



County of Orange Registrar of Voters



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ORANGE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS



Community Election Working Group

May 8, 2024



Housekeeping

- Please mute yourself unless speaking or presenting
- Pause for questions
- May submit questions and comments in chat or raise hand



Welcome & Introductions

- Adria M. Jimenez, Chair
- Bob Page, Registrar of Voters
- Registrar of Voters Staff
- CEW member roll call



Agenda

- Approve minutes of February 7, 2024 CEW meeting
- Recognize New Members
- Open Forum
- 2024 Presidential Primary Election Recap



Agenda

- Preparation for Upcoming Elections
- Pending State Legislation
- Updates from VAAC and LAAC
- Future Business Items

Approve February 7, 2024 Minutes



Recognize New Members





New CEW Members

- Barbara Barish
 - Senior Community
 - Term ends 12/31/2025

- Long Nguyen
 - Asian Community
 - Term ends 12/31/2025



New CEW Members

- Adrian Meza
 - Youth
 - Term ends 12/31/2025

- Russia Chavis Cardenas
 - At Large
 - Term ends 12/31/2025



New CEW Members

- Lisa Tarlton
 - Vote Center Customer Service Representative
 - Term ends 12/31/2024

Note: One Latino Community Representative seat is
vacant



Open Forum





Registrar of Voters' Mission Statement

"To provide election services for the citizens of Orange County to ensure equal access to the election process, protect the integrity of votes, and maintain a transparent, accurate and fair process."



Registrar of Voters' Vision Statement

"To ensure excellence in the administration of elections to inspire confidence and trust in the democratic process."

2024 Presidential Primary Election Recap



2024 Presidential Primary Election

- 94 unique ballot styles (x10 parties)
- 50 Candidate Contests
- 346 Candidates
- 5 Local Measures
- 1 Statewide Proposition



Voting Locations

- Ballots mailed to 1.8 million active registered voters
- 183 Vote Centers
- 25 Drive-Thru Ballot Drop-Off Locations
- 5 Pop-Up Voting Locations
- 122 Ballot Drop Boxes

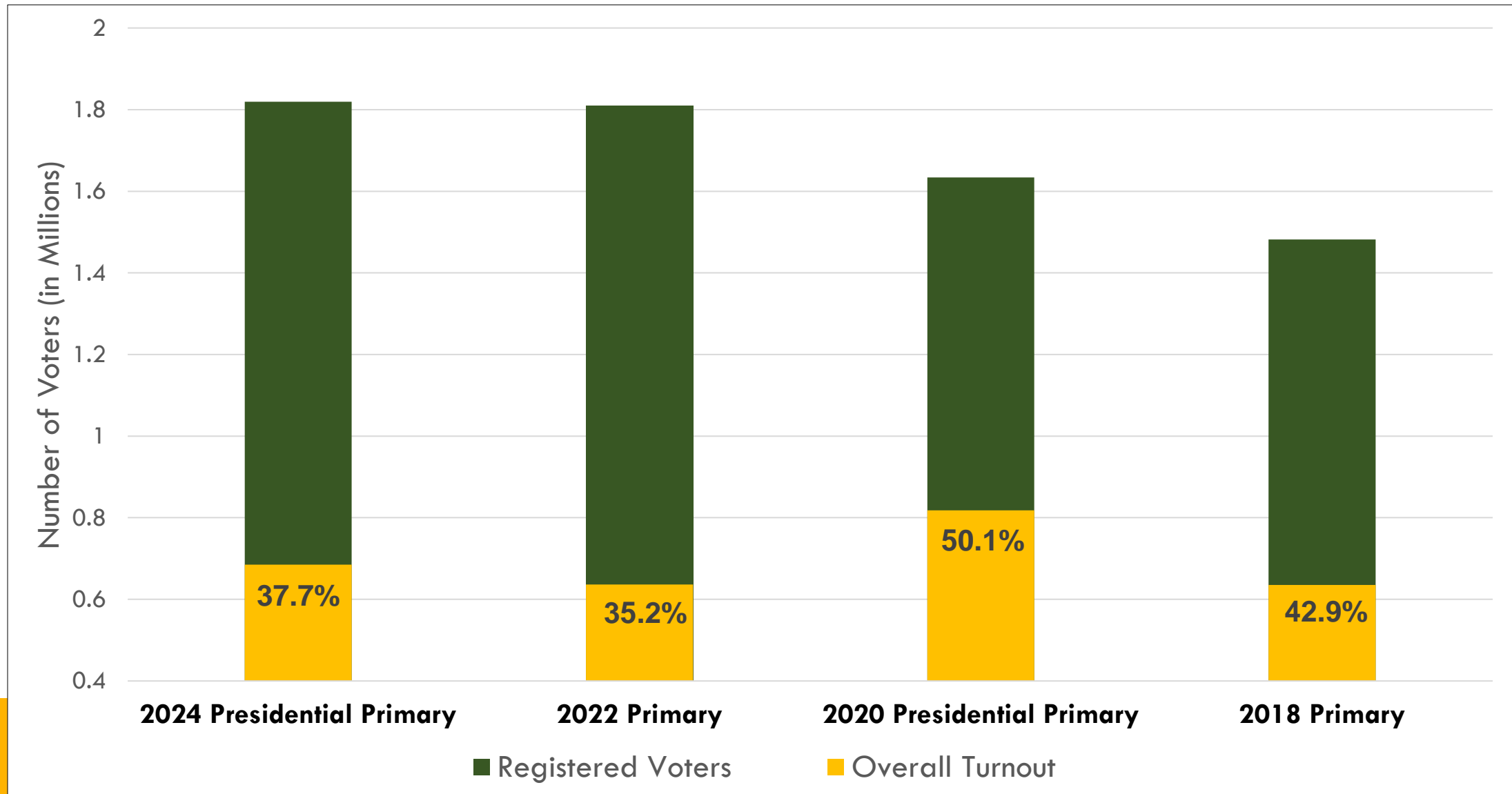


2024 Primary Election – Turnout

- 1,819,334 registered voters
- 37.7% voter turnout
- 685,038 ballots cast
 - 578,755 ballots cast by mail
 - 106,283 ballots cast in person

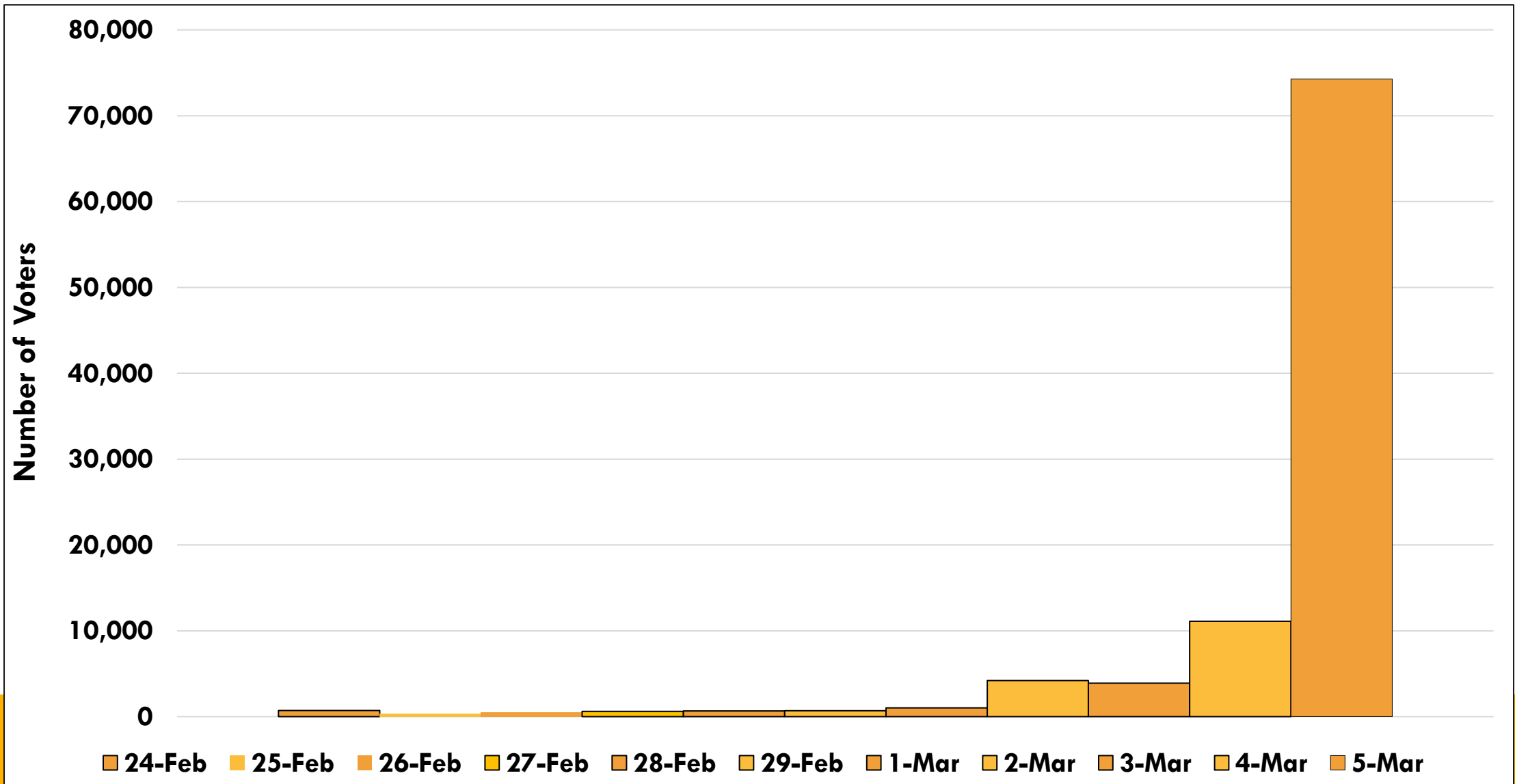


Primary Election Turnout Data





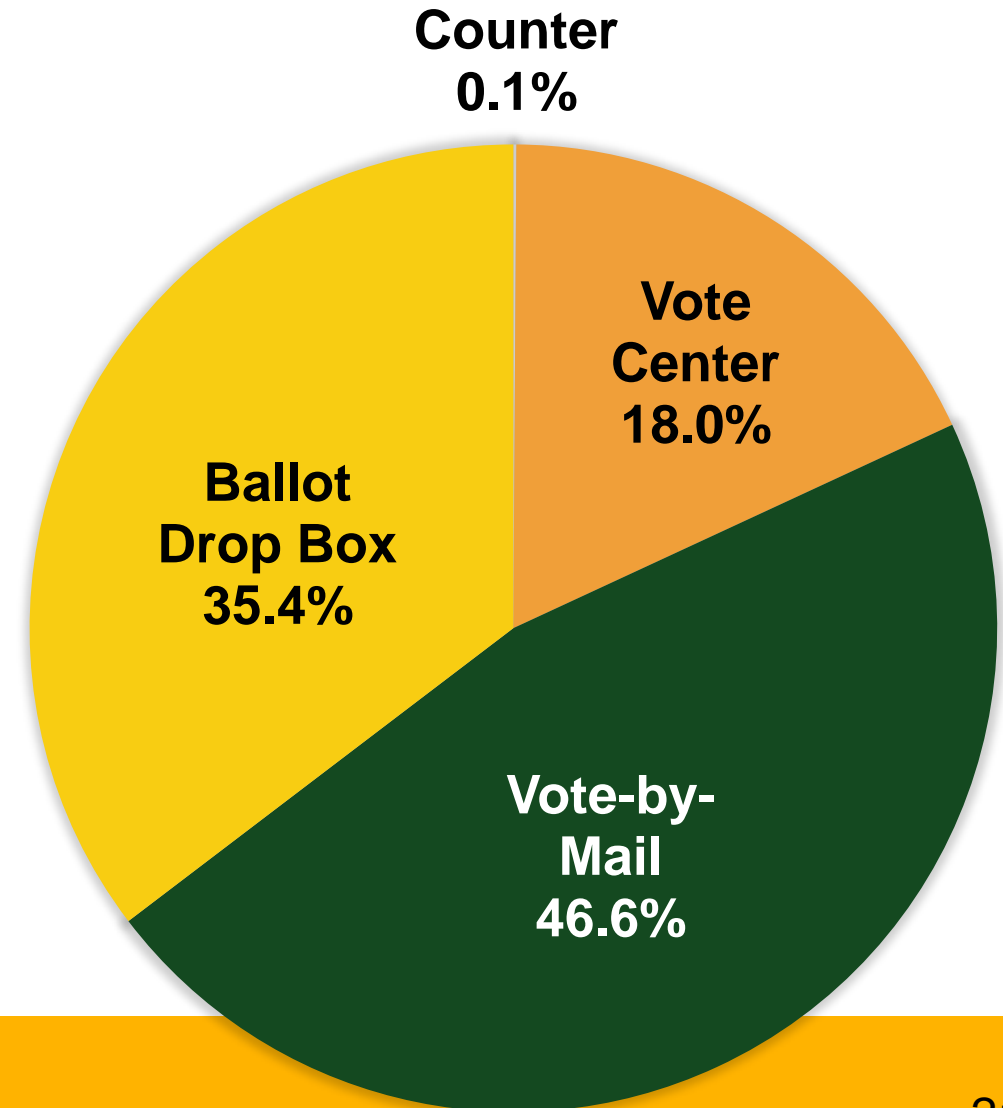
In-Person Voters by Date





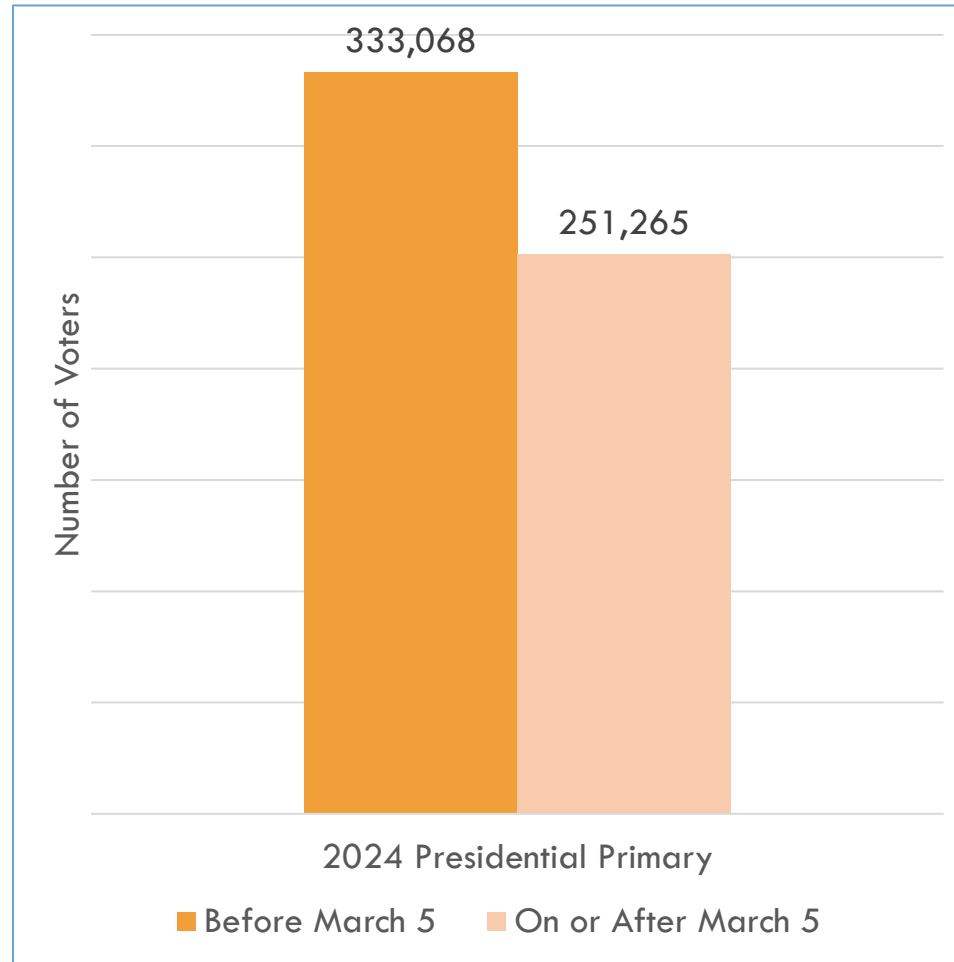
VBM Return Methods

- 46.6% returned via USPS
- 35.3% returned via Ballot Drop Boxes
- 18% returned at Vote Centers
- 0.1% returned at ROV front counter





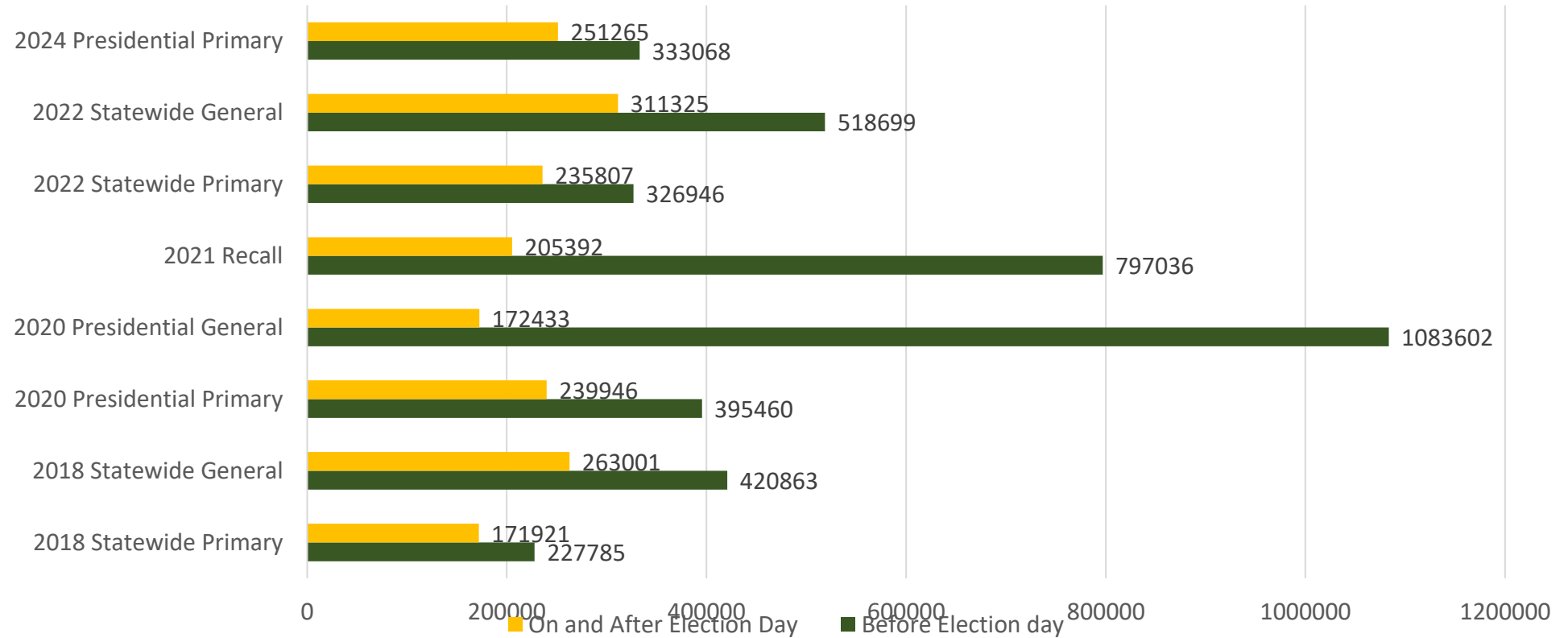
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Building VBM Processing Capacity

- County invested \$4.1 million on vote-by-mail ballot processing equipment
- Results in 2024 Presidential Primary Election
 - Early ballots in drop boxes started process same-day
 - 91% of early ballots in first results (up from 85% in Nov. 2022)
 - By E+7, counted 96% of all ballots (up from 89% in Nov. 2022)

High School Student CSR Pilot Program



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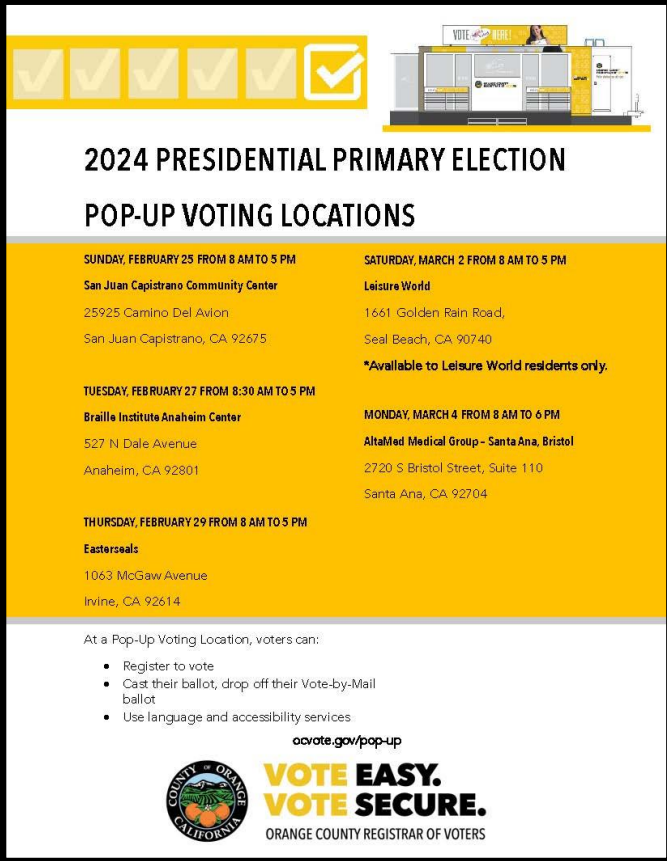
- 87 High School students volunteered to work on Election Day.
- High school students assisted at 48 of the busiest Vote Centers around the county.
- Exploring expanding the program for the General Election in November.

Pop-Up Voting Events



Pop-Up - March 2024 Recap

- San Juan Capistrano Community Center
- Braille Institute Anaheim Center
- Easterseals, Irvine
- Leisure World, Seal Beach
- AltaMed Medical Group, Santa Ana



**2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
POP-UP VOTING LOCATIONS**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM San Juan Capistrano Community Center 25925 Camino Del Avilon San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675	SATURDAY, MARCH 2 FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM Leisure World 1661 Golden Rain Road, Seal Beach, CA 90740 <i>*Available to Leisure World residents only.</i>
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 FROM 8:30 AM TO 5 PM Braille Institute Anaheim Center 527 N Dale Avenue Anaheim, CA 92801	MONDAY, MARCH 4 FROM 8 AM TO 6 PM AltaMed Medical Group - Santa Ana, Bristol 2720 S Bristol Street, Suite 110 Santa Ana, CA 92704
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM Easterseals 1063 McGaw Avenue Irvine, CA 92614	

At a Pop-Up Voting Location, voters can:

- Register to vote
- Cast their ballot, drop off their Vote-by-Mail ballot
- Use language and accessibility services

ocvote.gov/pop-up

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Pop-Up - March 2024 Recap



Pop-Up Location	In-Person Voting	CVRs	VBM	Site Total
San Juan Capistrano Community Center	2	1	21	24
Braille Institute Anaheim Center	4	0	2	6
Easterseals	4	0	1	5
Leisure World	91	3	97	191
AltaMed	40	5	15	60
Election Total	141	9	136	286



Selection Process

Selection of Pop-Up Voting Locations consider:

- Accessibility
- Geographic coverage
- Needs of the community
- Partnerships with community-based organizations



Updates to Pop-Up Recruitment

- Currently reviewing our plan for November
- Modified hours
- Opportunity to partner with more local organizations and provide more geographic coverage
- Set to begin Saturday, October 26, 2024 until Monday, November 4, 2024

Discussion

What resources and tools can help increase use of pop-up voting?

What suggestions or contacts can be shared?



Upcoming Elections

2024 City of Anaheim District 3 Special Recall Election

Anaheim District 3 Recall Election



- The Recall Election is for Anaheim City Council Member Natalie Rubalcava of District 3.



Anaheim District 3 Recall Election

Important Dates

- Mailing of the Voter Information Guide and VBM Ballots: May 6, 2024
- Last day for Voter Registration: May 20, 2024
- In-Person Voting Period: May 25, 2024 – June 4, 2024
- Deadline to Provide Results to City Clerk: June 28, 2024

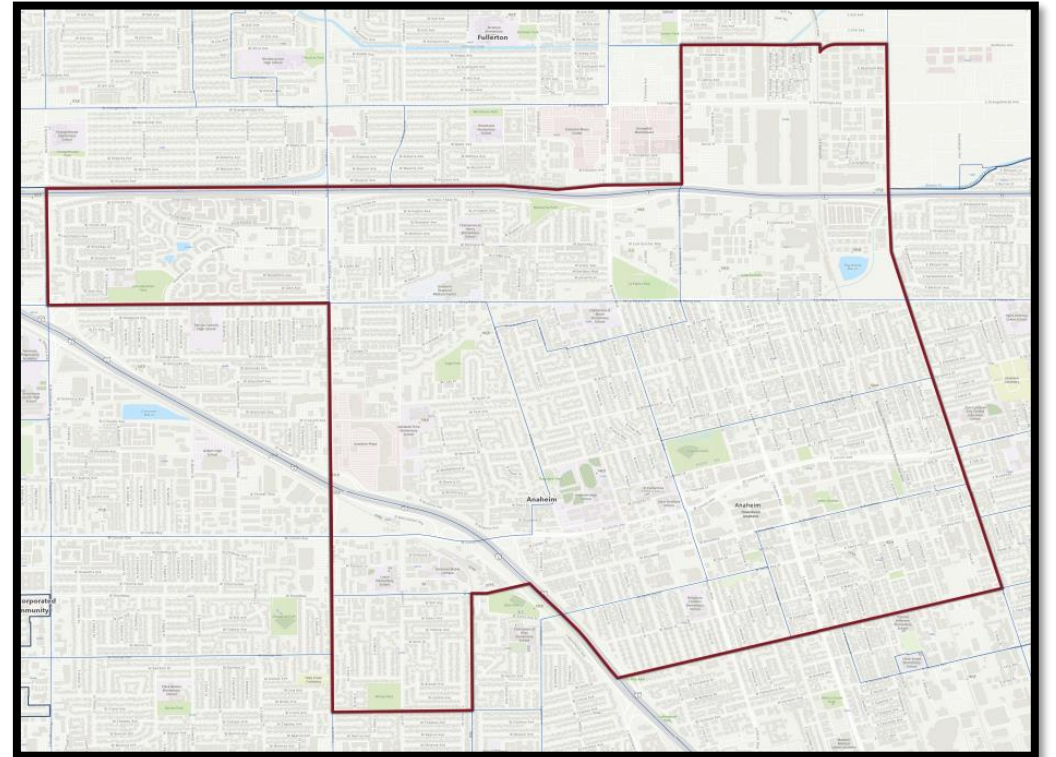


Anaheim District 3 Recall Election

2 Vote Centers: 1 in Anaheim and 1 at the Registrar of Voters

11 Day Vote Centers

- Downtown Anaheim Youth Center
- Registrar of Voters Office





Anaheim District 3 Recall Election

3 Ballot Drop Boxes: 2 in Anaheim and 1 at ROV

- Sage Park
- St. Boniface Catholic Church
- OCROV (Santa Ana)



2024 Presidential General Election



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Important Dates

- Candidate Filing: July 15, 2024 – August 9, 2024
- Mailing of the Voter Information Guide: September 26, 2024
- Mailing of Vote-by-Mail Ballots: October 7, 2024
- Last Day for Voter Registration: October 21, 2024
- In-Person Voting: October 26, 2024 – November 5, 2024
- Results Certification Deadline: December 3, 2024



2024 Presidential General Election

- All active registered voters will receive a Vote-By-Mail ballot
- Approximately 183 Vote Centers
 - 37 open for 11 Days
 - 146 open for 4 Days
- Approximately 122 Ballot Drop Boxes open for 29 days
- August 9 - Final number of Vote Centers and Drop Boxes determined by voter registration

Locations: ocvote.gov/options

Vote Center Site Selection Overview



Vote Center Site Selection

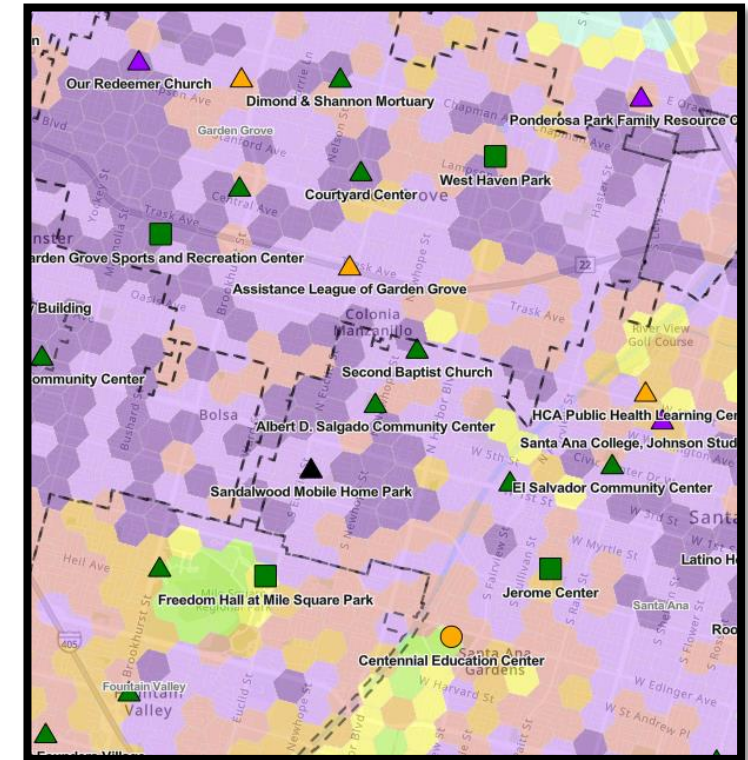
Accessibility Visits and Survey

- 264 full surveys completed for the 2024 Primary Election
- 183 Assessment Surveys to be completed over the summer
 - Follow up on sites based on public feedback and accessibility concerns
 - Check for any changes to the facilities
 - Capture measurements based on updated SOS guidelines (pending)
 - Ensure Voting Room has not changed



Vote Center Site Selection

- Proximity to public transit
- Proximity to communities with historically low vote by mail usage
- Proximity to population centers
- Proximity to language minority communities
- Proximity to voters with disabilities
- Proximity to communities with low rates of vehicle ownership
- Proximity to low-income communities
- Proximity to communities of eligible voters that are not registered
- Proximity to geographically isolated populations
- Access to free and accessible parking
- Time and distance a voter must travel to reach a location
- Traffic pattern consideration





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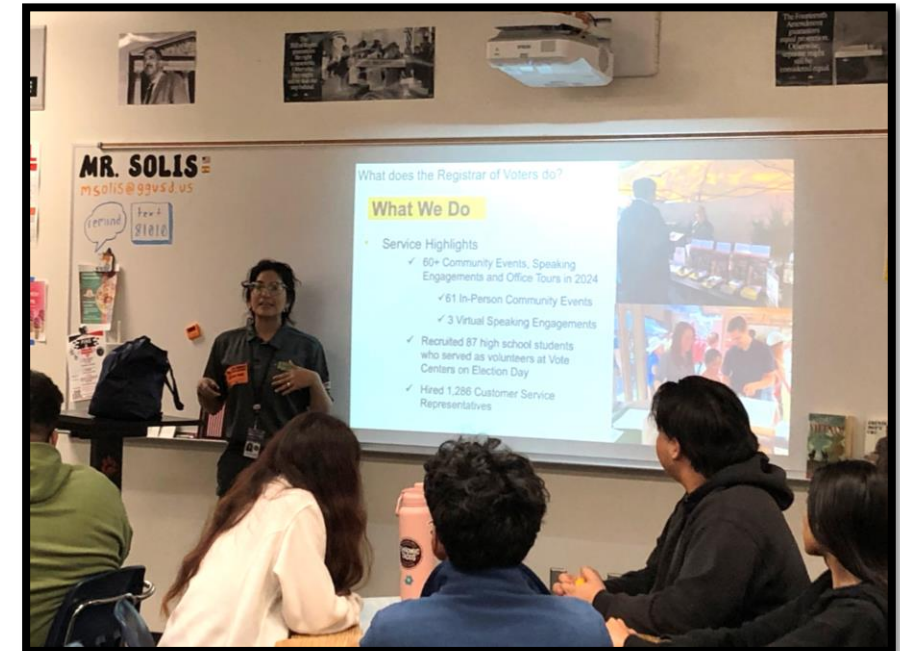
Do you have any recommendations for Vote Centers for the upcoming Presidential Election?

Voter Education and Outreach



High School Voter Education Weeks

- Reached out directly to over 120 high schools
- Coordinated 9 successful events – connecting with over 200 students
 - 5 in-person speaking engagements
 - 2 virtual presentations
 - 2 lunchtime registration drives
 - Pre-Registered / Registered 51 high school students





Discussion

Are there any upcoming events that your organizations will be hosting that we may be a part of?



Open House Event at ROV

- When: **TBD**
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Who: Parties, Candidates, Public
- What: Short Presentations
 - Activities/Operations
 - Steps taken to securely process ballot





Voter Assistance Hotline

- Types of Calls
 - General registration questions
 - Where is the closest Vote Center?
 - How do I get a second ballot if am no longer at the address you have on file?
 - My ballot was damaged in the mail, how do I get a replacement?

[888-OCVOTES \(888-628-6837\)](tel:888-OCVOTES)



Election Observation

- Observable Election Activity
 - Mail ballot processing
 - Pre-election & post-election logic and accuracy test
 - 1% manual tally and risk limiting audit
 - Tabulation
- Ambassador Program

More information at ocvote.gov/observe



Communications Tool Kit

Goal of the Community Tool Kit is to provide a variety of tools to ensure local voters are well informed about the election.

Enable people and organizations to share updates within their networks and be trusted messengers of election information





Communication Tool Kit

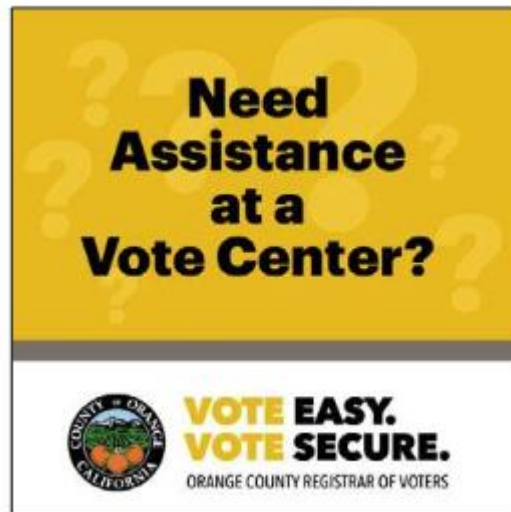
- Voter education infographic
- Short explainer videos
- Social media posts and graphics
- Newsletter articles
- FAQs

Download at ocvote.gov/community

Communications Toolkit



What recommendations do you have for the Communications Tool Kit for November?





“I Voted” Stickers

What are your thoughts about only providing a multilingual “I Voted” sticker to all voters?





Transmittal and Maps Portal

- Modernizing the method to collect and organize election information
- Almost 100 jurisdictions (not including sub-districts)
- Continue to ensure accurate contests and boundaries



Transmittal and Maps Portal

- Complete web form to produce transmittal
- Ability to download transmittal and maps
- Upload signed documents to the same portal

Pending State Legislation



Senate Bill 907

- Would expand the Orange County Board of Education to seven members and move its elections from the statewide primary to statewide general elections.
- Currently in the Suspense file.
 - Estimated \$70,000 per year impact to OCDOE.
- Senate Appropriations hearing is May 16.



Senate Bill 1441

- Would establish a 60-day deadline for proponents of an insufficient petition to complete examination of the Registrar of Voters' decision to disqualify signatures.
- Would require proponents to pay for extra costs, such as if OCROV was required to hire extra help to facilitate examination.
- Senate Appropriations hearing is May 13.



Senate Bill 1450

- Would amend the Voter's Choice Act.
- Currently in the Suspense file.
- Senate Appropriations hearing is May 16.



Senate Bill 1450

- Proposed amendments to VCA, include:
 - Re-establish Secretary of State's Voter's Choice Act Taskforce.
 - Establish a county voter education and outreach advisory committee.
 - Hold the first meetings of the county language accessibility, voting accessibility and outreach advisory committees before the required public consultation meetings to review the draft EAP.



Senate Bill 1450

- Proposed amendments to VCA, include:
 - Adopt EAP at least 180 days before first election the Act is implemented in the county.
 - Amend the requirements to directly contact all voters before an election.
 - Permit counties to provide a direct contact per household rather than per voter.
 - After eight elections, only one direct contact required.



Senate Bill 1450

- Proposed amendments to VCA, include:
 - Set a six-month deadline for posting election cost comparisons on county's website.

CEW VAAC and CEW LAAC Updates



VAAC Meeting Update

- Accessible Services to Voters Discussion
- RAVBM Envelope Communication
- Ongoing engagement, outreach



LAAC Meeting Update

- Election Planning Updates
- Discussions & Feedback
 - High School Pilot Program
 - Pop-Up Voting Partnerships
 - Language CSR Recruitment
- Community Outreach & Partnerships

Future Business Items



Next Meeting Date

- TBD





**THANK
YOU!**