

VOTING RIGHTS

Persons with a Prior Felony Conviction

Have you been incarcerated?
You may be eligible to vote.

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IF YOU ARE:

- **In a local detention facility:**
 - Serving a misdemeanor sentence
 - Serving a felony jail sentence
 - Because jail time is a condition of probation (misdemeanor or felony)
 - Awaiting trial
- **On probation**
- **On parole**
- **On mandatory supervision**
- **On post-release community supervision**
- **On federal supervised release**
- **A person with a juvenile wardship adjudication**

YOUR VOTING RIGHTS

- If you are in jail and you are eligible to vote, you are entitled to receive a voter registration card.
- If you are currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony in a state prison, a federal prison or local detention facility, your right to vote is restored once you have finished serving your term.
 - Your county will send a notification confirming that you can register or reregister to vote.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

You can register to vote and vote if you are:

- A United States citizen and a resident of California,
- 18 years old or older on Election Day,
- Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

**Scan the QR Code
to register to vote**



HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE

- You may request a paper voter registration card from the Secretary of State or your county elections office.
- Voter registration cards and voting materials are available in English, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.
- You can register online at registertovote.sos.ca.gov or by scanning the QR Code above.

**For more information about restoring your rights,
visit: votingrightsrestored.sos.ca.gov**

PERSONS IMPACTED BY INCARCERATION/ UNABLE TO VOTE AT THIS TIME

Currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony and imprisoned in:

- State prison
- Federal prison
- A local detention facility*

**California Penal Code section 2910 allows the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to make agreements with local governments to house prisoners in local detention facilities. A person serving a state prison sentence who is housed in a local detention facility under these circumstances is not allowed to register and vote. A person in a local detention facility who is awaiting transfer to a state or federal prison following a felony conviction is not allowed to register and vote.*

QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES

If you are unsure of what type of sentence you are serving, ask the staff at your correctional facility.

For additional resources, please contact your local county elections office or contact the California Secretary of State.

To find additional resource about voting on the Secretary of State's website, please visit: sos.ca.gov.

For county elections information please visit: sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices.

Scan the QR Code
for local county
offices



RELEASED FROM CUSTODY

- If you are released from custody before you receive your vote-by-mail ballot, you can still vote. Just go to a polling location in the county where you are registered to cast your ballot; you may be asked to vote a provisional ballot. For more information about provisional ballots, please go to the Secretary of State's webpage on provisional voting: sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/provisional-voting.
- If you change your name, home address, mailing address, or party preference you must complete a new voter registration application. However, within the 14 days before an election, instead of re-registering, you can submit a written request to your county elections official to change your address or party preference.

CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE VOTER HOTLINE

English	(800) 345-VOTE (8683)
Español / Spanish	(800) 232-VOTA (8682)
Chinese / 中文	(800) 339-2857
Hindi / हिन्दी	(888) 345-2692
Japanese / 日本語	(800) 339-2865
Khmer / ខ្មែរ	(888) 345-4917
Korean / 한국어	(866) 575-1558
Tagalog	(800) 339-2957
Thai / ภาษาไทย	(855) 345-3933
Vietnamese / Việt ngữ	(800) 339-8163
TTY/TDD	711