



REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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NEWS RELEASE

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Register to vote until midnight Tuesday as part of National Voter Registration Day

The Registrar of Voters office in Riverside will be open Tuesday (Sept. 23) until midnight to accept voter registration forms in recognition of National Voter Registration Day.

Join the Riverside County Registrar of Voters and the California Secretary of State in spreading the word about California Voter Registration Week, beginning Monday (Sept. 21). Registrar of Voters Rebecca Spencer and Secretary of State Debra Bowen are encouraging all businesses, nonprofit organizations, community groups and every other Californian to promote voter registration during this specially designated week. California Voter Registration Week includes National Voter Registration Day on Tuesday (Sept. 23). Started in 2012 for the presidential election, National Voter Registration Day is meant to create an annual focus on registering Americans to exercise their most basic right – the right to vote.

Out of 1.3 million eligible voters in Riverside County, roughly 63 percent are registered to vote. This percentage ranked 48th out of California's 58 counties. A more alarming number is the Election Day turnout. Only 22 percent of registered voters participated in the June election, which amounts to less than 200,000 registered voters. Registrar of Voters Rebecca Spencer encourages every eligible Riverside County resident to register to vote and participate in the election on Nov. 4.

Registering to vote is easy! Register to vote online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov. Paper applications are available at the Riverside County Registrar of Voters' office, Department of Motor Vehicles offices, post offices and public libraries.

The registrar's office, 2724 Gateway Drive in Riverside, will be open from 8 a.m. Tuesday (Sept. 23) until midnight to accept registration forms in recognition of National Voter Registration Day. California residents may register to vote if they are U.S. citizens, at least 18 years old by Election Day, not adjudicated as mentally incompetent and not precluded because of certain criminal convictions. A person must re-register to vote after moving, changing names or changing political party preference.

Call the registrar's office at (951) 486-7200 if you have any questions about your eligibility to vote.