



Guidance for Voter Registration Activities During COVID-19

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In-person voter registration activities will be heavily affected by unfolding events. Leagues are encouraged to consider virtual voter registration campaigns utilizing illinoisvoterguide.org, which is also being updated daily as election processes and dates change.

- For Leagues with school registration events postponed or canceled, consider asking teachers or administrators to work voter registration into their distance learning curriculum for eligible 17 and 18 year old students. illinoisvoterguide.org can direct students to the appropriate websites for online voter registration.
- If other agencies you normally work with (federal courts or USCIS offices for new citizen voter registration, housing authorities, libraries) have moved to online business practices, ask them to incorporate voter registration messages and alerts into their communications with the public, including a link to your League and to illinoisvoterguide.org.
- Promote the [National Mail Voter Registration Form](#) voters can print and send by mail, which is available in 15 different languages, or your state-specific paper form.
- Encourage all voters in their communities to check their voter registration (again, illinoisvoterguide.org is a great place to start) BEFORE any state deadlines, especially if your deadlines have changed.
- If you DO proceed with in-person voter registration activities, follow all CDC and local government guidelines regarding health and safety and check in regularly with your volunteers to gauge their feedback and comfort level.
- Get partners involved. We're all disappointed about the cancelation of in-person events; but your direct assistance agency partners, community and resident organizations, and other partners may be more than happy to include relevant voter registration information in their newsletters, on their websites, social media messages, and other platforms.
- Consider using the Illinois Voter Guide QR code in any of your messaging.

