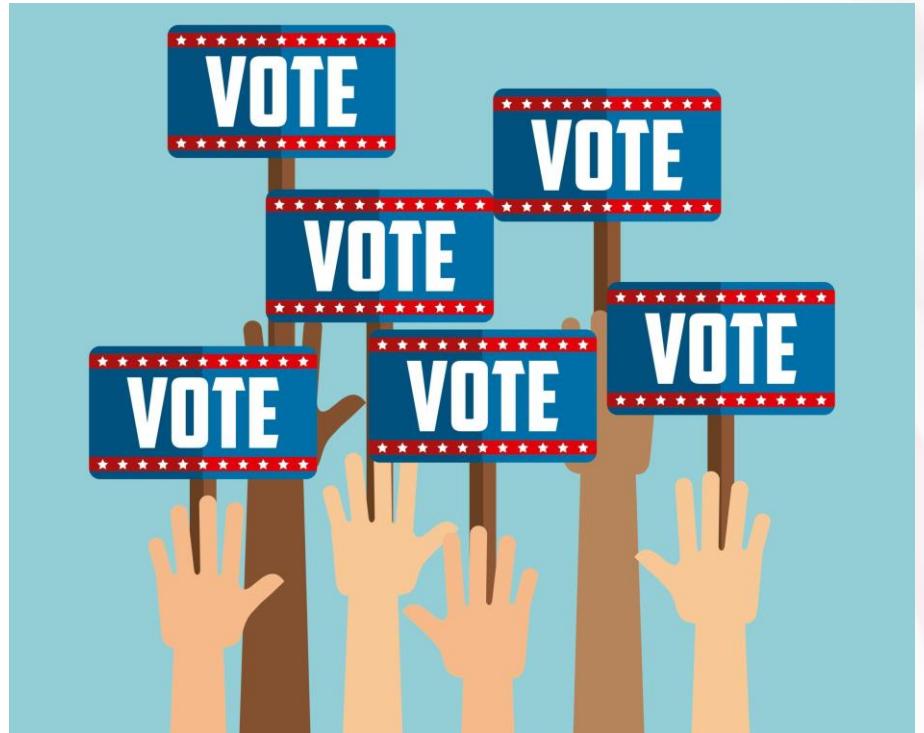
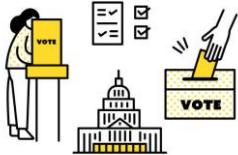


Voting





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Am I Registered to Vote

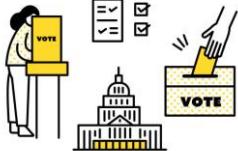
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Who here is
registered to
vote?





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Important Voting Registration Deadlines

- Not sure if you're already registered, or need to update your information?
- Go to this website: <https://www.nass.org/can-i-vote/voter-registration-status>
- Select your state in the drop-down menu to check.
- Each State has different rules for registering to vote.
- Contact your Local Election Office if you have any questions.



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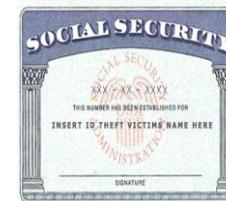


Why Vote?

- This Election Will Affect You & Your Life.



- It can affect your rights.



- Your access to services



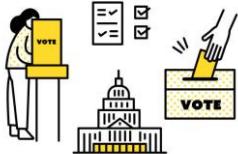
- Your access to Transportation



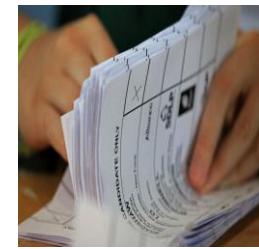
- Your Opportunity to work



- Your access to quality mainstream education

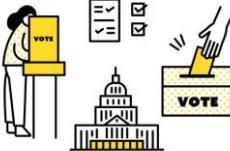


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The Voting Process when you vote in person

- Go to your polling place.
- Check in with the poll worker. In some states you need your photo ID.
- You will be given a ballot
- Take the ballot to one of the voting booths.
- Fill out your ballot by filling in the circle by the name of the candidate that you want to vote for.
- Once you filled out your ballot, take it to the counting machine and put it in the machine. There will be a poll worker nearby to help you.
- Get a cool sticker saying that you voted!!



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As A Voter With A Disability You have the right to...

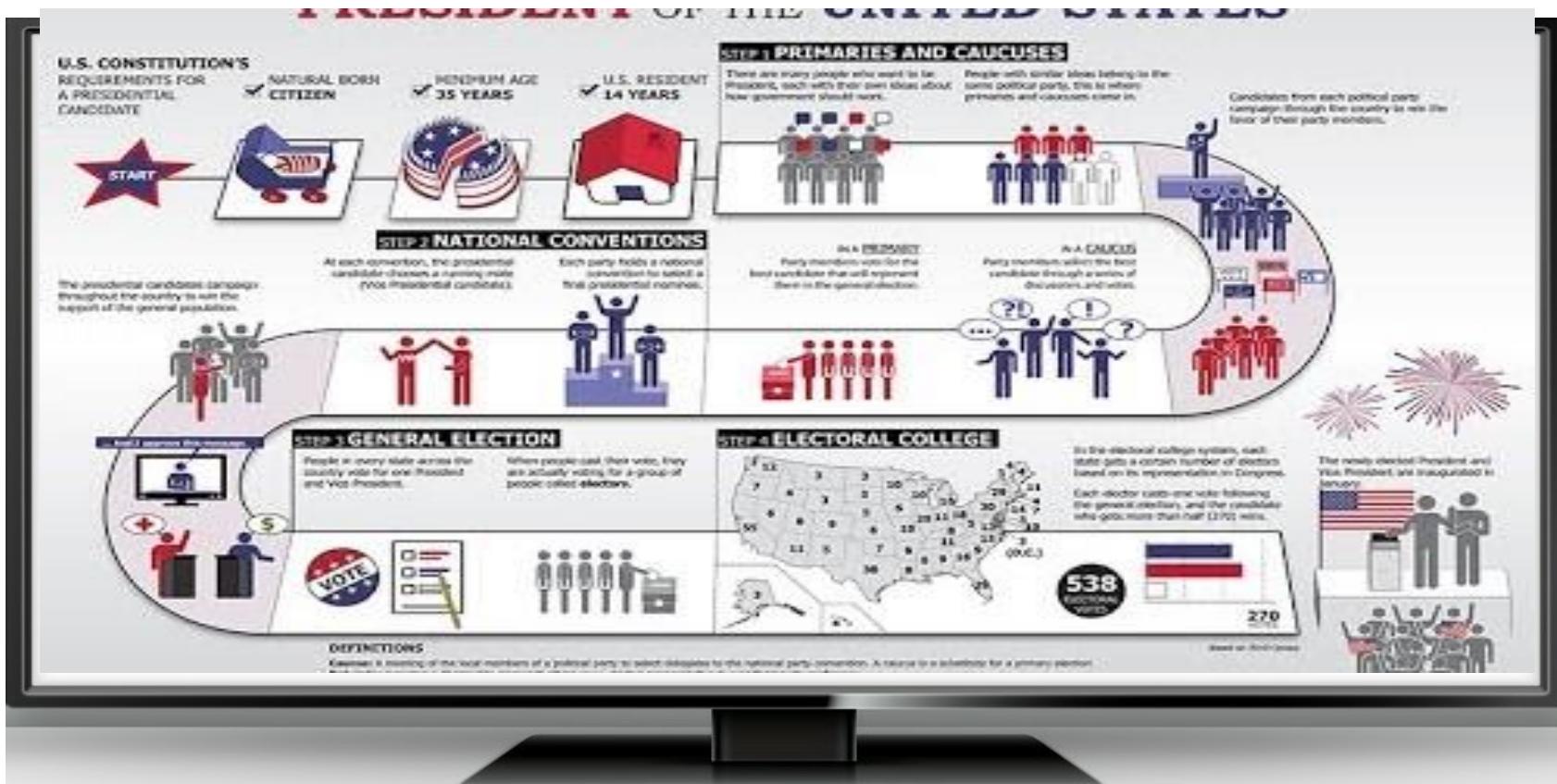
- Have someone help you vote.
- To be able to vote in a location that is accessible to you
- To be able to have an alternate format for your ballot that is accessible to you (for example braille, large print or audio)
- To be able to vote by mail if you cannot get to your polling place or its not accessible to you.
- If you have concerns about voting or feel that you were discriminated against at the polling place, please call Protection and Advocacy in your state,.

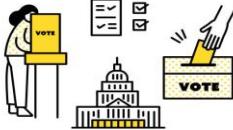


So...How Do Elections Work?



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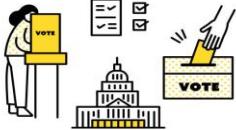
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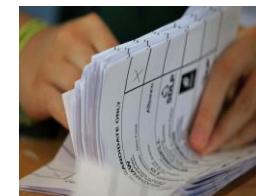
ADA Americans with Disabilities Act!

- It Requires that the voting place is accessible to people with disabilities.
- It also Requires the voting process is accessible.





Federal & State Laws on Voting



The Constitution guarantees the right to vote



Aug. 6, 1965, Washington, DC. President Lyndon Johnson signing the Voting Rights Act, as Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. looks on.



THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965



Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



Help America Vote Act (HAVA)

**SABE SARTAC is a
Federal Grant that
cannot tell people
who and how to
vote.**

Help America Vote Act (HAVA)

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 gives you the right to vote privately and independently. It says that all polling places should be physically accessible. They should have an accessible voting booth with a voting machine that you can use with or without help.

- You are looking for someone who speaks up for the rights of people and supports things you think are important.
- Each can be different for each voter

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- Do your own research about the people running for offices
- What the issues are going to be on the ballot



How we count & keep our ballots safe cont.!



Here are videos about counting ballots

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f5TbhDp0z3Q&t=24s>

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

**Results,
Canvass, &
Certification**

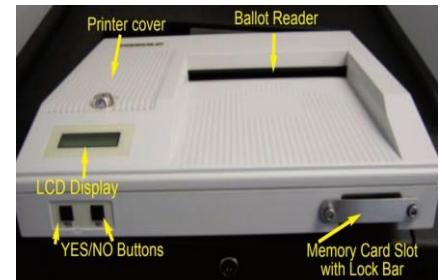
Part 1: What happens after I vote?

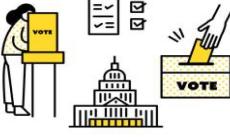


How we count & keep our ballots safe!



- There are always at least two people with the ballots, representing two or more different parties.
- Also many ballot containers are "sealed".
- Ballots are stored in a 2 zippered bag (picture 3) The 2 zippers are held together by seals (pictures 1 & 2).
- These seals help prove that no one has tampered with the paper Ballots.





How we count & keep our ballots safe!



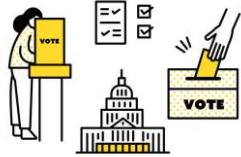
- In person voter fraud, like voting twice, is very rare. There are several steps used to make that unlikely to succeed. More often the attempts are made through "absentee" or mailed in ballots. Most are detected and blocked.
- They do "audits" (count the votes by hand to see if humans get same results the machine did), recounts for close races, and a lot of "observation" (multiple witnesses).



How we count & keep our ballots safe!



There is always a risk, so they use thousands of election workers with different perspectives and parties to watch each other and follow the rules. Most of the weak moments happen from lack of enough people being involved at some key step.



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Have a Plan for the day you need to go Vote.

1. Figure out where and when you need to be at the polls

2. Who will bring you

3. Bring cheat sheet if you need it.

4. Make an **educated** vote. Make sure you know why you want to vote for the person you are voting for.