not need to complete a new registration card. Continue with the check-in process.

You need assistance marking your ballot:

- You may ask to use the ballot marking device (BMD) to vote independently.
- You are allowed to bring up to 2 people to assist you with marking your ballot **or** you may inform an Election Officer that you need assistance voting your ballot, and they will assist you.
 - Assistance **CANNOT** be provided by your employer or an officer or agent of a union you are a member of.
 - You and your assistant(s) will be asked to record their names and sign in on the Electronic Poll Book Roster.



Important Registration Information

Eligibility to register to vote

To register to vote in California a person must be:

- ✓ a United States citizen and resident of California,
- ✓ 18 years old or older on Election Day,
- ✓ not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- ✓ not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

A person may pre-register to vote if that person is at least 16 years of age and meets all the other eligibility requirements. Pre-registrants are automatically registered to vote on their 18th birthday.

You should re-register to vote if:

You have moved,
You have changed your name,
You want to change your political party preference, or
Your mailing address has changed.

You may re-register to vote online at registertovote.ca.gov or request a paper voter registration application by calling **1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)** or emailing voterreg@countyofsb.org.

Deadline to register to vote

The last day to register to vote for the November 3, 2026, General Election is **October 19, 2026**.

Conditional Voter Registration

Voters who miss the deadline to register to vote may visit one of the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division offices between October 20, 2026 and Election Day or go to their polling place on Election Day to register and vote conditionally.



If visiting a polling place on Election Day, use the polling place look-up tool at **SBCVote.com** or call **1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)** to locate your polling place.

If you are a military or overseas voter or a voter with disabilities, contact the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division to learn about conditional voter registration and voting options that are available to you.

Phone: **1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)** Email: votebymail2@countyofsb.org

Requirements for First Time Federal Voters

Any person registering and voting for the first time in a federal election who did not provide their California driver's license, California identification number, or last four digits of their Social Security number, will be required to show a form of identification when they go to the polls, or must provide a copy of that identification with their Vote By Mail ballot. Failure of a First Time Federal Voter to provide identification when voting may result in their ballot not being counted. There are 30 forms of identification that can be used for this purpose under the Help America Vote Act of 2002, including a government issued check or a utility bill that includes the person's name and address.

For a full list of the forms of identification that can be used, visit the Secretary of State's website at: sos.ca.gov/elections/hava-id-standards



Language Assistance



SBCVote.com



ElectionsSupport@countyofsb.org



1-800-722-8683

In this year's elections, some polling places will have translated sample ballots that voters can use as a reference when voting. The polling places that will have them are determined by the Secretary of State. To find out if your polling place will have a translated sample ballot, or to request to have one sent to you before Election Day, please visit our website or call our office. Requests must be received no later than 7 days before Election Day.

If you need assistance when voting, you may bring up to two people with you to your polling place, as long as they are not representatives of your employer or your union. Bring a family member or friend!

Spanish/Español

En las elecciones de este año, algunos lugares de votación contarán con modelos de boletas traducidas que los votantes pueden usar como referencia al votar. La Secretaría de Estado determinó qué lugares de votación contarán con estos modelos de boletas. Para saber si su lugar de votación contará con una boleta modelo traducida, o para solicitar que le envíen una antes del Día de Elecciones, por favor, visite nuestro sitio de internet o llame a nuestra oficina. Las solicitudes se deben recibir antes de los 7 días previos al Día de Elecciones.

Si necesita ayuda al votar, puede llevar hasta dos personas con usted a su lugar de votación, siempre que no sean representantes de su empleador o sindicato. ¡Lleve a un familiar o amigo!

Chinese/ 中文

在今年的選舉中，一些投票站將提供翻譯的選票樣本，投票人可以在投票時用作參考。選民所屬的投票點由國務卿決定。若想了解您的投票站是否有提供翻譯的選票樣本，或請求在選舉日之前將翻譯樣本發送給您，請訪問我們的網站或致電我們的辦公室。請求必須在選舉日 7 天前收到。

如果您在投票時需要幫助，您可以最多帶兩個人（只要他們不是您雇主或工會的代表）到您的投票站。您可帶上家人或朋友！

Korean / 한국어

올해 선거에선 일부 투표소에 투표자가 투표할 때 참고용으로 사용하도록 번역된 샘플 투표 용지를 비치할 예정입니다. 번역된 투표 용지를 비치할 투표소는 국무 장관이 결정합니다. 귀하의 투표소의 번역된 투표 용지 비치 여부를 알아보시거나 선거일 전에 번역된 용지를 받아보도록 신청하시려면 웹사이트를 방문하시거나 사무실에 전화 주십시오. 신청은 선거일 최소 7 일 전에 수신되어야 합니다.

투표할때도움이필요하신경우귀하의고용주또는조합의대표인이아닌사람최대두명과투표소에동행하실수있습니다.가족이나친구와함께오세요!

Tagalog / Tagalog

Ngayong eleksyon ngayong taon, ang mga lugar ng botohan ay magkakaroon ng mga balota na pwedeng pagbasehan para sa proseso ng pagboto. Ang mga lugar na pagbobotohan na magkakaroon ng mga balotang ito ay tutukuyin ng Sekretarya ng Estado. Upang malaman kung ang iyong lugar na pagbobotohan ay may naisalin na balota o para humingi ng kopya nito bago ang Araw ng Eleksyon, paki-bisita lamang ang aming website o tawagan ang aming opisina. Lahat ng hiling ay dapat matanggap sa loob ng 7 araw bago ang Araw ng Eleksyon.

Kung kailangan niyo ng tulong sa pagboto, pwede kayong magdala ng hanggang dalawang tao sa lugar ng botohan basta sila ay hindi kinatawan ng iyong lugar na pinagtrabahuan o ng iyong unyon. Magdala kayo ng miyembro ng pamilya o isang kaibigan!

Vietnamese / Tiếng Việt

Trong cuộc bầu cử năm nay, một số địa điểm bỏ phiếu sẽ cung cấp các mẫu lá phiếu được biên dịch để cử tri có thể tham khảo khi bỏ phiếu. Bộ trưởng Ngoại giao sẽ quyết định những địa điểm bỏ phiếu nào sẽ có mẫu lá phiếu này. Để tìm hiểu xem địa điểm bỏ phiếu của quý vị có mẫu lá phiếu được biên dịch hay không, hoặc để yêu cầu chúng tôi gửi mẫu lá phiếu cho quý vị trước Ngày Bầu cử, vui lòng truy cập trang web của chúng tôi hoặc gọi điện đến văn phòng của chúng tôi. Chúng tôi cần nhận được yêu cầu chậm nhất 7 ngày trước Ngày Bầu cử.

Nếu quý vị cần hỗ trợ khi bỏ phiếu, quý vị có thể đi cùng tối đa hai người đến địa điểm bỏ phiếu, miễn là họ không phải là đại diện của chủ lao động hoặc công đoàn của quý vị. Hãy đi cùng người thân trong gia đình hoặc bạn bè!



Additional Resources

A Ride to your Polling Place.

Transportation to and from polling place locations may be available on Election Day to senior citizens and to persons with mobility impairments. Most transportation services require that you schedule services up to two weeks in advance. For information on scheduling services and fees, please contact the agency directly.

Carpinteria Area (Help of Carpinteria): Call 805-684-0065

Santa Barbara/Goleta/Carpinteria Area (Easy Lift Transportation): Call 805-681-1181

Santa Ynez/Los Olivos/Solvang/Buellton Area (Santa Ynez Valley Transit): Call 805-688-5452

Santa Maria Area (SMOOTH – Santa Maria Organization of Transport Helpers): Call 805-922-8476
(SMRT – Santa Maria Regional Transit): Call 805-928-5624.

Voting on Election Day if hospitalized or in a care facility due to a medical emergency.

Most hospitals and care facilities in Santa Barbara County have staff available to help voters in their care with retrieving and returning a ballot on Election Day.

Contact the County Elections Division for additional information on accessible voting at votebymail2@countyofsb.org or call 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683).

Other resources:



Disability
Rights
California

Disability Rights California

Website: www.disabilityrightsca.org

Voting Hotline: 1-888-569-7955

Phone: 1-800-776-5746

ACCESS



CENTRAL COAST
CENTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES

Access Central Coast Center for Disability Services

Website: www.accesscentralcoast.org

Santa Barbara Phone: 805-963-0595

Santa Maria Phone: 805-925-0015

Santa Barbara Video Phone: 805-284-9051

Santa Maria Video Phone: 805-354-5948



Tri-County Glad

Website: www.tcglad.org

Phone: 805-644-6322

Video Phone: 805-256-1053

Text Telephone (TTY): 805-644-6323

Email: info@tcglad.org



Voter Bill of Rights

YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS

1. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:
 - ★ a U.S. citizen living in California
 - ★ at least 18 years old
 - ★ registered where you currently live
 - ★ not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony
 - ★ not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
2. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.**
You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.
3. **The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**
4. **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
5. **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
 - Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot,
 - Exchange your Vote By Mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
 - Vote using a provisional ballot.**
6. **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
7. **The right to drop off your completed Vote By Mail ballot at any polling place** in California.
8. **The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
9. **The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.
 -  **On the web at www.sos.ca.gov**
 -  **By phone at (800) 345-VOTE (8683)**
 -  **By email at elections@sos.ca.gov**

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, or you are aware of any fraud or misconduct, please call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683) or the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division at (800) 722-VOTE (8683).



Information about Candidates

Candidate contact information and campaign financial disclosure statements are available online:

Local Candidates: SBCVote.com

Statewide Candidates: sos.ca.gov

Federal Candidates: fec.gov

State Legislative Candidates – Voluntary Spending Limits

California law includes voluntary spending limits for candidates running for state offices who choose to keep their campaign expenses under specified dollar amounts. Candidates for state legislative offices who agree to the voluntary spending limit may purchase space for a candidate statement to be printed in this voter guide. Some candidates, however, chose not to buy space for a statement.

The following state legislative candidates have agreed to abide by the voluntary spending limits.

Office	Candidate's Name	Candidate's Statement of Qualifications Included
State Assembly, District 37	Sari Domingues	No
State Assembly, District 37	Gregg Hart	No

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN CANDIDATE STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates have the option to prepare and pay for a Candidate's Statement of Qualifications (candidate statement) to be printed in this voter guide.

Candidate statements are printed exactly as submitted, including errors.

Candidate statements are arranged by candidate's last name in a random alphabet order. The random alphabet used depends on the contest, following either the randomized alphabet drawing conducted by the Secretary of State's office or the County Elections Division.

The following pages may or may not represent a complete list of candidates. For a complete list of candidates on your ballot, please see the Sample Ballot pages of this guide.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR United States Representative District 24 SALUD CARBAJAL Age: 61 Occupation: Member of Congress Education and Qualifications: I'm Salud Carbajal, and in Congress I'm fighting to lower the cost of living, keep our families safe, and deliver results for the Central Coast. My father was a farmworker in Ventura County. I worked two jobs while I attended UCSB, becoming the first in my family to graduate from a university, and proudly served in the Marine Corps Reserves. I know what it's like to work hard and still worry about making ends meet — that's what drives me in Congress. That's why I worked to pass the largest infrastructure investment in a generation, bringing over \$1 billion to our region — fixing highways and bridges, expanding high-speed internet, and supporting over 13,000 good-paying jobs. I voted to cap insulin at \$35 a month for Medicare recipients, lower prescription drug costs for seniors, and cut health insurance premiums — because no one should have to choose between medicine and groceries. Community safety is personal to me. I authored a provision in the first federal gun safety law in 30 years, giving law enforcement new tools to prevent violence before it happens. I've fought to strengthen services for veterans, protect our coastline from offshore drilling, expand access to housing, end forever wars, and defend immigrant families from ICE's terrorizing raids and family separations. My office has helped over 3,500 neighbors resolve issues with federal agencies, and I've worked to secure over \$8 billion for our region. Every dollar and every case matters — and so does your voice. Learn more: SaludCarbajal.com	STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR United States Representative District 24 BOB SMITH Age: 47 Occupation: Defense Systems Engineer Education and Qualifications: The Central Coast is one of America's most extraordinary places, yet too many working families are being priced out of the communities they built and love. Housing, energy, and living costs here rank among the nation's highest. We need practical leadership that delivers results, not rhetoric. I am a Navy veteran who served 26 years, rising from junior enlisted sailor to Commander. As a Naval Officer and Systems Engineer, I led high-stakes national security programs and solved some of our military's toughest technological challenges. Service and leadership have defined my life. I am running for Congress to continue that service, not to build a political career, but to deliver real solutions for the Central Coast. My priorities are clear: restore affordability and expand homeownership; strengthen agriculture and protect our agricultural heritage; secure reliable energy and water; build education and workforce pathways that make the Central Coast a national leader in technology and innovation; advance responsible immigration reform; defend our nation; and support our veterans. The challenges we face are not partisan. They are practical. I will evaluate every issue independently, judge ideas by whether they work, and work with anyone willing to get results. My commitment is to the people of the Central Coast. I will fight to bring federal resources home, strengthen our local economy, and ensure our children can build their futures here. Common Sense. Common Ground. Central Coast First. I respectfully ask for your vote. www.bobsmithforcongress.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Santa Barbara Unified School District
Trustee Area 4**

VALERIE AMPARAN

Education and Qualifications: I am a proud wife, mother and longtime Santa Barbara area resident. For the past 25 years, I have built a strong foundation through my family, meaningful friendships, a successful career and a commitment to making a positive impact in our community. My husband, Gabe, and I are raising our two children in the Santa Barbara Unified District, giving me a personal stake in the success of our district.

I bring proven board-level leadership through my service as President of the Junior League of Santa Barbara, where I led a 350-member nonprofit as a mentor, managed budgets, strategic planning, governance, fundraising and community initiatives during a period of significant change. I also helped found 4 Kids 2 Kids, providing leadership through organizational growth, restructuring and advocacy for at-risk youth. As a school volunteer and successful fundraiser, I have worked directly with educators and helped raise over \$75,000 to support our school.

Professionally, I bring over 15 years of leadership in operations, finance, organizational strategy and team development. I am committed to responsible fiscal stewardship, strong governance, ensuring better student outcomes so every student receives the high-quality education they deserve while preparing SBUSD for a stronger future.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Santa Barbara Unified School District
Trustee Area 4**

KEVIN THOMAS GUAY

Age: 42

Occupation: History Teacher

Education and Qualifications: I've devoted nearly two decades to education, teaching for ten years in public and independent secondary schools and for eight years at public colleges and universities. I hold a B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in History and have served in several educational leadership roles. Santa Barbara is my home. My neighbors' children attend our schools, my children have friends throughout this community, and my own family may soon depend on the district. I'm running for the Board of Education because I believe my experience as both an educator and a parent can bring a valuable perspective to district decisions. I will work to strengthen classroom instruction, support and retain excellent teachers, and make responsible budget decisions. I also believe families deserve clear communication and a board that explains how and why decisions are made. I understand schools from the classroom outward. I have worked with students, teachers, administrators, board members, and families. I know that lasting improvement requires both high expectations and practical judgment. I would be honored to serve Santa Barbara Unified and help ensure that every student receives a thoughtful and well-supported education.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Santa Barbara Unified School District
Trustee Area 4**

ROSE MUÑOZ

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I believe in public education and am committed to the students of the Santa Barbara Unified School District. Every child deserves a healthy and supportive environment. Learning about diversity and appreciating our differences will lead to a school culture that is inclusive and builds community.

The board of trustees is focused on improving the reading and math scores in our elementary schools. The support for completion of the A-G requirements in high school prepares our students for college. There are programs in each of our high schools for students that wish to pursue trades and more to come as we gather community input for the use of the Armory.

The financial stability of the District has led to creative solutions in which we can build our reserves. The District has invested in workforce housing for our teachers and staff through collaboration with community partners.

As vice president of the SBUSD Board of Trustees, I have demonstrated the ability to work closely with my board colleagues and our Superintendent on data driven policies.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Mayor MATT KILRAIN Education and Qualifications: Matt Kilrain AKA Boat Rat Matt has a 4 CornerStone Agenda to unify the community by making it a safer place to raise children, while making money and having a City Government that can be counted on. 1. Child & Adult Cycle Safety Initiative, Making Santa Barbara a safer place to raise children, especially as it pertains to electric bikes and exploring far from home. 2. Community Unification Initiative, Stop the divide. Raise the Vibe. Unite the 805. Unifying people who disagree on ideas, come from different cultures and share different values. 3. Economic Development Sovereign Currency Initiative. Rebuilding the middle class by helping entrepreneurs make a buck. Considering Santa Barbara's own currency which would probably be silver coins and a digital currency backed by silver and gold that will be held in Santa Barbara. 4. Waterfront, State St. & City Hall Reformation Initiative. Oversight, Checks and Balances for City Government. Crack down on crime and corruption within City Government. State St. for the people by the people. KeyStone Amendment Citizens Owning the Business of Santa Barbara Initiative whereas Citizens of Santa Barbara will be shareholders in the business of Santa Barbara and receive dividends when the City makes money.	STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Mayor KRISTEN W. SNEDDON Occupation: Councilmember/Professor/Environmental Scientist Education and Qualifications: It has been an honor serving two terms on your City Council. I am ready to serve as your next Mayor. I fight for Santa Barbara: protecting our natural environment, public safety, libraries, parks, the arts, our distinctive character, and our diverse community. I will lead us forward with resolve and optimism. I pledge a balanced budget and restored reserves, to ensure our future. As a professor of Environmental Geology, I know the pressures we face from a changing climate. I initiated our Sustainability and Resilience Department, chaired the Sustainability Committee, championed our Wildland Fire Protection Plan, launched Santa Barbara Clean Energy, chaired our Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan, and as President of Cachuma Water Boards, protected our water. I want a Santa Barbara where working families and seniors can afford to stay, and the next generation can build a life. I led on creating the Local Housing Trust Fund and increasing affordable units, while saying no to vacation rentals. Homes should be lived in. I envision a Downtown that is vibrant, walkable, safe and accessible: lighting, outdoor dining, trolley, parades on State Street, thriving businesses. I helped bring the Film Center downtown and support businesses citywide. SBHS graduate, SBCC professor, parent, former small-business owner, past Starr King Parent-Child Workshop and Peabody Charter School Board Chair. Endorsed by former Mayors: Sheila Lodge, Helene Schneider, Marty Blum. I ask for your vote. Learn more: KristenSneddon.com
STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Mayor WENDY SIMS-MOTEN Occupation: Executive Director Education and Qualifications: Santa Barbara has been my home for 40 years. I raised my family here, built my career here, and dedicated my life to serving this community. I'm running for mayor to give back to the city that shaped my life. For more than 30 years, I've managed public budgets and programs that serve children and families. As Executive Director of First 5 Santa Barbara County, and previously as a Business Manager, I've built a record of fiscal responsibility, transparency, and accountability. I also served eight years on the Santa Barbara Unified School District Board of Trustees, including as Board President, where I balanced challenging budgets, made difficult decisions, and built partnerships that strengthened our community. As mayor, I'll prioritize affordable housing, public safety, parks and infrastructure, environmental stewardship, support for small businesses, affordable childcare, opportunities for young people, and responsible budgeting. I'm ready to serve Santa Barbara with experience, integrity, and a commitment to bringing people together to build a city that is safe, inclusive, financially responsible, and full of opportunity for everyone.	STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Mayor ERIC FRIEDMAN Age: 49 Occupation: Councilmember/Grocery Worker Education and Qualifications: Santa Barbara is home. It's where I grew up, met my wife Julie, and where we're raising our sons. As your Mayor, I will tirelessly protect what makes Santa Barbara extraordinary while ensuring opportunities for every neighborhood and future generations. For eight years on the City Council and as a clerk in your neighborhood grocery store, I've listened to families, seniors, young people, workers, and small business owners. I understand and am deeply committed to leading through the challenges we face: housing affordability, expanded economic vitality anchored by a strong and lively downtown, modernizing emergency preparedness and response, environmental stewardship, and a budget that doesn't borrow against our future. With 25 years of public service experience and a Master's Degree in Public Administration, I have a proven record of bringing people together to achieve results: creating Santa Barbara's Local Housing Trust Fund, updating our Wildfire Protection Plan, revitalizing Library Plaza and creating the Children's Library, championing our new police station, and pushing for balanced, honest budgets. Santa Barbara deserves a Mayor for Everyone, someone who listens, respects our history while embracing the future, and works for our whole community. I respectfully ask for your vote. Join me at: voteericfriedman.com

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Member of the City Council, District 5 CEVIN CATHELL Occupation: Producer/Civic Leader Education and Qualifications: For 26 years, Santa Barbara has been my home. As a film producer, civic leader, and proud member of the Directors Guild of America, I've spent my career managing complex budgets, building teams, and delivering results under pressure- skills I'll bring directly to City Council. I'm running for District 5 because I believe in this community and its potential to do better, together. My priorities are clear: building more affordable housing through smart, creative solutions; keeping our budget balanced with practical, results-driven leadership; reimagining La Cumbre Plaza as a vibrant, mixed-use hub; and protecting the creeks, wetlands, and open space that make Santa Barbara special. Above all, I'm committed to showing up for District 5's neighborhoods- San Roque, Samarkand, Upper State, Hidden Valley, and Campanil- with a council voice that's present, responsive, and accountable. I'm not a career politician. I'm a neighbor who believes Santa Barbara deserves a representative with broad experience, a fresh perspective, and a genuine willingness to listen and work together. I'd be honored to earn your vote and serve as your voice on City Council. For more information, please visit CevinForCouncil.org	STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Member of the City Council, District 5 JAMES ZURLINDEN Occupation: Media Buyer/Accountant Age: 41 Education and Qualifications: I have proudly called Santa Barbara home for the past thirteen years, returning to build my life here. Before working in media and finance, I spent fifteen years as a chef. I learned firsthand what it takes to keep a local business running, as well as the diverse community that makes Santa Barbara home. That experience taught me to budget responsibly, listen, work hard, and find practical solutions to complex problems. District 5 deserves a councilmember who understands daily life, not just politics. I will work for a financially responsible city that focuses on its core responsibilities by using our tax dollars wisely to support the community and maintain our city's infrastructure. I will work to improve e-bike and pedestrian safety, streamline permitting, and remove ALPR cameras that share our data with federal agencies. I will partner with local organizations to build real work and housing solutions for our community. I believe in a Santa Barbara that works for the people who live and work here every day. I would be honored to serve District 5 and I respectfully ask for your support and your vote. jamesforsb.com
STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR City of Santa Barbara Member of the City Council, District 5 IAN J. BAUCKE Occupation: Senate District Representative Education and Qualifications: I was born and raised in Santa Barbara, attending local schools including San Marcos High School. I worked the floor of a State Street restaurant and as a tour guide before earning my degree in Political Science and a Master's in Political Management from The George Washington University. Today I serve as District Representative for State Senate Leader Monique Limón, where I help people access childcare, healthcare, and housing every day. I'm running for City Council because the Santa Barbara I grew up in is slipping away as unaffordability pushes out local families and essential workers. Too often, City Hall makes it difficult to open a small business, apply for permits, or make street safety improvements. On the Council, I will use my government experience to cut red tape, expand affordable housing, build a more sustainable and resilient city, and make streets safer in every neighborhood. I'm proud to serve as Chair of the City of Santa Barbara Transportation and Circulation Committee, where I review millions of dollars in budgets for public works projects. I've championed Safe Routes to School, e-bike safety, and safety improvements for Las Positas, Upper State, and Calle Real. I'm already putting my experience to work at City Hall, and I would be honored to serve as our City Councilmember. Learn more: IanForSB.com	



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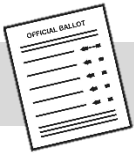
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Sample Ballot Information

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How to Use the Sample Ballot

Use the sample ballot in this guide to review the contests and measures you will find on your official ballot. You may use the sample ballot as a “practice ballot” before you mark and vote your official ballot.

Party Endorsements for Voter-Nominated Offices

Submitted at the option of the Political Party

Not all parties submit endorsements, and some parties may endorse a candidate from another party. A candidate’s party preference does not necessarily mean that they have that party’s endorsement or support.

The following Political Parties have submitted endorsements and have been listed below in the order of the County of Santa Barbara randomized alphabet drawing.

Office	Republican Party	Democratic Party	American Independent Party
Governor	Steve Hilton	Xavier Becerra	No Endorsement
Lieutenant Governor	Gloria Romero	Fiona Ma	Gloria Romero
Secretary of State	Donald P. "Don" Wagner	Shirley Weber	Donald P. "Don" Wagner
Controller	Herb W. Morgan	Malia Cohen	Malia Cohen
Treasurer	Jennifer Hawks	Eleni Kounalakis	Jennifer Hawks
Attorney General	Michael Gates	Rob Bonta	Michael Gates
Insurance Commissioner	No Endorsement	Ben Allen	Ben Allen
State Board of Equalization, District 2	No Endorsement	Sally Lieber	John Pimentel
U.S. Representative, District 24	Bob Smith	Salud Carbajal	Bob Smith
State Assembly, District 37	Sari Domingues	Gregg Hart	Sari Domingues
Superintendent of Public Instruction	Sonja Shaw	Richard Barrera	Sonja Shaw

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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Sample Ballot

NONPARTISAN OFFICES		SANTA BARBARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	
JUDICIAL	Vote YES or NO for each office		
FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 5 Shall Presiding Justice BRIAN M. HOFFSTADT be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		Governing Board Member Trustee Area 4	
		Vote for One	
		VALERIE AMPARAN ☐ Nonprofit President/Mother	
		KEVIN THOMAS GUAY ☐ History Teacher	
FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 6 Shall Presiding Justice TARI L. CODY be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		ROSE MUNOZ ☐ Incumbent	
		☐	
		Write-In	
		CITY	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 6 Shall Associate Justice KENNETH R. YEGAN be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		CITY OF SANTA BARBARA	
		Mayor	
		Vote for One	
		MATT KILRAIN ☐ Author	
FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 7 Shall Presiding Justice GONZALO C. MARTINEZ be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		KRISTEN W. SNEDDON ☐ Santa Barbara City Councilmember	
		WENDY SIMS-MOTEN ☐ Executive Director	
		ERIC FRIEDMAN ☐ Councilmember/Grocery Worker	
		☐	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 7 Shall Associate Justice NATALIE STONE be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		Write-In	
		Member, City Council District 5	
		Vote for One	
		CEVIN CATHELL ☐ Film Producer/Businesswoman	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 8 Shall Associate Justice JOHN WILEY be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐		JAMES ZURLINDEN ☐ Media Buyer/Accountant	
		IAN J. BAUCKE ☐ Senate District Representative	
		☐	
		Write-In	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 8 Shall Associate Justice MATTHEW A. SCHERB be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐			
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, 2ND DISTRICT, DIVISION 8 Shall Associate Justice VICTOR G. VIRAMONTES be elected to the office for the term provided by law? YES ☐ NO ☐			
SCHOOL			
State Superintendent of Public Instruction			
Vote for One			
SONJA SHAW ☐ School District President			
RICHARD BARRERA ☐ State Superintendent Advisor			
☐			
Write-In			

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Sample Ballot

Ballot Type 34

SAMPLE BALLOT

NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

B

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS		
STATE		
PROPOSITION 1 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR HOUSING AFFORDABILITY PROGRAMS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$11.25 billion in state general obligation bonds for housing affordability programs, including multifamily rental housing, mortgages for veterans, supportive housing, preservation of existing affordable housing, and downpayment assistance. Fiscal Impact: Increased state cost of \$500 million to \$600 million annually for about 25 years to repay the housing bond. Supporters: US Vets; CA Federation of Teachers; Self-Help for the Elderly; Habitat for Humanity CA; CA Alliance of Child & Family Services Opponents: None submitted	PROPOSITION 5 CHANGES RECALL ELECTION PROCESS FOR STATEWIDE OFFICERS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Under current law, voters elect replacement candidates at the same time as the recall election. This measure instead fills recall vacancies by subsequent special election or appointment. Fiscal Impact: Net fiscal effect unknown. In the event of a recall, savings or costs of millions of dollars to administer the election depending on the office recalled. Supporters: None submitted Opponents: None submitted	PROPOSITION 40 IMPOSES ONE-TIME TAX ON CERTAIN TAXPAYERS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE. Imposes 5% tax on certain taxpayers with assets over \$1 billion; revenue primarily for health care. Exempts revenues from constitutional requirements for school funding and spending limit. Fiscal Impact: Temporary revenue increase of tens of billions of dollars spread over several years from wealth tax on billionaires. Possible ongoing decrease of less than \$1 billion per year in income tax revenue from billionaires. Supporters: US Senator Bernie Sanders; SEIU United Healthcare Workers West Opponents: California Primary Care Association; California School Boards Association; California Taxpayers Association
YES ☐	YES ☐	YES ☐
NO ☐	NO ☐	NO ☐
PROPOSITION 2 INCREASES STATE’S RAINY DAY FUND. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Increases California’s Rainy Day Fund, approved by voters in 2014, to provide funding for education, health care, public safety, and other essential services during economic downturns. Fiscal Impact: State budget reserves would be higher. Supporters: CA Professional Firefighters; LA Chamber of Commerce; Gavin Newsom; Xavier Becerra; Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel Opponents: None submitted	PROPOSITION 37 CREATES LOAN PROGRAM FOR MIDDLE-INCOME BUYERS OF QUALIFIED NEW HOMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$25 billion in bonds to offer eligible buyers fixed-rate mortgages for up to 17% of purchase price of a newly constructed home priced below about \$1.5 million. Borrowers must be California residents, occupy the home, meet income limits, and pay at least 3% down. Bonds repaid by mortgage payments, not State. Fiscal Impact: No direct state or local costs. Supporters: United Nurses Associations of California; California Conference of Carpenters; California State Treasurer Fiona Ma Opponents: None submitted	PROPOSITION 41 PROHIBITS NEW STATE TAXES THAT EXCLUDE REVENUES FROM STATE SPENDING LIMIT. REQUIRES AUDITS FOR NEW STATE SPECIAL TAXES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Nullifies state taxes enacted after January 1, 2026 that exempt their revenues from voter-approved state spending limit. Requires pre-election and recurring audits of programs funded by new special taxes. Fiscal Impact: The net fiscal effect is unknown as it depends on future decisions by voters, the Legislature, and other policymakers. Supporters: CA Society of Certified Public Accountants (CalCPAs); CalAsian Chamber of Commerce; California Taxpayers Association (CalTax) Opponents: US Senator Bernie Sanders; SEIU United Healthcare Workers West
YES ☐	YES ☐	YES ☐
NO ☐	NO ☐	NO ☐
PROPOSITION 3 PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS AND HEALTH CARE BY EXTENDING EXISTING TAX ON HIGH INCOMES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Makes permanent existing voter-approved tax rates for individuals earning over \$371,000 (adjusted annually for inflation). Allocates tax revenues to public education. Fiscal Impact: Maintains \$5 billion to \$15 billion of annual state income tax revenue by making a temporary tax increase on high-income earners permanent instead of letting it expire in 2031. Supporters: California Teachers Association; CA School Nurses Organization; California State PTA; Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA Opponents: California Taxpayers Association; Family Business Association of California; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce	PROPOSITION 38 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR IMMUNOLOGY MEDICAL RESEARCH. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$8.4 billion in general obligation bonds for immunology and immunotherapy research, half to a single University of California-affiliated nonprofit medical research institute, half to research grants. Fiscal Impact: Increased state cost of \$500 million to \$600 million annually for about 20 years to repay the research bond, with some or all of the cost offset if the funded research generates revenue. Supporters: Michael J. Fox Foundation; Alzheimer’s Los Angeles; Kidney Cancer Assoc; American Nurses Assoc/CA Opponents: Robert M Kaplan Ph.D.	PROPOSITION 42 PROHIBITS NEW STATE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AND CERTAIN RETROACTIVE STATE TAXES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Prohibits any new state tax (1) imposed on the ownership of personal property (all things people own other than real estate), or (2) that applies retroactively based on taxpayer’s past activities. Nullifies taxes enacted after January 1, 2026 that conflict with this measure. Fiscal Impact: Possibility that tax revenues will not go up as much in the future. Supporters: CA Professional Firefighters; State Building & Construction Trades Council of CA; AMVETS Department of CA Opponents: US Senator Bernie Sanders; SEIU United Healthcare Workers West
YES ☐	YES ☐	YES ☐
NO ☐	NO ☐	NO ☐
PROPOSITION 4 REPEALS PROHIBITION AGAINST PUBLIC FUNDING OF ELECTION CAMPAIGNS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Repeals prohibition on state and local governments offering public funding of candidate election campaigns. Public funding programs may not use funds earmarked for education, transportation, or public safety. Fiscal Impact: Ongoing costs to the state of a few hundred thousand dollars each year for the Fair Political Practices Commission to answer questions from state and local governments about public campaign finance programs. Supporters: League of Women Voters of CA; California Nurses Association; Mental Health Advocacy; Social Security Works; Consumer Watchdog Opponents: California Taxpayers Assn; Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assn; Family Business Assn of California; United Latinos Action	PROPOSITION 39 PROHIBITS CITIZENS FROM VOTING UNLESS THEY PRESENT GOVERNMENT-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Invalidates mail ballots that do not have last four digits of designated government-issued identification number written on envelope. Prohibits in-person voting without presenting government-issued identification. Fiscal Impact: Costs of between tens of millions of dollars and low hundreds of millions of dollars each year to implement new voting requirements. Supporters: The Transparency Foundation; Latino American Political Assn; Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assn; CA Women’s Leadership Assn Opponents: ACLU California Action; Common Cause; League of Women Voters of California	PROPOSITION 43 LIMITS VOTERS’ ABILITY TO RAISE REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Limits voters’ ability to pass voter-proposed local special taxes by increasing percentage of votes needed to approve such ballot measures from a majority (over 50%) to two-thirds, beginning January 1, 2027. Fiscal Impact: Possibility that local government tax revenues will not go up as much in the future due to a higher vote threshold for certain taxes. Supporters: California Taxpayers Association; Family Business Association of California; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce Opponents: California Professional Firefighters; California Federation of Teachers; Nurse Alliance of SEIU CA.
YES ☐	YES ☐	YES ☐
NO ☐	NO ☐	NO ☐

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Sample Ballot

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
STATE	
PROPOSITION 44 REQUIRES COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINICS SPEND 90% OF REVENUE ON PROGRAM SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Imposes penalties on nonprofit Federally Qualified Health Centers (community clinics providing primary care to medically underserved areas and populations) that spend less than 90% of revenue on “program services” advancing their charitable purpose, including but not limited to patient services. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs in the low tens of millions of dollars per year, covered by fees. Supporters: None submitted Opponents: American Academy of Pediatrics CA; CA School Nurses Org; CA Academy of Family Physicians; CA Medical Assoc.	
YES	☐
NO	☐
PROPOSITION 45 MODIFIES ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Amends California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to expedite environmental review for certain projects (including most housing, transportation, water, and health projects) by setting deadlines to complete environmental review and resolve lawsuits challenging project approvals. Fiscal Impact: Initial costs for state and local governments, likely in the high tens of millions of dollars—potentially exceeding \$100 million—annually, partly covered by fees. Uncertain, potentially more significant positive or negative longer-term fiscal effects. Supporters: California Children’s Hospital Association; California Water Association; California Council for Affordable Housing Opponents: Coalition for Clean Air; CA Environmental Voters; Physicians for Social Responsibility, LA; National Wildlife Federation	
YES	☐
NO	☐

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Attention Voters

WARNING: CORRUPTING THE VOTING PROCESS IS PROHIBITED!

VIOLATIONS CAN LEAD TO FINES AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED:

- *DO NOT* commit or attempt to commit election fraud.
- *DO NOT* provide any sort of compensation or bribery to, in any fashion or by any means induce or attempt to induce, a person to vote or refrain from voting.
- *DO NOT* illegally vote.
- *DO NOT* attempt to vote or aide another to vote when not entitled to vote.
- *DO NOT* engage in electioneering; photograph or record a voter entering or exiting a polling place; or obstruct ingress, egress, or parking.
- *DO NOT* challenge a person's right to vote or prevent voters from voting; delay the process of voting; or fraudulently advise any person that he or she is not eligible to vote or is not registered to vote.
- *DO NOT* attempt to ascertain how a voter voted their ballot.
- *DO NOT* possess or arrange for someone to possess a firearm in the immediate vicinity of a polling place, with some exceptions.
- *DO NOT* appear or arrange for someone to appear in the uniform of a peace officer, guard, or security personnel in the immediate vicinity of a polling place, with some exceptions.
- *DO NOT* tamper or interfere with any component of a voting system.
- *DO NOT* forge, counterfeit, or tamper with the returns of an election.
- *DO NOT* alter the returns of an election.
- *DO NOT* tamper with, destroy, or alter any polling list, official ballot, or ballot container.
- *DO NOT* display any unofficial ballot collection container that may deceive a voter into believing it is an official collection box.
- *DO NOT* tamper or interfere with copy of the results of votes cast.
- *DO NOT* coerce or deceive a person who cannot read or an elder into voting for or against a candidate or measure contrary to their intent.
- *DO NOT* act as an election officer when you are not one.

EMPLOYERS cannot require or ask their employee to bring their vote by mail ballot to work or ask their employee to vote their ballot at work. At the time of payment of salary or wages, employers cannot enclose materials that attempt to influence the political opinions or actions of their employee.

PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS cannot attempt to determine how a voter voted their ballot or, if that information is discovered, disclose how a voter voted their ballot.

The prohibitions on activity related to corruption of the voting process summarized above are set forth in Chapter 6 of Division 18 of the California Elections Code.



Attention Voters

WARNING: ELECTIONEERING PROHIBITED!

VIOLATIONS CAN LEAD TO FINES AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

WHERE:

Within the immediate vicinity of a person in line to cast their ballot or within 100 feet of the entrance of a polling place, curbside voting or ballot drop box the following activities are prohibited.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED:

- *DO NOT* ask a person to vote for or against any candidate or ballot measure.
- *DO NOT* display a candidate's name, image, or logo.
- *DO NOT* block access to or loiter near any ballot drop boxes.
- *DO NOT* provide any material or audible information for or against any candidate or ballot measure near any polling place, vote center, or ballot drop box.
- *DO NOT* circulate any petitions, including for initiatives, referenda, recall, or candidate nominations.
- *DO NOT* distribute, display, or wear any clothing (hats, shirts, signs, buttons, stickers) that include a candidate's name, image, logo, and/or support or oppose any candidate or ballot measure.
- *DO NOT* display information or speak to a voter about the voter's eligibility to vote.

The electioneering prohibitions summarized above are set forth in Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Division 18 of the California Elections Code.



Election Observers and Results

Election Observers



The public may observe election processing at 4440-A Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA 93110, during regular hours of operation (Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.), including Election Day, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Notice of observable election activities is available online at **SBCVote.com**.

Election Results

Election Night – November 3, 2026

Following the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, the County Elections Division will begin the “semi-final official canvass of the vote.” The first semi-official election results report will be posted on **SBCVote.com** after 8:00 pm and will be updated throughout the night until the last voting precinct is counted.



Results can be found online at

County of Santa Barbara Elections Division: **SBCVote.com**

Secretary of State: **sos.ca.gov**

Post-election Processing

The post-election period, known as the official canvass, is open to the public. Election results are not final until all ballots are counted. California Elections Code section 15272 requires counties to certify their election results by December 3, 2026. During this 30-day period, an inspection of election materials and ballots is conducted. Results are certified when the canvass is complete.

Anyone is welcome to observe post-election processing. To learn more about canvass processing activities, please visit **SBCVote.com, or call the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division at 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683).**

THIS IS HOW SANTA BARBARA COUNTY STAYS OFFICIALLY INFORMED IN AN EMERGENCY

The County's emergency notification system is designed to provide official information and warnings before, during and after emergencies. This is vital in helping residents make important safety decisions, such as evacuation.



ReadySBC Alerts:

This is the County's central alerting tool. It sends warnings and information to residents through text message, email, cellular phone (voice), landline, and TTY/TTD.

How do I get this? In order to receive these official messages from the County, you must sign up for alerts. Go to www.ReadySBC.org. To confirm you are signed up, click the red "Register for Alerts" button, then follow the prompts to log in. Once you are in the system, verify that your info is correct and you have at least one address listed and one way for the County to reach you (text, email, cell, landline).

Scan the QR Code to register for ReadySBC Alerts



Nixle:

This alerting tool delivers emergency alerts and information through a short text message and it's completely anonymous!

How do I get this? Text your zip code to **888777** and you are done! You can also receive Nixle text alerts in Spanish. More info is available at www.Nixle.com



Emergency Alert System (EAS):

EAS messages are transmitted via radio and television by participating local broadcasters, cable, and satellite providers and contain an audio message and a scrolling text.

How do I get this? You do not have to sign up for these types of alerts but you do have to be tuning into a local TV, radio, or cable/satellite station.



Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA):

WEA is a public safety alerting tool that allows customers who own certain wireless phones and other enabled mobile devices to receive geographically- targeted, text-like messages alerting them of imminent threats to safety in their area.

How do I get this? You do not need to sign up to receive a WEA, but wireless companies volunteer to participate in the system, so check with your cell phone company to find out if they participate.

LessIsMore.org is Santa Barbara County's Ultimate Guide on RECYCLING & WASTE REDUCTION!

Visit LessIsMore.org to learn how to:



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not-so-common items at
home or work



Properly dispose of old
paint, batteries, motor
oil, and other hazardous
materials



Follow important
updates on the way we
handle our waste



Recycle electronics and
appliances



Start composting
at home



Cut back on the amount
of waste you produce

And So Much More!

**Connect with us by phone!
Call (805) 882-3603 to
speak directly with
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931 Walnut Ave



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301 N R St



Santa Barbara

805-681-5488



345 Camino del
Remedio



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805-346-7230



2115 Centerpointe
Parkway



For more information about our Health
Care Centers you can visit us online!



Scan with your phone!



Santa Barbara County Animal Services strives to ensure that the health, safety, and welfare of the animals and people we serve through proactive intervention, effective enforcement, collaboration, education, and the compassionate care and rehoming of sheltered animals.

Our Locations:

- ✓ **1501 W Central Ave
Lompoc, CA 93436**
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Santa Maria, CA 93455**
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TIME OFF FOR VOTING

DIVISION 14. ELECTION DAY PROCEDURES CHAPTER 1. Privileges of Voters

14000.

(a) If a voter does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote at a statewide election, the voter may, without loss of pay, take off enough working time that, when added to the voting time available outside of working hours, will enable the voter to vote.

(b) No more than two hours of the time taken off for voting shall be without loss of pay. The time off for voting shall be only at the beginning or end of the regular working shift, whichever allows the most free time for voting and the least time off from the regular working shift, unless otherwise mutually agreed.

(c) If the employee on the third working day prior to the day of election, knows or has reason to believe that time off will be necessary to be able to vote on election day, the employee shall give the employer at least two working days' notice that time off for voting is desired, in accordance with this section.

SIGN UP TO TRACK YOUR BALLOT

All voters can get updates on their ballots through California's official "Where's My Ballot?" tracking tool.

Signing up takes less than three minutes!

You will get updates when:



You sign up for
ballot tracking.



Your ballot
is mailed.



Your ballot is
received and processed.

You can choose to be notified of your ballot's status by text (SMS), by email, or by phone call.

Scan below to sign up or go to wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov.



If you have any problems using BallotTrax, please contact California Secretary of State's office by phone at (800) 345-8683 or by email at elections@sos.ca.gov.

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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

Notice: If the person named on the County Voter Information Guide is not at the address, please help keep the voter rolls current and save taxpayer dollars by returning this County Voter Information Guide to your mail carrier.

YOUR POLLING PLACE
LOCATION



If "No" appears below, your polling place is inaccessible to voters with specific needs. See Accessible Voting page for options.

YOUR ADDRESS

BALLOT
TYPE 034

**You will automatically be mailed a Vote By Mail ballot for the
November 3, 2026 General Election.**

Please contact our office by phone at **1-800-722-8683** or by email at **electionsupport@countyofsb.org** for any of the following:

- To request elections materials in large print format.
- To request elections materials as an audio file.
- To correct your name or your residential address in your voter record. (To change your name or residential address completely, you must re-register.)
- If available in your precinct, to request a facsimile copy of your ballot in:
 - 若您所在選區提供傳真選票，請致電或來函我司辦公室索取。(Chinese)
 - 관할 선거구에서 귀하의 견본 투표용지를 받을 수 있는 경우, 이를 요청하려면 우리 사무실로 전화하거나 이메일을 보내 주십시오.(Korean)
 - Upang humiling ng facsimile na kopya ng inyong balota kung mayroon nito sa inyong presinto, mangyaring tumawag o magpadala ng email sa aming opisina. (Tagalog)
 - Để yêu cầu một bản sao lá phiếu nếu có sẵn tại khu vực bầu cử của quý vị, vui lòng gọi điện hoặc gửi email đến văn phòng của chúng tôi. (Vietnamese)
- Llame o envíe un correo electrónico para recibir su boleta e información electoral en español. (Call or send an email to receive your ballot and election information in Spanish.)



**Go
Green!**

Scan the QR code below to opt-out of receiving your County Voter Information Guide (CVIG) in the mail!

Go paperless - provide your information on the My Voter Status page and look for the "Election Materials" section to change your preference for receiving the CVIG.



Once you've gone paperless, we'll notify you when the online version of the CVIG is available for future elections!