

# Presidential Primary Election Tuesday, March 5, 2024 Voter Information Guide

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### **Instructions for Voting**

To vote completely fill in the ( ) next to your selection. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the name in the blank space provided and fill in the ( ). If you tear or deface your ballot, return it to the Elections Office or any Vote Center and another ballot will be issued. If you make a mistake, cross out the candidate or choice you don't want and fill in the one you do want, that way your choice is clear and can be counted. To make sure your vote counts. Use a blue or black ballpoint pen. Do not select more candidates than the number to be elected. You may vote in as many or as few contests as you want and any mistakes or not voting in one contest does not affect the rest of the ballot.

### How to Return Your Vote by Mail Ballot

Return your Vote by Mail ballot in your postage-paid envelope. Make sure that your Vote by Mail ballot envelope is sealed and signed. There are 3 ways to return your Vote by Mail ballot:

- By Mail in the postage-paid envelope. Your ballot will need to be <u>postmarked</u> by Election Day and received within 7 days of Election Day
- At any Official Ballot Drop Box. County Administration Center has a 24hr box in the rear parking lot or any of the additional boxes located throughout the county beginning on February 6, 2024.
   See box closing times for Election Day inside this packet
- At any Vote Center. We have 3 located in the county. See our Vote Center details inside this
  packet

You no longer need to authorize a person to return your Vote by Mail ballot. You may now allow someone to return your ballot regardless of their relationship to you. Simply fill out the portion on the back of the envelope.

# Assistance for the Visually, Hearing or Speech Impaired

Amador County has the ExpressVote Universal Marking Device for voters who are unable to view or personally mark their ballot. For your convenience, these devices are located at the Elections Office and in all Vote Centers.

### **Alternative Ballot Formats Available**

Amador County has Spanish translated facsimile ballots available in the Elections Office and all Vote Centers. Remote Accessible Vote by Mail ballot retrieval system is available for voter use. Please contact our office at (209) 223-6465 or visit Amador.Vote to request the link.

Condado de Amador tiene boletas de fax traducidas al español disponibles en la Oficina de Elecciones y en todos los Centros de Votación. El sistema de recuperación de boletas de voto por correo de acceso remoto está disponible para el uso de los votantes. Comuníquese con nuestra oficina al (209) 223-6465 o visite Amador. Vote para solicitar el enlace.



# **Voting in California**

### What is a Top 2 Primary?

A Top 2 Primary lets you vote for *any* candidate (for most races), even if you are not in the same political party. The top 2 candidates – the ones who get the most votes in the primary – will be on the General Election ballot in November.

### What does party preference mean?

Party preference refers to the political party you – or the candidate – is registered with. It's listed under each candidate's name on the ballot. The word "None" appears for candidates who are *not* registered with a party. For example:

JOHN SMITH JANE DOE CHRIS JONES

Party Preference: Democratic Party Preference: Republican Party Preference: None

### Do all offices follow the Top 2 rules?

No. Top 2 applies to these voter-nominated offices:

- **★** United States Senator
- ★ United States Representative
- ★ State Senator
- ★ Member of State Assembly
- ★ Statewide constitutional offices

Top 2 does not apply to elections for President or Party Central Committees

# Can the Top 2 candidates be from the same party?

Yes. The Top 2 candidates might be from the same party, different parties, or no party.

# What if I have questions about Top 2?

Call the Amador County Election's Office at (209) 223-6465

# Can I still write in a candidate on my ballot?

Yes. You can write in a candidate for voter-nominated offices at the primary election, but not for the general election. For other contests, you are allowed to write in a candidate at both the primary and general elections.

# Do I need to register again for each election?

No. Fill out a new Voter Registration card only if you have:

- ★ Moved,
- ★ Changed your name or signature,
- ★ Think you haven't voted in the last 4 years.
- ★ Changed your political party

### Where can I register to vote?

You can register at:

- ★ Online at <u>registertovote.ca.gov</u>
- ★ Obtain a registration card at:
  - Post Office
  - County Library
  - City Hall
  - Elections Office
  - Vote Center

Scan QR code to Register to Vote



### Office of United States Senator

- ★ There are two U.S. Senate contests on the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election ballot.
- ★ The first contest is the regular election for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031.
- ★ The second contest is a special vacancy election (the current officeholder is temporarily filling a vacancy) for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025.
- ★ You may vote for both contests.

### **Voting by Mail**

Pursuant to recent legislation:

★ Voted ballots must be **postmarked** by Election Day and **received** by March 12, 2024.

### How do I contact a candidate?

★ Candidate's List on <u>Amador.Vote</u>

★ Candidate's List on www.sos.ca.gov

Scan QR code for our website



★ You may also call the Amador County Election's Office at (209) 223-6465

# Where do I find candidates' campaign finance reports?

- ★ Campaign Finance Disclosure Forms on <u>Amador.Vote</u>
- ★ Cal-Access on www.sos.ca.gov
- ★ Reports may also be obtained from the elections official with whom the candidate files

The Green and Peace & Freedom parties are not endorsing candidates in the March Primary.

Party	United States Senator	United States Representative District #5	Member of State Assembly District #1	Member of State Assembly District #9
American Independent	James Bradley	Tom McClintock	Mark Mezzano	
Democratic		Michael J. " Mike" Barkley		
Libertarian	Gail Lightfoot			
Republican		Tom McClintock		Heath Flora

# Prop. 34 – Expenditure Limitations: State Legislative Candidates

Proposition 34 was passed by voters in November 2000. The law requires county election officials to provide the names of those State Legislative candidates who have voluntarily agreed to expenditure limits. Candidates who agree to the expenditure limits may submit and pay for a Candidate's Statement of Qualifications to be printed in this pamphlet.

The following State Legislative candidates, listed in alphabetical order, have accepted the voluntary expenditure limitations pursuant to Proposition 34:

Member of State Assembly District #1	Member of State Assembly District #9
Tenessa Audette	Heath Flora
Heather Hadwick	
Melissa Hunt	
Mark Mezzano	

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United States Representative, District 5
MICHAEL J. "MIKE" BARKLEY
Lawyer/Accountant/Programmer

Dear friends and neighbors,

I am a lawyer, certified public accountant (inactive), computer programmer, rancher with wildfire issues, Navy veteran, and activist in local government, water, flooding and environmental issues. My mix of skills makes me uniquely suited to represent you in Washington.

Before you vote, please see my platform on my web sites, mikebarkley4congress.com or mjbarkl.com/run.htm - My specific proposals on my platform will solve many problems and save many lives in this state and country.

Major goals: Strengthen wildfire and casualty insurance protections; Strengthen women's rights and Right to Choose; Restore voting rights; Strengthen labor; Reverse global warming; Reverse the 2017 Billionaire Tax Cut and balance the budget; Add Medicare for All; Repair what Congress did to cause homelessness and soaring rents (Tax Reform Act of 1986, Faircloth Amendment of 1998 and housing subsidy cuts, 2008 limits on low-income housing loans including by Dodd-Frank); Add 43,000,000 acre-feet of water storage and solve California floods and Western U.S. droughts see mjbarkl.com/floods.txt and floods.htm; solve our gun problem;

I have met more than 50,000 of you at your front doors over the past decade. I live in Manteca, less than 120 minutes away from most of you. My home email, phone, and home address are on that platform page. Please email me any questions and comments you might have or invite me over for a chat. I need your vote, please vote for me.

Thank you and best wishes, Mike Barkley

/s/ Michael J. "Mike" Barkley

United States Representative, District 5

### TOM MCCLINTOCK

United States Representative

On Inauguration Day, our borders were secure, America was energy independent, the world was at peace, real wages were rising, inflation was 1.4%, the average 30-year mortgage interest rate was 1.9% and a gallon of gas averaged \$2.39.

Elections have consequences. Leftist policies always produce rising crime, sky-high taxes, poverty, failing schools, chronic shortages of basic necessities and ultimately failing businesses and fleeing families.

We watched these policies destroy our great cities like San Francisco and then our great state of California. Now they are destroying our country. We can't let that happen.

As Chairman of the House subcommittee responsible for immigration, I wrote the reforms to restore the successful Trump policies that secured our border and that passed the House.

As a senior member of the House Budget Committee, my work to rein in wasteful government spending has won consistent praise from groups ranging from the National Taxpayers Union to Citizens Against Government Waste.

For 16 years, I have pushed to restore active forest management and to develop our water and power resources on the House Natural Resources Committee.

Freedom works. Government overregulation and overtaxation have made a mess of our lives. A healthy, competitive, consumer-driven economy can restore the abundance, excellence and reliability of all those things upon which our quality of life depends.

You sent me to Washington to fight for these principles. I will need your support in the crucial days ahead.

You can read more at TomMcClintock.com.

/s/ Tom McClintock

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Member of State Assembly, District 1

### **TENESSA AUDETTE**

Businesswoman/Redding Mayor

Politicians at the State Capitol don't understand or care about the North State or rural California. I am running for Assembly to shake up Sacramento and protect our communities and God-given rights.

I'm a wife, mom, small business owner and the Mayor of Redding.

My experience in business and government and my commitment to protect Amador County is what matters most; it's why I am stepping up to run for State Assembly.

My platform is conservative and straightforward: Pro-2nd Amendment, Pro-Life, Pro-Business, Protect Prop 13, Protect Ag, Protect Water, Reduce Taxes and Regulations, Wildfire Prevention through Forest Management, Support Law Enforcement and Lock Up Criminals, Parental Rights in Education, Tougher Border Security, and Fair and Secure Elections.

California's bureaucracy has grown so large and overburdensome that it has choked the life and hope out of our workforce and middle class.

Government is not the solution. I will vote to limit and reduce government.

Most importantly, I will never waiver or compromise when it comes to protecting our Constitution and the rights of "We the People."

I'm proudly endorsed by Senator Shannon Grove, Amador Sheriff Gary Redman, El Dorado Republican Party, Placer Republican Party and more.

We all say we want someone to fight for us but what we really want is someone that will win for us. I will tenaciously pursue the win for you.

I am humbly asking for your vote.

Visit www.VoteTenessa.com to learn more or call me at (530) 255-4033

/s/ Tenessa Audette

Member of State Assembly, District 1

### **MARK MEZZANO**

Redding City Councilmember

Amador County deserves better. The leadership in Sacramento has let us down, leaving communities less secure, our economy weakened, and our future uncertain. Sacramento is broken. It's time for a change.

With a career dedicated to law enforcement, I've worked tirelessly to protect public safety in the North State. As a retired Sergeant from the California Highway Patrol, I understand the public safety challenges facing our state and I know how to fix them. Some of the work I am most proud of involved rooting out human traffickers and bringing them to justice. If elected, I would be one of just a select few former law enforcement officials serving in the legislature.

That is the same experience that has helped me effectively serve as a member of the Redding City Council and deliver results for our community— investing in public safety, boosting the economy, and addressing our toughest challenges. I have earned a reputation in Redding for solution-oriented leadership due to my steadfast efforts to solve homelessness in our community.

Now, I'm stepping up to represent you in the Assembly, bringing my leadership experience to Sacramento. I'll advocate for common-sense solutions that enhance safety, prosperity, and quality of life in the North State. I will defend law enforcement, oppose new taxes, and fight to lower the cost of living. I will always champion the overlooked communities in the North State and defend our values.

I would be honored to have your vote.

Visit www.MarkMezzano.com for more information.

/s/ Mark Mezzano

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Member of State Assembly, District 1

MELISSA HUNT

Anderson Council Member

I am a Shasta County native. I have a Master's degree in Education and am a former teacher. I was appointed then elected to the Anderson City Council and have served my city to see the whole dynamic of the city change into a welcoming place for businesses and families alike. We support and supply our police department with tools to keep our city a safe place to raise a family. I come with a proactive and common-sense approach to leadership.

I believe in God, protecting our 2nd Amendment rights, local control, a balanced budget, small government, public safety, forest management to remove fuels for wild fires, bringing back logging, supplying mental health facilities for our communities, closing our borders to stop the flow of fentanyl, opening back up our prisons, protecting babies in the womb, protecting our children in the classroom, parents' rights, protecting our water, building and protecting water storage, giving rural residents the power to protect their livestock from all predators, and most of all, Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

My service as an Assemblymember has nothing to do about me and everything to do with you and representing and working for you. I have been active in Sacramento through the League of California Cities as a city councilmember in order to be a Conservative voice for the Northstate and will continue to do so as your Assemblymember. I would be honored to have your vote and support!

Melissa Hunt 530-378-1782 VoteMelissaHunt.com

/s/ Melissa Hunt

Member of State Assembly, District 1 **HEATHER HADWICK** 

Farmer/Emergency Manager

I'm a farmer, emergency manager, teacher, wife, and mother who has seen how Sacramento has neglected and forgotten the people of our North State. It's time to change that. My priorities are:

Preventing catastrophic wildfires by improving forest management and fully funding firefighter response. I was Deputy Director of Modoc County's Office of Emergency Services and was responsible for evacuations, preparedness plans, and recovery efforts. I will work to make sure people can get fire insurance!

Increasing water storage to make sure farms and families get the water they need while protecting our watersheds.

Abolish soft-on-crime laws, hold criminals accountable for their actions, and discontinue Sanctuary City policies protecting criminal illegal immigrants.

Commit to making the cost of living more affordable by reducing taxes, ensuring affordable healthcare, protecting Prop 13, and creating a state where families can thrive again.

California is failing our kids. I will fight to keep political social agendas out of schools. I believe in parent choice and letting local school boards govern their districts. As a former school board President, teacher, and mom, I will stand up for what is right for our kids.

I am pro-life, will protect the Second Amendment, property rights, parental rights, and our quality of life.

I've been endorsed by California Professional Firefighters, State Senator Brian Dahle, and Assemblywoman Megan Dahle. I am dedicated to standing up for our district's well-being and values.

/s/ Heather Hadwick

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County Supervisor, District 2

### DAN EPPERSON

Pastor/Instructor/Chaplain

Proud lone resident and Pastor of King's View Church for 21 years, happily married 29 years with 4 children, Epperson is a certified Hunter Education Instructor and has taught in lone for 17 years. As a 20-year member of the lone Business Community Association (a dedicated group who continues to enhance what is good about lone), he was part of the team who built the dog park, organized the downtown light and sound project, and installed the historical plaques in downtown lone. Ione elected Epperson to three terms as councilman and was selected as the mayor of lone for an unprecedented five terms by the council. Epperson served on the Amador County Transportation Commission, Regional Transportation Mitigation Fund, Amador County Recreation Agency, the warden's committee at Mule Creek State Prison, the finance and budget committees, and several others.

Currently, Epperson serves as a Chaplain with the Amador County Sheriff's Office, Nexus Youth and Family Services board member, Ione Business Community Association board member, and coordinates the Sutter Amador Hospital Chaplains.

I will use my valuable experience to keep Amador County headed in the right direction and bring the accountability we deserve. I will continue to be a positive force to help us maintain the quality of life we all came here for. More information is available at www.depperson43.wixsite.com/danepperson4d2

/s/ Dan Epperson

County Supervisor, District 2

### **RUSSELL JOHNSTON PARKER**

Consultant/Small Farmer

My family and our dairy goats moved to District 2 in 2015 because we value Amador County's rural quality of life. We knew we chose the right place to set down roots when we saw everyone pull together during the Butte Fire. That can-do, generous spirit makes Amador special.

As supervisor I believe my life and work experience can help our county retain its special character while we move farther into the 21st century. We must honor our heritage while we create jobs that can support a family, fix our roads, and upgrade our public facilities and infrastructure. Above all we need to provide opportunities for every child who grows up here.

I grew up on a small farm in Monterey County then studied computer science and ran my own tech consulting business for almost 20 years. Success came from carefully listening to clients and working with them to find practical solutions to challenges.

I have never run for office but am stepping up because I see the need for fresh leadership. I love Amador County and want to put my problem-solving experience and perspective to work with you.

Please call me at 209-283-1438 to share your ideas. I respectfully ask for your vote.

/s/ Russell Johnston Parker

County Supervisor, District 2

### JACK MITCHELL

Publisher/Businessman/Firefighter

I've been Publisher of the Ledger Dispatch for the last 22 years. I lived in Pine Grove and Sutter Creek before moving to lone over a decade ago with my wife and three children. I've served on numerous boards and am a past president of Operation Care, the Amador County Chamber of Commerce, and Amador Secret Witness. I am a volunteer firefighter for the City of lone and currently serve as Vice Mayor for the City of lone. I also work with numerous philanthropies, business organizations, and I am a Paul Harris recipient through Rotary.

I have, what I consider, a diverse background that will serve you well as we tackle serious issues like our crumbling infrastructure, rural healthcare, fire insurance increases, and declining and disappearing services. We have to be fiscally responsible and make the most of the opportunities available. My business background, volunteerism and love for community is what makes me the ideal candidate.

I believe in the use of transparency, diplomacy, and ethical standards in our local government. I'm here to listen and serve and asking for your vote this March. I would be honored to be your representative for Amador County Board of Supervisors District 2.

/s/ Jack Mitchell

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County Supervisor, District 4 LOGAN J. CARNELL Small Business Owner

My career required me to drive every road in this county. I have met so many of you where you live. I found that we all want the same thing here at home despite what's happening in Washington DC: a beautiful, affordable, friendly and free Amador. All of us have a slightly different idea about how to accomplish these goals and I have come to believe that no idea is correct if it stands alone. Each of us must consider our neighbors'.

I have not spent my life entrenched in politics. I have studied politics extensively, though and I am quite certain the original intent of public office was not for it to be a career nor was it to render authority over people, but to represent them as one of them. I have spent my life listening to you, working alongside you, raising kids with you, being someone like you. We are Amador County.

My name is Logan Carnell, husband of Desiree, father of Mikel, son of John and Mary, child of Amador, family of many, friend of more, tender of the trees, business owner, international non-profit founder. I am running for District 4 Supervisor because I have heard you and will keep listening.

/s/ Logan J. Carnell

County Supervisor, District 4 **SUSAN M. PETERS**City Planner

With three decades of professional and elected municipal experience, I have the knowledge and commitment it will take to serve you as Amador County's District 4 Supervisor. I am your elected representative to the Amador Water Agency Board of Directors and I also serve on the Amador Fire Safe Council, the Sutter Creek Design Review Committee, and the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association. I provided planning services to the City of Jackson for 26 years and was the Interim City Manager for 9 months in 2016-2017. A Bachelor's degree from UC Santa Barbara and a Master's degree from UCLA provide the educational foundation that supports my work as a professional planner for multiple local agencies and allows me to understand and become well versed in complex state and federal legislation. As a longtime resident of Amador County (I'm an Amador High School graduate), mother of three and grandmother of two (so far), I've committed myself to serving and enhancing my community. My education and extensive professional and elected experience means I have a deep understanding of the unique needs of our community and the challenges we face as a result of our small size and limited political clout. VOTE PETERS, and allow me to represent Amador County's residents aggressively at the local, state and federal levels. www.peters4supervisor.com

/s/ Susan M. Peters

### **ACCESSIBLE VOTING**

### At the Vote Center

All Vote Centers are ADA Accessible with temporary thresholds or ramps, if needed.

### **Accessible Voting System**

Each Vote Center has at least three ballot marking devices that offer:

- An audio option that reads the ballot to you
- A handheld tactile device with a universal plug for a personal assistive device
- Large text size and high contrast viewing options

### Instructions for Voters Requesting an RAVBM Ballot

Voters who are disabled, or can't leave their home for a replacement ballot, can request a Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot (RAVBM). An RAVBM ballot link is emailed to the voter to download, print, fill out by pen, and mail back to our office to be counted. Voters can download and fill out the form from our website at Amador. Vote and return it as indicated on the application.

#### **Curbside Voting**

For any voter that cannot physically access a Vote Center, there is the option to vote "curbside". You can call the Elections Office or have a passenger or friend enter the Vote Center and give your information to our trained Elections staff to bring your ballot to you. You may sit in a car and vote, or vote at the door of the building. To schedule curbside voting call (209) 223-6465.

# MEASURE K CITY OF AMADOR CITY

For the sole purpose of transportation improvements in Amador City, and to qualify for funding from the California Department of Transportation's Local Partnership Formulaic Program, shall the measure adopting a quarter of a cent sales tax for a period of ten years be adopted in Amador City? **Supporters:** Anne Kel-Artinian; Susan Bragstad; David Groth **Opponents:** None submitted

Yes

No

# IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE K

Measure K is an initiative to adopt a ¼-cent sales tax increase for a period of ten years in Amador City. The City Council of Amador City on October 19, 2023, approved Resolution 621, which authorized this measure for inclusion on the March 5, 2024, ballot for the Presidential Primary Election. If approved by a majority of voters in Amador City, sales tax in Amador City will be increased from 7.75% to 8% and will be used for the sole purpose of transportation improvements.

Approving this sales tax will additionally allow Amador City to apply for a \$200,000 annual allocation from the California Transportation Commission's Local Partnership Formulaic Program as authorized by the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, (Senate Bill [SB] 1, Beall, Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) each year for ten years. If this measure passes, Amador City may submit project proposals to the California Transportation Commission to be considered for the Local Partnership Formulaic Program funding. Without these funds, Amador City is highly unlikely to address all of the road maintenance and repair projects identified in February 2023. At that time, the total cost of these repairs was estimated at \$3.252 million.

Accepting funds for approved projects also obligates Amador City to provide a 25% match, which may be funded through grants and/or Amador City's General Fund. Additionally, as the Local Partnership Local Partnership Program is a reimbursement program, Amador City will incur expenses before receiving funds from the program.

A "yes" vote means the voter is in favor of the measure. A "no" vote means the voter is not in favor of the measure.

/s/ Patrick Keene Amador City Attorney

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE K

Measure K offers an extraordinary opportunity for Amador City to improve the majority of its streets with a minimal cost to residents.

### The Problem

Prompted by concerns about deteriorating road conditions in the winter of 2023, our City Engineer identified \$3,252,300.00 in needed road repairs within the city limits, \$1,077,000.00 for Main Street (Old 49) and \$2,175,300.00 for all other roads. Residents may view these estimates at City Hall during regular business hours.

Historically, the City receives funding for road repairs from the State. In the 2023-2024 fiscal year, we were allocated \$14,800. At this pace, it would take nearly 220 years to have sufficient funds to complete these projects!

Additionally, Amador City is applying to ACTC (Amador County Transportation Commission) for a grant of \$1,077,000.00, which would allow us to complete our Main Street project. Even if we receive this grant, we will still need \$2,175,300.00 to complete work on all our other roads.

### The Solution

Measure K is much more than an increase in sales tax. Passing a sales tax dedicated to road improvements will not yield a lot of additional funds for our road projects on its own. But it does allow the City to apply for Local Partnership Formulaic Program funding from the California Transportation Commission.

Per this program, after the sales tax passes, the City can apply for a minimum of \$200,000 for roads projects every year for 10 years. This is where the real opportunity lies for Amador City. The math is simple: \$200,000 times 10 years, is \$2million. This gets us so much closer to the budget we need to repair and maintain our roads in Amador City.

Vote yes on Measure K and ensure that Amador City has the best maintained roads in the foothills.

/s/ Anne Kel-Artinian, Mayor, City of Amador City /s/ Susan Bragstad, Vice Mayor, City of Amador City /s/ David Groth, City Manager, City of Amador City

### ARGUMENT IN AGAINST OF MEASURE K

No argument against was filed.

# Are you an Independent Voter? Are you registered as a No Party Preference voter?

If you are registered with a political party: You can vote for a candidate running for President in that party only.

If you registered as a No Party Preference and want to vote in the Presidential Primary Election for one of the following political parties:

Democratic
American Independent
Libertarian

Republican
Green
Peace & Freedom

You can select the party ballot at a Vote Center. If you Vote by Mail, you were sent a postcard to select a party ballot. If you did not receive the postcard, you can request one by calling our office at (209) 223-6465 or visiting our website at Amador.Vote

You must re-register to vote with that party by February 20, 2024. Register to vote online at <a href="https://www.registertovote.ca.gov">www.registertovote.ca.gov</a>

Use QR Code to register to vote



In case the voter is unable to request and receive a partisan ballot in time to return it for an upcoming election, they may request a Remote Access Vote by Mail on our website at <a href="Amador.Vote">Amador.Vote</a>. You receive a link and instructions in order to cast your ballot.



Use QR Code to visit our website



### ATTENTION VOTERS

For the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election all of our Vote Centers will have Spanish facsimile ballots that voters can use as a reference when voting. To get a list of Vote Centers or to request to have a Spanish facsimile ballot sent to you before Election Day, please visit our website at <a href="mailto:Amador.Vote">Amador.Vote</a> or call our office at (209) 223-6465.

If you need assistance when voting, you may bring up to two people with you to a Vote Center, as long as they are not representatives of your employer or your union. Bring a family member or friend!

### LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

In addition to translated facsimile ballots in Spanish, every Vote Center in Amador County, as well as our Elections Office, is equipped with a device that provides language translation services via video in dozens of languages including Spanish and American Sign Language. Simply approach a Vote Center worker for access to this service. Additional information is available at Amador.Vote



# **ATENCIÓN VOTANTES**

Para las Elecciones Primaria Presidencial del 5 de marzo de 2024, todos nuestros Centros de Votación tendrán boletas facsímil en español que los votantes pueden usar como referencia al votar. Para obtener una lista de los Centros de Votación o para solicitar que se le envíe una boleta facsímil en español antes del día de las elecciones, visite nuestro sitio web en <u>Amador.Vote</u> o llame a nuestra oficina al (209) 223-6465.

Si necesita ayuda al votar, puede llevar hasta dos personas con usted a un Centro de Votación, siempre y cuando no sean representantes de su empleador o su sindicato. ¡Trae a un familiar o amigo!

# **ASISTENCIA CON EL IDIOMA**

Además de las boletas de facsímil en español, todos los Centros de Votación en el condado de Amador, así como nuestra oficina de elecciones, están equipados con un dispositivo que brinda servicios de traducción de idiomas a través de video en docenas de idiomas, incluido el español y el lenguaje de señas estadounidense. Simplemente acérquese a un trabajador del Centro de Votación para acceder a este servicio. Información adicional está disponible en <u>Amador.Vote</u>

# **Amador County Vote Centers**

# 29 days before the Election

EC §4005(a)(4)(A)

# **Starting February 5, 2024:**

Regular Hours: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday – Friday

# **Amador County Elections Office**

810 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642

# 10 days before the Election

EC §4005(a)(4)(A)

# Starting February 24, 2024:

10:00 am to 6:00 pm - Everyday 7:00 am to 8:00 pm on Election Day

# **County Administration Center**

810 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642

# City of Ione Fire Station No.2

600 Preston Ave Ione, CA 95640

\*\*ADA Parking in the back of the building

# 3 days before the Election

EC §4005(a)(3)(A)

# Starting March 2, 2024:

10:00 am to 6:00 pm - Everyday 7:00 am to 8:00 pm on Election Day

# **Pioneer Community Veterans Hall**

25100 Buckhorn Ridge Road \*\*ADA Parking in the lower lot Pioneer, CA 95666





# **Amador County Official Ballot Drop Boxes**

# 28 days before the Election

EC §4005(a)(1)(B)

# Starting February 6, 2024:

Accessible 24 hours Daily

Closes at 8:00 pm on Election Day

# **Amador County Administrative Center**

810 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642 Outside in rear parking lot



EC §4005(a)(10)(I)(vi)(IV) EC §4005(a)(10)(I)(vi)(VII)

# Starting February 6, 2024:

# Ione Plaza Market (Inside store)

313 Preston Avenue Ione, CA 95640

7:00 am to 8:00 pm Daily

Closes at 8:00 pm on Election Day

# **Pokerville Market (Inside store)**

18170 State Hwy 49 Plymouth, CA 95669

8:00 am to 8:00 pm Monday – Saturday

9:00 am to 7:00 pm Sunday

Closes at 7:00 pm on Election Day

# Pine Grove Market (Inside store)

19394 State Hwy 88 Pine Grove, CA 95665

24 hours Daily

Closes at 8:00 pm on Election Day

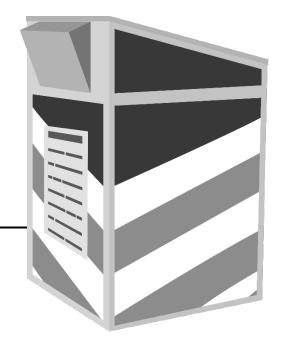
# Young's Payless Market IGA (Inside store)

26560 State Hwy 88 Pioneer, CA 95666

7:00 am to 9:00 pm Daily

Closes at 7:00 pm on Election Day

Reminder you can track your ballot at wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov



# Would you like to help your community?

Earn extra money by providing voting assistance!

Please complete the online application on our website <u>Amador.Vote</u> or contact us right away! Bilingual language abilities are needed in Spanish. If you have a friend or family member who is interested, please have them contact our office.



Time Frame – Amador County adopted the Voter's Choice Act in 2020, which means voting locations are now open for 10 days prior to Election Day. Elections code also requires a mandatory training prior to each election. Accepting this position would require you to make a commitment to work for 12-14 days each election. Our goal is to have staff stay on payroll in between elections with no hours assigned until the next election. The hiring process is lengthy to implement prior to each election.

Hours – Training will be prior to the Vote Centers opening. This will be on a Saturday for approximately 2-4 hours. Vote Center hours prior to Election Day can be up to 9 hours each day (Election code requires the Vote Centers to be open for 8 hours each day). Vote Center hours on Election Day can be up to a 16 hour day (Election code requires the Vote Centers to be open on Election Day for 14 hours). Our office is sensitive to time off requests as long as they do not affect the business needs of the department.

Duties – An Elections Support Worker can be used in three different ways, under the same title and rate of pay.

- 1. Vote Center Manager: Leads facility operations each day. Opens and closes the polls each day. Perform all duties of an Elections Support Worker. You will be required to bring in ballots and other materials to County Administration Center each night of voting. You will need to choose one worker to ride with you back to deliver the items. Your vehicle will need enough room to accommodate the passenger and items. Mileage reimbursement will be provided to the Vote Center Managers in addition to their hourly rate.
- Elections Support Worker (Vote Center): To assist and perform duties to allow the in-person voting process. Including but not limited to: Issuing ballots, vote by mail drop-offs, assisting voter with specific needs and conditional (same day registration) voting process.
- 3. Elections Support Worker (Office): To assist in the ballot verification, extraction and tabulation of vote by mail ballots. Including but not limited to: Signature verification, sending notifications, ballot extraction, ballot review and reconciliation (ballot duplication) board.

Amador County Election's Office will assign each Elections Support Worker one of these assignments. Our office will consider preferences but does not guarantee those assignments. Hours assigned will vary and are not guaranteed. We also cannot guarantee the same assignment each day or each election. Although this is rare, assignment and location can change in order to meet the needs of the department.

Goals – Vote Center Workers should help every registered voter cast a ballot and ensure each ballot is safely secured until it can be counted. This requires the worker to provide a positive voting experience and ensure the rights of everyone seeking to vote are protected. Workers should be trained to approach their task with a customer service mentality to make each voter's experience as positive as possible. To fulfill that role, workers should be familiar with the rights of voters, be trained in cultural and gender sensitivity, know how and when to assist voters with disabilities, know how and when to assist voters with specific needs, and know their responsibilities and the limits to their authority. These four areas are components that should be integrated in the overall requirement to ensure the rights of voters are protected, respected, and valued.

Our recruitment will be open late Summer 2024 for the General Election!

# **Voting & Language Accessibility Advisory Committee**

Amador County Voter Elections Department has established a Voting & Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (VLAAC) to make recommendations for improving access to voting and election materials. The VLAAC, is designed to advise and assist in ensuring all voters in Amador County can vote independently and privately. The committee is also designed to assist and advise county elections officials on existing programs to reach voters with limited-English proficiency.

### **Committee Goals:**

- Assisting and advising county elections officials on existing programs to reach people with disabilities, and also
  providing advice on whether to create new programs
- Advising county elections officials on where to set up voting equipment and how to recognize barriers to participation for senior voters and voters with disabilities
- Assisting county elections officials in surveying polling places for compliance with state and federal accessibility
  guidelines. Evaluating an inaccessible polling place or voting area to determine if with the use of temporary
  modifying equipment or measures it can be modified to permit use by senior voters and voters with disabilities
- Assisting and advising county elections officials in training Election Officers (Vote Center workers) to assist senior voters and voters with disabilities
- Assisting in the recruitment of Election Officers (Vote Center workers) with disabilities or who are seniors
- Assisting county elections officials to enhance website accessibility, including establishing a county website
  accessibility statement
- Assisting county elections officials with implementing the Voter's Choice Act and advising on outreach and education opportunities
- Assisting county election officials on the creation and distribution of election materials to help educate voters with
  disabilities on services available such as the use of accessible ballot marking device, remote accessible vote by
  mail, voting assistance available at the vote center, curbside voting, and overall education on elections process
- Assisting in the recruitment and staffing of bilingual Election Officers
- Assisting in providing feedback on election and voter education materials
- Assisting in ideas to enhance website usability
- Assisting in providing expertise on language accessibility issues
- Assisting in promoting language accessibility initiatives
- Assisting in responding to the County's questions regarding language accessibility issues



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