

# BILINGUAL VOTING MATERIAL



In accordance with federal and state law, San Bernardino County provides election materials in **ENGLISH AND SPANISH** as well as provides sample ballots in the following additional languages:

Chinese • Indonesian • Korean  
Tagalog • Thai • Vietnamese

# VOTER CHECKLIST



- ✓ Complete a voter registration card, if necessary
- ✓ Complete an application for a mail ballot
- ✓ Get to know the candidates and issues
- ✓ Make your voice heard: VOTE!

# GUIDE TO INMATE VOTING

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS



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[www.SBCountyElections.com](http://www.SBCountyElections.com)

## VOTER REGISTRATION ELIGIBILITY

If you are an inmate in a San Bernardino County jail and want to vote, you must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- A United States citizen and a resident of California
- 18 years old or older on Election Day
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

### You can register to vote if you are:

- In county jail:
  - Serving a misdemeanor sentence (a misdemeanor never affects your right to vote)
  - Because jail time is a condition of probation (misdemeanor or felony)
  - Serving a felony jail sentence
  - Awaiting trial
- On probation
- On mandatory supervision
- On post-release community supervision
- On federal supervised release
- A person with juvenile wardship adjudication

### You cannot register to vote if you are:

- Currently imprisoned in State or Federal prison
- Currently serving a state prison felony sentence in a county jail or other correctional facility\*
- Currently in county jail awaiting transfer to a state or federal prison for a felony conviction
- Currently in county jail for a parole violation
- Currently on parole with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- Once you are done with parole your right to vote is restored, but you must re-register online at [RegisterToVote.ca.gov](http://RegisterToVote.ca.gov) or by filling out a paper voter registration card.

\*California Penal Code section 2910 allows the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to make agreements with local governments to house felons in a county jail or other correctional facility. A person serving a state prison sentence who is housed in a local jail or other facility under these circumstances is not allowed to register and vote. For more information, please visit CDCR's website [www.cdcr.ca.gov/realignment/index.html](http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/realignment/index.html).

## HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE

You can obtain a voter registration card by requesting it through the mail from the Registrar of Voters. When filling out the card, use your home address.

Once the voter registration card has been processed, a postcard will be mailed to your home address or mailing address, if any, stating you are registered. You may register to vote at any time, but you must register at least 15 days before an election to be eligible to vote-by-mail in that election.

## RELEASE FROM CUSTODY

If you requested a mail ballot but are released from custody before receiving your ballot, you can still vote. Just go to the Registrar of Voters office, an early vote site, or your assigned polling place and say that you did not receive your mail ballot.

To find a location to vote in person, visit [www.SBCountyElections.com](http://www.SBCountyElections.com).

## RE-REGISTRATION

You should re-register if you have changed your home address, mailing address, your name, or your political party, or completed a felony sentence and are not on parole or have completed parole.

When you are released from your custodial facility, you should re-register if your home address changes, so that election material can be mailed to you at the correct address. Otherwise, your election material may be sent to a custodial facility or returned to the Registrar of Voters as undeliverable mail. Be sure to include any prior registration information on the voter registration card to assist with locating your prior record and preventing a duplicate voter registration record.

## VOTE-BY-MAIL

You must be registered to vote before applying for a mail ballot. If you think you will be in custody on Election Day, you must request an application for a mail ballot by requesting it through the mail to the Registrar of Voters. When you fill out the application for a mail ballot, please remember to use your institution mailing address as your mailing address.

The Registrar of Voters must receive your application for a mail ballot either at the same time as your voter registration card or after.

- It is best to send your application for a mail ballot 45 days prior to an election. The last day to submit an application for a mail ballot is seven days before an election.
- A new application for a mail ballot is required for every election while you are an inmate.
- Remember to sign and date the back of the Mail Ballot Return Envelope to ensure your vote is counted.
- Voted mail ballots must be postmarked by 8 p.m. on Election Day and received within three business days after the election. For the 2020 Presidential General Election only, ballots must be postmarked by 8 p.m. on Election Day and received within 17 business days after the election.

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