

Election 2024: Ten Ways You Can Help Make it Successful

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1. Sign up as a poll worker

- Receive a small stipend
- Learn how the voting process works
- Assist people with voting
- Set an example for your friends and family!



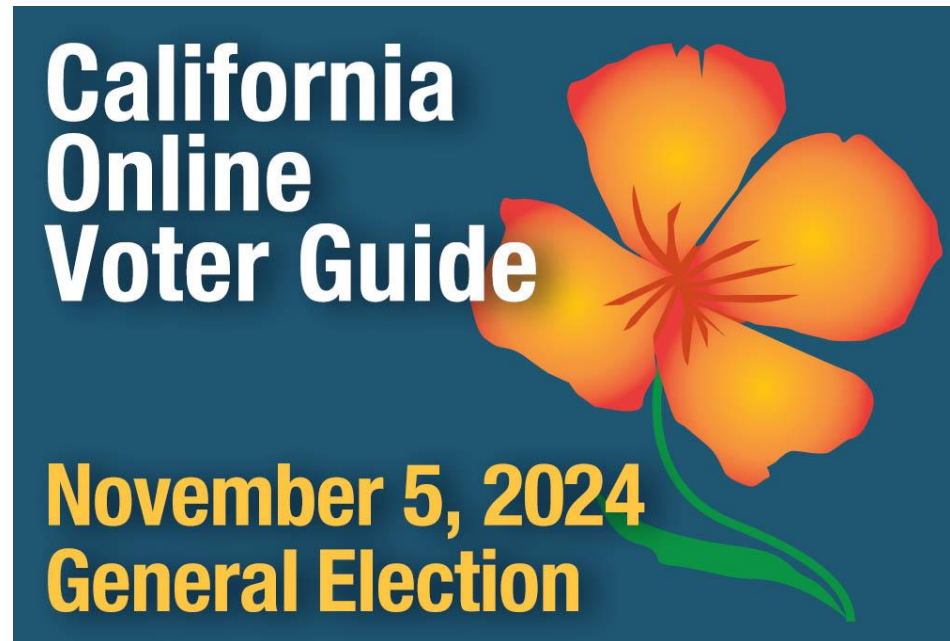
2. Serve as a bilingual poll worker

- U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents are eligible to serve as poll workers in California
- Most counties face a **shortage of bilingual poll workers**
- Visit www.helpamericavote.gov to sign up to serve as a poll worker



3. Be an informed voter

- Review your ballot and state and county voter information guides before filling out your ballot
- Visit www.calvoter.org to find reliable nonpartisan election info
- It's OK to skip contests if you're not sure how to vote – the important thing is to be a voter!
- Make a **plan to vote** – what day, which method, which location – and do your voting homework ahead of time



4. Share reliable information with others

- Help stop misinformation and disinformation by not spreading it
- Use the SIFT rule before reposting anything
- Remember the old saying: “If it bleeds it leads” – don’t be manipulated by fear or emotional reactions to headlines
- Consider volunteering as an **election observer** to help accurately inform others about the voting process



5. Help a friend or first-time voter vote!

Make sure they:

- Are registered to vote at their current address
- Get a ballot and election materials from the state and their county
- Understand how to fill out the ballot and the vote by mail envelope
- Have a plan to vote
- Offer to go with them to vote in person
- Take a picture of your friend wearing their “I voted” sticker and celebrate them on social media!



6. Make sure you, your friends and family are registered to vote

- Visit voterstatus.sos.ca.gov on the Secretary of State's web site to look up your voter registration record or complete an online application.
- Californians must register by **October 21** to ensure they get a ballot in the mail for the Nov. 5th election; after that date you can still register and vote at a voting site before or on Election Day.
- Contact your county election office if you have questions.



Check your VOTING STATUS online!

- ✓ Find out your Registration Status
- ✓ Find out your Ballot Status

Find out more about
California Secretary of State
online tools for voters:
calvoter.org/VoterTools



The advertisement features a smartphone on the left displaying the voter status website. The phone screen shows the URL 'voterstatus.sos.ca.gov', the name 'Shirley N. Web', the title 'California Sec State', and the heading 'My Voter Status'. Below this, there is a section for 'Personal Information' with a field for 'First name'. The background of the ad is white with an orange border. The text is in blue and orange. The California Voter Foundation logo is in the bottom right corner, featuring a blue silhouette of the California State Capitol building and the text 'CALIFORNIA VOTER FOUNDATION' in blue and orange.

7. Host a Ballot Party

- Invite friends and family over to your place to review your ballots together a few weeks before Election Day
- Assign participants specific contests or ballot propositions to study in advance and find out which people or groups are supporting and opposing the propositions and candidates
- Provide snacks and drinks
- Have printed and online resources available – official voter information guides, reliable online sources like calvoter.org
- It's OK if people disagree – sometimes that helps you make decisions too!



8. Ask your employer to inform workers of their voting rights

- Employers are required under California law to give employees up to two hours of paid time off work on Election Day to vote
- Employees must request time off **at least two business days** before Election Day (Friday, Nov. 1)
- Notices from the Secretary of State are available in multiple languages at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/time-vote-notices



9. Celebrate and Promote Civic Holidays

- National Poll Worker Recruitment Day: August 1
- Voter Registration Day: September 17
- Voter Education Week: October 7 - 11
- Early Voting Day: October 28
- Election Hero Day: November 4

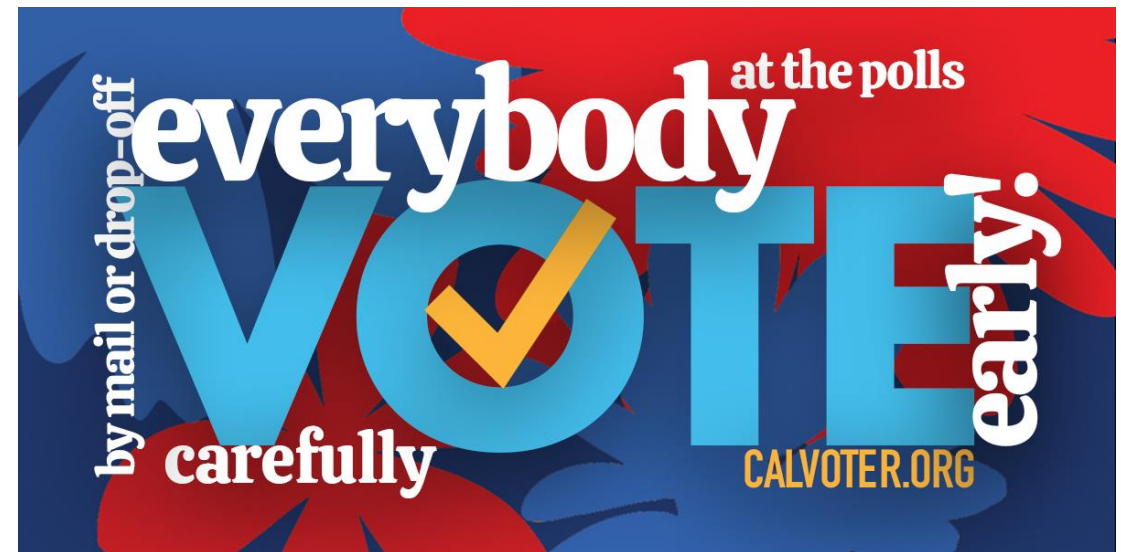
Learn more at www.civicholidays.org



10. Vote and urge others to vote!

- Put up a “Vote” sign at your residence where people will see it
- Make one by hand or print one out from the Web
- Visit [Canva.com](https://www.canva.com) to find free templates!
- Wear your “I Voted” sticker, take a selfie and share on social media
- Share the Election Protection hotline with anyone who has issues voting on Election Day:

1-866-OUR VOTE



Thank you for helping to make this election a success!!

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