



Registrar of Voters

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Consideration of Public Comment and Adjustment of Mail Ballot Drop Box Locations 2020 Presidential General Election

On Tuesday, September 8, the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters posted a list and map of 70 proposed mail ballot drop box locations for a 10-day public review and comment period, pursuant to California Elections Code section 1602(f).

By the deadline of 5 p.m. on Friday, September 18, five public comments were submitted to the Registrar of Voters. Each of the comments may be viewed at <http://www.sbcountyelections.com/Elections/2020/1103/PublicReview.aspx#pcmbdb>.

Two comments supported the use of drop boxes, one questioned whether the drop box would be inside or outside the proposed location, and two suggested additional locations. The Registrar of Voters thanks every person who submitted a comment and helped improve services to the 1.1 million voters in the county.

As was indicated in the September 8 Public Notice, the Registrar of Voters worked diligently over the past several months to secure the use of public, community, educational, and private spaces for mail ballot drop box locations. The goal was to obtain 70 locations.

The Registrar of Voters worked in collaboration with City Clerks, Real Estate Services Department, Facilities Management, Purchasing, and County Counsel to identify locations, purchase mail ballot drop boxes, execute contracts, and install the boxes.

Elections Code section 1602(e) mandated the criteria that the Registrar of Voters must use to evaluate whether the locations it secured were located where they were needed. Eight data sets from voter registration records and the U.S. Census Bureau best met the State criteria. Esri of Redlands and County Information Services Department used this data to create the Proposed Mail Ballot Drop Box Locations map that was posted for the 10-Day Public Review and Comment Period.

The Registrar of Voters reviewed each public comment as it was submitted, exploring new suggested locations.

During the 10-Day Public Review and Comment Period, the following eight proposed locations could not be secured for the installation of a mail ballot drop box:

- County Behavioral Health, 1481 Windsor Dr, San Bernardino, CA 92404
- Fontana Senior Center, 16710 Ceres Ave, Fontana, CA 92335
- Grand Terrace Branch Library, 22795 Barton Rd, Grand Terrace, CA 92313
- John Rains House, 8810 Hemlock, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730
- Telecare Corp, 14677 Merrill Ave, Fontana, CA 92335
- Telecare Corp, 15217 San Bernardino Ave, Fontana, CA 92335

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- University of Law Verne College of Law, 320 East D St, Ontario, CA 91764
- Victorville Fire Station #315, 12808 Eucalyptus St, Victorville, CA 92392

The Registrar of Voters was able to add eight more drop box locations.

- Alta Loma Square, 8760 19th St, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701
- De Anza Community and Teen Center, 1405 S Fern Ave, Ontario, CA 91762
- Etiwanda School District Education Center, 6061 East Ave, Etiwanda, CA 91739
- Fontana Unified School District, 9680 Citrus Ave, Fontana, CA 92335
- Grand Terrace City Hall, 22795 Barton Rd, Grand Terrace, CA 92313
- San Bernardino Tay Center, 780 E Gilbert St, San Bernardino, CA 92404
- Sierra Lakes Marketplace, 16685 Sierra Lakes Parkway, Fontana, CA 92336
- Sunset Ridge Community Center, 12808 Eucalyptus St, Victorville, CA 92392

A complete list of the 70 mail ballot drop box locations and availability can be viewed at https://www.sbcountyelections.com/Portals/9/Elections/2020/1103/List_CompleteMBDB.pdf.

State law requires mail ballot drop boxes used in this election to be open beginning October 6 through Election Day. At least one mail ballot drop box was required to be an exterior drop box available at least 12 hours a day pursuant to California Elections Code section 1602(c)(3). Sixty-seven of the 70 mail ballot drop boxes will be available 24 hours a day.

A map of the mail ballot drop box locations is available on the ROV website:

<https://sbcounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5be9983a3bc14f3e9a3ec21021cacb92>