



County of Orange Registrar of Voters



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ORANGE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS



Community Election Working Group

September 4, 2024



Housekeeping

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



Welcome & Introductions

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



Agenda

- Approve minutes of May 8, 2024 CEW meeting
- Recognize New Members
- Open Forum
- Preparation for 2024 Presidential General Election



Agenda

- 2025 Election Administration Plan Update
- Updates from VAAC and LAAC
- Future Business Items

Approve May 8, 2024 Minutes



Recognize New Members





New CEW Members

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

- Sergio Contreras, Jr.
 - Latino Community
 - Term ends 12/31/2025



New CEW Members

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

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



Open Forum





CEW Membership

All 27 seats on the CEW are filled

- City Clerks (4)
- Asian community (4)
- Latino community (4)
- Disabled Community (4)
- Senior Community (1)
- Vote Center CSRs (2)
- League of Women Voters (1)
- Republican Party (1)
- Democratic Party (1)
- Alternative party (1)
- Youth Representative (1)
- Veterans Affairs (1)
- At Large (2)



CEW Membership

- CEW Bylaws provide for 20 to 30 members
- Should we consider inviting two to three new members?

Upcoming Elections

2024 Presidential General Election



2024 Presidential General Election

Important Dates

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



2024 Presidential General Election

- 573 unique ballot styles
- 171 Candidate Contests
- 409 Candidates
- 40 State Propositions and Local Measures

Voting Locations



Voting Locations

- More than 1.83 million active registered voters on Aug. 9
- 184 Vote Centers
 - 23 with Drive-Thru VBM Ballot Drop Off Services
- 123 Ballot Drop Boxes
- 5 Pop-Up Voting Locations





Voting Locations

- 184 Vote Centers
 - 38 open 11 days (10/26/24 to 11/05/24)
 - 146 open 4 days (11/02/24 to 11/05/24)
- 123 Ballot Drop Boxes
 - Open 29 days prior to Election Day (10/07/24)

Locations: ocvote.gov/options

Pop-Up Voting Events

Pop-Up Vote Centers

- Pop-Up locations commit to a single day of voting during the election period
- Partner with community organizations to promote voting

ocvote.gov/pop-up





Pop-Up Vote Centers

October 27: Leisure World, Seal Beach

October 29: Easter Seals, Irvine

October 31: Braille Institute Anaheim Center

November 2: *Pending*

November 4: AltaMed Medical Group – Santa Ana Bristol



High School Student CSR Pilot Program



High School Student CSR Pilot Program

- 87 High School students volunteered to work on Election Day during 2024 Primary Election.
- Student Customer Service Representatives assisted at 48 of the busiest Vote Centers around the county.
- Positive feedback from Vote Center staff and students alike.



High School Student Volunteer Program

- We are expanding!
- The HS Student Volunteer Program will be countywide for the 2024 Presidential General Election
- The goal is for two high school students to support every Vote Center on Election Day

ocvote.gov/student

CSR Recruitment and Training Update



CSR Recruitment and Training

- CSR Hiring Target of 1,288
 - 1,123 Returners
 - 4,622 New Applicants
- Online Training Started August 6
 - 688 Completed
- In-Person Training Starts September 9
 - 744 Enrolled



Voter Education and Outreach

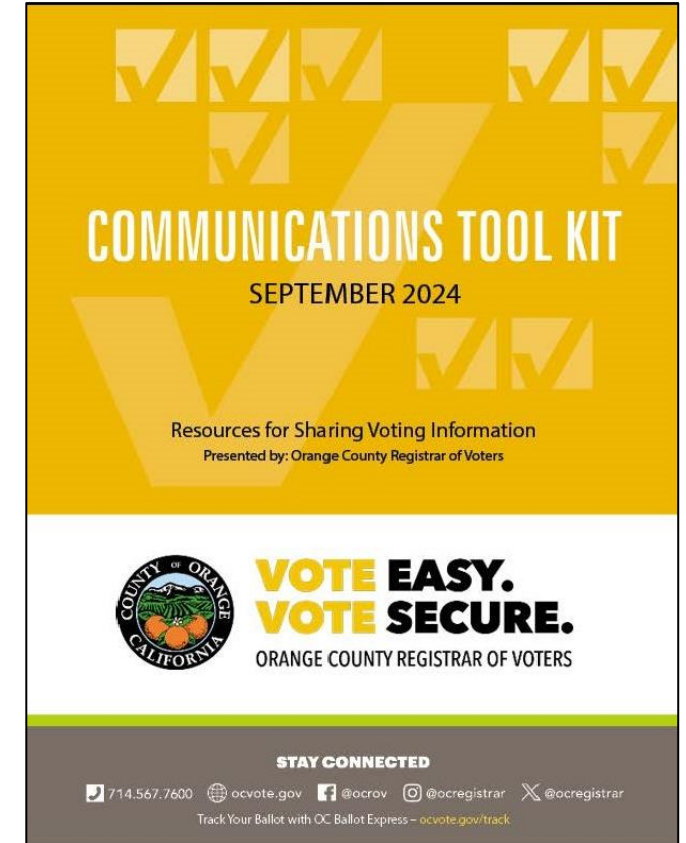
Voter Education Tool Kit



Voter Education Tool Kit – coming soon

- Infographics
- Videos
- Presentation Slides
- Social Media Posts and Graphics
- Newsletter Articles
- FAQs

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Vote Easy Vote Secure Infographics



Vote Easy and Secure Infographics

- Will have two infographics for this election
 - Vote Easy (updated)
 - Vote Secure (New)

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VOTE CENTERS

SECURITY AND INTEGRITY MEASURES

Physical	Technical	Process	People
Ballot Drop Boxes are made out of thick secure metal. Each drop box is bolted to the concrete and has its own individual key to open it.	Voter participation data is encrypted when shared in near real time between all Vote Centers and the Registrar of Voters to prevent double voting.	All ballot scanners, vote tally equipment and software are tested before and after Election Day to ensure all votes are counted accurately.	The Registrar of Voters background checks every election worker prior to hiring. All workers complete extensive training on election equipment security measures.

VOTER ROLL ACCURACY FACTS

Registration records updated daily based on information from voters and government sources.

60,000	708,000	1.6%	97,500	15,000
Average Number of Monthly Registration Updates	Registration Notices Mailed to Voters in 2023	Percentage of 2024 Primary Election Ballots Returned Undeliverable	Voter Registrations Canceled in 2023	Cancellations in 2023 Due to Death of Voter

For details on security and integrity, visit: ocvote.gov | [Continue on back](#)

Voter Education Videos



Voter Education Videos

- Ways to Vote
- Completing Your Ballot
- Accessibility and Language Services
- Election Security
- Community Champions
- Open House Presentations



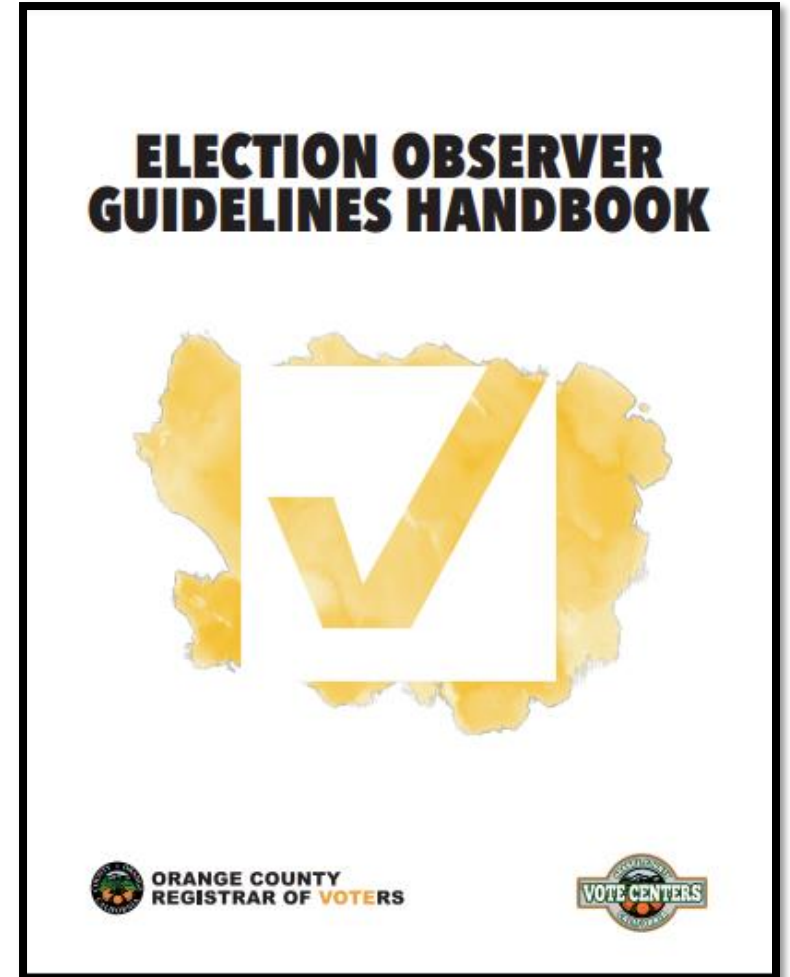
Election Observation Materials



Election Observation Materials

- Schedule Notice Published
- Updated Handbook
 - Translated into four federally-covered languages (New)
 - Made evergreen (New)
- Brochure
- Life of Vote-by-Mail Ballot

ocvote.gov/observe

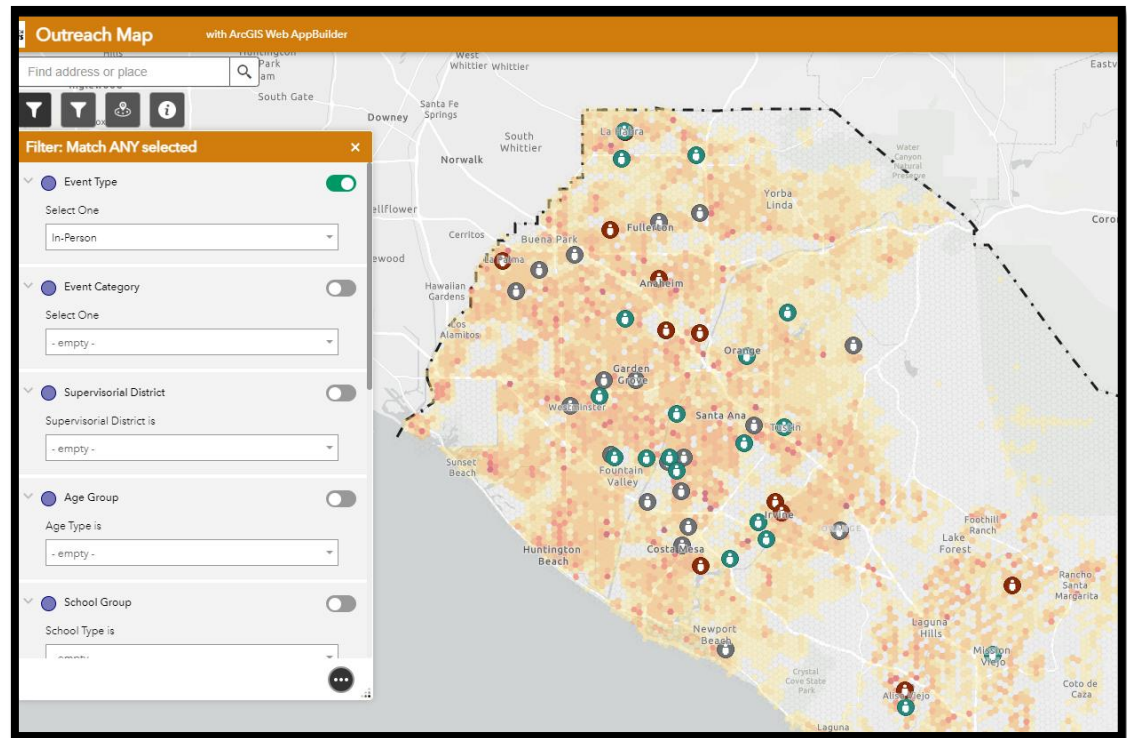


Outreach Mapping Tool

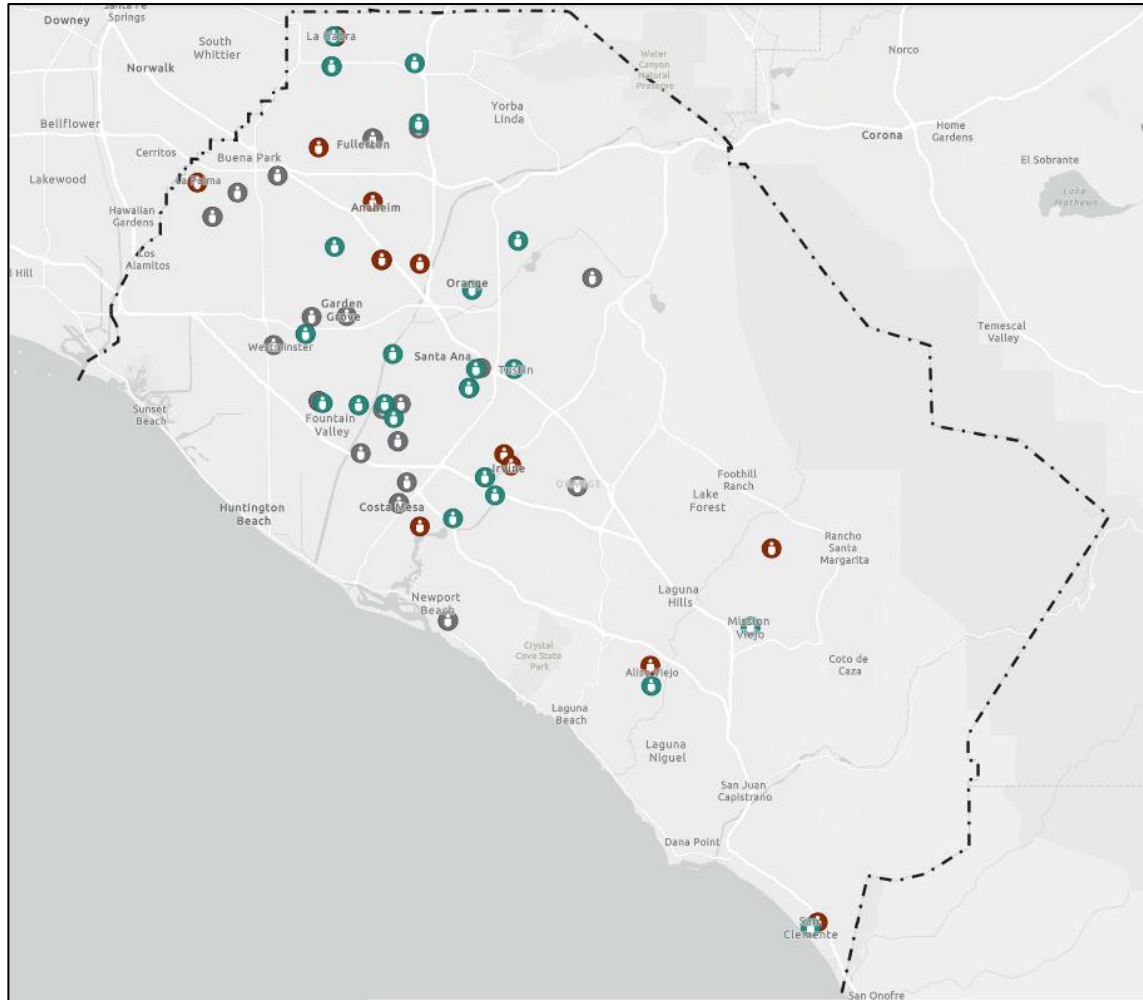


Outreach Mapping Tool

- Map that allows for us to filter by:
 - Type
 - District
 - Age group
 - Date
 - Language Community
 - Low Registration
 - Low Election Turnout
- Increases our ability to spread events throughout the county

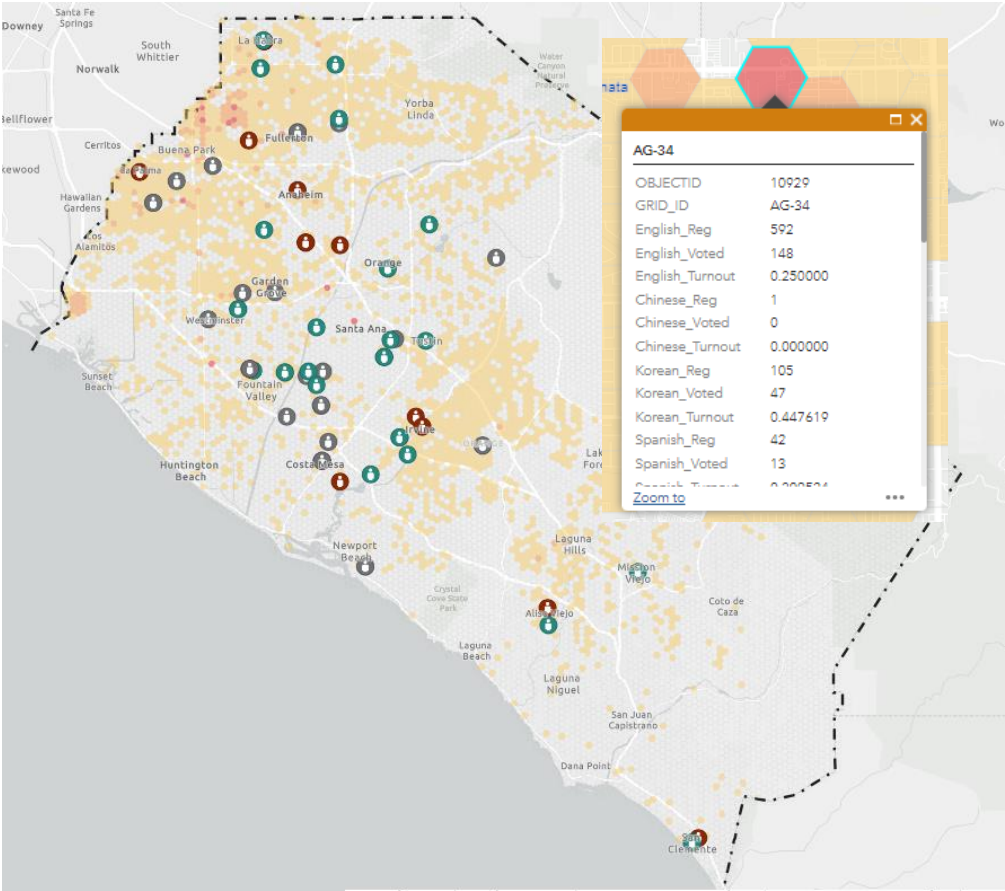


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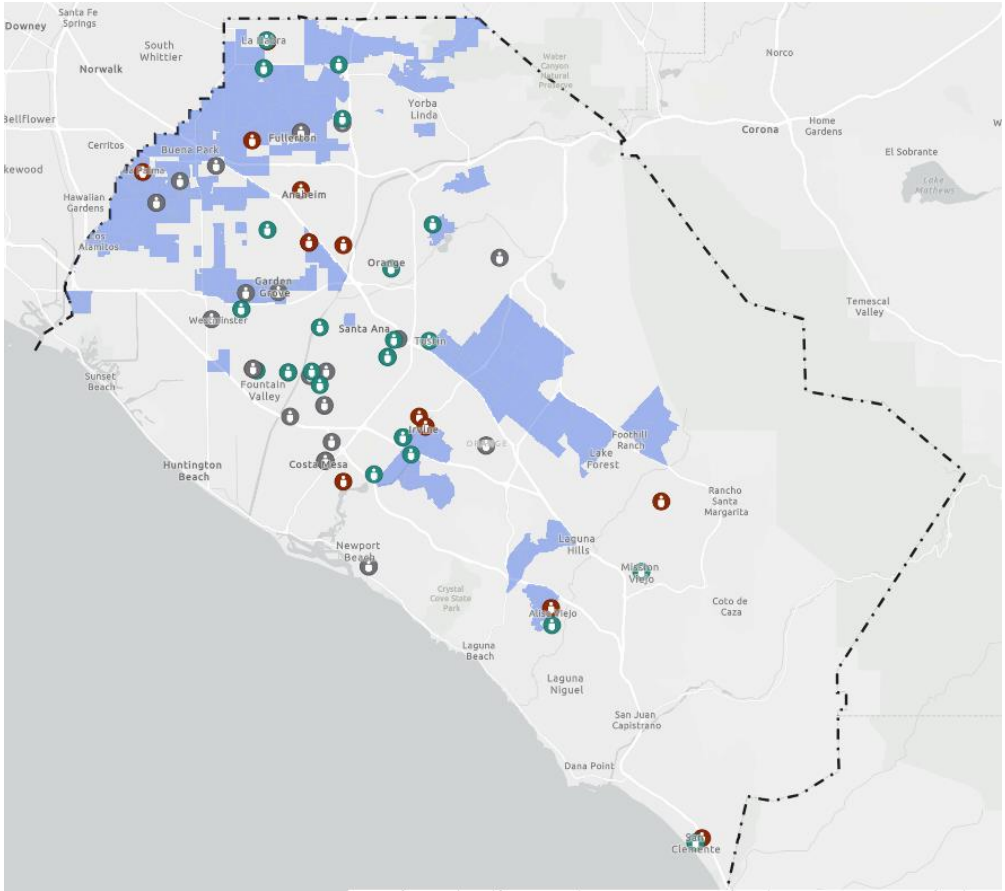




Outreach Mapping Tool



Ex. Korean Language Requests



Ex. Korean Targeted Precincts



Open House





Open House Event at ROV

- When: **Tuesday, October 8**
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Who: Parties, Candidates, Public
- What: Short Presentations
 - Activities/Operations
 - Steps taken to securely process ballots



Voter Experience Survey



Voter Experience Survey

- Partnering with CalTech
- Survey will be distributed to a stratified sampling of voters after the election
- Questions will be aligned with ones asked in other jurisdictions to allow for comparison
- Some questions will be based on method voter casts a ballot
- Data will help with decision making during EAP Update

Election Security Measures



Election Security Measures

- Collaboration with law enforcement
- Internal training
- Physical security
- Technical security
- Observation layout

Election Certification Deadline



Assembly Bill 3184

- Urgency legislation amended in Senate to add provisions specific only to the 2024 Presidential General Election regarding deadlines for Vote-By-Mail signature cures and completion of the canvass.
 - Signature Cure Deadline – 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 1
 - Certification Deadline – no earlier than Tuesday, Dec. 3
- On the Governor's Desk

2025 Election Administration Plan



Election Administration Plan Update

- Advertisement in 2024 Presidential General Election County Voter Information Guide to grow interested parties list
 - Voter Experience Survey
 - Training
 - Institute for Local Government's Inclusive Public Engagement training
 - The Community Academy at Stanford University
- Interested Parties - ocvote.gov/signup

CEW VAAC and CEW LAAC Updates



VAAC Meeting Update

- Accessible Services
- Community Outreach
- Engagement

LAAC Meeting Update

- Voter Education Tool Kit
- Outreach Mapping Tool
- Upcoming Outreach Events and Partnerships





Future Business Items





Next Meeting Date

- TBD





**THANK
YOU!**

Pending State Legislation



Assembly Bill 544 (Bryan)

- Would create a Pilot Program for in-person voting inside county jails.
- Three counties would pilot: San Benito, San Mateo, and Santa Cruz.
- Contingent upon appropriation of State funding.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 884 (Low and Cervantes)

- Would expand language services to limited English speaking voters starting January 1, 2028.
- Would require all election material to be translated into languages not covered by the U.S. Voting Rights Act, but that meet its population thresholds.
- Would require official ballot, instructions, envelope and signature cure notices to be translated into languages that meet California Elections Code section 14201 thresholds.



Assembly Bill 884 (continued)

- On August 2, the Secretary of State estimated its first-year costs would be \$22.4 million and then \$16.4 million annually thereafter. Now listed as low millions of dollars.
- County elections officials estimate annual cost to implement the bill would be \$38,000 to \$25 million per county.
 - Orange County estimates annual costs of \$5.3 million.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 1784 (Pellerin)

- Would prohibit candidates from filing nomination documents for more than one office at the same primary election.
- Would allow candidates to withdraw nomination documents that were previously filed for an office other than a statewide office at a primary election during the nomination period.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 2582 (Pellerin)

- Repealed the specific procedures for new residents and new citizens to register and vote.
 - Conditional Voter Registration statute made these new resident and new citizen provisions unnecessary.
- Prescribed new forms for municipal office nomination papers established by the Secretary of State.
- Signed by the Governor.



Assembly Bill 2642 (Berman)

- Would create a presumption that a person who openly carries a firearm or imitation firearm while interacting with or observing the specified election-related activities would be presumed to have engaged in prohibited intimidation.
- Would authorize an aggrieved person, an officer holding an election or conducting a canvass, or the Attorney General to file a civil action to enforce election intimidation violation.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 2655 (Berman)

- Would require a large online platform to block materially deceptive content related to elections in California, during specified periods before and after an election.
- Would require a large online platform to label certain additional content inauthentic, fake, or false during specified periods before and after an election in California.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 2724 (Reyes)

- Would require schools to provide students with information on how to properly preregister to vote at least once before the students complete 11th grade.
- Would require schools to inform students where to acquire a paper copy of a voter registration affidavit if requested by the students or their parents/guardians.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 2839 (Pellerin)

- Would prohibit knowingly distributing an advertisement or other election communication that contains certain materially deceptive content with malice.
- Would apply this prohibition within 120 days of an election in California and 60 days after an election.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 2951 (Cervantes and Low)

- Would provide the Secretary of State until July 1, 2025 to update VoteCal system to implement AB 2841 (Low).
- Effective January 1, 2024, AB 2841 required counties to notify voters set to be cancelled 15 to 30 days before the cancellation occurred.
- VoteCal currently cancels deceased voters before the SOS can notify counties to send the pre-cancellation notice.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 3184 (Berman)

- Specific only to the 2024 Presidential General Election, would prohibit county elections officials from certifying election results before December 3, 2024, and provide voters in all counties until 5 p.m. on December 1 to cure a signature challenge to their Vote-By-Mail ballot.
- County elections officials would no longer provide the SOS with a ballot rejection report for special local elections.
- On the Governor's desk.



Assembly Bill 3197 (Lackey)

- Authorized a county elections official who verifies signatures on petitions or papers that are required to be signed by voters of a county, city, school district, or special district to establish and require the use of a standardized petition form for circulation and submission to the county.
- Signed by the Governor.



Senate Bill 299 (Limón)

- Would require the SOS and DMV to develop a process for the DMV to use information from the statewide voter registration database to determine whether a person who submits a driver's license application is already registered or preregistered to vote in the state.
- If a person is not registered or pre-registered, would require DMV to send the person's information to SOS to register or pre-register the person to vote.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 907 (Newman)

- Would expand the Orange County Board of Education to seven members and move its elections from the statewide primary to statewide general elections.
- Currently in the Suspense file.
 - Estimated \$70,000 per year impact to OCDOE.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 1174 (Min)

- Would prohibit a local government from enacting or enforcing any charter provision, ordinance, or regulation requiring a person to present identification for the purpose of voting or submitting a ballot at any polling place, vote center, or other location where ballots are cast or submitted.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 1328 (Bradford)

- Would clarify the election records that must be preserved in a sealed container for a prescribed period of time and then destroyed after that period.
- Would require a ballot card manufacturer, ballot card finisher, or ballot on demand system vendor to provide notice within 24 hours of any flaw or defect instead of existing two business days requirement.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 1337 (Gonzalez)

- Would require a statewide referendum petition to include:
 - The Official Top Funders list on the first page of each section of the referendum petition.
 - Before the space for the signer's printed name, a box preceding the following statement: "BY CHECKING THIS BOX, I confirm that I have reviewed the Official Top Funders listed on this page."
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 1441 (Allen)

- Would establish a 60-day deadline for proponents of an insufficient petition to complete examination of the Registrar of Voters' decision to disqualify signatures.
- If the examination doesn't conclude within five business days, the bill would require that the proponents of the examination reimburse the county for any extra costs incurred to continue the examination.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Bill 1450 (Allen)

- Proposed amendments to Voter's Choice Act, include:
 - Re-establish Secretary of State's Voter's Choice Act Taskforce.
 - Establish a county voter education and outreach advisory committee in counties with more than 500,000 voters until 2029.
 - Hold the first meetings of the county language accessibility, voting accessibility, and outreach advisory committees before the required public consultation meetings to review the draft Election Administration Plan (EAP).



Senate Bill 1450 (Allen)

- Proposed amendments to VCA, include:
 - Adopt EAP at least 120 days before first election the Act is implemented in the county.
 - Amend the requirement for county to directly contact all voters twice before an election.
 - After six statewide elections, only one direct contact required.
 - County must spend at least half of the funds saved on targeted outreach to historically underrepresented voters.



Senate Bill 1450 (Allen)

- Proposed amendments to VCA, include:
 - Set a deadline for posting election cost comparisons on county's website at nine-months after election results are certified.
- On the Governor's desk.



Senate Constitutional Amendment 1 (Newman)

- Would eliminate the successor election for a recalled state officer and instead provide that the office remains vacant until it is filled in accordance with State law.
- Would repeal the prohibition against the recalled officer being a candidate to fill the office in a special election but would prohibit the appointment of the recalled officer to fill the vacancy.
- On the Governor's desk.