有権者の皆様:

「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法(California Voter’s Choice Act)」(上院法案 450)に向けたサンマテオ郡の選挙管理計画草案をここに提示いたします。この画期的な法案は、サンマテオを含む14の郡において、2018年よりすべての選挙を全郵送・投票センター選挙として実施することを許可するものです。サンマテオ郡は、2018年6月5日の州直接予備選挙を、「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法」の条項に基づいて初めて実施する州内の5郡の一つに選ばれています。

サンマテオ郡の選挙管理計画(EAP)草案は、「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法」に基づく選挙管理情報の詳細を市民の皆様に提供することを目的として作成されました。EAPにはまた、サンマテオ郡における教育およびアウトリーチ計画も含まれており、郡の教育とアウトリーチに関する計画ならびにすべての有権者、とりわけ障害を持つ有権者および言語的少数派のすべての有権者の利用しやすさを向上させる取り組みの詳細も説明しています。

EAP草案は市民の皆様との協議のもとに作成され、郡の障害者および言語コミュニティの方々との公聴会でいただいたご意見を含んでいます。皆様を、下記の日程で開催される、EAP草案の公聴会に誠にご招待申し上げます:

2018年1月18日(木)、午後1時
ホール・オブ・ジャスティス管理委員会室
(Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, Hall of Justice)
住所：400 County Center, Redwood City

公聴会に先立って、Eメール、手紙、電話でご意見をお知らせいただくことも可能です。

「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法」またはEAP草案に関してご質問がおありの場合は、お気軽に私または私どものスタッフに電話(650.312.5222)またはEメール(registrar@smcare.org)でご連絡ください。2018年1月18日に皆様とお会いできること心待ちにしております。

どうぞよろしくお願いいたします。

マーク・チャーチ
サンマテオ郡
カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法

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サンマテオ郡
選挙管理計画-草案

概要
上院法案450は、「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法(VCA)」としても知られていますが、2016年9月29日に法制化され、サンマテオを含む14郡において、2018年よりすべての選挙を全郵送・投票センター選挙として実施することを許可するものです。この法律は、有権者参加の増大、有権者関与の増加、および投票方法の選択肢の拡大を意図する広範な選挙制度改革の一部を占めており、サンマテオ郡および参加管轄区域における選挙の実施方法を根本から変えるものとなります。

サンマテオ郡は、カリフォルニア州において「全郵送投票選挙」実施の最前線にあり、郡内の登録有権者の67％以上が永続的に郵送投票を行うことを選択しています。州議会下院法案2028の権限に基づいて実施された2015年11月3日の全郵送投票選挙で、サンマテオ郡は成功を収めており、VCAの可決はこの影響を受けています。州議会および州務長官に宛てたAB報告書に記載の推奨事項および方法の多くがVCAに導入されました。

サンマテオ郡の選挙主任担当官は、VCA下での選挙管理について新法に基づく選挙管理計画(EAP)草案を作成することが義務付けられています。このAEP草案は、コミュニティのパートナーおよび利害関係者との協議から生まれた共同努力の結果であり、2017年10月12日と2017年10月16日に開催された言語コミュニティおよび障害者コミュニティとの公聴会でいただいた多くの推奨事項が組み込まれています。

2018年1月18日（木）には再びVCA公聴会が開催されることになっており、皆様にはぜひ参加してください。EAP草案に対してさらなるご意見をご提供いただきたいと考えております。この公聴会は管理委員会室（Chambers of the Board of Supervisors）（住所:400 County Center, Redwood City）で行われます。公聴会および14日間の公衆意見聴取期間の終結をもって、サンマテオ郡の最終EAPが正式に採択され、州務長官に提出されて承認を受けることになります。

VCA選挙モデルを絶えず向上させるために、選挙主任担当官は最初の選挙から2年以内、その後は4年ごとに、EAPの改正を検討するための追加の公聴会を開催することが義務付けられています。

サンマテオ郡のEAP草案は、VCAの実施に関するさまざまな貴重な情報を市民の皆様に提供します。このEAP草案は、郵送による投票プロセス、提案されている郡の投票センターの場所および投票用紙投函場所、利用される選挙テクノロジー、郡の有権者教育およびアウトリーチ計画の説明の概要を提供するものとなります。

郵送による投票
VCAモデルに基づき、郵便料金支払い済みの返信用封筒と共に、投票用紙が選挙の29日前までに登録有権者全員に発送されます。有権者は英語以外の言語による郵送による投票を請求することができます。障害を持つ有権者、海外の有権者、軍人、および軍人の配偶者は、サンマテオ郡の「遠隔アクセス可能な郵送による投票システム（Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System）」を利用することができます。これには資格の有権者が個人のコンピューター画面で読める形式の投票用紙にアクセスして記入することを可能にするシステムです。
投票センターと投票用紙投函の場所

VCA は、サンマテオ郡全域における投票センターと投票用紙投函の場所に関して詳細な基準および方式を確立しました。この法律は、投票センターと投票用紙投函の場所が障害を持つ有権者にとって利用可能であること、人口が密集する地域、公共交通機関の近くに位置すること、低所得者および言語的少数派のコミュニティの付近に位置することを義務付けています。

投票センターと投票用紙投函の場所は、サンマテオ郡投票アクセシビリティ諮問委員会 (VAAC) と言語アクセシビリティ諮問委員会 (LAAC) の協議によって選択されました。それぞれの場所が有権者にとって最適な近さに位置することを確保するために、地理情報システム (GIS) の地図ソフトウェアも活用されました。

投票センター：投票センターは投票所と同様に運営され、有権者は投票用紙を使って、または eSlate (電子投票端末) で、もしくは障害者がアクセス可能な装置で、投票できるようになっています。しかしながら、投票所とは違って、有権者は郡内のどの投票センターでも投票することができます。また、有権者はいずれの投票センターにおいても、有権者登録を行ったり、登録情報を更新することができます。有権者が投票センターにおいて「条件付き有権者登録」 (CVR) を行うと、選挙日まで暫定票投票をすることができます。

投票センターでは、サンマテオ郡の選挙管理システム (EMS) に確実にアクセスできるため、投票センターのスタッフは各有権者の投票状況をリアルタイムで確認することが可能になります。

投票センターは、障害者がアクセス可能な装置 3 台を含む最大 10 台の eSlate 電子投票機器を備えています。すべての投票センターは、ADA (米国障害者法) に従っており、選挙要員が待機して有権者のそれぞれのニーズを支援します。

投票の混乱を予防し、選挙が適切に行われるようするために警備および緊急時対応計画が実施されます。また、投票センターの閉鎖中は、開封明示シールや安全な保管設備など、実証済みのセキュリティプロトコルによってセンターの施設および機器を厳重に保管します。

投票センター内配置図例が補遺に掲載されています。

投票センター運営方式：投票センターは順次オープンし、選挙日が近づくにつれてセンター数が増加します。サンマテオ郡では、引き続いて選挙の 29 日前にサウスサンフランシスコ、サンマテオ、レッドウッドシティの 3カ所の投票センターのオープンを実施します。選挙の 10 日前にさらに投票センターがオープンし、選挙の 3 日前からすべての投票センターが完全にオープンします。

VCA では、郡全体における投票センターの場所を決定するにあたり、次の方程式を確立しました。これらの数値は、2018 年 6 月の選挙に関して登録有権者を 39 万人とする予測に基づいています:

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<th>選挙前日数</th>
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すべての投票センターは、選挙の 10 日前より週末と祝祭日を含めて、少なくとも 1 日 8 時間オープンし、選挙の日には午前 7 時から午後 8 時までオープンします。
各投票センターには5名以上のスタッフが配置されます。サンマテオ郡では各投票センターに、スペイン語を話す選挙スタッフと中国語を話す選挙スタッフを少なくとも一人ずつ採用することに尽力します。

投票用紙投函ボックス：サンマテオ郡の登録有権者15,000名ごとに少なくとも投票用紙投函ボックスを1個用意することが義務付けられており、2018年6月5日の選挙に向けて合計26の投票用紙投函ボックスの設置が予測されています。これらの投票用紙投函ボックスは、選挙日の28日前までに利用可能となり、通常の業務時間中オープンします。登録・選挙部門（住所：40 Tower Road, San Mateo）の外、およびこれから決定される追加の3ヵ所の場所に配置される投票用紙投函ボックスは、1日24時間オープンします。

サンマテオ郡内の20の市と支庁舎（タウンホール）のそれぞれには鍵のかかった投票箱が設置され、通常の業務時間中に投票用紙を投函することができます。また、有権者は投票用紙を投票センター、郵便局、あるいは郵便局の郵便受け箱に投函することも可能です。

提案されている投票センターおよび投票用紙投函の場所のリスト、投票センターと投票用紙の投函場所の地図は、補遺に掲載されています。

投票テクノロジー
サンマテオ郡では、2018年6月5日の選挙期間中、既存のハートインターチヴィック電子登用システム（Hart InterCivic Electronic Voting System）およびeSlate投票システムを導入します。各投票センターでは、信頼できる接続によってパーソナルコンピューターのネットワークが郡の電子管理システム（EMS）につながります。郡のEMSは、カリフォルニア州のVoteCalによって管理されている有権者登録データベースに接続します。これによって、有権者登録データベースへのアクセスが提供され、投票センターのスタッフは各有権者の登録および有権者の状況をリアルタイムで判断することができるようになります。このシステムは2015年11月3日の全郵送投票選挙で使われ、成功を収めました。

オンデマンド投票用紙印刷プリンターが郡選挙では初めて使用され、有権者に自分たちの選曲に使用される特定の様式の投票用紙が提供されます。さらに、オンデマンド投票用紙印刷プリンターは面倒な投票用紙様式の対応に必要な予備の投票用紙の購入や印刷を最小化します。

「投票しました」デジタルスティッカー
選挙日に投票を済ませた有権者に最も人気のあるのは、有権者が選挙に参加したことを誇らしげに認める「投票しました」スティッカーです。「投票しました」スティッカーの人気があまりにも高いため、郵送による投票（VBM）を永続的に行うことを選択した郡有権者の多くは、スティッカーを手にいれるためだけに、投票所に出向いて投票用紙を投函しています。

「投票しました」スティッカーの人気を考慮して、サンマテオ郡では有権者のソーシャルメディアのページにコピーして貼り付けられ、オンラインのデジタル署名に含めることのできる、デジタルの「投票しました」スティッカーの開発を予定しています。これによって、有権者は選挙で投票したことを自慢げに世間に知らせることができます。「投票しました」デジタルスティッカーは、これまでの選挙で有権者が投票した年数を識別するものとなり、これまでの選挙で投票した連続年数を示す独自のパネルが作成されます。これは、有権者が民主的プロセスに参加した年数を堂々と特徴付けるものです。
「投票しました」デジタルステッカーは「私の登録を確認/私の選挙資料にアクセス/私の有権者情報パンフレットを表示/私の投票用紙を追跡」リンク（www.shapethefuture.org）からアクセスすることができます。

財政的影響
VCAおよび関連の指令の財政的影響は現在の時点では不明です。

2018年6月5日州直接予備選挙は、新たな全郵送/投票センターモデルとしても、2018年6月の選挙で完全導入される新規の選挙法としても、今までに類を見ないものです。重要な州知事予備選と同時に生まれるこれら新法の複合効果は、州全域の郡の選挙費用を増加させる可能性があります。プラスの点としては、VCAのおかげで時間が経つにつれて、これら新しい法規制任務に関連する追加費用の多くが軽減するはずです。

選挙費用に影響を与える主な懸念の一つは、上院法案415(SB415)カリフォルニア州有権者参加枠の施行です。SB415によって、奇数年選挙を行う管轄地域が2020年までに偶数年選挙に移行します。これによって、2018年11月の選挙に加わる管轄地域の数が大幅に増加することになります。この変化から偶数年には選挙の数がかなりの増加することになり、サンプルの投票用紙パンフレットが増え、より長文で複雑な投票用紙パンフレットが作られ、より多数の投票用紙様式が生まれることになります。

AB1436(条件付き有権者登録法)およびAB146(DMV新規ドライバー投票者法)によって、有権者登録が増加し、投票所を訪れる人数が増えます。新規有権者の流入のために選挙管理の費用が上昇します。

さらに、VCA自体が当初の費用を負担するため、選挙費用を短期的に上昇させる可能性があります。投票センターのオープン時間は長く、通常の投票所係員よりも高い時給で郡の職員が配置されます。投票センターのスタッフは、投票センターの複雑さと技術的な要件を管理するために、追加の訓練を受けることも義務付けられています。その上、投票センターと郡の有権者登録データベースの間に複数の安全な接続を形成することによって、新規の装置、設定、テスト、サポートが必要となるため支出の増大を招きます。しかしながら、これらの費用は、自動投票機の数、労力、資本支出の大幅な減少によって、いずれ相殺されることが見込まれます。

また将来的選挙は、新しい選挙モデルに対する有権者の理解が進み、支出がさらに低下するため、アウトリーチと有権者教育の必要性も減少することになります。

まとめ
カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法は、カリフォルニア州で実施される選挙の方法を根本的に変更する画期的な法律です。サンマテオ郡における2015年11月3日の全郵送投票統一地方選挙の成功経験は、VCAの「全郵送投票/投票センター選挙モデル」に基づく選挙の効果的な運営に独自の基盤を提供します。この新たな選挙実施方法を成功裏に実行することによって、サンマテオ郡の有権者および参加管轄区域内の選挙の効率と公平の向上が提供されます。学区、自治体、特別区は、新たな「全郵送投票/投票センター選挙モデル」がもたらす効率性の向上と請求可能な費用の削減による利益を受け取ります。

この新選挙モデルは、有権者の参加拡大にプラスの効果をもたらし、障害を持つ有権者のためのアクセスビリティを一層高め、選挙のシステムと技術を改善し、選挙基盤の安全性を強化します。

サンマテオ郡は、「カリフォルニア州投票者による選択法」の実施を成功させることによって、卓越性と革新性という郡の伝統の継続を目指します。
サンマテオ郡
カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法

有権者教育
および
アウトリーチ計画
有権者教育およびアウトリーチ計画

概要
「カリフォルニア州有権者による選択法(VCA)」は、「投票センター」や「投票用紙投函」場所、障害を持つ有権者と英語以外の言語を選択する有権者に固有の情報を含む、VCA のあらゆる側面を有権者に伝える「有権者教育およびアウトリーチ計画」の開発を郡に義務付けています。これらグループの立場を擁護する、またはこれらのグループにサービスを提供するコミュニティの組織や個人との公聴会が開催されます。また、サンマテオ郡では、スペイン語、中国語、フィリピン語、韓国語を話す人々が利用できる通訳を伴った一般向け教育ワークショップを複数回開催します。郡主催の一般向けの全てのイベントは ADA 要件に準拠しています。

サンマテオ郡では、投票アクセシビリティ諮問委員会 (VAAC) と言語アクセシビリティ諮問委員会 (LAAC) と共同で、有権者教育およびアウトリーチ計画を作成しており、州務長官にこれを提出して見直しと承認を受けることになります。

2015 年 11 月 3 日の「全郵送投票選挙」に先立って行われたコミュニティアウトリーチと市民の認識を高めるための取り組みと同様に、サンマテオ郡ではこの新しい選挙モデルに対する認識を高めるために、コミュニティの組織、団体、学校、その他のグループに接触します。この取り組みでは、ダイレクトメール、報道機関、ソーシャルメディア、視聴者制作メディア（パブリックアクセスメディア）を利用して広範なメディアキャンペーンと組み合わせて VCA の実施を発表します。キャンペーンでは、通話料金無料の有権者支援を推進し、有権者が利用可能な形式の投票用紙の取得方法を伝え、多言語によるサービスと聴覚障害を持つ有権者に対するアクセシビリティを提供します。

間もなく行われるコミュニティのイベントとコミュニティパートナーは補遺に掲載されています。

英語以外の言語を選択する有権者
アウトリーチの取り組みの一環として、サンマテオ郡では英語以外の言語の使用を選択する有権者へのアウトリーチの継続と拡大を行います。

サンマテオ郡在住者を対象としている全てのメディア機関に配布されるニュースリリースでは、通話料金無料の有権者支援ホットラインについて発表しますが、このホットラインは複数言語によるサービスも提供します。また、スペイン語、中国語、フィリピン語、韓国語の報道機関の広告を購入して有権者支援ホットラインを広く知らせることに努めます。

言語支援を必要とする投票センターの特定は、米国国勢調査のデータと、サンマテオ郡のLAAC が提供する意見を含めた、一般市民からの意見提供プロセスによって行われます。

英語以外の言語によるメディアを含むメディアパートナーは補遺に掲載されています。

障害を持つ有権者
サンマテオ郡は、長年にわたり、障害を持つ有権者と協力して民主的なプロセスにおいてアクセシビリティを拡大することに関与してきました。登録・選挙部門のウェブサイト（www.shapethefuture.org）では障害を持つ有権者向けに、「障害者がアクセス可能な設備である電子投票端末（eSlate）、郵送によるアクセス可能な投票システム」、投票センターに関する ADA 準拠要件、VAAC などの詳細を含む情報やリソースを提供しています。
サンマテオ郡在住者を対象としている全てのメディア機関に配布されるプレスリリースでは、
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を持つ有権者にアクセシビリティも提供します。

障害を持つ有権者は、投票用紙または電子投票機を自宅に配達してもらうことを請求できます。障害を持つ有権者は、手持ちのパーソナルコンピューターを使って、「郵送によるアクセス可能な投票システム」によって投票用紙をダウンロードして記入することも可能です。また、投票センターのスタッフは、投票所外での投票（curbside voting）に際して、紙面の投票用紙や「障害者がアクセス可能な設備である電子投票端末（eSlate）」を車まで持参することもできます。

参加における格差への取り組み
サンマテオ郡は、低所得有権者および障害を持つ個人へのサービスを提供する組織のコーディネーターやスタッフからの申し込みに応じて情報と訓練を提供します。これらの組織には次が含まれますが、これに限定されません：CalFresh, CalWORKs（カルフレッシュ・カルワークス）、Medi-Cal（メディキャル）、Women, Infants, and Children（WIC: 婦人児童向け栄養強化計画）、In-Home Supportive Services（インホーム・サポーティブサービス）、Covered California（カバード・カリフォルニア）、California’s health benefit exchange（カリフォルニア州・ヘルスベネフィット・エクスチェンジ）、Department of Rehabilitation-Vocational Services（デパートメント・オブ・リハビリテーション-職業サービス）、Independent Living Centers（インディペンダント・リビングセンター）、Department of Developmental Services Regional Centers（デパートメント・オブ・ディベロップメントメンタル・サービス地域センター）、Office of Deaf Access（オフィス・オブ・デファクセス）と契約を結んでいる事務所、州および郡の精神衛生課および行動保健課、およびこれらの課との契約に基づいてサービスを提供している個人開業医。

固定会場の設置が実行不可能な地理的遠隔地域に対応するために、移動型投票センターが用意される場合もあります。

有権者への直接連絡
2015年11月3日の「全郵送・投票センター選挙」について有権者に知らせる方法としては、郡から有権者への直接連絡が最も効果的でした。

新しい選挙モデルについて有権者に知らせることを目的として「投票用紙見本&公式有権者情報パンフレット」、「郵送投票用投票用紙」に記載の情報に加えて、3枚のハガキが予定されています。最初に郵送されるハガキでは登録有権者全員に新投票モデルについて知らせます。2回目のハガキは、それまで郵送用投票用紙を受け取っていない有権者に対して、今後の投票用紙郵送について通知し、投票センター情報提供します。3回目のハガキは、選挙の終盤戦に発送されます。まだ投票用紙を郵送していない有権者にそのことを思い出させるとともに、予備の投票用紙を手に入れるための情報と投票センターの所在地に関する情報を提供します。

公共広告
映像や字幕の要請に応じて、テレビ向け公共広告（PSA）の台本が、聴覚障害の有権者に配布されます。ラジオの台本では、これら有権者に伝わるようラジオ局に対して局のウェブサイトに情報を掲載することを要請しています。
アートワーク（さし絵やイラスト）は、サンマテオ郡から入手でき、印刷物やオンラインの PSA 向けに、また行政機関とコミュニティパートナーによるソーシャルメディアやニュースレターで使用することができます。印刷物の PSA には、視覚障害者向けに音声によるお知らせを関連ウェブサイトに掲示することが要請されます。

サンマテオ郡は、郡内で活動するスペイン語、中国語、タガログ語、韓国語のメディア機関に PSA 用の台本を提供します。この台本は有権者に間もなく行われる選挙について知らせるとともに、通話料金無料の有権者支援ホットラインを推進するものです。アートワークも利用可能です。

予算
2018年6月5日州直接予備選挙では有権者教育とアウトリーチに$241,000を割り当てています。さらに、登録・選挙部門が図表による資料やアウトリーチ資料、市民向けプレゼンテーション、コミュニティアウトリーチのイベントの準備に対する組織内支援を提供します。この予算によって新聞、テレビ、ラジオ、ソーシャルメディアの広告の購入が可能になります。この資金の一部は言語翻訳と点字作成に配分されます。アウトリーチ予算には登録有権者宛てダイレクトメールの印刷代と郵送費用が含まれていません。この目的のために$200,000の追加資金を2018年6月5日州直接予備選挙予算に加えることが必要になります。

加えて、「有権者による選択」カリフォルニア連合はコミュニティに拠点を置く組織に対して、VCAアウトリーチプログラムにおける支援を得るために補助金を提供しています。「有権者による選択」カリフォルニア連合および補助金プログラムに関する情報は
https://voterschoice.org/で手に入れることができます。
CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT ADDENDA

Office of Mark Church
Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT
PROPOSED VOTE CENTERS
&
BALLOT DROP-OFF BOX LOCATIONS
### Location of Proposed Vote Centers

#### Open 29 Days before Election through Election Day
- **Redwood City**
  - Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
- **South San Francisco**
  - South San Francisco Main Library
- **San Mateo**
  - Registration & Elections Division

#### Open 10 Days before Election through Election Day
- **East Palo Alto**
  - City Hall, Community Room
- **Half Moon Bay**
  - Ted Adcock Community Center
- **Daly City**
  - Daly City City Hall
- **San Bruno**
  - San Bruno City Hall, Conference Room 115
- **San Mateo**
  - Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club

#### Open 3 Days before Election through Election Day
- **Atherton**
  - Atherton Town Council Chambers
- **Belmont**
  - Belmont City Hall, Emergency Operations Center
- **Brisbane**
  - Brisbane City Hall, Community Meeting Room
- **Burlingame**
  - Burlingame City Hall, Conference Room A
- **Burlingame**
  - Saint Paul's Episcopal Church
- **Colma**
  - Emergency Operations Center
- **Daly City**
  - Hillside Clubhouse
- **Daly City**
  - Marchbank Park
- **Daly City**
  - Holy Child and St. Martin Episcopal Church
- **East Palo Alto**
  - Joan and Lewis Platt EPA Family YMCA
- **Foster City**
  - Foster City Recreation Center
- **Hillsborough**
  - Fire Station 32
- **Menlo Park**
  - Arrillaga Recreation Center, Oak Room
- **Menlo Park**
  - Onetta Harris Community Center
- **Millbrae**
  - Modular Community Center
- **Moss Beach**
  - The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- **Pacifica**
  - Pacifica School District - Board Room
- **Pacifica**
  - St. Peter Catholic Church
- **Pacifica**
  - TBD
- **Portola Valley**
  - Historic School
- **Redwood City**
  - Woodside Fire Training Room
- **Redwood C./N. Fair Oaks**
  - TBD
- **Redwood Shores**
  - San Mateo County Office of Education
- **South San Francisco**
  - Grand Library
- **South San Francisco**
  - TBD
- **San Bruno**
  - TBD
- **San Carlos**
  - San Carlos Library, Conference Room
- **San Carlos**
  - TBD
- **San Mateo**
  - Tentatively - King Community Center
- **San Mateo**
  - San Mateo City Hall - Conference Room C
- **Woodside**
  - Woodside Village Church
## Ballot Drop-off Box Locations

**Open 28 Days before Election**

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| Belmont      | City Hall  
One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375  
Belmont, CA 94002 | Pacifica     | City Hall  
170 Santa Maria Avenue  
Pacifica, CA 94044 |
| Brisbane     | City Hall  
50 Park Place  
Brisbane, CA 94005 | Portola Valley | Town Hall  
765 Portola Road  
Portola Valley, CA 94028 |
| Burlingame   | City Hall  
501 Primrose Road  
Burlingame, CA 94010 | Redwood City | City Hall  
1017 Middlefield Road  
Redwood City, CA 94063 |
| Colma        | Town Hall  
1198 El Camino Real  
Colma, CA 94014 | Redwood City | Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder  
555 County Center, 1st Floor  
Redwood City, CA 94063 |
| Daly City    | City Hall  
333 90th Street  
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567 El Camino Real  
San Bruno, CA 94066 |
| East Palo Alto | City Hall  
2415 University Avenue  
East Palo Alto, CA 94303 | San Carlos   | City Hall  
600 Elm Street  
San Carlos, CA 94070 |
| Foster City  | City Hall  
610 Foster City Boulevard  
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330 West 20th Avenue  
San Mateo, CA 94403 |
| Half Moon Bay | City Hall  
501 Main Street  
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40 Tower Road  
San Mateo, CA 94402 |
| Menlo Park   | City Hall  
701 Laurel Street  
Menlo Park, CA 94025 | South San Francisco | City Hall  
400 Grand Avenue  
South San Francisco, CA 94080 |
| Hillsborough | Town Hall  
1600 Floribunda Avenue  
Hillsborough, CA 94010 | South San Francisco | Main Library  
840 West Orange Avenue  
South San Francisco, CA 94080 |
| Woodside     | Town Hall  
2955 Woodside Road  
Woodside, CA 94062 | Three more locations to be determined |
CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT
VOTE CENTER LAYOUT
(PROPOSED)
Vote Center Layout  
(Proposed)

San Bruno City Hall – Conference Room 115
San Mateo County
Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee

San Mateo County Registration & Elections Division established a Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC) to advise, assist, and provide recommendations to the Chief Elections Officer regarding the implementation of federal and state laws relating to access to the electoral process by older adults and persons with disabilities. It is the mission of the VAAC to ensure that all persons can vote independently and privately.

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San Mateo County
Language Accessibility Advisory Committee

The San Mateo County Chief Elections Officer established the Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC) to advise and assist the Chief Elections Officer on matters relating to language accessibility to the electoral process by voters with limited English proficiency. It is the mission of the LAAC to assist the Chief Elections Officer to enhance language accessibility opportunities and compliance with all federal, state and local laws.

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CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT
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CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT
COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Office of Mark Church
Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
## Community Partners
### Supervisoral District 1

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Office of Mark Church
Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
Upcoming Community Events
Winter/Spring 2018 Event Calendar

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Areas with Low Vote by Mail Usage

This map shows the percent of ballots cast by mail. The darker color indicates relatively lower vote by mail usage.
San Mateo County Population

This map shows the population clusters around San Mateo County. The areas with the most black have the highest population density.
Language Minority Communities

This map shows the population that speaks a language other than English who are not proficient in English. The darker the color, the higher the population.
Voters with Disabilities

This map shows the population estimates for voting age residents who have a disability. The darker the color, the more individuals in the area that have a disability.
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This map shows households that do not own a vehicle. The darker the color, the more households in the area that do not own a vehicle.
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Areas with Eligible Residents Who Are Not Yet Registered to Vote

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CALIFORNIA VOTER’S CHOICE ACT
LEGISLATION

Office of Mark Church
Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
An act to amend Sections 3017 and 15320 of, to add Sections 4005, 4006, and 4007 to, and to add and repeal Section 4008 of, the Elections Code, relating to elections.

[Approved by Governor September 29, 2016. Filed with Secretary of State September 29, 2016.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 450, Allen. Elections: vote by mail voting and mail ballot elections.

Existing law requires all vote by mail ballots to be voted on or before the day of the election and requires the vote by mail voter to return the ballot by mail or in person, as specified, to the elections official who issued the ballot.

This bill would require an elections official who receives a vote by mail ballot that he or she did not issue to forward that ballot to the elections official who issued the ballot no later than 8 days after receipt. By requiring an elections official to forward a ballot to the elections official who issued the ballot, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Existing law authorizes cities with a population of fewer than 100,000 persons, school districts, and special districts to conduct an all-mailed ballot special election to fill a vacancy on the legislative or governing body of those entities under specified conditions.

This bill, the California Voter’s Choice Act, would, on or after January 1, 2018, authorize specified counties, and on or after January 1, 2020, authorize any county except the County of Los Angeles, to conduct any election as an all-mailed ballot election if certain conditions are satisfied, including conditions related to ballot dropoff locations, vote centers, and plans for the administration of all-mailed ballot elections. The bill would require the Secretary of State, within 6 months of each all-mailed ballot election conducted by a county pursuant to these provisions, to report certain information to the Legislature regarding that election. The bill would require the county that conducted the all-mailed ballot election to submit to the Secretary of State the information needed for the Secretary of State to prepare the report.

This bill would, on or after January 1, 2020, authorize the County of Los Angeles to conduct any election as a vote center election if certain conditions are satisfied, including conditions related to ballot dropoff locations and vote centers. The bill would, on or after January 1, 2020, authorize the County of Los Angeles to conduct a special election as an all-mailed ballot election pursuant to specified provisions that apply to every county that chooses to conduct a special election as an all-mailed ballot election.
This bill would also require the Secretary of State to establish a taskforce that includes certain individuals to review all-mailed ballot elections conducted pursuant to these provisions and to provide comments and recommendations to the Legislature within 6 months of each all-mailed ballot election or vote center election.

This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 3017 of the Elections Code proposed by AB 1921 that would become operative only if AB 1921 and this bill are both chaptered and this bill is chaptered last.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

_The people of the State of California do enact as follows:_

SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the California Voter’s Choice Act.

SEC. 2. Section 3017 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

3017. (a) All vote by mail ballots cast under this division shall be voted on or before the day of the election. After marking the ballot, the vote by mail voter shall do any of the following: (1) return the ballot by mail or in person to the elections official who issued the ballot, (2) return the ballot in person to a member of a precinct board at a polling place or vote center within the state, or (3) return the ballot to a vote by mail ballot dropoff location within the state that is provided pursuant to Section 3025 or 4005. However, a vote by mail voter who is unable to return the ballot may designate his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, or a person residing in the same household as the vote by mail voter to return the ballot to the elections official who issued the ballot, to the precinct board at a polling place or vote center within the state, or to a vote by mail ballot dropoff location within the state that is provided pursuant to Section 3025 or 4005. The ballot must, however, be received by the elections official who issued the ballot, the precinct board, or the vote by mail ballot dropoff location before the close of the polls on election day. If a vote by mail ballot is returned to a precinct board at a polling place or vote center, or to a vote by mail ballot dropoff location within the state that is located in a county that is not the county of the elections official who issued the ballot, the elections official for the county in which the vote by mail ballot is returned shall forward the ballot to the elections official who issued the ballot no later than eight days after receipt.

(b) The elections official shall establish procedures to ensure the secrecy of a ballot returned to a precinct polling place and the security, confidentiality, and integrity of any personal information collected, stored, or otherwise used pursuant to this section.

(c) On or before March 1, 2008, the elections official shall establish procedures to track and confirm the receipt of voted vote by mail ballots and to make this information available by means of online access using the county’s elections division Internet Web site. If the county does not have an elections division Internet Web site, the elections official shall establish a toll-free telephone number that may be used to confirm the date a voted vote by mail ballot was received.
(d) The provisions of this section are mandatory, not directory, and a ballot shall not be counted if it is not delivered in compliance with this section.

(e) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a vote by mail voter’s ballot shall not be returned by a paid or volunteer worker of a general purpose committee, controlled committee, independent expenditure committee, political party, candidate’s campaign committee, or any other group or organization at whose behest the individual designated to return the ballot is performing a service. However, this subdivision does not apply to a candidate or a candidate’s spouse.

SEC. 2.5. Section 3017 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

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(d) The provisions of this section are mandatory, not directory, and a ballot shall not be counted if it is not delivered in compliance with this section.

(e) (1) A person designated to return a vote by mail ballot shall not receive any form of compensation based on the number of ballots that the person has returned and no individual, group, or organization shall provide compensation on this basis.

(2) For purposes of this paragraph, “compensation” means any form of monetary payment, goods, services, benefits, promises or offers of employment, or any other form of consideration offered to another person in exchange for returning another voter’s vote by mail ballot.

(3) Any person in charge of a vote by mail ballot and who knowingly and willingly engages in criminal acts related to that ballot as described in Division 18 (commencing with Section 18000), including, but not limited to, fraud, bribery, intimidation, and tampering with or failing to
deliver the ballot in a timely fashion, is subject to the appropriate punishment specified in that division.

SEC. 3. Section 4005 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

4005. (a) Notwithstanding Section 4000 or any other law, on or after January 1, 2018, the Counties of Calaveras, Inyo, Madera, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sierra, Sutter, and Tuolumne, and, except as provided in Section 4007, on or after January 1, 2020, any county may conduct any election as an all-mailed ballot election if all of the following apply:

(1) (A) At least two ballot dropoff locations are provided within the jurisdiction where the election is held or the number of ballot dropoff locations are fixed in a manner so that there is at least one ballot dropoff location provided for every 15,000 registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the day of the election, whichever results in more ballot dropoff locations. For purposes of this subparagraph, a vote center that includes an exterior ballot drop box counts only as a single ballot dropoff location. Ballot dropoff locations shall comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 3025.

(B) A ballot dropoff location provided for under this section consists of a secure, accessible, and locked ballot box located as near as possible to established public transportation routes and that is able to receive voted ballots. All ballot dropoff locations shall be open at least during regular business hours beginning not less than 28 days before the day of the election, and on the day of the election. At least one ballot dropoff location shall be an accessible, secured, exterior drop box that is available for a minimum of 12 hours per day including regular business hours.

(2) (A) The county elections official permits a voter residing in the county to do any of the following at a vote center:

(i) Return, or vote and return, his or her vote by mail ballot.

(ii) Register to vote, update his or her voter registration, and vote pursuant to Section 2170.

(iii) Receive and vote a provisional ballot pursuant to Section 3016 or Article 5 (commencing with Section 14310) of Chapter 3 of Division 14.

(iv) Receive a replacement ballot upon verification that a ballot for the same election has not been received from the voter by the county elections official. If the county elections official is unable to determine if a ballot for the same election has been received from the voter, the county elections official may issue a provisional ballot.

(v) Vote a regular, provisional, or replacement ballot using accessible voting equipment that provides for a private and independent voting experience.

(B) Each vote center shall have at least three voting machines that are accessible to voters with disabilities.

(3) (A) On the day of the election, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., inclusive, and on each of the three days before the election, for a minimum of eight hours per day, at least one vote center is provided for every 10,000 registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the day of the election. At least 90 percent of the number of vote centers required by this subparagraph shall be open for all four days during the required...
times. Up to 10 percent of the number of vote centers required by this subparagraph may be open for less than four days if at least one vote center is provided for every 10,000 registered voters on each day.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for a jurisdiction with fewer than 20,000 registered voters, a minimum of two voter centers are provided on the day of the election and on each of the three days before the election within the jurisdiction where the election is held.

(4) (A) Beginning 10 days before the day of the election and continuing daily up to and including the fourth day before the election, for a minimum of eight hours per day, at least one vote center is provided for every 50,000 registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the day of the election.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for a jurisdiction with fewer than 50,000 registered voters, a minimum of two vote centers are provided within the jurisdiction where the election is held.

(C) The vote centers provided under this section are established in accordance with the accessibility requirements described in Article 5 (commencing with Section 12280) of Chapter 3 of Division 12, the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 20901 et seq.), and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(D) The vote centers provided under this section are equitably distributed across the county so as to afford maximally convenient options for voters and are established at accessible locations as near as possible to established public transportation routes. The vote centers shall be equipped with voting units or systems that are accessible to individuals with disabilities and that provide the same opportunity for access and participation as is provided to voters who are not disabled, including the ability to vote privately and independently in accordance with Sections 12280 and 19240.

(E) (i) The vote centers provided under this section have an electronic mechanism for the county elections official to immediately access, at a minimum, all of the following voter registration data:

(I) Name.

(II) Address.

(III) Date of birth.

(IV) Language preference.

(V) Party preference.

(VI) Precinct.

(VII) Whether or not the voter has been issued a vote by mail ballot and whether or not a ballot has been received by the county elections official.

(ii) The electronic mechanism used to access voter registration data shall not be connected in any way to a voting system.

(5) A method is available for voters with disabilities to request and receive a blank vote by mail ballot and, if a replacement ballot is necessary, a blank replacement ballot that voters with

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disabilities can read and mark privately and independently pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 20901 et seq.).

(6) (A) Except as otherwise provided for in this section, election boards for the vote centers established under this section meet the requirements for eligibility and composition pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 12300) of Chapter 4 of Division 12.

(B) Each vote center provides language assistance in all languages required in the jurisdiction under subdivision (c) of Section 12303 or Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) in a manner that enables voters of the applicable language minority groups to participate effectively in the electoral process. Each vote center shall post information regarding the availability of language assistance in English and all other languages for which language assistance is required to be provided in the jurisdiction under subdivision (c) of Section 12303 or Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(i) If a vote center is located in, or adjacent to, a precinct, census tract, or other defined geographical subsection required to establish language requirements under subdivision (c) of Section 12303 or Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.), or if it is identified as needing language assistance through the public input process described in clause (ii), the county elections official shall ensure that the vote center is staffed by election board members who speak the required language. If the county elections official is unable to recruit election board members who speak the required language, alternative methods of effective language assistance shall be provided by the county elections official.

(ii) The county elections official shall solicit public input regarding which vote centers should be staffed by election board members who are fluent in a language in addition to English pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 12303 and Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(iii) The county elections official shall provide notice in the sample ballot, in vote by mail materials, and on his or her Internet Web site of the specific language services available at each vote center.

(C) Each vote center provides election materials translated in all languages required in the jurisdiction under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(D) Each vote center provides reasonable modifications and auxiliary aids and services as required by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.) and the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 701 et seq.).

(7) (A) Beginning 10 days before the election, the county elections official maintains, in an electronic format, an index of voters who have done any of the following at one of the voter centers established pursuant to this section:

(i) Registered to vote or updated his or her voter registration.

(ii) Received and voted a provisional ballot or replacement ballot.

(iii) Voted a ballot using equipment at the vote center.

(B) The index required by subparagraph (A) includes the same information for each voter as is required to be included on copies of the index of affidavits of voter registration that are posted
pursuant to Section 14294. The index required by subparagraph (A) shall be updated continuously during any time that a vote center is open in the jurisdiction.

(8) (A) Beginning 29 days before the day of the election, the county elections official mails to each registered voter a vote by mail ballot packet that includes a return envelope with instructions for the use and return of the vote by mail ballot.

(B) The county elections official delivers to each voter, with either the sample ballot sent pursuant to Section 13303 or with the vote by mail ballot packet, all of the following:

(i) A notice, translated in all languages required under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.), that informs voters of all of the following:

(I) An all-mailed ballot election is being conducted and each eligible voter will be issued a vote by mail ballot by mail.

(II) The voter may cast a vote by mail ballot in person at a vote center during the times and days specified in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4) or on election day.

(III) No later than seven days before the day of the election, the voter may request the county elections official to send a vote by mail ballot in a language other than English pursuant to Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) or a facsimile copy of the ballot printed in a language other than English pursuant to Section 14201.

(IV) No later than seven days before the day of the election, the voter may request the county elections official to send or deliver a ballot that voters with disabilities can read and mark privately and independently pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 20901 et seq.).

(ii) A list of the ballot dropoff locations and vote centers established pursuant to this section, including the dates and hours they are open. The list shall also be posted on the Internet Web site of the county elections official in a format that is accessible for people with disabilities pursuant to Section 11135 of the Government Code.

(iii) A postage-paid postcard that the voter may return to the county elections official for the purpose of requesting a vote by mail ballot in a language other than English or for the purpose of requesting a vote by mail ballot in an accessible format.

(C) Upon request, the county elections official provides written voting materials to voters with disabilities in an accessible format, as required by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.) and the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 701 et seq.).

(9) (A) The county elections official establishes a language accessibility advisory committee that is comprised of representatives of language minority communities. The committee shall be established no later than October 1 of the year before the first election conducted pursuant to this section. The committee shall hold its first meeting no later than April 1 of the year in which the first election is conducted pursuant to this section.

(B) The county elections official establishes a voting accessibility advisory committee that is comprised of voters with disabilities. The committee shall be established no later than October 1 of the year before the first election conducted pursuant to this section. The committee shall
hold its first meeting no later than April 1 of the year in which the first election is conducted pursuant to this section.

(C) A county with fewer than 50,000 registered voters may establish a joint advisory committee for language minority communities and voters with disabilities.

(10) (A) The county elections official develops a draft plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section in consultation with the public, including both of the following:

(i) One meeting, publicly noticed at least 10 days in advance of the meeting, that includes representatives, advocates, and other stakeholders representing each community for which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance in a language other than English under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(ii) One meeting, publicly noticed at least 10 days in advance of the meeting, that includes representatives from the disability community and community organizations and individuals that advocate on behalf of, or provide services to, individuals with disabilities.

(B) The county elections official, when developing the draft plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section, considers, at a minimum, all of the following:

(i) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to public transportation.

(ii) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to communities with historically low vote by mail usage.

(iii) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to population centers.

(iv) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to language minority communities.

(v) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to voters with disabilities.

(vi) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to communities with low rates of household vehicle ownership.

(vii) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to low-income communities.

(viii) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to communities of eligible voters who are not registered to vote and may need access to same day voter registration.

(ix) Vote center and ballot dropoff location proximity to geographically isolated populations, including Native American reservations.

(x) Access to accessible and free parking at vote centers and ballot dropoff locations.

(xi) The distance and time a voter must travel by car or public transportation to a vote center and ballot dropoff location.

(xii) The need for alternate methods for voters with disabilities for whom vote by mail ballots are not accessible to cast a ballot.

(xiii) Traffic patterns near vote centers and ballot dropoff locations.

(xiv) The need for mobile vote centers in addition to the number of vote centers established pursuant to this section.
(C) The county elections official publicly notices the draft plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section and accepts public comments on the draft plan for at least 14 days before the hearing held pursuant to subparagraph (D).

(D) (i) Following the 14-day review period required by subparagraph (C), the county elections official holds a public meeting to consider the draft plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section and to accept public comments. The meeting shall be publicly noticed at least 10 days in advance of the meeting on the Internet Web sites of the clerk of the county board of supervisors and the county elections official, or, if neither the clerk of the county board of supervisors nor the county elections official maintain an Internet Web site, in the office of the county elections official.

(ii) After the public hearing to consider the draft plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section and to accept public comments, the county elections official shall consider any public comments he or she receives from the public and shall amend the draft plan in response to the public comments to the extent he or she deems appropriate. The county elections official shall publicly notice the amended draft plan and shall accept public comments on the amended draft plan for at least 14 days before the county elections official may adopt the amended draft plan pursuant to subparagraph (E).

(E) (i) Following the 14-day review and comment period required by clause (ii) of subparagraph (D), the county elections official may adopt a final plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section, and shall submit the voter education and outreach plan that is required by clause (i) of subparagraph (I) to the Secretary of State for approval.

(ii) The Secretary of State shall approve, approve with modifications, or reject a voter education and outreach plan submitted pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (I) within 14 days after the plan is submitted by the county elections official.

(iii) The draft plan, the amended draft plan, and the adopted final plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section shall be posted on the Internet Web site of the county elections official in each language in which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.), and the Secretary of State’s Internet Web site in a format that is accessible for people with disabilities pursuant to Section 11135 of the Government Code.

(F) Public meetings held pursuant to this paragraph shall, upon request, provide auxiliary aids and services to ensure effective communication with people with disabilities.

(G) Within two years of the adoption of the first plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section, the county elections official shall hold public meetings in accordance with the procedures described in subparagraphs (C) to (F), inclusive, to consider revising the first plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section. Every four years thereafter, the county elections official shall hold public meetings in accordance with the procedures described in subparagraphs (C) to (F), inclusive, to consider revising the plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section.

(H) (i) With reasonable public notification, a county elections official may amend a plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section no more than 120 days before the date of an election held pursuant to this section.
(ii) With reasonable public notification, a county elections official may amend a plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section more than 120 days before the date of an election held pursuant to this section if he or she provides at least 30 days to accept public comments on the amended plan.

(I) The plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section, includes all of the following:

(i) A voter education and outreach plan that is approved by the Secretary of State and that includes all of the following:

(I) A description of how the county elections official will use the media, including social media, newspapers, radio, and television that serve language minority communities for purposes of informing voters of the upcoming election and promoting the toll-free voter assistance hotline.

(II) A description of how the county elections official will use the media, including social media, newspapers, radio, and television for purposes of informing voters of the availability of a vote by mail ballot in an accessible format and the process for requesting such a ballot.

(III) A description of how the county elections official will have a community presence to educate voters regarding the provisions of this section.

(IV) A description of the accessible information that will be publicly available on the accessible Internet Web site of the county elections official.

(V) A description of the method used by the county elections official to identify language minority voters.

(VI) A description of how the county elections official will educate and communicate the provisions of this section to the public, including:

(ia) Communities for which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance in a language other than English under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.). The county elections official shall hold at least one bilingual voter education workshop for each language in which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance in a language other than English under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(ib) The disability community, including organizations and individuals that advocate on behalf of, or provide services to, individuals with disabilities. The county elections official shall hold at least one voter education workshop to increase accessibility and participation of eligible voters with disabilities.

(VII) A description of how the county will spend the necessary resources on voter education and outreach to ensure that voters are fully informed about the election. This description shall include information about the amount of money the county plans to spend on voter education and outreach activities under the plan, and how that compares to the amount of money spent on voter education and outreach in recent similar elections in the same jurisdiction that were not conducted pursuant to this section.

(VIII) At least one public service announcement in the media, including newspapers, radio, and television, that serve English-speaking citizens for purposes of informing voters of the upcoming election and promoting the toll-free voter assistance hotline. Outreach made under
this subclause shall include access for voters who are deaf or hard of hearing and voters who are blind or visually impaired.

(IX) At least one public service announcement in the media, including newspapers, radio, and television, that serve non-English-speaking citizens for each language in which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) for purposes of informing voters of the upcoming election and promoting the toll-free voter assistance hotline.

(X) At least two direct contacts with voters for purposes of informing voters of the upcoming election and promoting the toll-free voter assistance hotline. The two direct contacts are in addition to any other required contacts including, but not limited to, sample ballots and the delivery of vote by mail ballots.

(ii) A description of how a voter with disabilities may request and receive a blank vote by mail ballot and, if a replacement ballot is necessary, a blank replacement ballot that a voter with disabilities can mark privately and independently.

(iii) A description of how the county elections official will address significant disparities in voter accessibility and participation identified in the report required by subdivision (g).

(iv) A description of the methods and standards that the county elections official will use to ensure the security of voting conducted at vote centers.

(v) Information about estimated short-term and long-term costs and savings from conducting elections pursuant to this section as compared to recent similar elections in the same jurisdiction that were not conducted pursuant to this section.

(vi) To the extent available at the time of publication, information on all of the following:

(I) The total number of vote centers to be established.

(II) The total number of ballot dropoff locations to be established.

(III) The location of each vote center.

(IV) The location of each ballot dropoff location and whether it is inside or outside.

(V) A map of the locations of each vote center and ballot dropoff location.

(VI) The hours of operation for each vote center.

(VII) The hours of operation for each ballot dropoff location.

(VIII) The security and contingency plans that would be implemented by the county elections official to do both of the following:

(ia) Prevent a disruption of the vote center process.

(ib) Ensure that the election is properly conducted if a disruption occurs.

(IX) The number of election board members and the number of bilingual election board members and the languages spoken.

(X) The services provided to voters with disabilities, including, but not limited to, the type and number of accessible voting machines and reasonable modifications at each vote center.
(XI) The design, layout, and placement of equipment inside each voter center that protects each voter’s right to cast a private and independent ballot.

(vii) A toll-free voter assistance hotline that is accessible to voters who are deaf or hard of hearing, and that is maintained by the county elections official that is operational no later than 29 days before the day of the election until 5 p.m. on the day after the election. The toll-free voter assistance hotline shall provide assistance to voters in all languages in which the county is required to provide voting materials and assistance under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(J) The plan for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to this section is posted in a format that is accessible to persons with disabilities on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State and on the Internet Web site of the county elections official.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 4000 or any other law, on or after January 1, 2018, the Counties of Calaveras, Inyo, Madera, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Sacramento, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sierra, Sutter, and Tuolumne, and on or after January 1, 2020, any county may conduct a special election as an all-mailed ballot election under this section if all of the following apply:

(1) The county elections official has done either of the following:

(A) Previously conducted an election as an all-mailed ballot election in accordance with subdivision (a).

(B) Adopted a final plan for the administration of elections pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (E) of paragraph (9) of subdivision (a), in which case the county elections official shall complete all activities provided for in the voter education and outreach plan that is required by clause (i) of subparagraph (I) of paragraph (9) of subdivision (a) before the day of the special election.

(2) (A) On the day of election, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., inclusive, at least one vote center is provided for every 30,000 registered voters. If the jurisdiction is not wholly contained within the county, the county elections official shall make a reasonable effort to establish a vote center within the jurisdiction where the special election is held.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for a jurisdiction with fewer than 30,000 registered voters, the county elections official makes a reasonable effort to establish a vote center.

(3) (A) Not less than 10 days before the day of the election, for a minimum of eight hours per day, at least one vote center is provided for every 60,000 registered voters. If the jurisdiction is not wholly contained within the county, the county elections official shall make a reasonable effort to establish a vote center within the jurisdiction where the special election is held.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for a jurisdiction with fewer than 30,000 registered voters, the county elections official makes a reasonable effort to establish a vote center.

(4) (A) At least one ballot dropoff location is provided for every 15,000 registered voters. At least one ballot dropoff location shall be located within the jurisdiction where the special election is held. All ballot dropoff locations shall be open at least during regular business hours beginning not less than 28 days before the day of the election, and on the day of the election.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for a jurisdiction with fewer than 15,000 registered voters, at least one ballot dropoff location shall be provided.
(c) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the election day procedures shall be conducted in accordance with Division 14 (commencing with Section 14000).

(d) The county elections official may provide, at his or her discretion, additional ballot dropoff locations and vote centers for purposes of this section.

(e) The return of voted vote by mail ballots is subject to Sections 3017 and 3020.

(f) For the sole purpose of reporting the results of an election conducted pursuant to this section, upon completion of the ballot count, the county elections official shall divide the jurisdiction into precincts pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 12220) of Chapter 3 of Division 12 and shall prepare a statement of the results of the election in accordance with Sections 15373 and 15374.

(g) (1) (A) Within six months of each election conducted pursuant to this section or Section 4007, the Secretary of State shall report to the Legislature, to the extent possible, all of the following information by categories of race, ethnicity, language preference, age, gender, disability, permanent vote by mail status, historical polling place voters, political party affiliation, and language minorities as it relates to the languages required under subdivision (c) of Section 14201 and Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.):

(i) Voter turnout.

(ii) Voter registration.

(iii) Ballot rejection rates.

(iv) Reasons for ballot rejection.

(v) Provisional ballot use.

(vi) Accessible vote by mail ballot use.

(vii) The number of votes cast at each vote center.

(viii) The number of ballots returned at ballot dropoff locations.

(ix) The number of ballots returned by mail.

(x) The number of persons who registered to vote at a vote center.

(xi) Instances of voter fraud.

(xii) Any other problems that became known to the county elections official or the Secretary of State during the election or canvass.

(B) The report required by subparagraph (A) shall be posted on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State in a format that is accessible for people with disabilities pursuant to Section 11135 of the Government Code.

(C) The report required by subparagraph (A) shall be submitted to the Legislature in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(D) If an election is conducted pursuant to this section, the county shall submit, to the extent possible, to the Secretary of State the information needed for the Secretary of State to prepare the report required by subparagraph (A).
(2) The county elections official shall post on his or her Internet Web site a report that compares the cost of elections conducted pursuant to this section to the costs of previous elections. The report shall be posted in a format that is accessible for people with disabilities pursuant to Section 11135 of the Government Code.

(h) The Secretary of State shall enforce the provisions of this section pursuant to Section 12172.5 of the Government Code.

(i) For purposes of this section, “disability” has the same meaning as defined in subdivisions (j), (m), and (n) of Section 12926 of the Government Code.

SEC. 4. Section 4006 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

4006. For any election conducted pursuant to Section 4005, the county elections official shall make a reasonable effort to inform a voter of either of the following:

(a) If the voter’s vote by mail ballot envelope is missing a signature.

(b) How the voter can correct the missing signature.

SEC. 5. Section 4007 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

4007. (a) On or after January 1, 2020, the County of Los Angeles may conduct any election as a vote center election if all of the following apply:

(1) The county elections official complies with all the provisions of subdivision (a) of Section 4005 that are not inconsistent with this section.

(2) Every permanent vote by mail voter receives a ballot.

(3) At least two ballot dropoff locations are provided within the jurisdiction where the election is held or the number of ballot dropoff locations are fixed in a manner so that there is at least one ballot dropoff location provided for every 15,000 permanent vote by mail registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the day of the election, whichever results in more ballot dropoff locations.

(4) Within the jurisdiction where the election is held, at least one vote center is provided for each city that has at least 1,000 registered voters according to the official report of registration submitted by the county elections official to the Secretary of State before the last general election.

(5) On the day of the election, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., inclusive, and on each of the three days before the election, for a minimum of eight hours per day, at least one vote center is provided for every 7,500 registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the day of the election. At least 90 percent of the number of vote centers required by this subparagraph shall be open for all four days during the required times. Up to 10 percent of the number of vote centers required by this subparagraph may be open for less than four days if at least one vote center is provided for every 7,500 registered voters on each day.

(6) Beginning 10 days before the day of the election and continuing up to and including the fourth day before the day of the election, for a minimum of eight hours per day, at least one vote center is provided for every 30,000 registered voters within the jurisdiction where the election is held, as determined on the 88th day before the election.
(7) Precincts with fewer than 500 registered voters are designated as all vote-by-mail ballot precincts.

(8) Voters residing in a legislative or congressional district that lies partially within the County of Los Angeles and that also lies within another county that is conducting an election pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4005 receive a vote by mail ballot if they are eligible to vote in that election.

(9) Voters in a precinct that is either more than a 30 minute travel time from a vote center or in which the polling place in the most recent statewide general election is more than 15 miles from the nearest vote center are mailed a vote by mail ballot.

(10) The vote centers are located within a reasonable travel time of registered voters.

(11) The county elections official conducts a service area analysis of the vote center plans, identifies services gaps, and publicly reports those findings.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 4000 or any other law, on or after January 1, 2020, the County of Los Angeles may conduct a special election as an all-mailed ballot election pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 4005.

(c) No later than four years after conducting the first vote center election pursuant to this section, the County of Los Angeles may conduct all-mailed ballot elections pursuant to Section 4005 and shall not conduct vote center elections pursuant to this section.

SEC. 6. Section 4008 is added to the Elections Code, to read:

4008. (a) The Secretary of State shall establish a taskforce that includes representatives of all of the following:

(1) County elections officials.

(2) Individuals with demonstrated language accessibility experience for languages covered under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).

(3) The disability community and community organizations and individuals that advocate on behalf of, or provide services to, individuals with disabilities.

(4) Experts with demonstrated experience in the field of elections.

(b) The taskforce shall review elections conducted pursuant to Section 4005 or 4007 and provide comments and recommendations to the Legislature within six months of each election conducted pursuant to Section 4005 or 4007.

(c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2022, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2022, deletes or extends that date.
SEC. 7. Section 15320 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

15320. Vote by mail ballots and mail ballot precinct ballots returned to the elections office and to the polls on election day that are not included in the semifinal official canvass phase of the election, including any ballots returned to another jurisdiction in the state and forwarded to the elections official who issued the ballot pursuant to Section 3017, shall be processed and counted during the official canvass in the manner prescribed by Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 15100) and pursuant to the requirements of Section 3019.

SEC. 8. Section 2.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 3017 of the Elections Code proposed by both this bill and Assembly Bill 1921. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2017, (2) each bill amends Section 3017 of the Elections Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after Assembly Bill 1921, in which case Section 2 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 9. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.