

BASICS ABOUT VOTING

For other questions contact:
King County Elections: (206) 296-8683

Am I eligible to vote? If you can answer YES to each of these statements, then you are eligible to vote:

- ✓ I am a U.S. Citizen.
- ✓ I will be at least 18 years old by or on Election Day.
- ✓ I will have lived in WA for 30 days before the election.
- ✓ I am not presently denied my right to vote as a result of being on community custody for a felony conviction.

I have a felony conviction(s). Am I truly eligible to vote? Individuals convicted of felonies in WA automatically regain their right to vote once they have completed their time in prison and no longer are under Department of Corrections (DOC) supervision. If you aren't sure, call the DOC: (360) 725-8213 (Mon-Fri. 8am - 5pm). *Learn more: <https://aclu-wa.org> or call (206)624-2180*

Am I registered, and is my voter registration up-to-date? If you are not sure, then fill out and mail in a new voter registration form. It's better to be safe than sorry!

What if I don't have a (traditional) address? You can still register to vote, and we sure hope that you do! You must fill out both the residential and mailing address sections on the voter registration form. Here's how:

Residential address: You need to list a residential address to be placed in your district. You can register at the shelter, park, vehicle location, intersection, or another identifiable location that you consider your current residence if you do not have a traditional residential address. Provide as complete of an address as possible (ex: 4th Ave & Cherry St, Seattle, WA 98104).

Mailing address: You need a mailing address in order to receive your ballot and election information on time. You can use a post office box, address of a friend or relative, shelter, or General Delivery at a local post office.

Which District do I vote in? In 2015, Seattle City Council is re-districting to have 7 area specific and 2 at-large councilmembers. Every registered Seattle voter will vote for one councilmember in their district and two at large representatives. To find your district visit [Find My District](#) on www.kingcounty.gov

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from 5:30-8pm @ Garfield Community Center – 2323 East Cherry St, Seattle, WA 98122. Join us!

Sept 24 – Oct 5 Coalition on Homelessness' Homeless Voter Registration Drive

Monday, Oct 5 → Voter registration deadline for General Election ←

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If you're interested in helping people register to vote, or if your organization/agency/program would like to participate in this work, please contact the Coalition: vote@homelessinfo.org, (206) 204-8350

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