# VOTING IN WISCONSIN

**Disability Vote Coalition:** A project of Disability Rights Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental

Disabilities



### DISABILITY VOTE COALITION

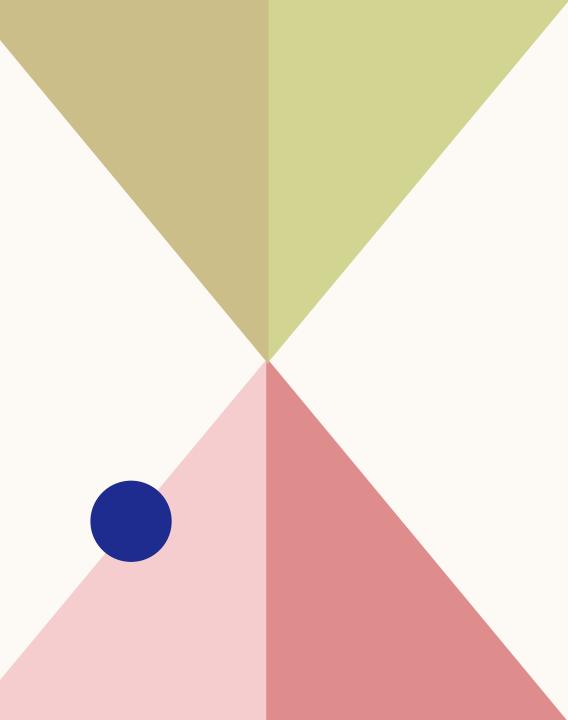
- Educate the disability community about voting rights and access issues.
- Increase voter turnout among people with disabilities and their allies
- Work with elected officials and policy makers to advance policies and practices that support accessible elections.
- Coordinated by Disability Rights WI and WI Board for People with Developmental Disabilities.
- Includes over 40 agency partners, selfadvocates, and community members.

#### WHY IS VOTING IMPORTANT?

• Elected officials make decisions on things that are important to us.

• It may change the way elected officials vote on an issue.

• It shows elected officials that we are paying attention.



# YOUR VOTE MATTERS

If people with disabilities voted at the same rate as people without disabilities, there would be over 2 million more votes in Wisconsin.

# REGISTERING TO VOTE



# **THE BASICS**

To be eligible to vote in Wisconsin you must be:

- A U.S. citizen
- At least 18 years old
- You have lived in Wisconsin for at least 28 days prior to the election
- You are not currently serving a sentence for a felony (incarceration, parole, probation, or extended supervision).
- You have not been determined ineligible to vote by a court.

### WAYS TO REGISTER

#### Online

- Up to 20 days before Election Day
- Requires valid State ID Card or Driver License from
  DMV
- Register online at <u>www.myvote.wi.gov</u>

#### Mail

- Up to 20 days before Election Day
- Mail completed form to your municipal clerk

#### In Person

- At Municipal Clerk's office
- Must provide proof of residence
- Ends 5:00 PM on Friday before Election Day

#### **Polling Place**

• Must provide proof of residence

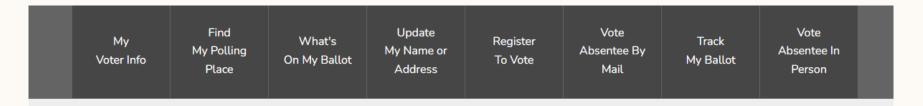


# ONLINE REGISTRATION

Eligible WI residents can complete the registration process online at <u>www.myvote.wi.gov</u> if <u>ALL</u> of these are true:

- Voter has unexpired driver's license or WI DMV-issued ID.
- Voter's name, address, date of birth, and DL or ID number on file at the DMV match the name, address, date of birth, and DL or ID number when registering online.
- If all fields match, the voter can register online without needing to print, sign, or mail the form and proof of residence will not be required.
- The voter is 18 or older.

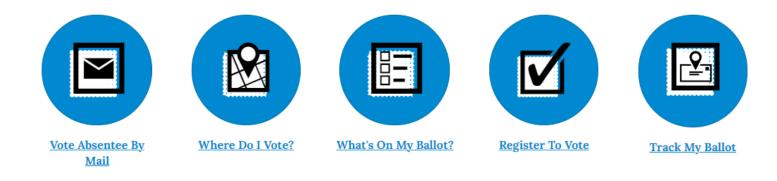
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NEXT STATEWIDE ELECTION

#### 2024 Spring Election and Presidential Preference Vote

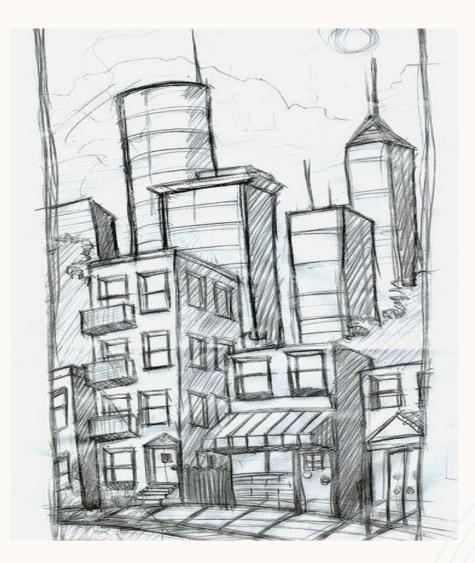
Tuesday, April 2, 2024



When is my next local election? You can find your next local election by searching for your address.

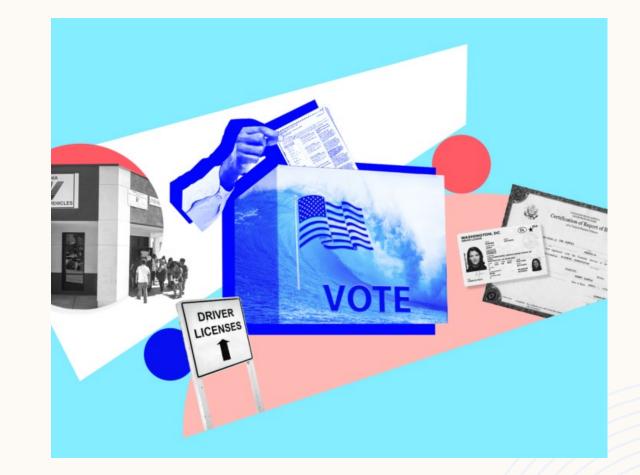
### PROOF OF RESIDENCE

- A proof of residence document shows where you live in Wisconsin.
- Must include voter's name and current residential address.



### EXAMPLES OF PROOF OF RESIDENCE

- Valid WI Driver's License or State ID
- Current residential lease
- Utility statement less than 90 days old before Election Day
- Bank Statement
- Paycheck or stub
- Document issued by a unit of government
- Real estate tax bill



# **ABSENTEE VOTING**

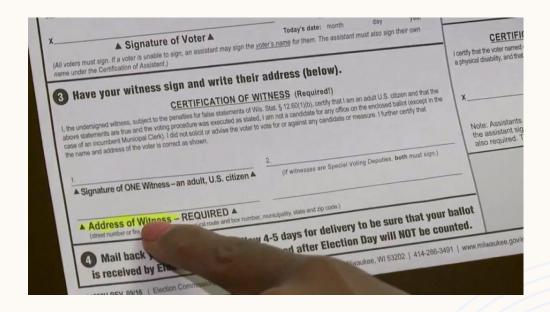


### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

- Any eligible, registered, Wisconsin elector can vote by absentee ballot.
- Request an absentee ballot online at <u>www.myvote.wi.gov</u>.
- **OR** fill out the Application for Absentee Ballot and submit to your municipal clerk with a copy of photo ID.
- Indefinitely confined voters can request absentee ballots be sent to them automatically for every election until the voter fails to return a ballot.

### ABSENTEE: WITNESS SIGNATURE

- Verifies the individual completed the ballot and put it in the envelop for return.
- Witness should NOT view the voter's choice
- Witness must be a US citizen and over age 18
- Witness cannot be a candidate in the upcoming election
- To ensure your vote is counted your witness must sign the return envelop and provide their home address.
- A witness address includes their street number, street name, and their municipality.



# VOTING ABSENTEE: DEADLINES

- You can vote absentee at your clerk's office beginning on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday before the election and ending at 5:00 PM on the Thursday before the election
- Completed absentee ballots must be delivered no later than 8:00 PM on Election Day. You may have someone else deliver your ballot.
- Absentee ballots that are mailed should be sent at least one week before Election Day to arrive on time.

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# **EARLY VOTING**

- You can apply for and vote your absentee ballot in-person in the clerk's office or another location designated for absentee voting in your municipality.
- To find dates and hours for in-person absentee voting, you should contact the municipal clerk for the city, village, or town where you live. For contact information go to www.myvote.wi.gov



#### Tuesday, February 6, 2024

# NEXT LUNCH AND LEARN



12:00 PM – 12:45 PM





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# **KEY RESOURCES**

- Find your registration status, your Municipal Clerk, what's on your ballot, and more: https://myvote.wi.gov
- Wisconsin Elections Commission:
  - https://elections.wi.gov
- Vote 411:

https://www.vote411.org

• Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition:

https://disabilityvote.org

# **THANK YOU**

Website: www.disabilityvote.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/wisconsin disabilityvote

> Disability Rights WI Voter Hotline: 1-844-347-8683



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