

VOTING WITHOUT A PERMANENT RESIDENCE



Your vote is your voice - get registered, get informed, go vote!

WHAT IS MY VOTING RESIDENCE?

People without a permanent residence may register to vote by using the location of where they sleep as their address. This could be a shelter, a friend’s place or outside. If it is outside, the voter should write a description of its location on line four of their voter registration application. For example, “In the NW corner of Jefferson Park near the intersection of Winston Ave. and Smith St.”

REGISTER BEFORE ELECTION DAY

If you register before Election Day using an outdoor location as your residence, your voter record will be marked ‘challenged’ because the county could not confirm a specific street address. You will still be able to vote, but at the polling place on Election Day you will be asked to swear under oath that you are living at that location. In order to better ensure your registration remains active through Election Day, it is best to register within two months of that date.

2026 DATES

VOTE EARLY
June 26 - Aug. 10

REGISTER IN ADVANCE
By July 21

PRIMARY ELECTION
Tuesday, August 11

VOTE EARLY
Sept. 18 - Nov. 2

REGISTER IN ADVANCE
By October 13

ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, November 3

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REGISTER ON ELECTION DAY

You can also register on Election Day. You will need to show proof of residence.

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

To register at your polling place on Election day, bring one proof of residence listed below:

- 1. ID with current name and address*
- 2. Photo ID and a document with current name and address*
- 3. Registered voter who can confirm your address*
- 4. College student ID with housing list*
- 5. Valid registration in the same precinct*
- 6. Notice of Late Registration*
- 7. Staff person of a residential facility*

If you live outside, in a shelter, or are staying at a friend's house, you may not have any documents proving you live there. If so, a registered voter from your precinct can go with you to the polling place to sign an oath confirming where you live.

If you live in a shelter, a staff person can go with you to the polling place to confirm you live at the shelter.



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and register to vote!*