

Yes, you can vote if you're homeless.

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Can I register to vote if I'm homeless?

Yes. The deadline to register to vote for the California primary was Feb. 18, but you can still register to vote through election day at a county elections office, neighborhood polling place or community vote center.

You must be 18 years or older on election day, a U.S. citizen and state resident to be eligible to vote. You cannot be in state or federal prison or on felony parole, or deemed by a judge to be mentally incompetent.

You will need to update your voter registration if your address has changed.

If I don't have ID or a street address, how should I fill out my voter registration card?

Section Three will ask you to provide ID, either a California driver's license number, a California ID card number, or social security number. If you do not have any of this information, you can leave this section blank.

Section Four will ask for your address. If you do not have a street address, you can describe the place where you mostly spend your time. You can include cross streets, routes, N, S, E, W, etc. This will help elections officials establish your right to vote in a particular precinct.

Section Five will ask for the address where you receive mail. You can fill this out with any mailing address where you'll be able to receive mail, so elections officials can send you voting materials. This can be a P.O.

Identification If you do not have a CA driver license or CA ID card, list the last 4 numbers of your Social Security Number (SSN), if you have one.	3 Date of birth M M D D Y Y Y Y California driver license or ID card # SSN (last 4 numbers) X X X - X X - - - - U.S. state or foreign country of birth
The address where you live Do not use a P.O. Box #	4 Home address Apt or Unit # City State CA Zip California county If you do not have a street address, describe where you live including cross streets, Route, N, S, E, W, etc.
The address where you receive mail Skip if same as address above.	5 Mailing address — if different from above or a P.O. Box # City State Zip Foreign country

Sections 3-5 of the Voter Registration/Pre-Registration Application

box or a mailing address of a friend, family member, or organization that allows others to use their address.

What do I need to know about voting in person?

Some counties — Los Angeles included — are ending the use of neighborhood polling places and replacing them with a more limited number of community vote centers. In L.A., you can cast a ballot at any vote center in the county.

The county will also open Flex Vote Centers to various organizations around Los Angeles in an effort to provide targeted voting services to voters with distinct needs, including people experiencing homelessness. These Flex Vote Centers will provide all the services and equipment found at traditional vote centers. Find one here: <https://bit.ly/2Vpe8ro>

What do I need to know about vote-by-mail?

The Feb. 25 deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot has passed. If you did request a vote-by-mail ballot by the deadline, you can return it by mailing it by March 3 or dropping it off your polling place or county elections office on election day. If you live in L.A. County or one of

other 14 counties using vote centers, you can also drop off your ballot at a secure county ballot box or at any vote center in your county.

Ballots that are postmarked on or before March 3 will be counted as long as they arrive at a county elections office no later than March 6.

What identification is required?

In most cases, you will not be required to show identification when you vote in person. If you are voting for the first time in a federal election, you may be asked to show identification if you did not provide the last four digits of your Social Security number or driver's license or California ID number when you registered to vote.

If this applies to you, you should bring identification with you to vote, or include a copy with your vote-by-mail ballot. As you vote repeatedly in other elections, your voter file will be maintained, and you should not be asked for identification.

If you do not have proof of identity or residency with you, you can cast a provisional ballot and provide identification before the end of the election canvass period.