

OMNIBALLOT

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ACCESSIBLE SAMPLE BALLOT

A web-based, audio-enabled, sample ballot for all voters

FEATURES:

Accessible:

- Audio-enabled and multilingual
- Compatible with all major screen readers, tactile switches, closed captioning and sip and puff systems
- Complies with Section 508 of the ADA and WCAG 2.0

Secure:

- Hosted on DoD and Homeland Security approved cloud

Easy & Informative:

- Access from a computer, tablet or smartphone
- Save, download or print choices
- Simple and intuitive to use



BENEFITS:

- Ensures compliance with all federal accessibility laws
- Gives voters equal access to balloting information with privacy and independence
- Powerful and convenient voter information tool
- Shortens wait times at polling places
- Approved for HAVA Section 261 grant funding by the US Dept. of Health and Human Services



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Why Equal Access to Voter Information?

IT'S THE LAW



Rehabilitation Act Clause

Under Section 508, agencies must give disabled employees and members of the public access to information that is comparable to access available to others. New U.S. Access Board guidelines stipulate online information in the federal sector must be made compliant with the new WCAG 2.0 accessibility standards by January 2018..

Americans with Disabilities Act (Title II)

Mandates that no individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of the services, information, or activities of a public entity, or be subject to discrimination by such entity.

The Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act of 1984

Each State shall make available registration and information for elections for handicapped and elderly individuals, including instructions, printed in large type, conspicuously displayed at each permanent registration facility and each polling place and information by telecommunications devices.

Lawsuits in CA, OH, MD, FL and others have all stated that voters with disabilities need to have equal access to ballot information.

IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO

Access to basic information is the right of every voter, regardless of ability.

Nearly 20% of the population has some form of disability, preventing them from access to typical voter information on websites.