

What online tools and resources are available?

- Register to vote or update your registration at RegisterToVote.ca.gov (or contact the Department to request a paper registration application in the mail)
- View your registration, request a replacement ballot, change your elections materials language, or format preferences at sfelections.org/VoterPortal
- Sign up to receive vote-by-mail ballot notifications via email, text, or voice message at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov
- Visit sfelections.org/MyVotingLocation to find your polling place and check wait times
- Find ballot drop-off box locations and hours at sfelections.org/BallotDropOff

Want to serve as a poll worker on Election Day?

Help your community and receive a stipend up to \$240 for your service! To apply to be a poll worker, visit sfelections.org/pwa or call (415) 554-4395.

Interested in employment opportunities?

To view current employment opportunities at City departments, including the Department of Elections, visit sfdhr.org/job-seekers.

More questions? Contact the Department of Elections!



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September 14, 2021, California Gubernatorial Recall Election

Choose Our Direction!



in the Upcoming Election!

For the upcoming election, all registered San Francisco voters will receive ballots in the mail and be offered in-person voting opportunities. Eligible residents can register to vote at RegisterToVote.ca.gov or by mail up through August 30, 2021. After that date, anyone who is eligible to vote will need to register and vote in person at the City Hall Voting Center or a polling place.



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DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

How can I receive and cast my ballot?

1 Vote-by-Mail

On August 16, the Department of Elections will begin sending Vote-by-Mail (VBM) packets, each containing an official ballot, instructions, an “I Voted” sticker, and a postage-paid return envelope, to all locally registered voters. On the same day, the Department will open its accessible Vote-by-Mail (AVBM) system, with screen readable ballots compatible with personal assistive devices, at sfelections.org/Access. For this election, AVBM system will be open to all voters.

Whether you use a VBM ballot that has arrived in the mail or the AVBM system, you will need to complete three basic steps shown in the chart below:

	Regular Vote-by-Mail Ballot	Accessible Vote-by-Mail Ballot
1: Mark your Ballot	Follow the instructions printed on the ballot to vote in one or both parts of the recall contest.	Visit sfelections.org/Access to access your ballot and follow the online instructions to vote in one or both parts of the recall contest.
2: Prepare your Envelope	Place your ballot in the return envelope, retaining your receipt. Complete and sign the voter section of the ballot return envelope, then seal it.	Print out your AVBM ballot and place it in the return envelope. Complete and sign the voter section of the ballot return envelope, then seal it.
3: Return your Ballot	To be counted, ballots returned by mail must be postmarked no later than Election Day, September 14 (check pickup times if using a blue USPS box, home mailbox, or business mail drop). To be counted, ballots returned in person must be hand-delivered to a drop-off station (visit sfelections.org/BallotDropOff for locations and hours) or a polling place by 8 p.m. on Election Day, September 14.	

2 Vote at City Hall Between August 16 and Election Day

The City Hall Voting Center will be open as follows to all local voters who wish to register to vote or vote in person, use accessible voting equipment, receive personal assistance, or return their vote-by-mail ballots:

- Every weekday (except Labor Day, September 6), from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Two weekends prior to Election Day (September 4-5 and September 11-12), from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- On Election Day, Tuesday, September 14, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

3 Vote at your Assigned Polling Place on Election Day

Between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Election Day, September 14, San Francisco’s 588 polling places will be open to voters who wish to register to vote or vote in person, use accessible voting equipment, receive personal assistance, or drop off vote-by-mail ballots.

The address of your assigned polling place along with accessibility information about the facility are printed on the back cover of your Voter Information Pamphlet (arriving in August). You may also confirm your polling place address at sfelections.org/MyVotingLocation.

What will be on my ballot?

The September 14 election ballot will list a gubernatorial recall contest, which has two parts. You may choose to vote in only the first part, in only the second part, or in both parts.

The first part will ask, “**Shall GAVIN NEWSOM be recalled (removed) from the office of Governor?**” If most voters select “**Yes**” in this first part of the recall contest, then Governor Newsom will be removed from office; if most voters select “**No**” in this first part of the recall contest, then Governor Newsom will remain in office.

The second part will **list the names of replacement candidates**. If Governor Newsom is recalled, the replacement candidate who receives the most votes will become governor.

Whether you vote in one or both parts of the recall contest, you can only make a single choice in each. In other words, do not vote both “**Yes**” and “**No**” or choose more than one replacement candidate.