

County of Tuolumne Voter Information Guide

Gubernatorial Recall Election September 14, 2021



Vote Center and Ballot Drop-off locations inside

If you are looking for a place to drop off your ballot





www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

Visit us for voter and election information



Ballot Drop-off Locations

All voters can drop-off their vote-by-mail ballot at any ballot drop-off location.

Ballot drop-off location boxes will be open on August 16^{th} , and close at 8pm Election Day, September 14^{th} .

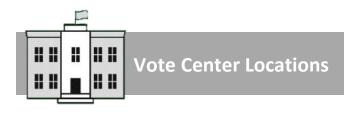
Ballot Drop-off Locations					
Name	Address	Opening Day	Hours		
Tuolumne County Elections Department	2 South Green Street Sonora, CA 95370	August 16 th	Weekdays, 8 am – 5 pm		
Sonora Library	480 Greenley Rd Sonora, CA 95370	August 16 th	24 hours		
Junction Shopping Center	13775 Mono Way Sonora, CA 95370	August 16 th	24 hours		
Mi-Wuk Library/MAHA	24411 Sierra Park Rd Mi-Wuk Village, CA 95346	August 16 th	24 hours		
Columbia Elementary	22540 Parrotts Ferry Rd Columbia, CA 95310	August 16 th	24 hours		
Groveland Library	18990 Main St, Groveland, CA 95321	August 16 th	24 hours		
*Twain Harte Market	18711 Tiffeni Dr. Twain Harte, CA 95383	August 16 th	24 hours		
Willow Springs Clubhouse	20522 Willow Springs Dr. Soulsbyville, CA 95372	August 16 th	24 hours		
Rocca Park, Jamestown	18218 Main St. Jamestown, CA 95327	August 16 th	24 hours		

^{*}This has changed since the November 2020 Election.

What is a ballot drop-off location?

Our ballot drop-off locations are secure, locked boxes located at various locations throughout the county. The ballots are picked up regularly and transported directly to our central office.





All voters can vote in person at a Vote Center. All voters can drop off their vote-by-mail ballot at any vote center or ballot drop-off location.

All vote centers will be open 7 am to 8 pm Election Day, September 14th.

Voter Centers				
Name	Address	Opening Day	Hours	
Tuolumne County Elections Department	2 South Green Street Sonora, CA 95370	Weekdays starting August 16 th	8 am – 5 pm	
		Weekend, September 4 th , 5 th , 6 th , 11 th , & 12 th	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	
*Tuolumne Memorial Hall	18375 Fir Dr. Tuolumne, Ca 95383	September 7 th	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	
*Jamestown Community Hall	18250 Main Street Jamestown, Ca 95327	September 11 th	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	
Groveland Library	18990 Hwy 120 Groveland, Ca 95321	September 11 th	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	
Twain Harte Bible Church	18995 Twain Harte Drive Twain Harte, CA 95383	September 11 th	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	

*NEW LOCATION

Vote Centers during COVID-19

The Tuolumne County Elections Department will be taking measures to ensure both voters and workers safety at the vote centers this coming election.

- Any individual who enters a vote center without a face covering is self-attesting they are fully vaccinated.
- Barriers will be placed at key areas when communicating with vote center workers.
- Equipment and surfaces will be cleaned regularly.

The ballot mailed to you is identical to the one received in the vote center. We recommend you vote this ballot from the safety of your home. You may return a vote-by-mail ballot by mail, at any drop-off location, or by hand at any vote center.



Estimated Costs to Administer the California Gubernatorial Recall Election

Pursuant to Elections Code section 11108(d), the Department of Finance, in consultation with the Secretary of State and county elections officials, has estimated the costs to administer the recall election of Governor Gavin Newsom to be \$276 million.

For more information relating to the costs of the recall election, please see the Secretary of State's website at: https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/recalls/dept-finance-letter.pdf



Proponents' Statement of Reasons

TO THE HONORABLE GAVIN NEWSOM: Pursuant to section 11020, California Elections Code, the undersigned registered qualified voters of the State of California, hereby give notice, we are the proponents of a recall petition and we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of Governor in the State of California and to demand election of a successor in that office.

The grounds for this recall are as Follows: Governor Newsom has implemented laws which are detrimental to the citizens of this state and our way of life. Laws he endorsed favor foreign nationals, in our country illegally, over that of our own citizens. People in this state suffer the highest taxes in the nation, the highest homelessness rates, and the lowest quality of life as a result. He has imposed sanctuary state status and fails to enforce immigration laws. He unilaterally over-ruled the will of the people regarding the death penalty. He seeks to impose additional burdens on our state by the following; removing the protections of Proposition 13, rationing our water use, increasing taxes and restricting parental rights. Having no other recourse, we the people have come together to take this action, remedy these misdeeds and prevent further injustices.



Governor's Answer to the Statement

WARNING: THIS UNWARRANTED RECALL EFFORT WILL COST CALIFORNIA TAXPAYERS 81 MILLION DOLLARS! IT IS BEING PUSHED BY POLITICAL EXTREMISTS SUPPORTING PRESIDENT TRUMP'S HATEFUL ATTACKS ON CALIFORNIA.

In 2018 California voters elected Governor Gavin Newsom by historic margins.

As Governor, Newsom is working to 1) increase funding for public education, 2) protect and secure Californians' health and health care, 3) improve water, roads, and bridges, 4) address the challenges of housing affordability and homelessness, and 5) prepare for the threats of wildfires.

Our budget is balanced. Our fiscal reserves are unprecedented. Our economy and employment are historically strong.

Yet a handful of partisan activists supporting President Trump and his dangerous agenda to divide America are trying to overturn the definitive will of California voters and bring Washington's broken government to California with this recall effort.

The last thing California needs is another wasteful special election, supported by those who demonize California's people and attack California's values.

Do not be fooled - California's police officers, firefighters, first responders, public school teachers, health providers, and business leaders all STRONGLY OPPOSE this costly recall.

DO NOT HAND OVER YOUR SIGNATURE, YOUR SUPPORT OR YOUR PERSONAL, PRIVATE INFORMATION TO THIS DESTRUCTIVE RECALL SCHEME.

Party Endorsement

In accordance with Section 13302(b) of the California Elections Code, the following qualified political parties have endorsed the following candidates for a voter nominated office:

Office	Libertarian	American Independent
Governor	Jeff Hewitt	Larry Elder

The Republican, Democratic, Peace and Freedom, and Green parties did not submit an endorsement for candidates for this Gubernatorial Recall Election.

3 ways to vote

Vote by mail

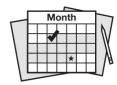


Request a vote-by-mail ballot by Tuesday, September 7th.

Return it by mail, drop it off at a ballot drop-off location, or deliver it to any vote center. See the "Vote Center Locations" and "Ballot-Drop Off Locations" pages for addresses and times open.

If hand delivered, vote-by-mail ballots must be received at a vote center or ballot drop-off location by Election Day, 8pm. If mailed, it must be postmarked by Election Day, and received within 7 days.

Vote at our office



You may vote a vote-by-mail ballot early, and in person, at our office.

Monday – Friday, starting Monday, August 16th, 8am – 5pm.

Saturday – Monday, September 4th – 6th , 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Saturday and Sunday, September 11th and 12th, 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Election Day, September 14th, 7am to 8pm



Tuolumne County Elections Department 2 South Green Street Sonora, CA 95370

Vote at a vote center



To find a vote center:

See the "Vote Center Locations" page

www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

(209) 533-5570

How to vote a ballot

Use a blue or black pen to mark the bubble to the left of your choice. Do not use pencil. Important! Fill in the bubble completely. Do not make other marks on your ballot.



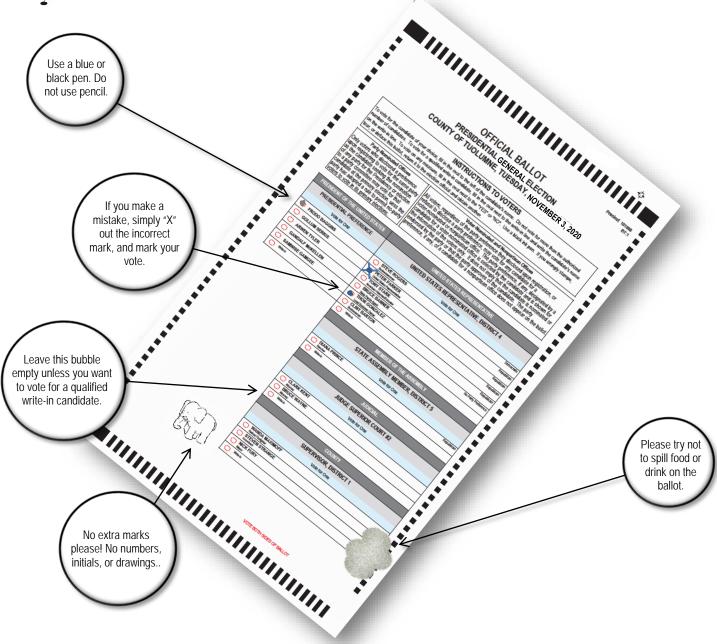
Candidate: Fill in the bubble to the left of the candidate's name.



Write-in candidate: Fill in the bubble to the left of the line and write the person's name. Important! If a candidate's name is already on the ballot, do not write it in.



Measure: Fill in the bubble to the left of Yes or No.





Accessibility

We work very hard to make voting accessible for all voters. This may include temporarily modifying a vote center to be accessible for individuals with specific needs, providing materials to support voting, and issuing a remote accessible vote-by-mail ballot upon request.

Is the vote center accessible?

If a vote center is not accessible, but you would like to vote at an accessible location, contact our office at (209) 533-5570 for options.

What type of support is available?

Every vote center has:

- A wheelchair accessible voting booth
- Magnifiers
- Pens with easy-hold grips
- An accessible voting device to help mark your ballot independently and privately
- "Curbside voting": If you are unable to easily enter a vote center, a worker can bring your voting material to you

How do I find a vote center?

A list of voter centers is in this booklet

www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

(209) 533-5570

Disability Rights of California Hotline

1-888-569-7955

1-800-719-5798

California Relay: 711



How to get a vote-by-mail ballot

As a registered voter, you were automatically mailed a ballot.

If you would like to apply to have a vote-by-mail ballot re-issued, the last day to have one mailed is **Tuesday, September 7**th. Otherwise you may go to a vote center.

(209) 533-5570

面 In person: 2 S Green St, Sonora, Ca

How to vote a vote-by-mail ballot

Vote your ballot

Place your ballot in the envelope

Sign the back of the envelope

How to return a vote-by-mail ballot

Return your vote-by-mail ballot:

By mail: 2 S Green St, Sonora, Ca 95370

By hand at our office, any vote center, or any drop-off location.

If hand delivered, vote-by-mail ballots must be received at our office, any vote center, or dropoff location by Election Day **Tuesday**, **September 14**, **2021**, 8pm. If mailed, it must be postmarked by Election Day, and received by September 21, 2021.



How to vote in person at a vote center

How to find a vote center

Voter Center days open and hours may vary.

All are open on Election Day Tuesday, September 14th, from 7am to 8pm

To find a vote center:

A list of vote centers and hours can be found in this guide

www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

(209) 533-5570

At the vote center

All voters can vote at a vote center.

Anyone is welcome to use the accessible voting device located at every vote center. This will help mark your ballot independently and privately.

Spanish-language ballots are available at every vote center.

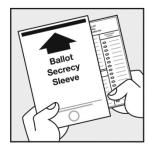
In the vote center, you will:



1. Sign the roster



2. Mark your ballot



3. Place ballot in a secrecy sleeve



4. Take ballot to the ballot box



Cómo votar en su lugar de votación

Cómo encontrar su lugar de votación

Los días y los horarios del Centro de votantes pueden variar.

Todos están abiertos el día de las elecciones, 7am a 8pm, martes 14 de septiembre.

Para encontrar un centro de votación:

Una lista de centros de votación también se puede encontrar en esta guía

www.co.tuolumne.ca.us/elections

(209) 533-5570

En mi lugar de votación

Todos los votantes pueden votar en un Centro de votación.

Cualquiera puede usar la maquina de votación accesible ubicado en cada lugar de votación. Esto ayudará a marcar su boleta de forma de votar independiente y privada.

Hay boletas en el idioma español disponibles en cada sitio de votación

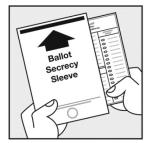
En el Centro de votación, lo hará:



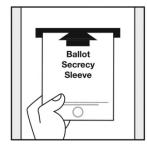
1. Firme la lista oficial



2. Vote su boleta



3. Meter la boleta en un sobre confidencial



4. Deposite su boleta en la urna electoral



What if I am unable to mark my ballot?

If you are unable to mark your ballot you may bring up to two people to the vote center to assist you in voting.

You will sign an oath declaring that you require their assistance.

The people you choose to help you can't be your employer, an agent of your employer or if you belong to a union, it can't be an officer or agent of your union.



¿Qué ocurre si no puedo marcar mi boleta?

Si no puede marcar su boleta puede llevar hasta dos personas al centro de votación para ayudarlo a votar.

Firmará un juramento declarando que necesita su ayuda.

Las personas que elija para ayudarlo no pueden ser su empleador, un agente de su empleador o si usted pertenece a un sindicato, no puede ser un funcionario ni agente de su sindicato.





Avoid problems with your vote-by-mail ballot

Have your vote counted. At times, we are unable to accept a vote-by-mail ballot for easily avoidable legal reasons.

Sign the envelope



There must be a signature on the vote-by-mail ballot envelope for it to be counted.

All signatures are compared to the voter's signature on file before accepting.

Sign the correct envelope



If you have more than one voter in the home, you might sign the wrong envelope. Check the name before signing.

Have the person sign before returning your ballot



Any person returning your ballot must complete the declaration on the back of the envelope. They must also say how they know you. Ex. Spouse, Friend, etc.

Return your ballot by the deadline



If mailed, it must be postmarked by Election Day, **Tuesday, September 14**th, and received by September 21, 2021. Mail early.



If hand delivered, it must be received at our office, any vote center, or drop-off location by Election Day, **Tuesday, September 14**th, 8pm.



What is a conditional ballot?

A "conditional ballot" is used when a person is a new voter in Tuolumne County, or their name cannot be located on the roster.

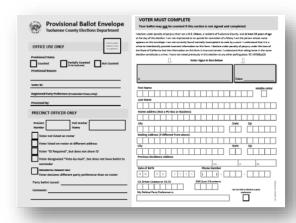
The ballot will be counted after the Election Department has verified the information.

Common reasons you may be asked to vote a conditional ballot

- You are not registered already
- You're name cannot be located on the roster

4 Simple steps to vote a conditional or provisional ballot

- 1. Sign and complete the right portion of the conditional envelope.
- 2. The worker will issue the ballot to you.
- 3. After voting, insert the ballot inside the envelope and seal.
- 4. Return the envelope to the worker.



VOTER BILL of RIGHTS





YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS



- The right to vote if you are a registered voter. You are eligible to vote if you are:
 - ★ a U.S. citizen living in California
 - * at least 18 years old
 - registered where you currently live
- ★ Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- 2. The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.

You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.

- 3. The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.
- 4. **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5. **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:

Ask an elections official at a polling place for a new ballot, Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or

Vote using a provisional ballot.

- 6. **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7. The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place in California.
- 8. **The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9. The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

SPECIAL NOTICE

- Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the day indicated in the posted county Voter Information Guide.
- Specific instructions on how to vote, including how to cast a provisional ballot, can be obtained from a poll worker or by reading the information mailed to you by your local elections official.
- If you are a newly registered voter, you may be asked to provide appropriate identification or other documentation according to federal law. But please note that every individual has the right to cast a provisional ballot even if he or she does not provide the documentation.
- It is against the law to represent yourself as being eligible to vote unless you meet all of the requirements to vote under federal and state law.
- It is against the law to tamper with voting equipment.

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).



On the web at **www.sos.ca.gov**



By phone at **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)**



By email at elections@sos.ca.gov



The California Secretary of State is now offering voters a new way to track and receive notifications on the status of their vote-by-mail ballot. Where's My Ballot? lets voters know where their ballot is, and its status, every step of the way.

Sign-up at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov to receive automatic email, SMS (text), or voice call notifications about your ballot.

Tracking your ballot

—when it is mailed, received, and counted—
has never been easier.

WHERESMYBALLOT.SOS.CA.GOV

