

2025 VOTER PARTICIPATION TOOLKIT

Office of the Minnesota
Secretary of State



Fellow Minnesotans,

Civic responsibility and voter engagement don't stop in odd-numbered years. In 2025, Minnesotans across the state will head to the polls for local and municipal elections—decisions that directly impact your daily lives. With lower voter turnout in these elections, every vote carries even more weight.

To help you spread the word in your community, my office has created a comprehensive, nonpartisan voter outreach plan, including this toolkit. Feel free to customize these messages and share them widely. Minnesota consistently leads the nation in voter turnout, making our state one of the best places to live. Thank you for doing your part to keep our democracy strong.

Sincerely,

Steve Simon

Minnesota Secretary of State



Continue the proud Minnesota tradition of high voter turnout. Incorporate easy-to-use messages and links into your employee communications and social media postings.

Visit mnvotes.gov for all your voting information.

Contact Melanie Hazelip, 612-327-1621, for additional information or with questions.

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SPECIAL ELECTIONS

Special Elections

There are special elections across the state this spring. If you live or work in any of the following municipalities, please share the suggested messaging to ensure your community has the information they need to participate.

APRIL 8, 2025

- Special Election Itasca County Commissioner District 4 (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Aldrich (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Baldwin (Question)
- Special Election City of Benson (Vacancy)
- Special Primary City of Isanti (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Rose Creek (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Two Harbors (Vacancy)
- Special Election Stately Township (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 186 - Pequot Lakes (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 213 - Osakis (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 238 - Mabel-Canton (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 308 - Nevis (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 742 - St Cloud Area (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 2174 - Pine River-Backus (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 2769 - Morris Area (Vacancy)
- School District Special Election ISD 2909 - Rock Ridge (Vacancy)

APRIL 15, 2025

- Special Primary: Senate District 6 (Vacancy)

APRIL 29, 2025

- Special Election: Senate District 6 (Vacancy)

MAY 13, 2025

- Special Election Traverse County Commissioner District 3 (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Orono (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Slayton (Question)
- Special Election Unorg. Township 63-17 (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 177 - Windom (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 332 - Mora (Vacancy)
- School District Special Election ISD 505 - Fulda (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 2137 - Kingsland (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 2144 - Chisago Lakes (Question)
- School District Special Election ISD 2754 - Cedar Mountain (Question)

AUGUST 12, 2025

- Special Election City of Isanti (Vacancy)
- Special Election City of Two Harbors (Vacancy)

SPECIAL ELECTION DATES

Most special elections may only be held on one of the following five dates:

- Second Tuesday in February
- Second Tuesday in April
- Second Tuesday in May
- Second Tuesday in August
- First Tuesday after the first Monday in November

Suggested Priority Messages



SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER OR EMAIL

Subject Line: Special Election Alert!

Dear [recipients name],

Just because it's 2025 doesn't mean there are no elections this year! Did you know there is a Special Election in your area on [insert election date]?

Special elections help fill vacant offices or decide important ballot questions. They can take place at various times throughout the year or alongside regular elections. These elections directly impact your community and the local issues that affect your daily life.

Make sure you're ready to vote! Visit mnvotes.gov to check your voter registration status and contact your [local jurisdiction](#) for details about the vacant office or ballot question.

Be a voter—make your voice heard!



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA

🔔 Special Election Alert! There is a local, special election in your jurisdiction soon. Go to mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862 to learn more. 🔔

Social Media Graphics



NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY



National Voter Registration Day

Leverage National Voter Registration Day (September 16, 2025) to engage your community—neighbors, colleagues, employees, and more—in the voting process. Plan and distribute your communications by September 15 to maximize impact and encourage participation.



EMAIL MESSAGE

Subject Line: Get Ready for National Voter Registration Day!

Dear [insert recipient],

September 16th is National Voter Registration Day—let's get ready to vote! The first step is to confirm your voter registration. If you've never voted in Minnesota, recently moved, changed your name, or haven't voted in the past four years, now is the time to [register](#).

But that's just the beginning. Did you know you can [vote early in person](#)? If you're planning to be out of town on Election Day (November 4th) or prefer to [vote by mail](#), apply for an absentee ballot today. No matter how you vote, make sure your voice is heard. Contact your [local jurisdiction](#) to request an absentee ballot.

And don't forget—16- and 17-year-olds can [pre-register](#) to vote, so they're ready when the time comes!

Let's make our voices count! If you have questions visit [mnvotes.gov](#), call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA

📢 Its National Voter Registration Day. 📢 [Register to vote](#) for the next election, today!

✓ Get ready to vote in upcoming local elections. Go to [mnvotes.gov](#) to check if you're registered. If you're not, or if you've recently moved or changed your name, register TODAY. 🗳️

📣 Don't forget—16- and 17-year-olds can also [pre-register](#) to vote!

#NationalVoterRegistrationDay #MNVotes #YourVoteYourVoice



SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER CONTENT

National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 16th is National Voter Registration Day. Are you prepared to vote in the upcoming local elections?

First step: [Check your registration](#). If you've never voted in Minnesota, have recently moved, have recently changed your name or haven't voted in more than four years, you will need to [register to vote](#).

Second step: [Register](#), if necessary. It takes just a few minutes and can be done on your phone, tablet computer, or on paper. Although you can register at the polls on Election Day in Minnesota, avoid the lines and save time by doing it now.

Third step: [Check out your ballot](#) and start thinking about your votes.

There are local elections all across Minnesota this year. Local elections are critical in determining essential services, like public safety, education, transportation, and sanitation. Don't miss your chance to participate!

Local elections often have lower turnout compared to statewide or national elections. This means your vote goes even further and can significantly influence the outcome of the election. Your vote matters.

Contact your [local jurisdiction](#) for more information. If you have other voting-related questions, visit mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT MATERIAL

[Let's Get Ready to Vote](#) video, also available in [Hmong](#), [Somali](#) and [Spanish](#).

[How to Vote](#) factsheet. Reinforce the email message with information in employee lounges. Print yourself or order bulk quantities free of charge by contacting voteroutreach.oss@state.mn.us; [available in 11 languages](#).

PRIMARY ELECTION

Primary Election

Primary elections are a fundamental part of the democratic process. They determine which candidates will be on the ballot in November and give us the chance to pick who best aligns with our values. Help the members of your community participate **by sending the following messages by August 12.**



EMAIL MESSAGE

Subject Line: Make Your Voice Heard in Minnesota's 2025 Primary Elections!

Dear [First Name],

Minnesota has a proud tradition of civic engagement, and in 2025, your voice is more important than ever. The upcoming primary elections on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, will determine the candidates who appear on the November ballot—and your participation ensures that the leaders who represent us reflect our values and priorities.


Why Should You Vote in the Primaries?


- ✓ Shape the General Election: Your vote decides which candidates move forward.
- ✓ Support the Issues You Care About: From education to healthcare, this election will impact key policies.
- ✓ Strengthen Our Democracy: Higher voter turnout means a government that better reflects the people it serves.

Ways to Vote:

 In-Person Voting – [Polls](#) are open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM on Election Day.

 Early Voting – Minnesota offers early voting options. Check with your [local election office](#).

 Absentee Voting – Contact your local election office to get your [absentee ballot](#).

 [Same-Day Registration](#) – Not registered yet? Minnesota allows you to register and vote on the same day with proof of residency.

Don't miss this opportunity to make a difference in your community. Mark your calendar for August 12, 2025, and make a plan to vote!

For more details on voting locations and procedures, go to mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.

Your vote matters. Let's keep Minnesota's democracy strong!



SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Minnesota Primary Day

As we approach the 2025 primary elections, it's essential to recognize the power each of us holds in shaping the future of our communities and state. Minnesota has a proud tradition of active civic engagement, consistently leading the nation in voter turnout. This year, let's continue that legacy by participating in the upcoming primaries.

Why Vote in the Primary Elections?

1. **Select Your Representatives:** Primary elections determine which candidates will appear on the ballot in the November general election. By voting in the primaries, you have a direct say in choosing the individuals who best represent your values and priorities.
2. **Address Key Issues:** The 2025 elections will influence critical matters affecting our state, including public services, education funding, and infrastructure development. Your vote ensures that these issues are addressed in line with the community's needs.
3. **Strengthen Our Democracy:** High voter participation in primaries leads to a more representative and responsive government. Engaging in the electoral process at every stage reinforces the foundations of our democratic system.

Important Information:

- **Primary Election Date:** Tuesday, August 12, 2025
- **Voting Options:**
 1. *In-Person Voting:* [Polls](#) are open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM on election day.
 2. *Early Voting:* Minnesota offers early voting options. Check with your [local election office](#) for dates and locations for in person voting or request an absentee ballot.
 3. *Same-Day Registration:* Minnesota allows [same-day voter registration](#). Bring proof of residency to your polling place to register and vote on the same day.

Need more information? Go to mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.

Your vote matters. Together, we can ensure that Minnesota continues to thrive and reflect the diverse voices of its residents. Mark your calendars and make a plan to vote in the 2025 primary elections.



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA

 Minnesotans, your voice matters! 

The 2025 primary elections are on August 12, and your vote helps decide which candidates make it to the general election. This is your chance to shape the future of our state and influence the policies that matter most—education, public services, infrastructure, local taxes and more!


- ✓ Vote in person on August 12
- ✓ Take advantage of early voting
- ✓ Request an absentee ballot if needed
- ✓ Same-day registration is available!
- ✓ Go to mnvotes.gov to learn more

Make a plan to vote and let's keep Minnesota's democracy strong. Learn more at mnvotes.gov
#MNPrimary #Vote2025 #YourVoteMatters

 Minnesota! The 2025 primary election is August 12 – don't miss your chance to vote! 

- ✓ Choose who advances to the general election
- ✓ Vote early, by mail, or in person
- ✓ Same-day registration available!

Your vote = Your voice. Make it count! #MNPrimary #Vote2025 #MinnesotaVotes

 Minnesota, are you ready to vote? The 2025 primary elections are on August 12, and every vote shapes our future! 🎉

- ✓ Vote early or on Election Day
- ✓ Use an absentee ballot if needed
- ✓ Not registered? No problem! Same-day registration is available.

Tag a friend and make a plan to vote!   #MNPrimary #YourVoteYourPower #Vote2025

The 2025 primary elections on August 12 will determine which candidates make it to the general election. By voting in the primaries, you have a direct say in who represents your community on issues like education, public services, and economic development.

 [Vote early](#), in person, or by mail

 [Same-day voter registration](#) available!

Civic engagement strengthens our democracy—make your voice heard. Learn how to vote here at mnvotes.gov #MNPrimary #CivicEngagement #Vote2025

EARLY VOTING

Early Voting

In person Early Voting is an option for everyone and was used by more than 1.2 million Minnesotans in 2024. Early voting saves time on Election Day and ensures no last minute conflicts get in the way of your vote. Let's encourage more people to choose Early Voting in local elections in 2025.

Prepare these communications for distribution on or near September 19th.



SUGGESTED EMAIL MESSAGE

Subject Line: Be an *Early* Voter

Election Day is important, but did you know you don't have to wait until then to make your voice count? [Voting early](#) is a great way to ensure your ballot is cast without the stress of long lines or unexpected conflicts on Election Day.

Here's why voting early matters:

- ✓ **Convenience:** Choose a time that works for you and avoid the rush.
- ✓ **Peace of Mind:** Get your vote in ahead of time and avoid last-minute issues.
- ✓ **Flexibility:** Whether by mail or in person, early voting gives you options.

Make a plan and vote early!


Did you know you have a [right to time off](#) to vote at any point during the 46 day early vote period? If you know you are busy Election Day, vote early!

Every vote matters and making your plan to vote early helps ensure your voice is heard. Check your [local election office](#) for early voting locations or to request an absentee ballot.





SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA


 Did you know that some people have already [voted in person](#)? You can too! #mnvotes

 Heard enough campaign ads? Be an early voter and tune them out! [Here's how](#).

 Don't get stuck in an Election Day line. Vote early! [Here's how](#).

 Don't let anything get in the way of you casting your vote. Do it today, tomorrow or any time before Election Day. [Here's how](#).

 Already decided who will get your vote? Then be an early voter! You can do it now. [Here's how](#).

 Did you know you have a [right to time off](#) to vote at any point during the 46 day early vote period?

Social Media Graphics



SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Absentee Voting and Voting Early In Person

Election Day is coming up, but why wait? Early voting is an option for every eligible Minnesota voter. You can vote early in-person or by mail starting on September 19th. And now, you can join the permanent absentee ballot list, to be mailed a ballot for every election. Go to mnvotes.gov/absentee to find out more.

Top Reasons to Vote Early:

- ✓ Skip the Lines – No need to worry about long waits on Election Day.
- ✓ Avoid Last-Minute Issues – Life happens! Make sure your vote is counted.
- ✓ More Time, More Options – Minnesota offers early in-person voting and vote-by-mail options.

Early voting ensures nothing stands in the way of your ability to vote. Don't let illness or unexpected, last-minute conflicts get in the way of your vote. Do what 1.2 million Minnesotans did in 2024: vote early – either by mail or in person. Go to mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862 for additional information on early voting and other topics.



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT MATERIAL

[Vote Early, Vote Absentee](#) video.

[Vote Early By Absentee](#) factsheet. Reinforce the email message with information on community bulletin boards, employee lounges, etc. Print yourself or order bulk quantities free of charge; [available in 11 languages](#).

MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE

Make a Plan to Vote

Studies show that if someone thinks ahead about when, how, and where they will vote, they are much more likely to actually vote. Let's help your community/employees Make a Plan to Vote.

Prepare these communications for distribution on or near October 28th.



SUGGESTED EMAIL MESSAGE

Subject Line: Make a Plan to Vote

Dear [Team/Community/Colleagues],

Election Day is a week away. You can still [vote early, in-person](#) up until November 3rd and avoid Election Day lines, the need to get up 20 minutes early, or dealing with an Election Day emergency that would prevent you from getting to the polls.

If you like voting the traditional way, *make a plan to vote using [this form](#)*: Schedule your voting time on November 4th on your calendar – right now! [Confirm your registration](#), [find your polling location](#) and add it to your calendar entry, and check out what will be on [your ballot](#). Be sure to set a reminder for the night before and 30 minutes before you vote! Go to mnvotes.gov call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862 for additional voting information.



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA



 Countdown to the 2025 Saint Paul Elections: Are You Ready? 

Election Day is approaching on November 4, 2025. Now is the time to prepare:

- **Register to Vote:** Confirm your registration status or [register here](#).
- **Choose Your Voting Method:**
 - **Early In-Person Voting:** Begins September 19, 2025. Find locations and hours [here](#).
 - **Mail-In Voting:** Request an absentee ballot from your [local election office](#).
 - **Election Day Voting:** Locate your polling place [here](#).
- **Educate Yourself:** Review [sample ballots](#) and candidate information through the Minnesota Secretary of State's website.

[Making a plan](#) to vote ensures your participation is seamless. Let's come together to shape our community's future!

Remember, your vote is your voice. Ensure it's heard this November! 

 Local Elections are coming up! Making a plan to vote ensures your participation is seamless. Let's come together to shape our community's future! Remember, your vote is your voice. Ensure it's heard this November! 

✓ Make your plan to vote, today. Find out where, how, and when at mnvotes.gov. #mnvotes

🔍 Need info to create your plan to vote? Go to mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862

Social Media Graphics



SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Make a Plan to Be a Voter

Election Day is about your choice and your power—make sure you're prepared! Use [this form](#) to make a plan to be a voter:

Option 1: Vote Early In Person

Skip the Election Day rush, avoid unexpected obstacles, and cast your ballot at your convenience. Find your early voting site at your [local election office](#). Get it done now or schedule a day to vote early!

Option 2: Vote Early by Mail

Vote from ease at home with a mail-in ballot with no excuse absentee voting. Request an absentee ballot from your local election office.

Option 3: Plan for Election Day

Life gets busy! Set a reminder to vote, add your [polling location](#) to your calendar, and [review your ballot](#) ahead of time. Print a copy, mark your choices, and bring it with you to make voting quick and seamless.

2025 is a Local Election Year!

Local elections impact schools, public safety, infrastructure, and more. Your vote helps shape the future of your community—don't miss this opportunity to make a difference.

Be a Voter!

Make your voting plan today. Have questions? Visit mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT MATERIAL

[It's Election Year, Minnesota](#) video, also available in [Hmong](#), [Somali](#) and [Spanish](#).

[Election Day Registration](#), [Time Off Work to Vote](#), and [Voter Assistance](#) factsheets. Reinforce the email message with information in employee lounges. Print yourself; [available in 11 languages](#).

ELECTION DAY

Election Day

Election Day is November 4, 2025, and there are local elections across Minnesota this year. Help your community/employees/networks know how to participate in the local election near them this year **by sending out the following communications on Nov 4, 2025.**



SUGGESTED EMAIL MESSAGE

Subject Line: Make Your Voice Heard – Vote Today!

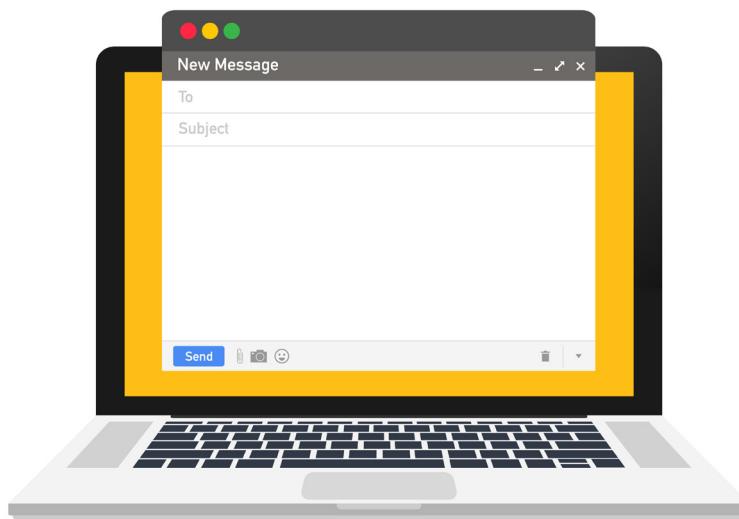
Dear [Team/Community/Colleagues],

Today is Election Day in Minnesota! Local elections are a vital part of shaping our communities, and your vote matters. By casting your ballot, you help decide on important issues and leadership that directly impact our daily lives.

If you haven't already voted, make sure to check with your [local jurisdiction](#) for more information. Most polls are open 7 AM – 8 PM, so there's still time to participate! Visit mnvotes.gov, call 877-600-VOTE, or text 651-217-3862.

If you have already voted, thank you for being an engaged member of our community. Please encourage your friends, family, and colleagues to do the same!

Every vote counts—let's make a difference together.





SUGGESTED NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Election Day Reminder: Your Vote Matters!

Today is Election Day in Minnesota, and your vote plays a crucial role in shaping our communities! Local elections impact key decisions on education, public services, leadership, and more—your voice makes a difference.

Need Voting Info?

- ✓ Find your polling place: mnvotes.gov
- ✓ Polling hours: Open until 8 PM
- ✓ What's on the ballot? Learn more about the [candidates and issues](#) before you vote.

Haven't Voted Yet? There's Still Time!

Head to the polls before they close and make your voice heard. If you've already voted, thank you! Encourage your friends, family, and colleagues to do the same.

Need help? Visit mnvotes.gov, call 1-877-600-VOTE or text 651-217-3862.


Spread the Word




Every vote counts! Share this message with your network and help build an engaged, informed community.

Thank you for taking part in shaping the future of Minnesota!






SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA

 Minnesota, today is Election Day! Your local vote impacts schools, public services, & leadership. Polls are open until 8 PM. Make your voice heard! Find your polling place here: mnvotes.gov. #VoteMN #ElectionDay

 Today is Election Day, Minnesota! Your vote shapes our community. Don't miss your chance to make a difference—head to the polls before they close!  

 Find your polling place: mnvotes.gov

 Already voted? Tag a friend & remind them to vote! #GetOutTheVote #LocalElectionsMatter

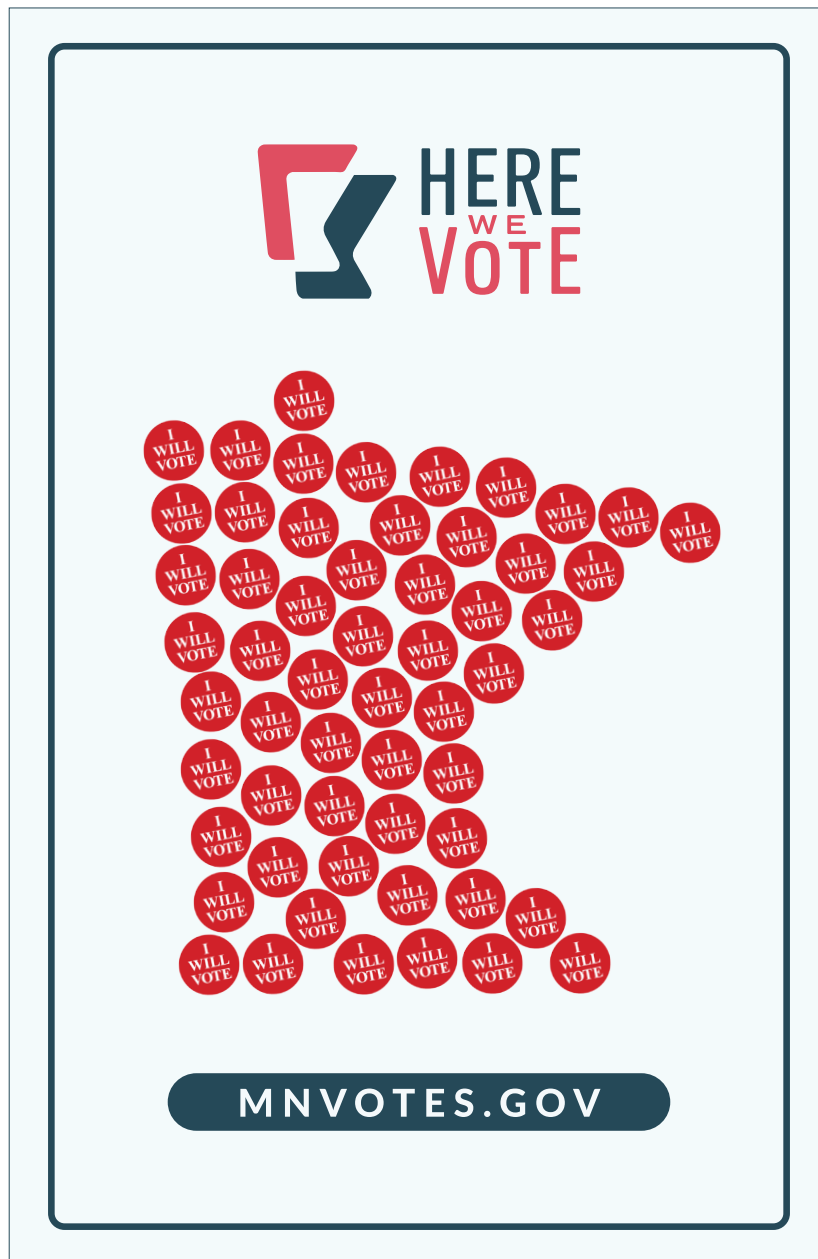
Today is Election Day in Minnesota!  Local elections shape our communities, from education to public policy. If you haven't voted yet, there's still time! Find your polling place here: mnvotes.gov. Your voice matters—make it count!  #CivicEngagement #VoteMN

🗳️ Election Day Reminder! 🗳️ Minnesota, today is the day to make your voice heard! 🗳️ Local elections impact everything from schools to public safety. Polls are open until 8pm—don't wait!

✓ Find your polling place: mnvotes.gov/pollfinder

✓ Know what's on your ballot: mnvotes.gov/myballot

🗳️ Every vote matters—tag a friend to remind them! ✅ #ElectionDay #LocalVotesCount



ADDITIONAL OUTREACH TOOLS & IDEAS



FACTSHEETS

[Factsheets](#) on 18 subjects are available for use on websites, social media, email and in print. You can download, print copies for your use. Many of them are available in 11 languages.

Subjects include:

- What's New 2025
- How To Vote
- New Voters
- Election Day Registration
- Become an Election Judge
- Vote Early By Absentee Ballot
- Know Your Rights
- Time Off Work To Vote
- Voter Assistance
- Military and Overseas Voters
- College Students
- High School Students
- Students Abroad
- Voting with a Criminal Record
- Voting without a Permanent Residence



VISIT BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND EMPLOYEE GATHERING

Please consider making voter participation a topic for one or more of your neighborhood events, social or workplace gatherings this fall. OSS staff can help design a program and Secretary Simon may be available to attend events throughout Minnesota.

Contact Melanie Hazelip: melanie.hazelip@state.mn.us or 612-327-1621



CONSIDER HOSTING A VOTER 101 INFO SESSION WITH THE OSS

Voter 101s are a great way to get critical election information to your communities. They are typically one hour with space for Q&A, and the topic can be anything related to voting and elections that you think best suits your audience. Voter 101s are presented by Melanie Hazelip and can be virtual or in-person. To schedule a General Voter 101 contact melanie.hazelip@state.mn.us, 612-327-1621. To schedule a Youth Voter 101 contact michael.wall@state.mn.us, 651-201-6892.



VIDEOS

Share these videos on websites, social media, email, other e-communications, in-house monitors, and at events.

- “[It’s Election Year, Minnesota!](#)” (2 minutes) – Animated, fast-paced video provides voters with an overview of the voting process. Also available in [Hmong](#), [Somali](#) and [Spanish](#).
- “[Vote Early, Vote Absentee!](#)” (1 minute 30 seconds) – Animated video provides voters with details of the absentee voting process.
- “[Let’s Get Ready to Vote!](#)” (30 seconds) – Animated video provides overview of helpful voter tools. Also available in [Hmong](#), [Somali](#) and [Spanish](#).
- “Tribal Voting in Minnesota” (4 minutes) – Overview of voting topics of interest to Native voters available in [Ojibwe](#) and [English](#).



UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES

Brainstorm; come up with new ways to promote civic engagement and voter participation.

- Add [election calendar](#) to computer login screen
- Put [factsheets](#) on message boards
- Post [factsheets](#) in break room
- Share this [Make Your Voting Plan form](#)
- Post your voting pics
- Ask your community to share the first time they voted
- Create a voter mini-website

ADDITIONAL PROMPTS FOR EMAILS, SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS, AND E-NEWSLETTERS

Perhaps your community or company calls for communication on a particular voting topic. Here are some additional voting topics you may want to consider. Find full-size graphics ready for social media or email [here](#).

More information about these subjects and many others can be found at mnvotes.gov. If you want help on a particular topic or clarification on a voting question, please contact Melanie Hazelip:

melanie.hazelip@state.mn.us | 612-327-1621



ADDITIONAL VOTING TOPICS

Voter Registration: If you are new to Minnesota, have recently moved within Minnesota, haven't voted in more than 4 years, or will be voting for the first time, you will need to register before you vote. You can register on Election Day, but it will save you time if you complete your registration before October 14, 2025.

- [Online registration](#)
- [Print a registration form](#) and return by mail
- If you plan on [registering on Election Day](#), be prepared!
- 16- and 17-year-olds can [pre-register to vote](#)
- You can [vote with a criminal record](#), as long as you are not currently incarcerated

Military personnel and their families if stationed away from home:

- [Order your absentee ballot](#) now
- Return your absentee ballot [by these suggested dates](#)

Need to Vote Absentee? [Here's how.](#)

- Working out of state or won't be home:
 - [In-person voting](#) before you leave
 - [Mail-in absentee ballot](#)
- Working/travelling out of country:
 - [In-person voting](#) before you leave
 - [Overseas absentee ballot application](#)

No Excuse Absentee Voting By Mail

- You no longer need a reason to vote by absentee ballot. Any eligible voter can [apply for a mail-in absentee ballot](#) and vote from home.

Early Voting

- Eligible voters can now cast their ballot starting 46 days before Election Day at designated [early voting locations](#)
- You now have the right to time off work to vote at any time during the 46-day voting period.

Registering at the polls on Election Day

- If you plan on registering at the polls on Election Day, you will need [proper identification](#). There are several options.

Find your voting location

- Not sure where to vote? [Find your polling location](#) right now!

GOTV

- Voting matters! It is the foundation of our democracy. It is a crucial way for you to participate in the democratic process and make your voice heard. And, sometimes, your vote truly does determine the outcome of an election – maybe it will this year. [Confirm your registration, find your voting location, check out your ballot](#). Be a voter!

Election Security and Integrity

- Minnesota's election system is accessible, safe, and secure.
 - [Check out our Fact v. Fiction website](#) to learn elections facts, and how we know Minnesota elections are fair, accurate, and secure.
 - When a foreign government tried to hack our elections system in 2016, the attempt was identified early and stopped.
 - Federal intelligence officials and law enforcement recently tested the security of Minnesota's election system by trying to hack into it. We passed the test.
 - Minnesota is proudly old school – we use paper ballots so that you can be certain that your vote is counted, counted accurately and stored for any future need.



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA

September 19, Absentee Ballots Are Available

Save time on Election Day from the comfort of your own home—[vote early by mail or in person](#). #mnvotes

September 16, National Voter Registration Day

Every registration is a step towards a stronger democracy. [Register today](#). #mnvotes

October 7, One Week to Voter Pre-Registration Deadline

You can [register online](#) to vote through Oct. 15. #mnvotes

October 28, one Week to Election Day

Get ready to cast your vote and actively participate in shaping our future. [Go here](#) to find your polling place, hours, and Election Day registration needs. #mnvotes

Social Media Graphics

You can find full-size graphics ready for social media or email [here](#) and [here](#)! Feel free to include any of these graphics in your communications.

