All voters have the right to safely vote in the November 8, 2022, General Election. Here’s what you can do to ensure you can exercise your right to vote if you have been or are likely to be unable to leave home, in the hospital, or in a care facility on Election Day due to a medical emergency:

- **Contact your local county elections office.**

  You have the right to receive and cast your ballot by Election Day. Call your local county elections office to see what options are available for you. Many county elections offices will be able to provide you with a replacement ballot or deliver a ballot to you. Ask your healthcare provider for help. Many health care facilities have staff who can help get a ballot delivered to you.

- **I need help filling out my ballot. Who can help me?**

  You have the right to get help casting your ballot from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.

- **It’s Election Day. I didn’t receive my ballot in the mail and I cannot leave my home, or am hospitalized or in a care facility due to a medical emergency. How can I vote?**

  You have the right to cast an emergency ballot on Election Day. Call your local county elections office. Many offices have teams that visit healthcare facilities to make sure you can vote on Election Day.
If you cannot reach your county elections office and are registered to vote, you can request another ballot. You can fill out a form to authorize someone (your designee) to go to your local county elections office to pick up a ballot for you. Some hospitals may have volunteers who may be able to help you get a ballot.

1. Fill out and print the **late vote-by-mail application form** on our website.

2. If you do not have access to a computer and printer, you can write a statement saying that you cannot vote in person because you are unable to leave your home, are hospitalized, or in a care facility due to a medical emergency and need a ballot. Sign this request, or if you are unable to sign, someone can help you sign with an “x.” The person picking up your ballot must also write “witnessed by” and sign their name.

3. Your designee must return this form to your local county elections office and pick up your ballot.

4. Once you complete the ballot, sign and date the return envelope.

5. The person returning your ballot must also sign their name on the appropriate space on the envelope.

6. Either you or your designee must return your voted ballot to a voting location, drop box, or to your local county elections office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. **Please note that your ballot cannot be mailed.**

Call your **local county elections office** to learn more about getting a ballot if you are experiencing a medical emergency.

**County or State Voter Information Guide**

If you lost your county voter information guide, most counties have an online version on their website. Voting locations will also have copies of the county information guide. The Secretary of State’s online voter information guide can be found at [Vote.ca.gov](http://Vote.ca.gov).
For more information, visit Vote.ca.gov or call our Election Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

**Helpful Resources**

**County Elections Offices Contact Information**
All Elections Offices by county can be found at: https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices

**California Secretary of State Voter Hotline**
For answers to your questions about voting and elections, please call one of the toll-free voter hotlines listed below:

- (800) 345-VOTE (8683) - English
- (800) 232-VOTA (8682) - Español / Spanish
- (800) 339-2857 - 中文 / Chinese
- (888) 345-2692 - हिंदी / Hindi
- (800) 339-2865 - 日本語 / Japanese
- (888) 345-4917 - ខ្មែរ / Khmer
- (866) 575-1558 - 한국어 / Korean
- (800) 339-2957 - Tagalog
- (855) 345-3933 - ภาษาไทย / Thai
- (800) 339-8163 - Việt ngữ / Vietnamese
- (800) 833-8683 - TTY/TDD