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Sample Ballot and Voter Information Guide

Muestra de Boleta y Guía de Información para el Votante

Presidential General Election Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Ballots will be mailed October 5 to all voters to promote safe voting from home.

Elección general presidencial Martes, 3 de noviembre de 2020

Las boletas se enviarán por correo el 5 de octubre a todos los votantes para promover la votación segura desde casa.

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Dear Voter,

Life has certainly changed since the March 3 Primary Election.

We have all had to deal with the realities of Coronavirus and the public health protocols designed to keep us all safe: sheltering in place, maintaining physical distances, wearing a mask, washing our hands often, covering our coughs and sneezes, and disinfecting everything often.

For the November Election, Governor Newsom issued an executive order to require all voters be mailed a ballot. This way, you can easily vote from the safety of your own home. Returning your ballot is simple using one of our 15 drive-up ballot drop boxes, or dropping it off at any of our voting locations, or mailing it in the postage paid envelope.

While we want to encourage you to vote from home using the ballot we mail you, you may need to use in-person voting options. We have identified 17 voting locations that will be open Saturday, October 31 through Tuesday, November 3 for voters. At these locations you can obtain a second ballot, drop off your voted ballot, vote an accessible ballot on the tablet, vote a Spanish ballot on the tablet, register and vote on the same day, vote provisionally, or any other voter service. If you are going to visit a voting location, please wear a mask and respect the physical distancing requirements. These efforts, along with sanitizing our hands and things we touch will help save lives. So, thank you for doing your part.

What has been abundantly clear in the last several months, is how much I appreciate the essential workers in our community. I am especially grateful to our doctors, nurses, health care workers, farmers, grocery clerks, teachers, government officials, and our election workers. Thanks to you, many of the things we have taken for granted have continued: staying healthy, eating, learning, functioning in our homes, and voting! This November, it is important now more than ever, that every citizen be given an accessible, secure, simple way to cast their vote. No one should have to risk their health to make their voices heard. We are doing our part in Santa Cruz County to make sure you have a positive and safe voting experience.

We are here to help and answer your questions. Please call us at 831-454-2060 or email info@votescount.us.

Your vote counts! Thank you for being a voter!

Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections Department

Estimado votante,

La vida ciertamente ha cambiado desde las elecciones primarias del 3 de marzo.

Todos hemos tenido que lidiar con las realidades del Coronavirus y los protocolos de salud pública diseñados para mantenernos a todos seguros: refugiarse en el lugar, mantener distancias físicas, usar una máscara, lavarnos las manos con frecuencia, cubrirnos la tos y los estornudos, y desinfectar todo a menudo.

Para las elecciones de noviembre, el gobernador Newsom emitió una orden ejecutiva para requerir que todos los votantes reciban una boleta por correo. De esta manera, puede votar fácilmente desde la seguridad de su hogar. Devolver su boleta es simple usando una de nuestras 15 casillas de boletas de entrega, o dejándola en cualquiera de nuestros lugares de votación, o enviándola por correo en el sobre con franqueo pagado.

Si bien queremos alentarle a votar desde su hogar utilizando la boleta que le enviamos por correo, es posible que puede necesitar usar las opciones de votación en persona. Hemos identificado 17 lugares de votación que estarán abiertos del sábado 31 de octubre al martes 3 de noviembre para los votantes. En estos lugares puede obtener una segunda boleta, dejar su boleta votada, votar una boleta accesible en la tableta, votar una boleta en español en la tableta, registrarse y votar el mismo día, votar provisionalmente o cualquier otro servicio electoral. Si va a visitar un lugar de votación, use una máscara y respete los requisitos de distanciamiento físico. Estos esfuerzos, junto con la desinfección de nuestras manos y las cosas que tocamos, ayudarán a salvar vidas. Entonces, gracias por hacer tu parte.

Lo que ha sido abundantemente claro en los últimos meses, es cuánto aprecio a los trabajadores esenciales en nuestra comunidad. Estoy especialmente agradecido con nuestros médicos, enfermeras, trabajadores de la salud, agricultores, empleados de supermercados, maestros, funcionarios gubernamentales y nuestros trabajadores electorales. Gracias a usted, muchas de las cosas que hemos dado por sentado han continuado: ¡mantenerse saludable, comer, aprender, funcionar en nuestros hogares y votar! Este noviembre, es más importante ahora más que nunca, que todos los ciudadanos tengan una forma accesible, segura y simple de emitir su voto. Nadie debería arriesgar su salud para que se escuchen sus voces. Estamos haciendo nuestra parte en el Condado de Santa Cruz para asegurarnos de que tenga una experiencia de votación positiva y segura.

Estamos aquí para ayudarlo y responder sus preguntas. Llámenos al 831-454-2060 o envíe un correo electrónico a info@votescount.us.

¡Tu voto cuenta! ¡Gracias por ser un votante!

Departamento de Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elecciones

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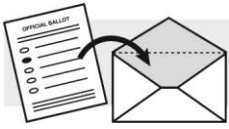
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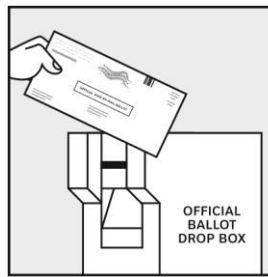
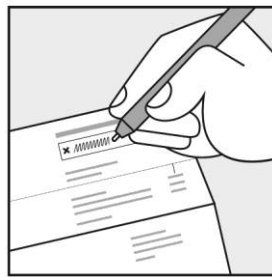


How to return the ballot mailed to you

Ballots will be mailed to all voters to promote safe voting from home

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all active registered voters will be mailed a ballot by October 5. Once you get your ballot:

1. Mark it by filling in the oval to the left of your choices. Voting is not a test, you do not have to vote on every issue.
2. Sign the envelope with your name and address on it in your own handwriting and print your name, address, and a way to contact you, and
3. Drop it off or mail it.



OR



How to return your vote-by-mail ballot



Drop it off at one of the 24/7 drop boxes (locations may change due to fire damage) located at:

- Aptos – Public Library, 7695 Soquel Dr.
- Aptos - Polo Grounds near the dog park, 2255 Huntington Dr.
- Aptos – Cabrillo College Parking lot R by the stadium, 3732 Cabrillo College Dr.
- Ben Lomond – Highlands Park, 8500 Highway 9
- Boulder Creek Library – 13390 W. Park Ave.
- Capitola – 420 Capitola Ave. in the City Hall parking lot
- Capitola – Mall near the old Sears, 1855 41st Ave.
- Corralitos – Community Center, 35 Browns Valley Rd.
- Felton – Covered Bridge Park – at Mt. Hermon and Graham Hill Rd.
- Santa Cruz - 701 Ocean St. in front of the County Government Center
- Santa Cruz – 212 Church St. in the public parking lot
- Santa Cruz – UCSC Quarry Plaza
- Scotts Valley – 1 Civic Center Dr. in the City Hall parking lot
- Watsonville – 316 Rodriguez St. in the municipal public parking lot 14
- Watsonville – County Health Center, 1430 Freedom Blvd.



Deliver your ballot to the Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections office or the Capitola, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley or Watsonville City Clerk. Check www.votescount.us for other locations.



Drop off your ballot at any voting location open Oct. 31 to Nov. 3. A list of Santa Cruz County locations is provided in this guide and online at www.votescount.us.



Mail your ballot, so that it is postmarked on or before Election Day, November 3.



How to vote in person

All voters will be mailed a ballot for the November 3, 2020 Presidential General Election.

However, in-person voting locations will be available for voters to:

- Obtain a replacement ballot
- Register and vote on the same day
- Vote an accessible ballot on the tablet
- Vote a Spanish ballot on the tablet
- Drop off their voted ballot
- Any other voter service

Starting October 5, the Santa Cruz County Elections Office and Watsonville City Clerk's Office will open for voting and other voter services.

Pursuant to State law and Governor's executive order, Santa Cruz County must have one in person voting location for every 10,000 voters. Any voter can go to any location.

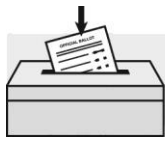
Due to the fires in Santa Cruz County, some of these sites may have to be relocated due to fire damage or being used for a shelter or other emergency purpose.

Each location will be open for voting on the following dates and times:

- Saturday, October 31, 2020, 9am to 5pm
- Sunday, November 1, 2020, 9am to 5pm
- Monday, November 2, 2020, 8am to 5pm
- Tuesday, November 3, 2020, 7am to 8pm

Voting locations in Santa Cruz County include:

1. Aptos - Temple Beth El, 3055 Porter Gulch Rd.
2. Boulder Creek - Boulder Creek Recreation Hall, 13333 Middleton Ave.
3. Capitola - New Brighton Middle School, 250 Washburn Ave.
4. Felton - San Lorenzo Valley High School, 7105 Highway 9
5. Santa Cruz - Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections, 701 Ocean St., Room 310. Opens Oct. 5 for voting.
6. Santa Cruz - Simpkins Swim Center, 979 17th Ave.
7. Santa Cruz - Bonny Doon Elementary School, 1492 Pine Flat Rd.
8. Santa Cruz - Kaiser Permanente Arena, 140 Front St.
9. Santa Cruz - Masonic Lodge, 828 N. Branciforte Ave.
10. Scotts Valley - Scott Valley Community Center, 360 Kings Village Rd.
11. Scotts Valley - Scotts Valley High School, 555 Glenwood Dr.
12. Soquel - Soquel Conference Center, 1931 Old San Jose Rd.
13. Watsonville - Watsonville City Community Room, 275 Main St., 4th Floor. Opens Oct. 5 for voting.
14. Watsonville - Pajaro Valley Community Trust, 85 Nielson St.
15. Watsonville - La Selva Beach Clubhouse, 314 Estrella Ave.
16. Watsonville - Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 East Lake Ave.
17. Watsonville - Calabasas Elementary School, 202 Calabasas Rd.
18. Santa Cruz - UCSC Merrill Cultural Center, will be open on Monday and Tuesday only.
19. Vote Mobile - Santa Cruz County has a mobile voting trailer that will be used throughout the county. Check **www.votescount.us** for dates and times.

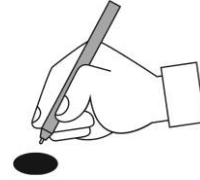


How to vote a paper ballot

Mark your ballot

Fill in the bubble to the left of your choice.

Use only a blue or black ballpoint ink pen. Do not use red ink pens, Sharpies, markers or any other type of pen.



Do not sign your name on your ballot, write your initials, or write any other words or marks on your voted ballot.

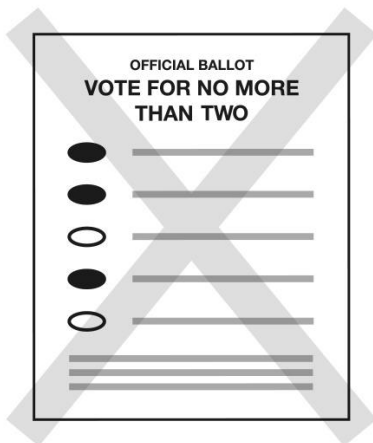
To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write their name on the blank line at the end of the list of candidates. Then fill in the bubble next to that name.



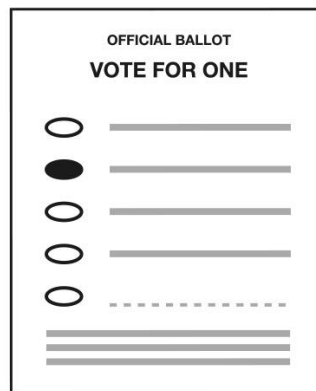
A list of qualified write-in candidates will be available at the voting locations. The list is posted on our website at **www.votescount.us** 13 days before the election.

Check your ballot carefully

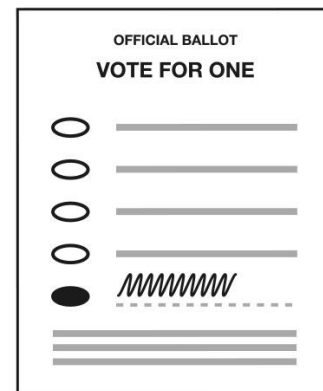
If you make a mistake, and you are voting from home, call us at 831-454-2060 or email us at **2ndballot@votescount.us** and we will mail you a new ballot. If you are voting in person, ask a poll worker for a new ballot.



Don't vote for too many.



Vote for the number allowed.



Always fill in the bubble on a write-in vote.

Return your voted ballot

Deposit your ballot into the ballot box. Your ballot will be scanned and counted at the Elections Office located at 701 Ocean Street, Room 310, in Santa Cruz.



How to vote with the tablet to mark your ballot

At the voting location, you can choose to use the tablet to mark a paper ballot or use a pen to mark a paper ballot.

The tablet serves as a marking device that will print the voter's choices on a piece of paper that is the ballot. All voters – including those with disabilities – can vote privately and independently.

1. Tell the poll worker you want to use the tablet

- The poll worker will give you a ticket.
- Take it to the tablet area.
- When it is your turn, a poll worker will activate the tablet so you can vote.



2. Mark your ballot

- Touch the box to the right of your choices. A check mark will appear in the box.
- To change your vote, touch the box again.
- To vote for a write-in candidate, touch the box to the right of the words WRITE-IN. A keyboard will pop up. Type the write-in candidate's name, then touch OK.



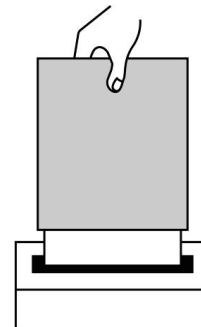
3. Print your ballot

- Touch the screen to print your ballot.
- Your choices are printed on the ballot for you to review.



4. Deposit your ballot in the ballot box

- Take your ballot to the ballot box station.
- Deposit your ballot into the ballot box.





Who is on the ballot for this election?

In the November General Election, all voters receive the same ballot, no matter what political party you are registered with, or if you have no party preference. The address where you are registered to vote determines which contests are on your ballot.

In the March Primary Election, all Californians were able to vote to decide which candidates for federal and state offices moved on to the November General Election. Some candidates for local county offices in March who received enough votes to be elected without having to be in a run-off in November, others are on the ballot in a run-off election.

 Presidential Nominated by party	 California Top-Two Primary Nominated by voters	 Local Nonpartisan candidates
• President and Vice President	• U.S. Representative • State Senator • State Assembly Member	• School District Offices • Special District Offices • City Offices
The candidates nominated by each political party are on the ballot.	The top two candidates – the ones with the most votes in March – are on your ballot.	Candidates for county offices on the ballot in March who did not receive at least 50% plus 1 of the vote are in a run-off in November. Local offices such as school & special districts and city councils are on the ballot.
You can write-in a candidate for President and Vice President.	There is no write-in for these offices.	You can write-in a candidate for these offices.
The party nominating the candidate is listed with their name.	The candidates' party preference (or "None") is listed with their name. Both candidates on the ballot may have the same party preference.	Candidates for nonpartisan offices do not have a party preference listed on the ballot.

For more information you can:



Call the Elections Department: 831-454-2060



Visit our website: www.votescount.us



Visit the California Secretary of State's website: www.sos.ca.gov



Accessible Voting

Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail Ballot (RAVBM)

You may request a remote accessible vote-by-mail ballot. The RAVBM system allows voters with disabilities to download and mark your ballot privately and independently using your own assistive technology, print your marked ballot, sign your return envelope, and return it to the Elections Office to be counted. See the next page for more information.

At the voting location

In some voting locations, temporary thresholds, ramps, signage, cones, and door props are used to improve access to the facility.

Curbside voting

If the voting location is not accessible, you may vote on a paper or an electronic ballot from a nearby accessible location, including a car. A poll worker will qualify you to vote and will return the voted ballot to the voting location.

To request curbside voting assistance, you can:

- call in advance to coordinate a time and place
- have an assistant make the request inside the voting location

Accessible voting system

Each polling place in the county has a tablet with:

- an audio option that reads the ballot to you
- a universal plug for personal assistive device
- large print (24 points)
- a choice of English or Spanish

A ride to your voting location

We can arrange to have an accessible van pick you up and take you to a voting location in Santa Cruz County to vote. Please call 831-454-2060 by Friday, October 30 to make an appointment.

Ballot delivery to your home

We can deliver a ballot to your home and return it to the Elections Department. Please call 831-454-2060 before Election Day so there will be enough time to assist you.

Voting information

Audio versions of the information about local measures and information in the State Voter Guide are available on request. The recordings are available approximately four weeks before the election.

How to request assistance

To request any of these options, or for assistance with accessible voting:



Phone Santa Cruz County Elections: 831-454-2060



Disability Rights California will operate a statewide Voting Hotline 7am to 8pm on Election Day: November 3, 2020. Calls will be answered prior to and after the election. 1-888-569-7955.
TDD: 711

Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail (RAVBM) in Santa Cruz County

For the November 3, 2020 General Election, Santa Cruz County will mail ballots by October 5 to all active registered voters. Ballots will be mailed daily to new registrants after October 5.

You can also vote with Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail. RAVBM lets you:

- Download, mark, and print your ballot at home
- Use your own assistive technology to read and mark the ballot
- Select the language for your ballot

RAVBM is not "internet voting." You must print and return your marked ballot. RAVBM used to be limited to military/overseas voters and voters with disabilities, but due to COVID-19 any voter may request a RAVBM.



You must request your RAVBM ballot by Oct. 27

**How to vote from home (accessibly!)
with RAVBM:**

1. **Request an RAVBM ballot access link**
Request a RAVBM ballot online at www.votescount.us or contact the elections office by phone at 831-454-2060, or by email at vbm@votescount.us.
2. **Mark your ballot**
Use the access link to open your ballot. Review and mark the ballot on your own computer, with your own assistive technology if needed.
3. **Review and print your ballot**
Check your ballot and make corrections. Download and print your ballot.
4. **Seal and sign the ballot envelope**
Put your RAVBM ballot in the envelope you received in the mail. Sign the voter's declaration (punched holes tell you where to sign). Seal the envelope. If you don't have the envelope we sent you, use your own envelope and sign the outside, print your name, write your address, and provide a way to contact you. You can use a second envelope if you don't want your information exposed.
5. **Return your ballot – see page 2.**

Para las elecciones generales del 3 de noviembre de 2020, el condado de Santa Cruz enviará por correo las boletas antes del 5 de octubre a todos los votantes registrados activos. Las boletas se enviarán por correo todos los días a los nuevos inscritos después del 5 de octubre.

También puede votar con Voto por correo de acceso remoto. RAVBM le permite:

- Descargue, marque e imprima su boleta en casa
- Utilice su propia tecnología de asistencia para leer y marcar la boleta.
- Seleccione el idioma de su boleta

RAVBM no es "votación por Internet". Debe imprimir y devolver su boleta marcada. RAVBM solía estar limitado a votantes militares / extranjeros y votantes con discapacidades, pero debido a COVID-19 cualquier votante puede solicitar un RAVBM.



Debe solicitar su boleta RAVBM antes del 27 de oct.

**Cómo votar desde casa (¡de forma
accesible!) Con RAVBM:**

1. **Solicite un enlace de acceso a la boleta RAVBM**
Solicite una boleta de votación RAVBM en línea en www.votescount.us o comuníquese con la oficina de elecciones por teléfono al 831-454-2060, o por correo electrónico a vbm@votescount.us.
2. **Marque su boleta**
Utilice el enlace de acceso para abrir su boleta. Revise y marque la boleta en su propia computadora, con su propia tecnología de asistencia si es necesario.
3. **Revise e imprima su boleta**
Revise su boleta y haga correcciones. Descargue e imprima su boleta.
4. **Selle y firme el sobre de la papeleta**
Coloque su boleta de la RAVBM en el sobre que recibió por correo. Firme la declaración de votante (los agujeros perforados le indican dónde firmar). Selle el sobre. Si no tiene el sobre que le enviamos, use su propio sobre y firme el exterior, escriba su nombre, escriba su dirección y proporcione una forma de contactarlo. Puede utilizar un segundo sobre si no desea que se exponga su información.
5. **Devuelva su boleta – vea a pagina 11.**



Language services / Servicios de idiomas

The Santa Cruz County Multilingual Voter Services program was established to provide services to voters who need language assistance.

The following election materials will be translated into Spanish and will be available at all our voting locations:

- A copy of the ballot
- Voting Instructions
- State Voter Information Guide
- Voter Bill of Rights

As a voter, you may bring up to two individuals with you to your polling place to help you cast your ballot if those individuals do not represent your employer or your union. Your polling place may have poll workers ready to assist you who speak Spanish.

Spanish ballot will be mailed to you

Since all voters will be mailed a ballot for the November election, we will also mail you a copy of your ballot in Spanish. It will be in a separate mailing from your official ballot.

Background

California law requires the Secretary of State, in January before the primary election for Governor, to identify which precincts have 3% or more of the voting-age residents who are members of a single language minority and lack sufficient skills in English to vote without assistance.

El programa de Servicios de Votante Multilingüe del Condado de Santa Cruz se estableció para proporcionar servicios a los votantes que necesitan asistencia con el idioma.

Los siguientes materiales electorales se traducirán al español y estarán disponibles en todos nuestros centros de votación:

- Una copia de la boleta
- Instrucciones de votación
- Guía estatal de información al votante
- Declaración de derechos del votante

Como votante, usted puede traer dos individuos a la estación de votación para que le ayuden a emitir su voto. Sus acompañantes no pueden ser representantes de su empleador o sindicato. La estación de votación emplea trabajadores que le puedan asistir en español.

Se le enviará la boleta en español

Dado que todos los votantes recibirán una boleta para las elecciones de noviembre, también le enviaremos una copia de su boleta en español. Estará en un envío por correo separado de su boleta oficial.

Fondo

La ley de California requiere que el Secretario de Estado, en enero antes de la elección primaria del Gobernador, identifique qué precinctos tienen el 3% o más de los residentes en edad de votar que son miembros de una minoría de un solo idioma y carecen de las habilidades suficientes para votar en inglés sin asistencia.



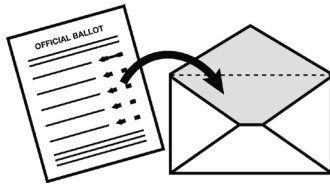
For more information in English, please call 831-454-2060

Para más información en español, por favor llame al 831-454-2060

若需更多中文資訊，請致電 831-454-5137

Para sa karagdagang impormasyon sa Tagalog, mangyaring tumawag sa 831-454-5135

3 formas de votar



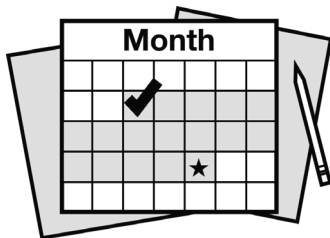
Vote usando la boleta que se le envió por correo

Las elecciones del condado enviarán por correo una boleta a todos los votantes registrados activos el 5 de octubre. Si no recibe su boleta o si la estropea, vea al dorso cómo obtener una boleta de reemplazo. También puede inscribirse para que le envíen su boleta por correo electrónico.

Para devolver su boleta, déjela en cualquier buzón o lugar de votación, entréguela en la oficina de Elecciones del Condado o en las oficinas del secretario de la ciudad antes de las 8 pm del martes 3 de noviembre.

Si la envía por correo, asegúrese de que su boleta tenga el matasellos del 3 de noviembre o antes. Envíela temprano o camine hasta la oficina de correos y obtenga el matasellos en el sobre de la boleta.

Para obtener más detalles, vea la **página 11**.



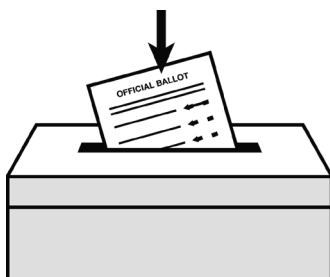
Vote temprano en persona

Puede votar temprano en dos lugares

5 de octubre al 3 de noviembre

Secretario / Elecciones del Condado de Santa Cruz y
Oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad de Watsonville

Para obtener más detalles, vea la **página 12**.



Votar en persona

Para aplanar la curva de votación, tendremos 17 lugares de votación abiertos:

Sábado y domingo, 31 de octubre y 1 de noviembre, de 9am a 5pm

Lunes 2 de noviembre, de 8am a 5pm

Martes 3 de noviembre, de 7am a 8pm

Cualquier votante puede ir a cualquier lugar para: obtener una segunda boleta, entregar su boleta, registrarse y votar el mismo día, usar la tableta para votar en una boleta accesible o en una boleta en español, o cualquier otro servicio electoral.

Se seguirán los protocolos de salud pública: uso de mascarillas, desinfección de manos, distanciamiento físico y servicios de desinfección. Si está enfermo, quédese en casa. Para obtener más detalles, vea la **página 12**.



Cómo devolver la boleta que se le envió por correo

Las boletas se enviarán por correo a todos los votantes para promover el voto seguro desde casa.

Debido a la pandemia de COVID-19, todos los votantes registrados activos recibirán una boleta por correo antes del 5 de octubre. Una vez que obtenga su boleta:

1. Márquelo llenando el óvalo a la izquierda de sus opciones. Votar no es una prueba, no tienes que votar en todos los temas.
2. Firme el sobre con su nombre y dirección con su propia letra e imprima su nombre, dirección y una forma de contactarlo, y
3. Déjelo o envíelo por correo.



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Cómo devolver su boleta de voto por correo



Déjelo en uno de los buzones de entrega 24 horas al día, 7 días a la semana (las ubicaciones pueden cambiar debido a daños por incendio) ubicados en:

- Aptos – Public Library, 7695 Soquel Dr.
- Aptos - Polo Grounds near the dog park, 2255 Huntington Dr.
- Aptos – Cabrillo College Parking lot R by the stadium, 3732 Cabrillo College Dr.
- Ben Lomond – Highlands Park, 8500 Highway 9
- Boulder Creek Library – 13390 W. Park Ave.
- Capitola – 420 Capitola Ave. in the City Hall parking lot
- Capitola – Mall near the old Sears, 1855 41st Ave.
- Corralitos – Community Center, 35 Browns Valley Rd.
- Felton – Covered Bridge Park – at Mt. Hermon and Graham Hill Rd.
- Santa Cruz - 701 Ocean St. in front of the County Government Center
- Santa Cruz – 212 Church St. in the public parking lot
- Santa Cruz – UCSC Quarry Plaza
- Scotts Valley – 1 Civic Center Dr. in the City Hall parking lot
- Watsonville – 316 Rodriguez St. in the municipal public parking lot 14
- Watsonville – County Health Center, 1430 Freedom Blvd.



Entregue su boleta a la oficina de Elecciones/Secretario del Condado de Santa Cruz o al Secretario de la Ciudad de Capitola, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley o Watsonville. Visite www.votescount.us para conocer otras ubicaciones.



Entregue su boleta en cualquier lugar de votación abierto del 31 de octubre al 3 de noviembre. En esta guía y en línea en www.votescount.us, se proporciona una lista de las ubicaciones del condado de Santa Cruz.



Envíe su boleta de manera que tenga matasellos del 3 de noviembre o antes del día de las elecciones



Como votar en persona

Todos los votantes recibirán por correo una boleta para las elecciones generales presidenciales del 3 de noviembre de 2020.

Sin embargo, habrá lugares de votación en persona disponibles para que los votantes:

- Obtenga una boleta de reemplazo
- Regístrese y vote el mismo día
- Vote una boleta accesible en la tableta
- Vote una boleta en español en la tableta
- Entregar su boleta votada
- Cualquier otro servicio electoral

A partir del 5 de octubre, la Oficina de Elecciones del Condado de Santa Cruz y la Oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad de Watsonville estarán abiertas para la votación y otros servicios para los votantes.

De conformidad con la ley estatal y la orden ejecutiva del gobernador, el condado de Santa Cruz debe tener un lugar de votación en persona por cada 10,000 votantes. Cualquier votante puede acudir a cualquier lugar.

Debido a los incendios en el condado de Santa Cruz, es posible que algunos de estos sitios deban ser reubicados debido a daños causados por el fuego o al ser utilizados como refugio u otro propósito de emergencia.

Cada lugar estará abierto para votar en las siguientes fechas y horas:

- Sábado 31 de octubre de 2020, de 9am a 5pm
- Domingo 1 de noviembre de 2020, de 9am a 5pm
- Lunes 2 de noviembre de 2020, de 8am a 5pm
- Martes 3 de noviembre de 2020, de 7am a 8pm

Los lugares de votación en el condado de Santa Cruz incluyen:

1. Aptos - Temple Beth El, 3055 Porter Gulch Rd.
2. Boulder Creek - Boulder Creek Recreation Hall, 13333 Middleton Ave.
3. Capitola - New Brighton Middle School, 250 Washburn Ave.
4. Felton - San Lorenzo Valley High School, 7105 Highway 9
5. Santa Cruz - Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections, 701 Ocean St., Room 310. Abre el Oct. 5 para votación.
6. Santa Cruz - Simpkins Swim Center, 979 17th Ave.
7. Santa Cruz - Bonny Doon Elementary School, 1492 Pine Flat Rd.
8. Santa Cruz - Kaiser Permanente Arena, 140 Front St.
9. Santa Cruz - Masonic Lodge, 828 N. Branciforte Ave.
10. Scotts Valley - Scott Valley Community Center, 360 Kings Village Rd.
11. Scotts Valley - Scotts Valley High School, 555 Glenwood Dr.
12. Soquel - Soquel Conference Center, 1931 Old San Jose Rd.
13. Watsonville - Watsonville City Community Room, 275 Main St., 4th Floor. Abre el Oct. 5 para votación
14. Watsonville - Pajaro Valley Community Trust, 85 Nielson St.
15. Watsonville - La Selva Beach Clubhouse, 314 Estrella Ave.
16. Watsonville - Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 East Lake Ave.
17. Watsonville - Calabasas Elementary School, 202 Calabasas Rd.
18. Santa Cruz - UCSC Merrill Cultural Center, estará abierto los lunes y martes solamente.
19. Vote Mobile - El condado de Santa Cruz tiene un tráiler de votación móvil que se utilizará en todo el condado. Visite **www.votescount.us** para conocer las fechas y horas.

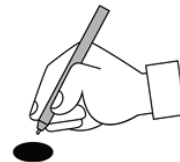


Cómo votar por boleta electoral de papel

Marque su boleta

Rellena la burbuja a la izquierda de su elección.

Use un bolígrafo con tinta azul o negra solamente. No utilice bolígrafo de tinta roja, Sharpies, marcadores o ningún otro tipo de bolígrafo.



No firme su nombre en su boleta, no escriba sus iniciales, no escriba otras palabras o hacer algún otro tipo de marca en la boleta que ha completado.

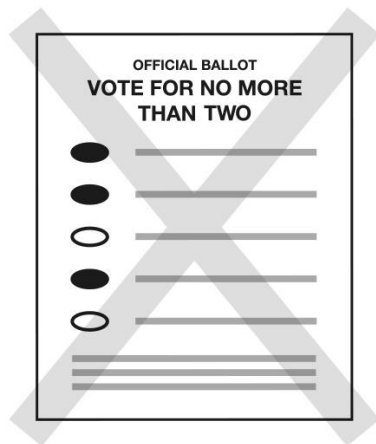
Para votar por un candidato que no esté en la lista, escriba el nombre del candidato en la línea en blanco al final de la lista de candidatos. Luego rellene la burbuja al lado de ese nombre.



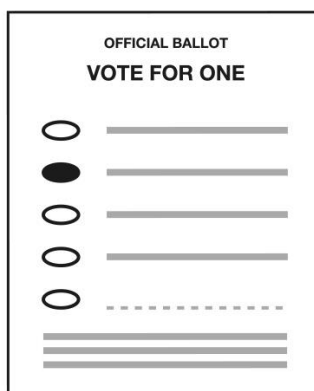
Una lista de candidatos calificados por escrito estará disponible en los lugares de votación. La lista se publica en nuestro sitio web en www.votescount.us 13 días antes de la elección.

Revise su boleta cuidadosamente

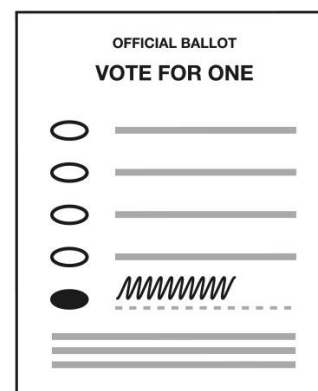
Si comete un error y está votando desde casa, llámenos al 831-454-2060 o envíenos un correo electrónico a 2ndballot@votescount.us y le enviaremos una nueva boleta por correo. Si está votando en persona, pídale a un trabajador electoral una nueva boleta.



No vote por demasiados.



Vote por el número permitido.



Siempre rellene la burbuja incluso en un "voto escrito".

Devuelva su boleta votada

Deposite su boleta en la urna. Su boleta será escaneada y contada en la Oficina de Elecciones ubicada en 701 Ocean Street, Room 310, en Santa Cruz.



Cómo votar por boleta electrónica

En el lugar de votación usted puede elegir usar la tableta para marcar una boleta de papel o usar un bolígrafo para marcar una boleta de papel.

La tableta sirve como un dispositivo de marcado que imprimirá las elecciones del votante en un papel que es la boleta. Todos los votantes, incluyendo aquellos con discapacidades, pueden votar de forma privada e independiente.

1. Dígame al trabajador electoral que quiere usar una tableta para votar

- El trabajador electoral le entregará un boleto.
- Llévelo al área de la tableta.
- Cuando sea su turno, el trabajador electoral activará la tableta para que usted pueda votar.



2. Marcar su boleta

- Toque la casilla junto a la derecha de sus elecciones. Aparecerá una marca de verificación en el cuadro.
- Para cambiar su voto, toque el cuadro nuevamente.
- Para votar por un candidato que no esté en la lista, toque el cuadro a la derecha de la palabra WRITE-IN. Aparecerá un teclado. Escriba el nombre del candidato por quien desea votar, y luego toque OK.



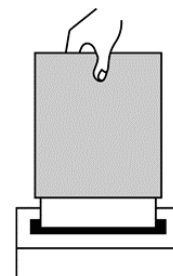
3. Imprima su boleta

- Toque la pantalla para imprimir su boleta.
- Sus elecciones están impresas en la boleta junto para que las revise.



4. Deposite su boleta en la urna electoral

- Lleve su boleta a la estación de urnas electorales.
- Deposite su boleta en la urna electoral.

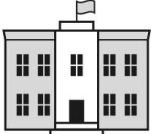




¿Quién está en la boleta para esta elección?

En la elección general de noviembre, todos los votantes reciben la misma boleta, no importa con cual partido político está registrado, o si usted no tiene ninguna preferencia por un partido. La dirección en la que está registrado para votar determina qué concursos aparecen en su boleta.

En las elecciones primarias de marzo todos los californianos pudieron votar para decidir qué candidatos para las oficinas federales y estatales pasarían a la elección general de noviembre. Algunos candidatos para cargos locales del condado en marzo que recibieron suficientes votos para ser elegidos sin tener que estar en una segunda vuelta en noviembre, otros están en la boleta electoral en una segunda vuelta.

 Presidencial Nominado por el partido	 Primaria de los Dos Principales de California Nominado por los electores	 Cargos Locales No Partidista
Presidente y vice presidente	- Miembro del Congreso de EE. UU. - Senador Estatal - Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado	- Oficinas del distrito escolar - Oficinas de distritos especiales - Oficinas de las ciudades
Los candidatos propuestos por cada partido político están en la boleta.	Los primeros dos candidatos - los que tienen la mayor cantidad de votos en marzo – están en su boleta.	Los candidatos para cargos del condado en la boleta electoral de marzo que no recibieron al menos el 50% más 1 de los votos están en una segunda vuelta en noviembre. Las oficinas locales como escuelas y distritos especiales y ayuntamientos están en la boleta.
Puede escribir un candidato a presidente y vice presidente.	No se puede agregar otro candidato para estas oficinas.	Usted puede agregar otro candidato para estas oficinas.
El partido que esta nominando al candidato aparece junto al nombre del candidato.	La preferencia de partido de los candidatos (o "Ninguna") aparece en la lista con su nombre. Ambos candidatos en la boleta pueden tener la misma preferencia de partido.	Los candidatos para cargos no partidarios no tienen una preferencia de partido que aparece en la boleta.

Para más información usted puede:



Llame al departamento de elecciones: 831-454-2060



Visite nuestro sitio web: www.votescount.us



Visite el California Secretary of State's sitio web:
www.sos.ca.gov/elections/primary-elections-california/



Como votar por voto accesible

Boleta de voto por correo de acceso remoto (RAVBM)

Puede solicitar una boleta de voto por correo de acceso remoto. El sistema RAVBM permite a los votantes con discapacidades descargar y marcar su boleta de forma privada e independiente utilizando su propia tecnología de asistencia, imprimir su boleta marcada, firmar su sobre de devolución y devolverlo a la Oficina de Elecciones para que sea contado. Vea pagina 8 para mas información.

En el lugar de votación

En algunas mesas electorales, umbrales temporales, rampas, señales, conos, y sostenes para las puertas, se utilizan para mejorar el acceso a las instalaciones.

Votar en la acera

Si su lugar de votación no es accesible, usted puede votar por boleta de papel o electrónica desde un lugar cercano y accesible, incluyendo de un vehículo. Un trabajador electoral lo calificara para votar y entregara su boleta completa al lugar de votación.

Para solicitar asistencia para votar en la acera, usted puede:

- llamar por adelantado para coordinar la hora y el lugar.
- pedir a un asistente que haga la solicitud dentro del lugar de votación.

Equipo accesible para votar

Cada centro de lugar de votación en este condado tiene una unidad de pantalla táctil para votar con:

- una opción de audio que lee la boleta para usted
- un enchufe universal para dispositivos de asistencia personal
- letra grande (24 puntos)
- la opción de inglés o español

Transporte a su lugar de votación

Podemos hacer arreglos para enviar una camioneta con accesibilidad para recogerle a usted y llevarle al centro de lugar de votación para votar. Por favor llame al 831-454-2060 antes del viernes 30 de octubre para programar una cita.

Entrega de boleta a su domicilio

Podemos entregar la boleta a su domicilio y regresarla al departamento de elecciones. Por favor llame al 831-454-2060 antes del día de la elección para asegurar que haya suficiente tiempo para proveerle asistencia.

Información para votar

Versiones de audio de la información sobre las medidas locales y la información impresa en la guía de estado para el votante están disponibles bajo petición. Las grabaciones están disponibles aproximadamente cuatro semanas antes de la elección.

Como solicitar asistencia

Para solicitar cualquiera de estas opciones o para obtener ayuda con la votación accesible:



Teléfono Elecciones del Condado de Santa Cruz: 831-454-2060

Disability Rights California operará una línea del día de las elecciones en todo el estado
7am a 8pm el día de elecciones: 3 de noviembre del 2020.
1-888-569-7955



TDD: 711

What's on the ballot for this election?

Statewide Presidential General Election – November 3, 2020

You will receive two voter information guides for this election.



Santa Cruz County (this guide)

Mailed to all registered voters in the County. Candidate statements for federal, state, and local offices and information on local measures are on the following pages in this guide.

Offices - depending on where you live in Santa Cruz County

President and Vice President
United States Representative
State Senate
State Assembly
Superior Court Judge
County Supervisor, 1st District
City councils
School & Special Districts

Local Measures - depending on where you live in Santa Cruz County

- A. Scotts Valley Unified School District bond
- N. Loma Prieta Joint Union School District parcel tax
- O. Aromas-San Juan School District bond



California State Guide

Mailed to each household in the State.

Information on the one state proposition is in the guide from the State, along with the Voter Bill of Rights, information about How to Vote for President, Voter Registration, Same Day Voter Registration, Provisional Voting, Military and Overseas Voters, and much more.

State Proposition

- 14. Stem cell/medical research bond
- 15. Change biz tax assessment for schools
- 16. Diversity consideration for jobs/school/contracts
- 17. Restore voting rights for inmates after jail
- 18. If age 18 by general, you can vote in primary
- 19. Transfer property tax base: 55, disabled, fire victim
- 20. Restricts parole for non-violent offenders
- 21. Local Gov authority to enact rent control
- 22. Makes app-based drivers indep. contractors
- 23. State regulation of kidney dialysis clinics
- 24. Expands consumer privacy laws
- 25. Referendum on replacing bail with flight risk

Practice Ballot (Sample Ballot)

The centerfold of this guide contains a 2-page practice ballot for you to tear out. Use this ballot to get ready to vote. You can practice marking your choices and bring it with you to vote on the real ballot at the polling place or the one mailed to you if you signed up to vote by mail.

Boleta de practica (muestra de boleta)

La página central de esta guía contiene una boleta de práctica de 2 páginas que puede separar. Utilice esta boleta para estar listo para votar. Usted puede practicar marcando sus opciones y llevarla con usted para votar en la boleta real en el lugar de votación o votar con la que le enviaron por correo si usted está registrado para votar por correo.



Party Endorsements

Parties have the option of submitting candidate endorsements for voter-nominated offices only for printing in this guide. Not all parties participate, and parties may endorse a candidate from another party.

The American Independent, Green, Libertarian, and Peace and Freedom parties did not submit endorsements of candidates to be printed in this guide.

The candidate's party preference on the ballot does not necessarily mean that they have that political party's support.

Los partidos tienen la opción de presentar endosos de los candidatos para las oficinas de nominados por los votantes para la impresión en esta guía. No todos los partidos participan y los partidos pueden apoyar a un candidato de otro partido.

Los partidos de Americano Independiente, Verde, Libertado, y Paz y Libertad no sometieron endosos de los candidatos para ser imprimidos en esta guía.

La preferencia de partido del candidato en la boleta no necesariamente significa que tengan el apoyo de ese partido político.

Office <i>Oficina</i>	Democratic <i>Demócrata</i>	Republican <i>Republicano</i>
18th Congress <i>18° Congreso</i>	Anna G. Eshoo	None ninguno
20th Congress <i>20° Congreso</i>	Jimmy Panetta	Jeff Gorman
17th Senate <i>17° Senado</i>	John Laird	Vicki Nohrden
29th Assembly <i>29° Asamblea</i>	Mark Stone	Shomir Banerjee
30th Assembly <i>30° Asamblea</i>	Robert Rivas	Gregory Swett

Make a plan to vote Nov 3!

Ballots will be mailed to all voters in early October.



Haga un plan para votar el 3 de nov!

Las boletas se enviarán por correo a todos los votantes a principios de octubre.



SAMPLE BALLOT / MUESTRA DE BOLETA

Measures Submitted to the Voters	
State	
15 INCREASES FUNDING SOURCES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES BY CHANGING TAX ASSESSMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Taxes such properties based on current market value, instead of purchase price. Fiscal Impact: Increased property taxes on commercial properties worth more than \$3 million providing \$6.5 billion to \$11.5 billion in new funding to local governments and schools.	19 CHANGES CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RULES. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows homeowners who are over 55, disabled, or wildfire/disaster victims to transfer primary residence's tax base to replacement residence. Changes taxation of family-property transfers. Establishes fire protection services fund. Fiscal Impact: Local governments could gain tens of millions of dollars of property tax revenue per year, probably growing over time to a few hundred million dollars per year. Schools could receive similar property tax gains.
16 ALLOWS DIVERSITY AS A FACTOR IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND CONTRACTING DECISIONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Permits government decision-making policies to consider race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in order to address diversity by repealing constitutional provision prohibiting such policies. Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state and local entities. The effects of the measure depend on the future choices of state and local government entities and are highly uncertain.	20 RESTRICTS PAROLE FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY CONSIDERED TO BE NON-VIOLENT. AUTHORIZES FELONY SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY TREATED ONLY AS MISDEMEANORS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Limits access to parole program established for non-violent offenders who have completed the full term of their primary offense by eliminating eligibility for certain offenses. Fiscal Impact: Increase in state and local correctional, court, and law enforcement costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually, depending on implementation.
17 RESTORES RIGHT TO VOTE AFTER COMPLETION OF PRISON TERM. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL	23 ESTABLISHES STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS. REQUIRES ON-SITE MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant on site during dialysis treatment. Prohibits clinics from reducing services without state approval. Prohibits clinics from refusing to treat patients based on payment source. Fiscal Impact: Increased state and local government costs likely in the low tens of millions of dollars annually.
21 EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows local governments to establish rent control on	24 AMENDS CONSUMER PRIVACY LAWS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Permits consumers to: prevent businesses from sharing personal information, correct inaccurate personal information, and limit businesses' use of "sensitive personal information," including precise geolocation, race, ethnicity, and health information. Establishes California Privacy Protection Agency. Fiscal Impact: Increased annual state costs of at least \$10 million, but unlikely exceeding low tens of millions of dollars, to enforce expanded consumer privacy laws. Some costs would be offset by penalties for violating these laws.
	25 REFERENDUM ON LAW THAT REPLACED MONEY BAIL WITH SYSTEM BASED ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND FLIGHT RISK. A "Yes" vote approves, and a "No" vote rejects, law replacing money bail with system based on public safety and

SAMPLE BALLOT

MUESTRA DE BOLETA

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SAMPLE BALLOT

Presidential General Election

County of Santa Cruz, Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Ballot Type 10



Instructions to Voters:

To vote, completely fill in the oval to the left of your choice. Use a blue or black ink pen to mark your ballot. NO RED INK.

If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

Optional Write-in:

To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the person's name in the blank space and fill in the oval.



Party-Nominated Offices

The party label accompanying the name of a candidate for party-nominated office on the general election ballot means that the candidate is the official nominee of the party shown.

Voter-Nominated and Nonpartisan Offices

All voters, regardless of the party preference they disclosed upon registration, or refusal to disclose a party preference, may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated or nonpartisan office. The party preference, if any, designated by a candidate for a voter-nominated office is selected by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of the candidate. The party preference, if any, of a candidate for a nonpartisan office does not appear on the ballot.

Party-Nominated Offices	County
Federal	Supervisor, 1st District
President and Vice President	Vote for One
☐ HOWIE HAWKINS For President ANGELA NICOLE WALKER For Vice President	☐ JOHN LEOPOLD Incumbent
☐ JO JORGENSEN For President JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN For Vice President	☐ MANU KOENIG Nonprofit Executive Director
☐ JOSEPH R. BIDEN For President KAMALA D. HARRIS For Vice President	☐
☐ DONALD J. TRUMP For President MICHAEL R. PENCE For Vice President	District
☐ GLORIA LA RIVA For President SUNIL FREEMAN For Vice President	Soquel Creek Water District
☐ ROQUE "ROCKY" DE LA FUENTE GUERRA For President KANYE OMARI WEST For Vice President	Director
☐	Vote for no more than Two
	☐ TOM LAHUE Veterinary Surgeon/Director
	☐ MARIA MARSILIO Human Resources Director
	☐ BRIICE DANIEL S

MUESTRA DE BOLETA -

SAMPLE BALLOT -

SAMPLE BALLOT

Voter-Nominated Offices		Nonpartisan Offices	
United States Representative		Judicial	
18th Congressional District		Judge of the Superior Court	
Vote for One		Vote for One	
☐ RISHI KUMAR Party Preference: Democratic Councilmember/Hi-Tech Executive		☐ ANNRAE ANGEL Attorney at Law	
☐ ANNA G. ESHOO Party Preference: Democratic Member of Congress		☐ NANCY DE LA PENA Assistant County Counsel	
State		State	
State Senator		Measures Submitted to the Voters	
17th District		State	
Vote for One		14 AUTHORIZES BONDS CONTINUING STEM CELL RESEARCH. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$5.5 billion state bonds for: stem cell and other medical research, including training; research facility construction; administrative costs. Dedicates \$1.5 billion to brain-related diseases. Appropriates General Fund moneys for repayment. Expands related programs. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds estimated at about \$260 million per year over the next roughly 30 years.	
☐ VICKI NOHRDEN Party Preference: Republican Businesswoman		☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ JOHN LAIRD Party Preference: Democratic Natural Resources Secretary			
Member of the State Assembly			
29th District			
Vote for One			
☐ SHOMIR BANERJEE Party Preference: Republican Physician/Engineer		☐ ERIN ASHEGHIAN Community Volunteer	
☐ MARK STONE Party Preference: Democratic Assemblymember		☐ ALEXANDRA HALL Appointed Incumbent	
		☐ STACY KISSNER Educator/Parent	
		☐	
		☐	

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

SAMPLE BALLOT / MUESTRA DE BOLETA

MUESTRA DE BOLETA

SAMPLE BALLOT -

AMENDMENT. Restores voting rights upon completion of prison term to persons who have been disqualified from voting while serving a prison term. Fiscal Impact: Annual county costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars statewide, for voter registration and ballot materials. One-time state costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, for voter registration cards and systems.	☐ Yes ☐ No
18 AMENDS CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT 17-YEAR-OLDS TO VOTE IN PRIMARY AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS IF THEY WILL TURN 18 BY THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION AND BE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. Fiscal Impact: Increased statewide county costs likely between several hundreds of thousands of dollars and \$1 million every two years. Increased one-time costs to the state of hundreds of thousands of dollars.	☐ Yes ☐ No
22 EXEMPTS APP-BASED TRANSPORTATION AND DELIVERY COMPANIES FROM PROVIDING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TO CERTAIN DRIVERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Classifies app-based drivers as "independent contractors," instead of "employees," and provides independent-contractor drivers other compensation, unless certain criteria are met. Fiscal Impact: Minor increase in state income taxes paid by rideshare and delivery company drivers and investors.	☐ Yes ☐ No
N To support high academic achievement for local students and provide stable local funding to maintain outstanding core academic programs in reading, writing, math, history and science, retain qualified and experienced teachers, and prepare students for an excellent high school, shall Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School District's measure be adopted, extending without increasing its \$164 school parcel tax for seven years raising \$328,000 annually, with senior exemptions, independent citizen oversight, and all funds benefiting local students.	☐ Yes ☐ No

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About the candidates

Who is running for office?

Refer to the Sample Ballot in this guide for a complete list of candidates. Some have paid for a candidate statement in this guide or on the web at www.votescount.com, but not all. You can also find candidate information and campaign disclosure statements online:

- Local candidates: www.votescount.com
- All candidates: votersedge.org/ca
- Statewide candidates: www.sos.ca.gov

Expenditure Limitations: State Legislative Candidates

Voters passed Proposition 34 in November 2000. This law says we must tell voters the names of candidates who agree to campaign spending limits. This law only applies to candidates for State Legislative offices like State Senate and State Assembly.

Candidates who agree are allowed to pay for and publish a candidate's statement of qualifications. Those statements are printed in this guide.

The following State Legislative candidates have accepted the voluntary campaign spending limits:

17th Senate 17° Senado	Vicki Nohrden, REP John Laird, DEM
29th Assembly 29° Asamblea	Mark Stone, DEM Shomir Banerjee, REP
30th Assembly 30° Asamblea	Gregory Swett, REP Robert Rivas, DEM

¿Quién está corriendo para un cargo?

Consulte la muestra de boleta en esta guía para obtener una lista completa de los candidatos. Algunos han pagado por una declaración del candidato en esta guía o en la web a www.votescount.com, pero no todos. También puede encontrar información de los candidatos y declaraciones de campaña en nuestra página web:

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- Todos los Candidatos: votersedge.org/ca
- Candidatos estatales: www.sos.ca.gov

Límites de desembolsos: Candidatos para la legislatura estatal

Los votantes aprobaron la Proposición 34 en noviembre de 2000. Esta ley establece que tenemos que decir a los votantes los nombres de los candidatos que están de acuerdo con los límites de gastos de campaña. Esta ley sólo se aplica a los candidatos para cargos legislativos del Estado como el Senado Estatal y la Asamblea Estatal.

Los candidatos que estén de acuerdo pueden pagar y publicar una declaración de calificaciones de candidato. Esas declaraciones están imprimidas en esta guía.

Los siguientes candidatos para la Legislatura Estatal han aceptado los límites de desembolsos voluntariamente:



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Paid candidate statements: Congress, 18th District

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Rishi Kumar

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COVID-19 has turned our world upside down. Millions are unemployed and have no health insurance. And as career politicians capitulate to partisan politics, they've sold out to special interests, are technologically illiterate, and have no interest in addressing our challenges. These crises can no longer rest upon out of touch leaders who are not challenging, but exploiting the sacred cows.

America is at an inflection point. This election is about sending new energy and new leadership to Washington: someone ready to take on the tough post-COVID-19 challenges and deliver solutions for all Americans.

As a Saratoga city councilmember, hi-tech executive, and community organizer, I fought for the people by reducing burglaries and defeating eight San Jose Water Company rate hikes. During the pandemic, my campaign called 86,000 seniors, helping with groceries and medications. My community trusts my "getting things done" approach, which is why I was re-elected with the most votes in Saratoga's history.

As your Congressman, I'll prioritize America's pandemic preparedness, growing our economy, and bringing manufacturing back for supply chain self-reliance. I will fight for Medicare for All, a Green New Deal, and racial inequality, all while refusing money from PACs and special interests. I don't believe in LEFT or RIGHT, but a FORWARD path of American prosperity.

Voters are tired of the same politicians and rhetoric without any meaningful progress. But with your trust, we can set America back on track. For our future, and for change, I humbly request your vote. <https://rishikumar.com/priorities>

Rishi Kumar

Preferencia de partido: Demócrata

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El COVID-19 ha puesto a nuestro mundo de cabeza. Millones de personas están desempleadas y sin seguro de salud. Y a medida que los políticos de carrera se rinden ante políticas partidarias, se han vendido a intereses especiales, son analfabetos tecnológicos y no tienen ningún interés en abordar nuestras dificultades. Estas crisis ya no pueden apoyarse en líderes que han perdido el contacto y que no están cuestionando, sino explotando a las vacas sagradas.

Estados Unidos está en un punto de inflexión. En esta elección se busca enviar nueva energía y nuevo liderazgo a Washington: alguien preparado para hacerse cargo de los difíciles retos posteriores al COVID-19 y suministrar soluciones para todos los estadounidenses.

Como miembro del concejo municipal de Saratoga, ejecutivo de alta tecnología y organizador comunitario, luché por la gente al reducir los robos y rechazar ocho aumentos de tarifas de la Compañía de Suministro de Agua de San Jose. Durante la pandemia, mi campaña llamó a 86,000 ciudadanos mayores, ayudando con alimentos y medicamentos. Mi comunidad confía en mi enfoque de "lograr que las cosas se hagan", por lo que fui reelecto con el mayor número de votos en la historia de Saratoga.

Como su Congresista, priorizaré la preparación de EE. UU. para la pandemia, haciendo crecer nuestra economía y haciendo regresar la fabricación para la independencia de la cadena de suministro. Lucharé por Medicare para Todos, un Nuevo Trato Verde y la desigualdad racial, todo rechazando al mismo tiempo el dinero de PAC e intereses especiales. No creo en IZQUIERDA o DERECHA, sino en un camino HACIA ADELANTE de prosperidad estadounidense.

Los votantes están cansados de los mismos políticos y la misma retórica sin ningún progreso significativo. Pero con su confianza, podemos volver a poner a EE. UU. en su senda. Para nuestro futuro y para el cambio, humildemente solicito su voto. <https://rishikumar.com/priorities>



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Anna G. Eshoo

Party Preference: Democratic

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Your family's health and safety are on my mind every day. In Washington and here at home, coronavirus starts and ends every conversation. Working with national and local health officials, I'm focused on practices and policies that will contain the virus, produce a vaccine and save lives. Last January, I sounded the alarm on COVID-19 with the administration and in February I chaired one of the first Congressional hearings on the virus to hold the administration accountable and prompt action. Through regular telephone town halls, I've presented health information and medical experts and directed people to resources that can keep them well. Your concerns and experiences, shared in these conversations, help guide my work.

Our communities reflect the serious economic impact of the pandemic. With local families and small businesses facing severe threats to their livelihoods, I voted to increase unemployment payments and small business loans, provide renter relief and mortgage deferments and support health care workers. While my efforts on important policy objectives like returning drug manufacturing to the U.S., reducing student loan debt, strengthening privacy protections, combating climate change, expanding affordable health care, addressing institutional racism and achieving Net Neutrality continue, restoring the nation's health comes first.

Our country has survived extraordinary challenges and always comes back stronger.

You inspire me to use my expertise as your Representative to ensure that we recover, not just stronger, but with a strategy and plan to safeguard our nation's health and economy. I respectfully request your vote on November 3rd.

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Anna G. Eshoo

Preferencia de partido: Demócrata

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La salud y seguridad de su familia están en mi mente todos los días. En Washington y aquí en casa, el coronavirus inicia y finaliza todas las conversaciones. Al trabajar con funcionarios sanitarios nacionales y locales, estoy centrada en prácticas y políticas que contengan al virus, produzcan una vacuna y salven vidas. En enero pasado, hice sonar la alarma con respecto al COVID-19 ante la administración y en febrero presidí una de las primeras audiencias del Congreso sobre el virus para que la administración se hiciera responsable y tomara medidas inmediatas. A través de asambleas telefónicas regulares, he presentado información sanitaria y expertos médicos y he dirigido a las personas a recursos que las puedan mantener en buen estado. Sus preocupaciones y experiencias, compartidas en esas conversaciones, ayudan a guiar mi trabajo.

Nuestras comunidades reflejan el serio impacto económico de la pandemia. Con las familias y los pequeños negocios locales enfrentando severas amenazas para sus sustentos, voté por el aumento de los pagos por desempleo y los préstamos a pequeños negocios, el suministro de alivio para inquilinos y la prórroga de hipotecas y el apoyo a los trabajadores de los cuidados de la salud. Aunque mis esfuerzos con respecto a importantes objetivos de políticas como devolver la fabricación de medicamentos a los EE. UU., reducir la deuda de préstamos estudiantiles, fortalecer las protecciones de la privacidad, combatir el cambio climático, ampliar los cuidados de la salud asequibles, abordar el racismo institucional y lograr la Neutralidad de la Red continúan, lo primero es restablecer la salud de la nación.

Nuestro país ha sobrevivido a retos extraordinarios y siempre regresa más fuerte.

Usted me inspira para usar mi pericia como su Representante para garantizar que nos recuperemos, no solo más fuertes, sino con una estrategia y un plan para salvaguardar la salud y economía de nuestra nación. Respetuosamente le solicito su voto el 3 de noviembre. www.annaeshoo4congress.com



Paid candidate statements: State Senate, 17th District

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Vicki Nohrden

Party Preference: Republican

Businesswoman www.vicki4senate.com vicki@vicki4senate.com 831-200-5922 Age: 63

I'm Vicki Nohrden. I'm running for State Senate because our state control is out of control.

In less than three months, Gavin Newsom issued more than 40 executive orders that changed hundreds of laws without oversight or accountability, shutting down businesses and closing our schools.

Sacramento thinks it can force a one-size-fits-all approach on our counties but in the process it fails small businesses, independent contractors, families, and educators, all of whom pay the price.

I stand for educational freedom and excellence. I believe parents and teachers not bureaucrats hundreds of miles away, should decide our children's futures.

I've spent my public service advocating as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), for families in the justice system, and for taxpayers as a member of the Civil Grand Jury, investigating claims of government corruption and mismanagement.

I'm not a career politician with hundreds of thousands of dollars from special interests outside the four counties in our district. I support term limits. I oppose Prop 15, one of the biggest tax increases in California history attacking the 1978 Prop 13.

Learn more about me and the issues I want to champion at www.vicki4senate.com.

As our region climbs back from COVID-19, we need fresh vision and leadership, not more tax-and-spend career politicians conducting politics-as-usual in Sacramento.

This November vote for new leadership that cares about you and your family, not Sacramento and their special interests. I would be honored to have your vote.

Vicki Nohrden

Preferencia de Partido: Republicana

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Me llamo Vicki Nohrden. Me postulo para el Senado Estatal porque el control de nuestro estado está fuera de control.

En menos de tres meses, Gavin Newsom emitió más de 40 órdenes ejecutivas que cambiaron cientos de leyes sin supervisión ni rendición de cuentas, cerrando comercios y cerrando nuestras escuelas.

Sacramento piensa que puede forzar un enfoque universal para nuestros condados pero en el proceso les falla a las pequeñas empresas, los contratistas independientes, las familias y los educadores, que en su conjunto pagan el precio.

Estoy a favor de la libertad y la excelencia educativa. Creo que son los padres y maestros, no los burócratas que están a millas de distancia, son quienes deben decidir el futuro de nuestros niños.

He dedicado mi servicio público a abogar como Defensor Especial Nombrado por el Tribunal (CASA) por familias en el sistema judicial y por contribuyentes como miembro del Gran Jurado Civil, investigando denuncias de corrupción y administración indebida del gobierno.

No soy un político de carrera con cientos de miles de dólares de intereses especiales fuera de los cuatro condados de nuestro distrito. Apoyo los límites a los términos. Me opongo a la Propuesta 15, uno de los aumentos impositivos más grandes de la historia de California que ataca la Propuesta 13 de 1978.

Busque más información sobre mí y las cuestiones que quiero defender en www.vicki4senate.com.

A medida que nuestra región se recupera del COVID-19, necesitamos visión y liderazgo innovadores, no otro político de carrera que se limite a gravar impuestos y gastar llevando a cabo la política como es habitual en Sacramento.

Este noviembre vote por un nuevo liderazgo que se ocupe de usted y su familia, no de Sacramento y sus intereses especiales.

Estaría honrada de contar con su voto.



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John Laird

Party Preference: Democratic

California Secretary for Natural Resources

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This past March, I received strong support from voters when I ran on a platform that called for dramatic steps to tackle climate change, the affordable housing crisis, the goal of universal healthcare coverage and the need for a more sustainable public education system.

Our world has changed in unprecedented ways since then. We are now deeply challenged by a pandemic, the bottom dropped out of our economy, and high-profile incidents of racial injustice have shaken our nation. All of these inter-related issues demand leadership and strong action.

For eight years, I served as Secretary for Natural Resources, working hard on California's climate change efforts, safeguarding agricultural land, leading the state's ocean protection program, and pushing back on federal attempts for more offshore oil drilling.

As a Mayor, City Councilmember, Transportation Commissioner, Nonprofit Director and Community College Trustee, I developed experience to tackle the key issues we now face. As an Assemblymember, I authored 82 bills signed into law, on civil rights, environmental protection, first-time homebuyers, community college health services, and more. As Assembly Budget Chair, I navigated difficult fiscal times as I fought for healthcare, education and our environment.

I have earned endorsements from teacher, firefighter, nurse and building trades organizations, as well as the League of Conservation Voters, Equality California, Governor Newsom, former Governor Brown, State Schools Superintendent Thurmond and local mayors, county supervisors and school trustees throughout Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. I will use my experience, drive and commitment to serve the 17th Senate District. I respectfully ask for your vote.

John Laird

Preferencia de partido: Demócrata

Secretario de Recursos Naturales de California

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El pasado mes de marzo, recibí un fuerte apoyo de los votantes cuando me postulé en una plataforma que reclamaba medidas drásticas para poner fin al cambio climático, la crisis de viviendas asequibles, el objetivo de cobertura universal de cuidados de la salud y la necesidad de un sistema de educación pública más sostenible.

Nuestro mundo ha cambiado de formas sin precedentes desde entonces. Ahora tenemos el reto profundo de una pandemia, la caída de nuestra economía que parece no tocar fondo e incidentes de injusticia racial de gran notoriedad que han sacudido a nuestra nación. Todas estas cuestiones interrelacionadas exigen liderazgo y medidas firmes.

Durante ocho años, presté servicios como Secretario de Recursos Naturales, trabajando con ahínco en esfuerzos por el cambio climático de California, salvaguardando tierras agrícolas, liderando el programa estatal de protección del océano y haciendo retroceder intentos federales de proseguir con las perforaciones petroleras de alta mar.

Como Alcalde, Miembro del Concejo Municipal, Comisionado de Transporte, Director de Organizaciones Sin Fines de Lucro y Síndico de Colegio Comunitario, desarrollé experiencia para poner fin a los problemas clave que enfrentamos. Como Miembro de la Asamblea, fui autor de 82 proyectos de ley promulgados como leyes, sobre derechos civiles, protección ambiental, compradores de primera casa, servicios de salud de colegios comunitarios y mucho más. Como Presidente de Presupuesto de la Asamblea, atravesé tiempos fiscales difíciles mientras luchaba por los cuidados de la salud, la educación y nuestro medio ambiente.

He obtenido el aval de organizaciones de maestros, bomberos, enfermeros y trabajadores de oficios de la construcción, así como la Liga de Votantes por la Conservación, Igualdad California, el Gobernador Newsom, el ex Gobernador Brown, el Superintendente de Escuelas Estatales Thurmond y alcaldes locales, supervisores de condado y síndicos escolares a lo largo de todos los Condados de Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara y Santa Cruz. Usaré mi experiencia, impulso y compromiso para servir al Distrito 17 del Senado. Respetuosamente le pido su voto.



Paid candidate statements: State Assembly, 29th District

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Mark Stone

Party Preference: Democratic

Assemblymember friendsofmarkstone.org info@friendsofmarkstone.org 831-234-5885 Age: 63

For over twenty years, I have fought to improve the quality of life in California as a School Board Member, County Supervisor, Coastal Commissioner and your Assemblymember. In 2012, you sent me to Sacramento to advocate for the rights of people in the 29th Assembly District and across our state.

During my service in the Assembly, my priorities have been clear: protecting the most vulnerable Californians and protecting our environment. I am engaged in comprehensive reforms to help foster youth grow up in supportive homes; leading the movement to create a state Earned Income Tax Credit to lift the state's poorest working families out of poverty; and improving access to justice in the court system. I have written many laws to improve public safety, especially by helping people released from prison successfully integrate into their communities, and decrease their chances of reoffending.

As a dedicated environmentalist, I steadfastly support critical environmental protections, advocating for landmark climate-change laws, and laws to provide clean drinking water, increase water recycling, improve groundwater management and decrease plastic pollution. I provide a leading voice in the effort to protect our oceans as we adapt to a changing climate.

It is an honor to have the support of so many elected officials, respected business leaders, education, and health care professionals and the environmental community. I hope that I have earned your vote.

Learn more at www.FriendsOfMarkStone.org

Mark Stone

Preferencia de partido: Demócrata

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Durante casi veinte años, he luchado como Miembro de la Junta Escolar, Supervisor del Condado, Comisionado Costero y Miembro de la Asamblea para mejorar la calidad de vida en California. En 2012, usted me envió a Sacramento para abogar por los derechos de la gente en el Distrito de Asamblea 29 y en todo nuestro estado.

Durante mi servicio en la Asamblea, mis prioridades han sido claras: proteger a los ciudadanos de California más vulnerables y proteger nuestro medio ambiente. Estoy comprometido con reformas integrales que ayuden a los jóvenes en cuidado sustituto a crecer en hogares receptivos; liderar el movimiento para crear un Crédito Tributario al Ingreso Obtenido estatal para sacar de la pobreza a las familias trabajadoras que menos tienen en el estado; y mejorar el acceso a la justicia en el sistema judicial. He redactado muchas leyes para mejorar la seguridad pública, especialmente ayudando a las personas liberadas de prisión para que se integren exitosamente en sus comunidades, y para reducir las probabilidades de reincidencias.

Como ambientalista dedicado, apoyo firmemente protecciones medioambientales fundamentales, abogo por leyes relevantes sobre el cambio climático, y leyes para proporcionar agua potable, aumentar el reciclaje de agua, mejorar el manejo del agua subterránea y disminuir la contaminación por plástico. Ofrezco una voz líder en el esfuerzo para proteger nuestros océanos a medida que nos adaptamos a un clima cambiante.

Es un honor contar con el respaldo de muchos funcionarios electos, líderes respetados en el ámbito de los negocios, la educación y la atención de la salud y de la comunidad de ambientalistas. Espero haberme ganado su voto.

Busque más información en www.FriendsOfMarkStone.org



Paid candidate statements: Superior Court Judge

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Nancy de la Peña

Assistant County Counsel

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Age: 62

I will bring experience, integrity and diversity to the Santa Cruz County Superior Court.

During my 34 years as both a Santa Cruz County Public Defender and an Assistant Santa Cruz County Counsel, I handled thousands of cases, including adult and juvenile criminal matters, child protective cases and gun violence restraining orders. These years of trial experience has taught me that listening and treating people with respect is vital in our system of justice. My commitment to honoring these values not only helps ensure I will be a fair and effective judge but has also led to endorsements from many people and groups who, as a lawyer, sat on the other side of the table from me in court.

I will work hard, listen carefully, generate new ideas and serve our entire community. I have earned the respect, support and endorsement of numerous Santa Cruz County Superior Court Judges, California Assemblymember Mark Stone, Santa Cruz County Sheriff Jim Hart, members of both the Santa Cruz County Public Defender and the Santa Cruz County District Attorney, the Santa Cruz County Deputy Sheriff's Association, and the Santa Cruz County Women's Democratic Club.

Santa Cruz is my community. My wife, Janet, and I raised our two daughters in Santa Cruz, where I coached local girls' soccer teams for ten years. I served on the Board of Directors of Familia Center, the Santa Cruz County Women Lawyers, and the Santa Cruz County Bar Association.

I would be honored to receive your vote.

Nancy de la Peña

Asistente de Abogado del Condado

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Edad: 62

Aportaré experiencia, integridad y diversidad al Tribunal Superior del Condado de Santa Cruz.

Durante mis 34 años como Defensora Pública del Condado de Santa Cruz y como Asistente de Abogado del Condado de Santa Cruz, manejé miles de casos, incluyendo asuntos penales juveniles y de adultos, casos de protección infantil y órdenes de restricción de violencia armada. Esos años de experiencia judicial me han enseñado que escuchar y tratar a las personas con respeto es vital en nuestro sistema judicial. Mi compromiso de respetar estos valores no solo contribuye a garantizar que seré justa y efectiva como jueza sino que además ha dado lugar al aval de numerosas personas y grupos que, como abogada, veía sentados del otro lado de la mesa en el tribunal.

Trabajaré con ahínco, escucharé con atención, generaré nuevas ideas y serviré a toda nuestra comunidad. Me he ganado el respeto, apoyo y aval de numerosos Jueces del Tribunal Superior del Condado de Santa Cruz, el Asambleísta de California Mark Stone, el Alguacil del Condado de Santa Cruz Jim Hart, los miembros tanto de la Defensoría Pública del Condado de Santa Cruz como de la Fiscalía del Condado de Santa Cruz, la Asociación de Ayudantes de Alguacil del Condado de Santa Cruz y el Club Democrático de Mujeres del Condado de Santa Cruz.

Santa Cruz es mi comunidad. Mi esposa, Janet, y yo criamos a nuestras dos hijas en Santa Cruz, donde fui instructora de equipos locales de fútbol de niñas durante diez años. Serví en la Junta de Directores del Centro Familiar, las Abogadas del Condado de Santa Cruz y el Colegio de Abogados del Condado de Santa Cruz.

Sería un honor recibir su voto.



Paid candidate statements: Loma Prieta Joint Union School

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Erin Asheghian

Community Volunteer

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Age: 40

As a mountain parent, I am keenly aware of the need to sustain local schools that are educationally and fiscally strong.

As Treasurer of the Loma Public Education Fund, I helped fundraise and manage over \$1,000,000 supporting music, art, STEM, and other programs for our schools. Previously, I served on the Building Blocks Preschool Steering Committee and helped to restructure the program based on the concerns of parents.

I helped lead the passage of Measure R which brought over \$10,000,000 to improve our school site because modern facilities improve education and provide community use spaces to gather and depend on regularly and during emergencies.

Small school districts face many fiscal and operational challenges made even more difficult by the current health crisis. My professional background blends sociology, non-profit management, and community health. I worked with professionals in the justice system to improve health outcomes and create funding streams for innovative programs. My strengths lie in building community, managing complex data, and budget analysis.

This background helps me understand what makes our schools successful and the drive to help them improve. I will work diligently for high standards of education, a safe campus, and fiscal security for LPJUSD.

Alexandra Hall

Appointed Incumbent

I was humbled and honored to be appointed to fill a seat on the school board in 2019. As the Covid19 pandemic has demonstrated, schools and the services they provide are essential to our community and its wellbeing. Ensuring we have a plan that properly serves our students and our community when we have limited resources, competing priorities and changing local and state directives, is a challenging task.

If elected to continue as a school board member, I will work hard with fellow board members and our excellent leaders, using the entrepreneurial can-do spirit and creative thinking I have demonstrated in my aerospace career, along with the fiscal stewardship and sustainability I have modeled in my non profit leadership roles.

I will advocate for a safe, innovative, flexible and caring learning environment for our students, leaders, teachers, staff. I will continue to seek ways to integrate more non-parent community members and groups into school life to enrich everyone. As an autistic woman, I value diversity and inclusion.

I moved to 95033 in 2006, and I volunteer with local groups to increase our resilience and connections to each other. My son is a student at Loma Prieta Elementary.

Alexandra Hall

Titular Nombrada

Me sentí halagada y honrada al ser nombrada para ocupar un puesto en la junta escolar en 2019. Como ha demostrado la pandemia de Covid19, las escuelas y los servicios que prestan son esenciales para nuestra comunidad y su bienestar. Garantizar que tengamos un plan que sirva correctamente a nuestros estudiantes y nuestra comunidad cuando contamos con recursos limitados, prioridades en competencia y directivas locales y estatales cambiantes es una tarea desafiante.

Si soy electa para continuar como miembro de la junta escolar, trabajaré con ahínco con los colegas miembros de la junta y nuestros excelentes líderes, usando el espíritu empresarial de que se puede y el pensamiento creativo que he demostrado en mi carrera aeroespacial, junto con la administración fiscal y la sostenibilidad que he expuesto en mis funciones de liderazgo sin fines de lucro.

Abogaré por un ambiente de aprendizaje seguro, innovador, flexible y afectuoso para nuestros estudiantes, maestros y personal. Seguiré buscando maneras de integrar a más miembros y grupos de la comunidad que no sean padres a la vida escolar para enriquecer a todos. Como mujer autista, valoro la diversidad y la inclusión.

Me mudé a 95033 en 2006 y trabajo voluntariamente con grupos locales para aumentar nuestra resiliencia y las conexiones de unos con otros. Mi hijo es estudiante en la Primaria de Loma Prieta.



Paid candidate statements: Loma Prieta Joint Union School

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Stacy Kissner

Educator/Parent

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Age: 47

As a parent of an upcoming Loma student and proud member of our community, I am committed to making our schools exceptional. I am running for school board because I believe in the value of public education and I believe in our kids.

My education and 25 years of experience working with youth in various settings prepares me well to represent you on the board. I earned a bachelor's degree in Communications and Master of Arts in Counselor Education and Student Personnel. I hold a Pupil Personnel Services Credential in School Counseling and served adolescents as a Certified Drug and Alcohol Counselor and Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist. I served as Chief Operating Officer for a nonprofit serving at-risk youth, where I ensured that our organization fulfilled its mission and stayed under budget. Most recently, I worked in the classroom as a special education teacher.

I will work diligently towards helping our district operate within budget. I will focus on excelling in our core educational mission, striving to meet students' academic needs at their level, and preparing students to make responsible, safe decisions once in high school. I would be humbled and honored to represent you on the board.

Stacy Kissner

Educadora/Madre

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Edad: 47

Como madre de un futuro estudiante de Loma y orgullosa miembro de nuestra comunidad, estoy comprometida con hacer que nuestras escuelas sean excepcionales. Me postulo para la junta escolar porque creo en el valor de la educación pública y creo en nuestros niños.

Mi educación y 25 años de experiencia trabajando con jóvenes en diversos contextos me preparan bien para representarlo en la junta. Soy licenciada en Comunicaciones y tengo una Maestría en Artes en Educación de Consejeros y Personal para Estudiantes. Tengo una Credencial de Servicios para Personal para Alumnos en Consejería Escolar y brindé servicios a adolescentes como Consejera sobre Drogas y Alcohol y Especialista en Prevención de Abuso de Sustancias Certificada. Serví como Directora Operativa para una organización sin fines de lucro que brinda servicios a jóvenes en riesgo, donde garanticé que nuestra organización cumpliera con su misión y se mantuviera por debajo del presupuesto. Más recientemente, trabajé en el aula como maestra de educación especial.

Trabajaré con diligencia para ayudar a que nuestro distrito opere dentro del presupuesto. Me enfocaré en sobresalir en nuestra misión educativa central, esforzarme para cubrir las necesidades académicas de nuestros estudiantes en su nivel y preparar a los estudiantes para que tomen decisiones responsables y seguras una vez que estén en la escuela secundaria. Me halagaría y honraría representarlo en la junta.



Paid candidate statements: County Supervisor, 1st District

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John Leopold

County Supervisor www.friendsofjohnleopold.com john@friendsofjohnleopold.com 831-566-0122 Age: 54

Leadership matters more than ever. As your Supervisor, I'm using my experience to lead our county through the crisis of COVID-19.

Tackling COVID-19

We flattened the curve early by listening to the experts, but the road ahead is challenging. With a public health background and twelve years on the Board, I have the experience needed to make the right choices.

Saving Money on Water

I'm fighting for you on other important issues. The City of Santa Cruz Water District charges residents living outside city limits 14.5% more for the same water. I have advocated for rate cuts in the past. Now I'm working to eliminate the unfair surcharge altogether.

Addressing Climate Change

Santa Cruz County needs a Climate Action Manager to coordinate the urgent response to sea level rise and wildfires. We must fund infrastructure improvements to protect our community from its impacts.

As Black Lives Matter protests have vividly demonstrated, Santa Cruz County must address racism, economic and social injustices. That's why I founded Smart On Crime, supported restorative justice and will continue to push for effective criminal justice reform.

No one will outwork me. No one will listen more attentively. Send me your ideas: john@friendsofjohnleopold.com.

On November 3, please vote for John Leopold for Supervisor.

John Leopold

Supervisor de Condado www.friendsofjohnleopold.com john@friendsofjohnleopold.com 831-566-0122 Edad: 54

Los asuntos de liderazgo son más importantes que nunca. Como su Supervisor, estoy usando mi experiencia para dirigir a nuestro condado a través de la crisis de COVID-19.

Poner fin a la COVID-19

Aplanamos la curva prematuramente al escuchar a los expertos, pero el camino que tenemos por delante es difícil. Con antecedentes en salud pública y doce años en la Junta, tengo la experiencia necesaria para hacer las elecciones correctas.

Ahorrar dinero en agua

Estoy luchando por usted en otras cuestiones importantes. El Distrito de Suministro de Agua de la Ciudad de Santa Cruz les cobra a los residentes que viven fuera de los límites municipales un 14.5 % más por la misma agua. He abogado por recortes de tarifa en el pasado. Ahora estoy trabajando para eliminar totalmente el sobrecargo injusto.

Abordar el cambio climático

El Condado de Santa Cruz necesita un Gerente de Medidas Climáticas para que coordine la respuesta urgente al aumento del nivel del mar y los incendios forestales. Debemos financiar mejoras de infraestructura para proteger a nuestra comunidad de sus impactos.

Como ha sido demostrado de manera clara por las protestas de Black Lives Matter, el Condado de Santa Cruz debe abordar las injusticias de racismo, económicas y sociales. Es por eso que fundé Smart On Crime, apoyé la justicia reparadora y seguiré impulsando una reforma efectiva de la justicia penal.

Nadie trabajará más que yo. Nadie escuchará con más atención. Envíeme sus ideas: john@friendsofjohnleopold.com.

El 3 de noviembre, vote por John Leopold para Supervisor.



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Manu Koenig

Non-profit Executive Director manukoenig.com manuforsupervisor@gmail.com 831-471-7038 Age: 35

As a 3rd generation Santa Cruz County resident, I want our county to be a place where youth, singles, families and seniors all thrive.

As the founder of Civinomics, my company worked with city and county governments for over a decade to respond directly to voters' concerns. I graduated from Stanford and have served on the Board of Directors for my own business, as well as that of Digital Nest, and the City of Santa Cruz's Downtown Commission.

I know that doing things differently starts by working with you, the voter. I will rebuild county services based on your needs, learn from you to improve them, and invest your money wisely.

Today our county is stuck. We continue to study a \$1.3 billion train that we can't afford. A car dealership in Soquel was approved where residents and the Sustainable Santa Cruz Plan called for a community center. Our county roads scored an "F". We received \$10.5 million from the State in 2019 to relieve homelessness, but didn't build a single home.

It's time for a new approach. Helping our county recover from the pandemic and making progress for the Black Lives Matter movement require new thinking.

I'd be honored to serve as "your voice for change" in creating a better Santa Cruz County for all.

Manu Koenig

Director Ejecutivo de Organización Sin Fines de Lucro
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Como tercera generación de residentes del Condado de Santa Cruz, quiero que nuestro condado sea un lugar donde tanto jóvenes como personas solteras, familias y ciudadanos mayores prosperen.

Civinomics, la compañía que fundé, trabajó con los gobiernos de la ciudad y el condado durante más de una década para responder directamente a las inquietudes de los votantes. Me gradué en Stanford y he servido en la Junta de Directores de mi propia empresa, así como en la de Digital Nest y en la Comisión del Centro de la Ciudad de Santa Cruz.

Sé que para hacer las cosas de manera diferente hay que comenzar por trabajar con usted, el votante. Reconstruiré los servicios del condado con base en sus necesidades, me informaré con usted para mejorarlos e invertiré su dinero con sabiduría.

Actualmente nuestro condado está estancado. Seguimos estudiando un tren de \$1.3 mil millones que no podemos pagar. Se aprobó una concesionaria de automóviles en Soquel donde los residentes y el Plan de Santa Cruz Sostenible reclamaban un centro comunitario. Los caminos de nuestro condado fueron clasificados con una "F". Recibimos \$10.5 millones del Estado en 2019 para aliviar la indigencia, pero no se construyó ni una casa.

Es hora de un nuevo enfoque. Ayudar a que nuestro condado se recupere de la pandemia y hacer que el movimiento de Black Lives Matter progrese requieren un pensamiento nuevo.

Sería un honor servirle como "su voz para el cambio" en la creación de un mejor Condado de Santa Cruz para todos.



Paid candidate statements: Soquel Creek Water District

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Tom LaHue

Veterinary Surgeon/Director

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Age: 66

I am dedicated to protecting our groundwater and accomplishing our goal of having a sustainable, clean, safe, reliable, high-quality water supply for both current and future members of our community. As a Soquel Creek Water District Director and Chair of the Santa Cruz Mid-County Groundwater Agency, I continue to work towards that objective utilizing my knowledge and experience in coastal water issues, my scientific background, and common sense. I provide a strong voice for protection of water quality and have a reputation for serving with integrity, studying each issue carefully, being fiscally responsible, listening, and thoughtfully considering the best choice for the long term in a fair manner. I served on the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council, and as the founding president of the Santa Cruz Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation. I taught Environmental Science at Aptos High School for 14 years.

Excellent conservation efforts have been made by the people of our district, however a supplemental water supply is necessary to protect our groundwater from being ruined by seawater intrusion. We have made significant progress towards developing a groundwater replenishment project. I am committed to seeing this project through to completion and protecting the water supply of our entire mid-county region.

Maria Marsilio

Human Resources Director

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Age: 64

My goal, if I am elected to the Board, is to bring demonstrated leadership in building collaborative and productive relationships in order to find viable, research based, scientifically data driven, environmentally sound, cost effective solutions that have been tried and true to the District. I will work hard to reduce waste and to listen to the needs of community members, business leaders, and farmers. There are a number of solutions that will satisfy our water requirements such as groundwater management, water transfers, aquifer recharge, rainwater harvesting systems, environmental protection, equitable water rates, and promote economic prosperity. The water problems we face are complex and require a multi-faceted solution. I raised my 2 children in Aptos and am an active volunteer in the community. My Master's Degree in Industrial Psychology from San Jose State University and over 20 years of senior management experience as well as my analytical abilities, conflict resolution skills, and consensus building approach has proven invaluable to finding solutions to a broad range of complex issues.

Maria Marsilio

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Edad: 64

Mi objetivo, si soy electa para la Junta, es aportar un liderazgo demostrado en la construcción de relaciones colaborativas y productivas con el fin de encontrar soluciones viables, con base en investigaciones y en datos científicos, respetuosas del medio ambiente, rentables que han sido probadas y válidas para el Distrito. Trabajaré con ahínco para reducir los derroches y para escuchar las necesidades de los miembros de la comunidad, los líderes empresariales y los agricultores. Existen varias soluciones que satisfarán nuestros requisitos de agua como la gestión de aguas subterráneas, transferencias de agua, recarga de acuíferos, sistemas de recolección de agua pluvial, protección ambiental, tarifas equitativas para el agua, y que promoverán la prosperidad económica. Los problemas de agua que enfrentamos son complejos y requieren una solución multifacética. Crié a mis 2 hijos en Aptos y soy voluntaria activa en la comunidad. Mi Maestría en Psicología Industrial de la Universidad Estatal de San Jose y más de 20 años de experiencia en gerencia de jerarquía superior, junto con mis capacidades analíticas, habilidades para resolución de conflictos y enfoque de construcción de consenso han demostrado ser invaluable para encontrar soluciones a una amplia gama de cuestiones complejas.



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Bruce Daniels

Water Scientist/Director

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As a climate scientist specializing in coastal water resources, I've worked for decades to bring our resource-threatened community a new drought-proof, safe, sustainable water supply. Other efforts have failed while our rivers dry. With climate change predicting mega-droughts, this is truly our last chance to prevent saltwater intrusion and maintain highest water quality.

I'm proud to place my Ph.D. in Hydroclimatology in the service of the Soquel Creek Water District, headed by an accomplished team of scientists, environmentalists and practical professionals who have trusted me as current President of the Board of Directors. Previously, I was appointed twice by the Governor and elected Chairperson of our California Regional Water Quality Control Board. From owning a business to volunteering on the Save Our Shores Technical Advisory Committee, my skill is using substantial science to provide the most public good within budget constraints.

I have specialized training, but I'm also a customer like you. The pandemic has made us more aware of water's place in our health, but affordability is critical now, too. Our Soquel Creek Water District must act quickly to use hard-won millions of dollars in grants and loans with strict time limits to construct PureWater Soquel. I thank you for your community spirit and beg for your support to conquer a problem that's still fixable.

Corrie Kates

Retired Businessman

Vote for me to lead Soquel Creek Water District will ensure more transparent leadership to represent you. I have 32 years of experience in managing large municipal projects upwards of \$100 million. My governmental and private experiences make me the right choice. I have also managed and prepared municipal budgets and made cuts to budgets when there is a need ensure continuation of municipal services. I believe in long range strategic planning and working with local agencies in collaboration to provide long-term affordable sustainability.

My experiences allowed me to facilitate and guide joint venture projects with local water purveyors including grant funded projects and State and Federal Agencies. Such projects include recycled, recharge, storage and water transportation projects. I have prepared joint powers agreements with water Districts and other local agencies for emergency water services and rate re-structuring.

I believe in transparency and budgeting within your means and not spending funds that are not available. I can make a difference as your next Board of Director to guide the Soquel Creek Water District, in their decision-making. I can and will help them make the right choices while being mindful and listening to the ratepayers that support the District.

Corrie Kates

Hombre de Negocios Jubilado

Vote por mí para liderar el Distrito de Suministro de Agua de Soquel Creek garantizará un liderazgo más transparente para que lo represente. Tengo 32 años de experiencia en la gerencia de grandes proyectos municipales por más de \$100 millones. Mis experiencias gubernamentales y privadas me hacen la opción correcta. También he gestionado y preparado presupuestos municipales y realizado recortes a presupuestos cuando existe la necesidad de garantizar la continuidad de los servicios municipales. Creo en la planificación estratégica de largo alcance y en el trabajo en colaboración con organismos locales para proporcionar sostenibilidad asequible a largo plazo.

Mis experiencias me permitieron facilitar y orientar proyectos de operaciones conjuntas con abastecedores de agua locales incluyendo proyectos financiados con subsidios y Organismos Estatales y Federales. Esos proyectos incluyen proyectos de reciclaje, recarga, almacenamiento y transporte de agua. He preparado convenios de facultades mancomunadas con Distritos de suministro de agua y otros organismos locales para servicios de agua de emergencia y reestructuración de tarifas.

Creo en la transparencia y en la elaboración de presupuestos dentro de los medios sin gastar fondos que no están disponibles. Puedo marcar una diferencia como su próximo Director de la Junta para guiar al Distrito de Suministro de Agua de Soquel Creek, en su toma de decisiones. Puedo ayudarlos y los ayudaré a hacer las elecciones correctas sin dejar de estar atento y escuchar a los contribuyentes que apoyan al Distrito.



Local ballot measure: N – Loma Prieta School Tax

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Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School Parcel Tax

Ballot question

To support high academic achievement for local students and provide stable local funding to maintain outstanding core academic programs in reading, writing, math, history and science, retain qualified and experienced teachers, and prepare students for an excellent high school, shall Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School District's measure be adopted, extending without increasing its \$164 school parcel tax for seven years raising \$328,000 annually, with senior exemptions, independent citizen oversight, and all funds benefitting local students.

Pregunta de Boleta

Para apoyar un alto logro académico para los estudiantes locales y proporcionar financiamiento local estable que permita mantener programas académicos centrales sobresalientes en lectura, escritura, matemáticas, historia y ciencias, retener maestros calificados y con experiencia y preparar a los estudiantes para una excelente escuela secundaria, ¿debe adoptarse la iniciativa de ley del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Escuelas Primarias de Loma Prieta, extendiendo sin aumentar su impuesto a la parcela escolar de \$164 durante siete años recaudando \$328,000 anuales, con exenciones para ciudadanos mayores, supervisión independiente de ciudadanos y todos los fondos para beneficio de estudiantes locales?

What your vote means

YES	NO
A "Yes" vote is a vote to continue the current special parcel tax in the amount of \$164 for a period of seven years.	A "No" vote is a vote against continuing the special parcel tax.

For and against Measure N

FOR	AGAINST
Patti Hughes Assistant Principal, Los Gatos High School, Retired	Erin Watson Business Owner
Phillippa Siersema Measure H Citizens Oversight Committee Member	Shahryar Rokni District Parent
Kevin Arnold Longtime Mountain Resident, Entrepreneur	Rachel L. Thompson District Parent
Lila Jones LPJUSD Parent and Lifelong Mountain Resident	Tara Murphree Property Owner/District Parent
Neil Wiley Editor and Publisher, Mountain Network News	Mark W.A. Hinkle President Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association



Local ballot measure: N – Loma Prieta School Tax

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Argument for Measure N	Rebuttal to argument for Measure N
VOTE YES on Measure N to protect the outstanding education students receive at Loma Prieta Elementary School and C.T. English Middle School <u>without raising tax rates!</u> Loma Prieta Elementary and C.T. English Middle schools are part of what makes our mountain community unique. Great teachers and rigorous math, science, history, reading, and writing curriculum have prepared generations of mountain children to succeed in high school, college, and careers. Unfortunately, years of state budget cuts have hurt our mountain schools. And now, with the ongoing financial effects of the coronavirus pandemic, we face tens of thousands of dollars in further lost revenues. Measure N is necessary! We depend on local revenue to supplement limited State funding. Measure N does NOT increase tax rates. It simply extends our already existing modest parcel tax, which would otherwise expire after the 2020-21 school year. Measure N won't solve all our funding needs, but it will help retain exceptional teachers and protect core programs in our mountain schools. The funds Measure N will protect are critical to our district, helping us: • Maintain outstanding core academic programs in reading, writing, math, history, and science • Retain highly qualified and experienced teachers • Prepare Loma Prieta and C.T. English students to thrive in a rigorous high school environment Taxpayer protections are REQUIRED. NO funds are allowed for administrators' salaries. Independent Citizens' Oversight and mandatory audits are required for fiscal accountability. Measure N costs less than \$14 a month for property owners. A senior citizen exemption is available. Every penny stays local to benefit Loma Prieta and C.T. English schools and students only. This money <u>cannot</u> be taken away by the State. Whether or not you have school-age children, protecting the high quality of our public education is a wise investment. Good schools protect property values and keep our mountain community strong. Join teachers, parents, and residents in VOTING YES on Measure N! Patti Hughes Assistant Principal, Los Gatos High School, Retired Phillippa Siersema Measure H Citizens Oversight Committee Member Kevin Arnold Longtime Mountain Resident, Entrepreneur Lila Jones LPJUSD Parent and Lifelong Mountain Resident Neil Wiley Editor and Publisher, Mountain Network News	The proponents of this new tax rely on manipulative, emotional arguments that lack substantive supporting data. FACT: An "extended" tax is a NEW TAX. FACT: State funding is <i>supposed</i> to be limited for our district! The proponents neglect to mention that Loma Prieta Joint Union School District is one of only 10% of California schools known as "Excess Tax Districts," meaning our local revenues exceed state funding limits. Why? Because your property taxes are already through the roof! Our "Excess Tax District" brings in much more per pupil than other districts that rely on state funding. And according to the district's own data, our limited state revenue has actually been increasing! Don't be deceived by this misleading argument. FACT: The COVID impact on revenue is negligible. The proponents claim the district is facing "tens of thousands of dollars" in lost revenue due to COVID. If we generously call it \$100k, this represents just 1.3% of total revenue. The COVID recession has impacted all of us -- not just the recipients of tax dollars, but more so the people who pay taxes. Why is an unprecedented economic crisis the right time for a new tax on our community? FACT: Responsible fiscal management makes good schools better and protects property values. Demand fiscal accountability! Don't be fooled by manipulative arguments. Our kids, teachers, and community deserve responsible leadership and management of our public dollars. Mountain community matters – say no to destructive out of control taxes. Join educators, parents, and residents in voting NO on N. https://www.lp95033.org/ C. Wayne Crabbs Longtime Mountain resident Marc A. Zammit Longtime Mountain resident Gary W. Whitney 40+ year resident Deborah Whitney 30+ years resident Stephen F. Smith Longtime Mountain Resident/Property Owner



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Argument against Measure N	Rebuttal to argument against Measure N
Voters should reject this new tax. The Loma Prieta Joint Union School District received a \$164 per parcel tax increase in 2013, with the promise that it would be a temporary 7-year stop-gap measure. <i>“Nothing is as permanent as a temporary tax.”</i> Since 2000, there have been 8(!) tax increases on the ballot in our district. In 2018, the district received a new tax which indebts our students and community until the year 2052! District leadership has been deficit spending for years, even with the soon-to-expire parcel tax funds. They take for granted that the supply of taxpayer dollars is endless. Taxpayers must live within their means - and so should the Loma Prieta Joint Union School District. Spending per student has increased to \$15,842 per year - or 121% of the state average. Enrollment is decreasing and property tax revenue is increasing. Poor fiscal management leaves us facing new taxes every two years and constant appeals for donations. The dedicated and hard-working teaching staff in our district deserve a sustainable budget that recognizes fiscal realities. Flat-rate parcel taxes especially impact the poorest members of our community. Consider how this new tax will disproportionately affect families who are already struggling financially – \$1,968 over the course of the tax. Recruiting and retaining qualified teachers cannot be furthered by worsening our already absurd tax rates and housing costs. District leadership has demonstrated contempt for transparency and public accountability, and it is irrational to give them more money. Consider recent revelations of many tens of thousands of taxpayer dollars spent on investigations and reports still being improperly withheld from the public. We can best serve our kids and community by demanding responsible fiscal management and by focusing on developing students’ core academic skills. You can be FOR schools, FOR students, and AGAINST Measure N. Please vote NO on Measure N. Erin Watson Business Owner Shahryar Rokni District Parent Rachel L. Thompson District Parent Tara Murphree Property Owner/District Parent Mark W.A. Hinkle President Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association	We must continue to invest in our children to protect the outstanding education they receive at Loma Prieta Elementary School and C.T. English Middle School <u>without raising tax rates!</u> Don't be deceived by the opponents’ inaccurate, cynical and misleading statements. Here are the facts: FACT: Measure N is about one thing – maintaining the quality of education in our mountain elementary and middle schools. FACT: <u>Measure N will NOT raise your tax rate.</u> It simply extends without increasing the existing measure. FACT: Voters approved Measure H in 2013 to prevent devastating cuts to our local schools in the wake of the Great Recession. Now in the COVID-19 era, and given continued cuts in State funding, the need for community support of our mountain schools is even greater. FACT: Without Measure N, significant existing funding will disappear from LPJUSD school budgets, meaning drastic cuts to academic programs, increased class sizes, and maintaining only basics at our schools. FACT: The District has already had to slash its budget, improve efficiencies, establish a Budget Advisory Committee, and made cuts as far away from the classroom as possible, all while maintaining a high level of education for local mountain students. FACT: The quality of LPJUSD schools, teachers, class sizes, and challenging instructional programs depends on Measure N to supplement limited State funding. FACT: Independent Citizens’ Oversight and mandatory audits are required for fiscal accountability, and an exemption is available for senior citizens. Protect your investment in our local public schools – without raising your tax rate. VOTE YES on N. www.SupportMountainSchools.org Paula Leary Local Realtor, Longtime Mountain Resident Kris Denues Retired Educator, Longtime Mountain Resident Sanjay Khandelwal President, Loma Prieta Community Foundation Alex Leman Chief, Loma Prieta Fire and Rescue Azadeh Nolan Community Leader, Parent, Volunteer



Local ballot measure: N – Loma Prieta School Tax

Impartial Analysis of Measure N

Jason M. Heath, County Counsel

By: Ruby Márquez, Chief Assistant County Counsel

Under the California Constitution and other related state laws, school districts may levy an education parcel tax if approved by at least 66% percent (two-thirds) of voters within the boundaries of that district. Parcel taxes are paid equally by all property owners, regardless of the size or value of the property.

The Board of Trustees of the Loma Prieta Joint Union School District (“the School District”) proposes renewing an existing parcel tax in the amount of \$164 per parcel annually for a period of seven years, beginning July 1, 2021. The School District anticipates this tax would raise \$328,000 annually.

This parcel tax is an extension of Measure “H” which was approved in 2014 by the voters of this School District for a period of seven years. The amount of the parcel tax for this proposed measure remains the same as Measure “H,” at \$164 per parcel.

Within the full body of the proposed measure, the School District has submitted a specific description of how the funds will be spent, which is limited to:

- Retaining highly qualified and experienced teachers;
- Maintaining and protecting core academic programs in reading, writing, math, history, and science; and
- Preparing students for high school.

As required by law, the School District must follow certain accountability provisions during the duration of the parcel tax. This includes creating a special account into which the proceeds shall be deposited. Additionally, the School District will be required to publish an annual report describing the amount of taxes collected and expended as well as the status of any projects funded by these proceeds. Finally, the School District will maintain its existing independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee to review all expenditures made with the parcel tax revenues.

If this measure passes, the School District will automatically extend the list of property owners who are currently exempt from paying the parcel tax, which includes persons who are 65 years of age or older and/or specified recipients of SSI and SSDI regardless of age.

Measure N was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees of the Loma Prieta Joint Union School District.

A “yes” vote on Measure N is a vote to continue the current special parcel tax in the amount of \$164 for a period of seven years.

A “no” vote on Measure N is a vote against continuing the special parcel tax.

Full text of Measure N

INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

To support academic excellence to retain and attract quality teachers, and to provide local reliable funding for local schools that cannot be taken by the State, with no proceeds used for administrators’ salaries, benefits and pensions, the Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School District (“District”) proposes to extend without increasing its existing school parcel tax for a period of seven (7) years, starting on July 1, 2021, at a rate of \$164 per parcel per year, with an exemption available for senior citizens and certain disabled persons, and to implement accountability measures, including citizen oversight, to ensure the funds are used to help:

- Retain highly qualified and experienced teachers;
- Maintain and protect strong core academic programs in reading, writing, math, history and science;
- Prepare students for high school;

Pursuant to Government Code Section 50075.1, the proceeds of the school parcel tax shall only be applied for the purposes stated above. The proceeds of the parcel tax shall be deposited into a separate account created by the District.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL ANY OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE SCHOOL PARCEL TAX BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATORS’ SALARIES, BENEFITS OR PENSIONS.



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DEFINITION OF “PARCEL”

For purposes of the parcel tax, the term “Parcel” means any parcel of land which lies wholly or partially within the boundaries of the Loma Prieta Joint Union Elementary School District that receives a separate tax bill for *ad valorem* property taxes from either the Santa Clara County Assessor or the Santa Cruz County Assessor, as applicable. All property that is otherwise exempt from or upon which are levied no *ad valorem* property taxes in any year shall also be exempt from the parcel tax in such year.

For purposes of this parcel tax, any such “Parcels” which are (i) contiguous, and (ii) used solely for owner-occupied, single-family residential purposes, and (iii) held under identical ownership may, by submitting to the District an application of the owners thereof by June 15 of any year, be treated as a single “parcel” for purposes of the levy of the school parcel tax.

EXEMPTION FOR SENIORS AND SSI RECIPIENTS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 50079(b)(1), any owner of a Parcel used solely for owner-occupied, single-family residential purposes and who are either (a) 65 years of age or older on or before June 30 of the fiscal year immediately preceding the year in which the tax would apply, or (b) persons receiving Supplemental Security Income for a disability, regardless of age, or (c) receiving Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, regardless of age, whose yearly income does not exceed 250 percent of the 2012 federal poverty guidelines issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, may obtain an exemption from the parcel tax by submitting an application therefore, by June 15 of any year, to the District.

Persons who are owners of Parcels used solely for owner-occupied, single-family residential purposes and currently exempted from the District’s Measure H parcel tax shall automatically be exempted from this Measure without having to file a new application.

The District may establish administrative procedures to periodically verify the continuance of any previously granted exemption.

With respect to all general property tax matters within their respective jurisdictions, either the Santa Clara County or the Santa Cruz County Treasurer and Tax Collector or other appropriate county tax officials, shall make all final determinations of tax exemption or relief for any reason, and that decision shall be final and binding. With respect to matters specific to the levy of the school parcel tax, including any exemptions and the classification of property for purposes of calculating the tax, the decisions of the District shall be final and binding.

REDUCTION IN TAX IF RESULT IS LESS OTHER GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

The collection of the parcel tax is not intended to decrease or offset any increase in local, state or federal government revenue sources that would otherwise be available to the District during the period of the parcel tax. In the event that the levy and collection does have such an effect, the District may cease the levy or shall reduce the parcel tax to the extent that such action would restore the amount of the decrease or offset in other revenues that would otherwise occur.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

In accordance with the requirements of California Government Code Sections 50075.1 and 50075.3, the following accountability measures, among others, shall apply to the parcel tax levied in accordance with this Measure: (a) the specific purposes of the parcel tax shall be those purposes identified above; (b) the proceeds of the parcel tax shall be applied only to those specific purposes identified above; (c) a separate, special account shall be created into which the proceeds of the parcel tax must be deposited; and (d) an annual written report shall be made to the Board of Trustees of the District showing (i) the amount of funds collected and expended from the proceeds of the school parcel tax and (ii) the status of any projects or programs required or authorized to be funded from the proceeds of the parcel tax, as identified above; and (e) the District will maintain its existing parcel tax oversight committee to review the expenditure of parcel tax revenues.

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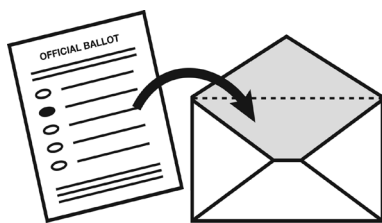
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Ballot type:

Mail to:

3 ways to vote



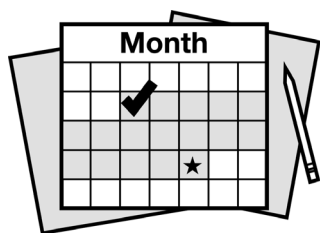
Vote using the ballot mailed to you

County elections will mail a ballot to all active registered voters on October 5. If you do not get your ballot or if you spoil your ballot, see reverse on how to obtain a replacement ballot. You may also sign up to have your ballot emailed to you.

To return your ballot, drop it off at any drop box or voting location, deliver it to the County Elections office or city clerk's offices by 8pm, Tuesday, November 3.

If you mail it, make sure your ballot is postmarked on or before **November 3**. Mail it early or walk it into the post office and get your ballot envelope postmarked.

For more details, see **page 2**.



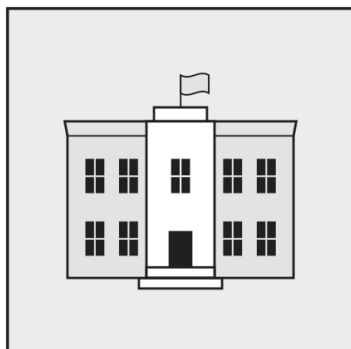
Vote early in person

You may vote early at two locations

October 5 to November 3

Santa Cruz County Clerk/Elections and Watsonville City Clerk's Office

For more details, see **page 3**.



Vote in person

To flatten the voting curve, we will have 17 voting locations open:

Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 9am to 5pm

Monday, November 2, 8am to 5pm

Tuesday, November 3, 7am to 8pm

Any voter can go to any location to: obtain a second ballot, drop off your ballot, register and vote on the same day, use the tablet to vote an accessible ballot or Spanish ballot, or any other voter service.

Public health protocols will be followed: mask wearing, hand sanitizing, physical distancing & disinfecting services. If you are sick, please stay home. For more details, see **page 3**.

If you did not get your ballot in the mail, you may request one:

- Online at **www.votescount.us**
- By phone at 831-454-2060
- Fill out the application below and mail or bring it to 701 Ocean St., Room 310, Santa Cruz CA or FAX to 831-454-2445

Si no recibió su boleta por correo, puede solicitar una:

- *en línea a **www.votescount.us***
- *por teléfono a 831-454-2060*
- *Complete la solicitud a continuación y envíela por correo o tráigala a 701 Ocean St., Room 310, Santa Cruz CA o FAX al 831-454-2445.*

☐ I never received my ballot - *Nunca recibí mi boleta*

☐ I spoiled my ballot - *Estropeé mi papeleta*

☐ I request a Remote Accessible Vote by Mail ballot. You must provide an email below. We will email you a ballot, you will vote it and print it, then return it in the envelope we provide or use your own envelope. - *Solicito una boleta de voto por correo accesible a distancia. Debe proporcionar un correo electrónico a continuación. Le enviaremos una boleta por correo electrónico, la votará e imprimirá, luego la devolverá en el sobre que proporcionamos o usaremos su propio sobre.*

First name – Primer nombre

Middle – Segundo nombre

Last Name – Apellido

Number and street – *calle y número*

City – *cuidad*

State – *Estado*

Zip code – *cp*

Optional – *Opcional*: Tel. #:

Email

☐ Check here to vote by mail for all elections – *Marque aquí si desea votar por correo en todas las elecciones.*

Read and sign – I am registered to vote in Santa Cruz County. I have not applied for any other vote-by-mail ballot for this election. I certify under penalty of perjury under California state law that the information above is true and correct.

Lea y firme: - Soy votante inscrito en el Condado de Santa Cruz. No he solicitado ninguna otra boleta de votar por correo para esta elección. Certifico bajo pena de perjurio según las leyes del Estado de California que la información anterior es verdadera y correcta.

Voter's signature (as registered)

Firma del votante (tal como la registró para votar)

X

Date – Fecha



You must request a ballot by October 25, so we have time to mail it to you. *Debe solicitar una boleta antes del 25 de octubre, por lo que tenemos tiempo para enviársela por correo.*

RAVBM requests are also due by October 25. *Las solicitudes de RAVBM deben hacerse al antes del 25 de octubre.*