

### I'm a College Student, How do I Register to Vote?

Students are provided with two options:

- 1. Register to vote in the county where their college/university is located.
- 2. Remain registered in the county they currently reside.

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## EL PASO COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT



# VOTER REGISTRATION FREQUENTLY

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### **How do I Register to Vote?**

To vote in El Paso County, you must be registered. Simply complete a Voter Registration Application, also known as a VRA, sign and mail the application at least **30 days** before Election Day. You must update your registration anytime you change your address or your name. Pick-up a VRA at any of the following locations:

- ✓ The El Paso County Elections Department
- ✓ U.S. Postal Office
- ✓ Department of Public Safety
- ✓ El Paso Public Library

You can also print a VRA in English or Spanish, postage-paid by visiting our website at **www.epcountyvotes.com**. We cannot accept completed applications via email but applications can be submitted to our office by fax as long as the original application is received in our office within four calendar days of the date the fax is transmitted (SB910). Please fax your VRA to (915)546-2220.

### What Happens After I Register?

Your voter registration becomes effective **30 days** after it is submitted and accepted by the Texas Secretary of State. Our office will then put your name on the Voter Registration List, generate your Voter Registration Certificate, and mail it to you. Once received, be sure to read the information on the back of the certificate, sign by the X on the front of the card and keep your certificate in a safe place.

**Note**: If your original application is missing required information, you will receive a notice in the mail. You will have a deadline to respond to the notice and correct what is missing.



# What is a Voter Registration Certificate?

A Voter Registration Certificate is your proof of registration with our county and will be mailed to you within 30 days after your VRA is accepted. Check your certificate to ensure that all information is correct. If there is an error, make the corrections and mail your certificate in an envelope to our office immediately at:

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If you haven't moved from the address at which you are registered, you will automatically receive a new Voter Registration Certificate every two years. On your Voter Registration Certificate, you will see a precinct number. Your residence is located in a specific "precinct", or area within El Paso County. Your precinct determines which contests will be on your ballot.

### I Lost My Voter Registration Certificate

You may request a duplicate Voter Registration Certificate by calling our office at (915)546-2154. Please provide your full name, address, and Voter Unique Identifier (VUID) if available. Your duplicate certificate will be mailed to the mailing address on your voter registration record within **30 days.** 

### How do I Change My Name and/or Address?

It is your responsibility as a voter to inform our office you have moved to a new residence. If our office receives undeliverable mail because the address we have is incorrect, your name will appear on our list of suspended voters.

After being on that list for two years, you will be removed from the Voter Registration List (Sec. 16.032). Therefore, if you have moved/changed your mailing address, please update your information by choosing one of the following:

- ✓ Online, name and/or address change. Visit our website at: www.epcountyvotes.com
- ✓ In person at our office: 500 E. San Antonio Avenue, Suite 314 El Paso, Texas 79901 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
- ✓ By mail, using your old certificate. On the backside of your old certificate, sign your name and list your new change of name and/or address in the two blank spaces provided. Please be aware that all certificates are not pre-paid for you to mail back to us. If changes are made using your old certificate, please provide your own envelope and U.S. Postal Service stamp
- ✓ By mail without old certificate. Please print the Voter Registration Application by visiting our website at: www.epcountyvotes.com

#### I'm Not Sure if I'm Registered

You can confirm your registration status on our website, www.epcountyvotes.com by going to "Am I Registered?' where you will select one of two methods for conducting your search. You can conduct your search with these options:

- 1. Your Voter Unique Identifier (VUID), which appears on your Voter Registration Certificate.
- 2. Your first name, last name and date of birth.

If the results indicate that in fact you are not a registered voter in El Paso County and would like to register to vote please do so by reading the "How do I Register to Vote?" section in this pamphlet.

