# Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition:

August 9<sup>th</sup> Primary Election Webinar

June 29, 2022





# About the Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition

- ▶ We are a non-partisan effort to help ensure full participation in the entire electoral process of voters with disabilities, including registering to vote, casting a vote, and accessing polling places.
- ► The Coalition is coordinated by Disability Rights Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities. Members include people with disabilities, community agencies, and other partners.

# The Disability Vote

- ▶ Approximately 23% of the electorate in the November 2020 election were individuals with some type of disability, according to AAPD.
- ► This is a diverse group of voters: people with sensory disabilities, intellectual and developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, mental health disabilities, complex medical needs, and chronic health conditions.
- Many older adults have disabilities acquired through aging, although they may not formally identify as a person with a disability.
- ▶ People with disabilities are underrepresented at the polls. If people with disabilities voted at the same rate as people without disabilities, there would 2.35 million more voters.

### 2022 Elections: A Look Ahead

- Partisan Primary: August 9th, 2022
  - Deadline to register online or by mail: July 20
  - Deadline to register in person at your clerk's office: August 5
  - Register at your polling place: August 9

A partisan primary means you can only vote in **one party**. You must choose a political party and you can only vote for candidates in that party. You do not need to be a member of that party.

- General Election: November 8th, 2022
  - Deadline to register online or by mail: October 19
  - Deadline to register in person at your clerk's office: November 4
  - Register at your polling place: November 8

### 2022 Offices

- Governor
- Lieutenant Governor
- Attorney General
- State Treasurer
- Secretary of State
- State Senators (odd-numbered districts)
- ► All State Representatives
- ▶ 1 U.S. Senator
- ► All Congressional Representatives

# **Voter Eligibility**

#### You are eligible to vote if:

- You are a U.S. Citizen
- You will be at least 18 years old on or before Election Day
- You have resided in WI for 28 days prior to the election
- You are not currently serving a sentence including incarceration, parole, probation, or extended supervision for a felony conviction, also known as being "on paper."
- You have not been determined by a court to be ineligible to vote (for example: through a guardianship decision)



# Who Needs to Register?

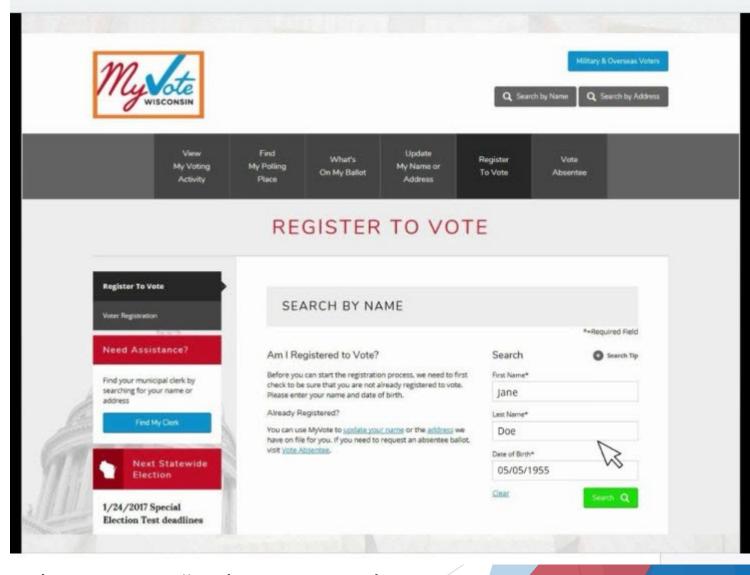


- First time voters
- If you've moved
- If you've changed your name
- If you haven't voted in over 4 years

# How can I check Voter Registration Status?

With the person's permission:

- ▶ Go to myvote.wi.gov
- Click "Register to Vote"
- Enter first name, last name, date of birth
- Click the green "Search" button



If the voter is registered, you will be given the option to "update name and address". If an update is needed, click the button and follow the directions on the screen to update either or both.

# 5 Ways to Register to Vote

- ► Online at myvote.wi.gov/ Requires Photo ID. Up to 20 days before the election.
- ▶ <u>Mail.</u> Up to 20 days before Election Day. Mail completed form to your municipal clerk.
- ► <u>In person</u>, at the municipal clerk's office through the Friday before the election. Must provide proof of residence.
- ▶ At your <u>polling place</u> on Election Day. Must provide proof of residence and photo ID.
- ► For voters who live in a care facility, they may be able to register to vote with a Special Voting Deputy who is also appointed as an Election Registration Official.



# What do I need to register?

#### Online:

WI Drivers License or WI ID Card

#### Paper Form:

- An acceptable proof of residence document
- ➤ Your WI DL/ID # or the last 4 digits of your social security # if you don't have a WI ID

### What can I use for Proof of Residence?

You must provide a Proof of Residence Document when registering to vote in Wisconsin.

Must include your name and current residential address. Can be paper or electronic.

- Examples
  - current and valid state of Wisconsin Driver License or State ID card
  - current utility bill
  - lease
  - paycheck or paystub
  - Intake document from group home, nursing home, assisted living facility.
  - University ID card or other official document w/voter name & current address
- List of acceptable documents at: myvote.wi.gov/en-us/ProofofResidence

# Acceptable Proof of Residence





















# **Application - Page 1**

#### **Wisconsin Voter Registration Application**

Please complete legibly
Additional instructions on reverse

Please return your completed form to your municipal clerk

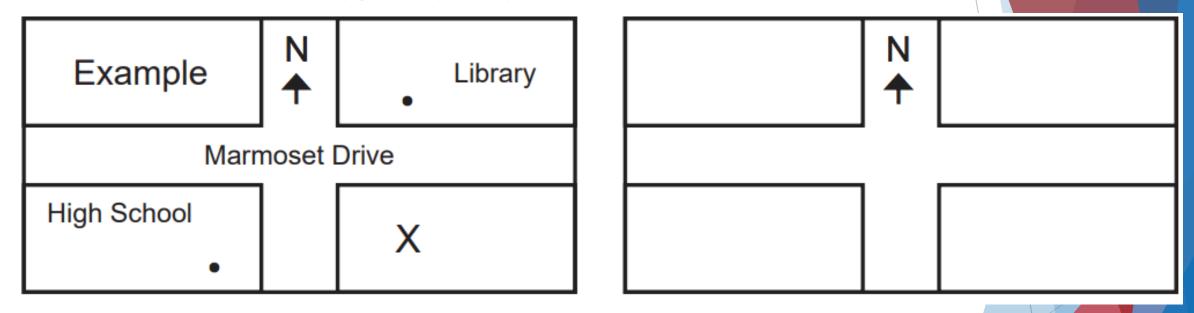
		If you cannot check <b>every</b> box, do <b>!</b>	NOT complete this form		
Qualifications	4	Are a citizen of the United State	•	Will be at least 18 years old on or before Election Day	
please check each box if <b>YOU</b> :	1	10 consecutive days prior to the election and do not inc		Are not currently serving a sentence including incarceration, parole, probation, or extended supervision for a felony conviction	
Your Name	2	Last		Suffix (Jr., II, etc.)	
		First		Middle	
About You  phone number and email are optional	3	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)		)	
The Address Where You Live		Street Address		Apt/Room #	
your residential voting address, which cannot be a P.O. Box	4	City/Town/Village of		<u>WI</u> Zip	
if you do not have a street address, please use the map on the back of this form		Mailing Municipality (if different)	Are you military or perma		
Your Mailing		Street Address (or P.O. Box)			
Address if different from above	5	City/State/Country/Zip			

# **Application – Page 2**

Prior Registration Information complete this field if you are updating your registration due to a change in name or address	6	Full Name on Previous Registration  Full Address on Previous Registration (if known)	
Identification (check the box that applies to you)		I have an unexpired and valid WI Driver License or WI DOT issued ID.	
WI Driver License or ID number required if unexpired and valid. SSN required if DL/ID not valid or	7	I do not have a valid WI Driver License or WI DOT issued ID  Provide the last four digits of your Social Security	Expiration Date // /
never issued		I have neither a valid WI Driver License/ID nor a Social Security Number	er (see back for more information and next steps)
Proof of Residence military and permanent overseas voters are not required to provide proof of residence	8	Voters must provide a proof of residence document when registering to are providing a copy of a valid form of proof of residence with this applic Examples include: a copy of a valid and unexpired Wisconsin Driver License or correspondence from a unit of government (see back of application for additional contents).	or ID Card, a utility bill, a paycheck/pay stub,
Signature and Certification	9	By signing below, I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, I am a q residential address for at least 10 consecutive days immediately preceding the and I have not voted in this election. I also certify that I am not otherwise distins form are true and correct. If I have provided false information, I may be selected laws  X  Voter Signature	nis election, that I have no present intent to move, qualified from voting and that all statements on
	F	Falsification of information on this form is punishable under Wisconsin law as a Cla	ass I felony
Assistant if someone assisted you by signing this form, they must complete this section	10	XAssistant SignatureAssista	ant Address

### **Application – Page 2 Continued**

For those who are houseless or without an address, there is a diagram on the voter registration application that can be used to show where they typically stay, in order to be able to vote.



Space for accommodations and interest in serving as a poll worker.

signed the form at your request.	
Do you need any accommodations at your polling place (e.g., curbside voting)? If so, please describe:	Please indicate if you are interested in being a poll worker

# Registering to Vote Online

My Voter Info

Find What's My Polling On My Ballot On My Ballot Address

Update Register Vote
My Name or To Vote Absentee



#### **NEXT STATEWIDE ELECTION**

#### 2020 Partisan Primary

Tuesday, August 11, 2020









Register To Vote

# www.myvote.wi.gov

# Registering Online

- If your search says "You are not registered to vote"
- Begin by clicking the red "Register to Vote button and follow the online instructions.

#### REGISTER TO VOTE

SEARCH BY NAME		
		*=Required Field
Sorry, we can't seem to find your record.	Search	Search Ti
We did not find any registered voter in the system that matches	First Name*	
the information you entered. Would you like to register to vote?	Jane	
Register to Vote	Last Name*	
If you're certain you're registered, try the following tips:	Doe	
Variations of your first name, or the name printed on your driver's license	Date of Birth*	
Remove spaces or special characters like commas and hyphens.	01/01/2000	
If you've been registered for a long time, try 01/01/1900 as	Clear	Search Q

Military Voters

your birthdate (Some voter registration records do not have a

birthdate, so 01/01/1900 is entered by default.)

If you are a military voter, you do not need to register.

Contact your municipal clerk.

### Registering Online Continued

You will be prompted to:

- Verify eligibility
- Update your name and address
- Review your registration
- Email/print your registration

### VOTER REGISTRATION



# What are Wisconsin's Photo ID requirements for voting?



- Wisconsin requires photo ID for voting with a few exceptions.
- Acceptable Photo ID for voting does NOT have to include a current address. You only prove your address when registering.
- More information on the Photo ID law is available at

http://bringit.wi.gov

# Acceptable Photo IDs



#### US UNIFORMED SERVICES



### US PASSPORT BOOK OR CARD



#### WI DRIVER, STATE ID, OR IDPP RECEIPT



#### VETERAN AFFAIRS ID CARD





# CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION



#### WI STATE ID



#### University / College Tech College Eni



#### GE + ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION

#### TRIBAL ID



\*Some ID variations are not shown.

#### The Difference Between

#### PROOF OF RESIDENCE AND PHOTO ID

for Voting in Wisconsin



#### PROOF OF RESIDENCE

Proof of Residence is used to Register to Vote
Can use documents like...



#### **UTILITY BILL**

Issued within 90 days of the Election



#### DRIVER LICENSE OR ID

Must be valid and show the voter's current name and address



WI DRIVER LICENSE

or RECEIPT

#### PAY STUB, BANK STATEMENT...

There are many other documents like a pay stub that can be used

Shows voter's current name and current address

Can show a copy or show it on your electronic device

#### PHOTO ID

Photo ID is used after you're registered to get your ballot Can use documents like...



#### U.S. PASSPORT

Can be expired since Nov 3, 2020



#### WISCONSIN DRIVER LICENSE OR ID

Can be expired since Nov 3, 2020 Can be used if revoked



#### **VETERAN'S & MILITARY ID...**

ID's like a Veteran's ID can also be used

#### **DOES NOT NEED A CURRENT ADDRESS**

Shows voter's name as they are registered to vote

MORE INFORMATION ON PROOF OF RESIDENCE: https://myvote.wi.gov/ProofofResidence

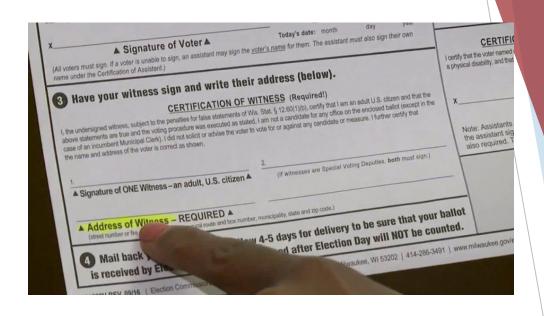
MORE INFORMATION ON PHOTO ID: <a href="https://myvote.wi.gov/PhotoIDRequired">https://myvote.wi.gov/PhotoIDRequired</a>

# How can I get a free State ID for voting?

- Get a free Photo ID for voting from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).
- Contact the DMV Voter ID Hotline at 844-588-1069.
- ► DMV Customer Service Centers: <u>wisconsindot.gov/Pages/online-srvcs/find-dmv/default.aspx</u>
- Even if you don't have the requested documentation, you can still get an ID for voting. The ID Petition Process (IDPP) is used by the DMV to help people whose documents to prove U.S. citizenship, name and date of birth, or legal name change are unavailable.
- Bring It to the Ballot: <u>bringit.wi.gov/</u>
- Wisconsin Voter ID Coalition will help with photo ID questions. They may assist with transportation to DMV: 608-285-2141
- You can help: Members may need help to obtain their birth certificate, or other documents or to go to DMV

# Voting Absentee

- Request ASAP!
- ► Follow directions carefully!
- ► You can request assistance
- You will need a witness



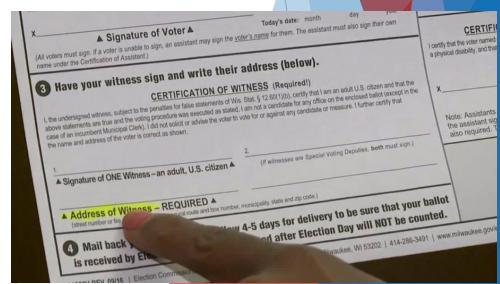
- ► Return ASAP!
  - Must be delivered to your clerk, drop box or polling place no later than 8 pm on Election Day

# How do I request an absentee ballot?

- ► ONLINE: myvote.wi.gov/en-us/VoteAbsentee
  - ► The first time you request an absentee ballot online, you must upload your photo ID.
- ▶ BY MAIL: Download the Application for Absentee Ballot from the Wisconsin Election Commission web site. Mail the completed form and a copy of your acceptable photo ID to your municipal clerk.
- ▶ **By Email:** Email your clerk your request with your full name, Wisconsin voting address, the election you want a ballot for or if requesting for the calendar year and mailing address if different than voting address. Include a copy of your photo ID unless it is already on file, or you are exempt by law.
- ▶ *In-person*: Apply for an absentee ballot at your clerk's office.

# What is the absentee ballot witness supposed to do?

- Verify that you completed the absentee ballot but cannot tell you who or what to vote for.
- The witness should see you complete your ballot but should not see the choices you make on your ballot.
- Sign the certificate envelope on the line marked "Signature of Witness" and write their **full** address underneath the witness signature.
- You (or your assistant) must sign and date the certificate on the return envelope on the line marked "Signature of Voter".



# Who can I get to sign as my witness on my absentee ballot envelope if I live alone?

- Must be a US citizen, over age 18.
- Can be friend, spouse, neighbor, family member, care worker.
- Some communities offer drop off locations and may have staff to witness your ballot.
- A family member, friend or neighbor may watch you vote through a window. Put the ballot in the envelope, seal it and leave it outside the door for the witness to sign.
- Contact your clerk if you're have trouble finding a witness.

# How do I know if they received my ballot?

#### MY ABSENTEE STATUS

Absentee request submitted Jun 15, 2020 Absentee request approved Jun 15, 2020

Preparing your absentee ballot Jun 25, 2020 Absentee ballot sent Jun 26, 2020 Absentee Ballot anticipated delivery Jun 29, 2020

Completed absentee ballot received!

▶ If you requested your absentee ballot and it did not arrive you may vote in person on Election Day or you could vote early at your clerk's office.

### Voting in person

#### Be Prepared

- Check your polling place
- Preview your ballot
- Check your voter registration
- Know your rights
- Curbside voting- call ahead
- Transportation plan ahead
- Bring your photo ID

#### Questions, problems or complaints

Call DRW Voter Hotline 844-347-8683

# In Person Voting: How Will I Get There?

Best way is to visit Find a Ride to the Polls.

- Call your local Independent Living Center or Aging and Disability Resource Center at (608) 266-2536 (statewide) for ideas on specific transportation options in your community
- Is your schedule flexible? Ask a neighbor, friend or family member to share a ride

Check out this fact sheet for ideas:

https://disabilityvote.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/10/Transportation-2020-acc.pdf

# Can I still vote if I have a guardian?

- In Wisconsin, a person under guardianship retains the right to vote unless the court expressly removes it.
- To find out if you have the right to vote, ask the guardian to look at the "Determination and Order on Petition for Guardianship Due to Incompetency" (GN-3170) form.
  - ▶ A copy can be requested from Probate Court in their county (costs about \$2.00/copy).
- Contact their Municipal Clerk. The Clerk can check the list they receive from the state of individuals adjudicated incompetent and ineligible to vote.
- A person who has a guardian and has lost the right to vote may petition the court to restore their right to vote (Wis. Stat 54.64(2)(a)).
- See resources on voting and guardianship at www.disabilityvote.org.

# What is curbside voting?

- Required by law for any voter who cannot enter the polling place due to a disability.
- ► The WEC believes that individuals who are immunocompromised or have symptoms of COVID-19 are eligible to curbside vote.
- Curbside voting should also be available during inperson absentee voting at the clerk's office or alternate site.
- Contact your Municipal Clerk in advance of Election Day to determine the process to access curbside voting (e.g. honk your horn, ring a doorbell, call a phone number).

# What is an accessible voting machine?

- Each polling place is required to have at least one accessible voting system.
- The accessible voting system must provide the opportunity for voters to vote privately and independently.
- Anyone can use the accessible voting system.
- Elections officials must make sure it's functioning properly in each election, and that election officials are trained to operate them.



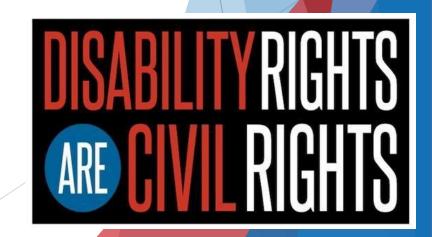


# What are my key rights as a voter with a disability?

- Right to vote privately and independently.
- Right to access the polling place.
- Right to use the accessible voting machine at your polling place.
- Right to ask for accommodations, such as a chair to sit in rather than standing in line, signature guide, magnifying glass, assistance stating your name and address.
- Right to assistance marking your ballot (just not your employer or your union representative)

# **More rights**

- Right to Curbside Voting if you can't get into your polling place as a result of a disability.
- You can file a complaint if you feel your rights have been violated.
- If you make a mistake, you can **request another ballot** from the election officials.
- You may bring a "notes sheet" into the polling place.
- No one should tell you how to vote.



### How can I be an informed voter?

- Review your elected officials and your ballot in advance of the election.
  - Myvote.wi.gov
- Learn about the candidates
  - ► Vote411.org, Ballotpedia.org, wisconsinvote.org.
- Follow the Disability Vote Coalition
  - ► E-newsletter, resources, website, Facebook page

# What can you do?

- Share this information with others!
- Join the Disability Vote Coalition: <a href="https://disabilityvote.org/join-us/">https://disabilityvote.org/join-us/</a>
- Use and share our <u>Voter Toolkit 2022 Elections</u>
- Order DVC postcards, posters, and <u>Make Your Plan to Vote</u>.
- Follow the DVC on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Share our posts.
- Share your concerns about voting with your legislators.
- Questions? Need assistance? Contact the DRW Voter Helpline (844-347-8683) or email us at <a href="mailto:info@disabilityvote.org">info@disabilityvote.org</a>

# **Voting resources**

#### **Disability Vote Coalition:**

- Website: www.disabilityvote.org
- Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wisconsindisabilityvote/">https://www.facebook.com/wisconsindisabilityvote/</a>

#### **DRW Voter Hotline:**

844-DIS-VOTE (347-8683) or email <u>info@disabilityvote.org</u>

Your municipal clerk: <a href="https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/MyMunicipalClerk">https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/MyMunicipalClerk</a>

#### **Wisconsin Election Commission:**

1-866-VOTE-WIS / <u>elections.wi.gov</u> or email <u>elections@wi.gov</u>

MyVoteWisconsin: <a href="myvote.wi.gov">myvote.wi.gov</a>

#### Photo ID

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# What do I do if I need help or run into a problem?



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