

Are You Ready to Vote?

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Why is voting important?



As a citizen of the United States, you can make your voice heard by voting. You have the power to elect officials who create laws and policies that directly impact your daily life.

▶ WHEN CAN I VOTE?

✔ On Election Day OR

✔ Before an election during **Early Voting** (begins about 20 days before an election). OR

✔ By **Absentee Ballot**. Visit SOS.TN.gov/Elections/Guides/Guide-To-Absentee-Voting for more information.

▶ WHERE CAN I VOTE ON ELECTION DAY OR DURING EARLY VOTING?

In-person:

Check your voter registration card for your polling place OR visit TNMap.TN.gov/VoterLookup. **If you live in a county that has Voting Centers, you may vote at any one of these centers.*

Early Voting:

Visit TNSOS.org/Elections/Election_Commissions.php to find the website for your county election commission an early voting locations.

▶ WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING WITH ME TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY OR DURING EARLY VOTING?

A photo ID issued by Tennessee or the federal government. Examples include:

- Your Tennessee drivers license with your photo;
- Your United States passport; OR
- Your United States Military photo ID.

**You can get a free photo ID at any participating driver service center across the state. <https://TN.gov/Safety/Driver-Services/PhotoIDs.html>.*

▶ WHO CAN I ASK IF I NEED HELP VOTING ON ELECTION DAY OR DURING EARLY VOTING?

You can bring someone to help you with voting, or you may ask a poll worker to help you.

▶ I'M NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

You can register to vote online.

You must register *at least 30 days* before the next election.

Use the QR code on this flyer, or go to www.DisabilityRightsTN.org/Resources/Voting-Basics



What can I do to prepare to vote?

- ▶ Learn about the issues that affect you.
- ▶ Learn about the people running for office (candidates) and laws on the ballot.
- ▶ Watch national and local news for debates and updates.
- ▶ Study the websites, speeches, and editorials of the candidates.
- ▶ Talk with trusted community members friends, and loved ones.
- ▶ Visit your local county election commission and Tennessee Secretary of State website or office.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Election Protection Hotline:
866-OUR-VOTE (866OurVote.org)

Voting Resources:
[www.DisabilityRightsTN.org/ Resources/Voting](http://www.DisabilityRightsTN.org/Resources/Voting)

Register to Vote:
<https://proudvoter.org/partners/disability-rights-tn>

**Tennessee Secretary of State
- Division of Elections:**

Website: www.SOS.TN.gov/Elections

Hotline: 1-877-850-4959

How can I get help from DRT?

EMAIL OR CALL:

GetHelp@DisabilityRightsTN.org

1-800-342-1660 OR 615-732-6970

I KNOW, SUPPORT, OR LOVE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP. CAN I STILL CONTACT DRT?

Yes! Contact us using the information listed above.

DRT uses interpreters to speak with you in your language, including ASL.

All services offered by DRT are **FREE** of charge.



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