

ADVOCACY ALERT: WHAT'S YOUR VOTE PLAN? NEW YORK'S PRIMARY ELECTION IS JUNE 25

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On Tuesday, June 25, New Yorkers across the city and state will vote in the Primary Election. If you are registered to vote with a political party, you can decide who your party's nominee will be in November's general election.

What's your vote plan?

Check your voter registration status. The last day to register to vote is Saturday, June 15.

If you are registered to vote, there are three ways to vote in New York City.

- 1. Early voting takes place June 15-23. Your early voting poll site and hours may differ. Find your early voting site and hours.
- 2. You can vote by mail. The last day to request a ballot by mail is June 15. You must postmark your ballot or drop it off in-person at your poll site by June 24.
- 3. Vote on Election Day, June 25. Polls are open from 6:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m. Find your poll site.

What's on your ballot?

What's on your ballot will depend on where you live and which political party you belong to. Some of the offices New Yorkers will vote for this June are:

- Congressional representatives
- State Assembly representatives
- State Senators

Check what's on your ballot.

Why does this matter?

Voting gives you the opportunity to influence the decisions that shape your daily life. Local elected officials make policy about housing, healthcare, education, and more. Just this year, New York state legislators made policy decisions that impact arts education as well as arts and culture funding. In New York City, primary elections have an outsized impact, as they are often more competitive than the general elections. By voting, you are joining your neighbors, friends, and colleagues in shaping what New York, and what New York City dance, can be.



Additional Resources

For Individuals

- If you encounter any problems while voting, please call the Election Protection Hotline at 1-866-OUR-VOTE
 - For Spanish, call 888-VE-Y-VOTA.
 - For Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Vietnamese, Bengali, Urdu, Hindu, and Tagalog, call 888-API-VOTE.
 - For Arabic, call 844-YALLA-US.
- "I am an Immigrant New Yorker. Can I vote?" If you're an Immigrant New Yorker, you may be able to vote contingent that you:
 - Became a U.S. citizen through naturalization
 - Became a U.S. citizen through your U.S. citizen parents
 - Are a U.S. citizen born in Puerto Rico or other U.S. territories;
 - Are at least 18 years old by the end of this year.
 - Are a resident of New York for at least 30 days before Election Day.

Review this comprehensive guide on the requirements to vote in New York

• Inclusive democracy ensures that everyone—including unhoused individuals and formerly incarcerated people—has the right to vote. People

on parole or probation can register and vote as well.

- Check out Nonprofit Vote's guide on voting and homelessness
- Review voting rights for people with a felony conviction
- All polling sites <u>must be ADA compliant</u> with access to a Ballot Marking Device for Blind, visually impaired, and disabled voters, as well as a tabulator. Every location must also have a certified inspector who can assist with using a Ballot Marking Device.
- Explore more <u>frequently asked questions</u> on voting in NYC.

For Organizations

- Nonprofit VOTE's webinar, "<u>Getting a Head Start: Planning Your Voter Outreach for 2024</u>" can help you incorporate voter engagement into your 2024 advocacy plan. Check it out to access <u>best practice tools and templates</u>
- If you are a 501(c)(3), staying nonpartisan during any election is important to the integrity of your organization. According to the IRS, 501(c) (3) organizations are permitted to conduct certain voter education and engagement activities if they are carried out in a non-partisan manner. This includes hosting public forums, publishing voter education guides, and encouraging people to participate in the electoral process through voter registration and get-out-the-vote drives. Check out Nonprofit VOTE's comprehensive presentation on how to stay nonpartisan.
- Enact COVID-19 safety measures for your in-person voter registration event. Review National Voter Registration Day's <u>complete guide</u> on how to make your in-person and public voter registration drives as safe as possible.

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