



**MAKE YOUR
VOTER
REGISTRATION
DRIVE A
SUCCESS**

Checklist and FAQ's

03

**advertise, advertise,
advertise**

01

**get permission to do a
nonpartisan voter drive, find
volunteers, familiarize yourself
with the rules and deadlines &
get your supplies**

04

**set up your table and get
going!**

02

**make sure your volunteers are trained,
and you have all your supplies: posters,
flyers, decorations, laptop to look up
registration status, forms, pens, pledge
cards, clipboards, etc.**

05

**turn in your voter
registration forms
right away – now
celebrate!**

MAKE THE ASK AND GET THE INFORMATION

Making the Ask

- Get out from behind the table and invite people to talk to you. Have fun.
- Start with the question, “Can I update your voter registration?” Stay positive and remember it’s not personal.
- If a person says they’re already registered, be sure to ask “Have you moved recently?” Updating a registration is just as important as securing a new one.
- When you’re talking to somebody, start to put the pen and clipboard in their hand--you’ll be surprised at how many people will automatically start filling it out.

Getting the Information

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- To confirm if a person is already registered to vote or to locate polling location go to VOTE.org
- Ensure that cards are filled out completely including the date! Voter registration cards that have not been filled out completely will result in clients not being registered to vote while leading them to believe that they are registered. They are not a voter until their application is approved by the Registrar of Voters. They should receive a confirmation within 3 weeks. If they do not, they can contact the Registrar in their town hall.
- Signing a pledge to vote makes people 22% more likely to vote. Post forms for contagion effect and to build excitement. OR suggest they sign up with TurboVote.org for text message reminders about elections.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. "I don't have time."

This will only take a minute and you can save time by registering with me today.

2. "I'm not interested" or "I don't vote."

Elected officials give more attention and more resources to people and communities that vote. Your voting record is public information so they know who turned out. When you stay home, so does your power.

3. "I can't register to vote. I'm not eligible."

There is a lot of misinformation out there. I may be able to help. May I ask why not?

- **Not a citizen:** I understand. You can make a difference by making sure friends and family members are registered.
- **Have a felony conviction:** Check The Sentencing Project for state specific information on your voting rights as a person with a felony. Visit <https://www.sentencingproject.org/publications/felony-disenfranchisement-a-primer/>
- **Not old enough:** Will you be 18 by Election Day? If so, I can register you today.
- **I am homeless:** All you have to do is write down where she sleeps at night and a place where you can receive mail they do not have to be the same place
- **I am a student:** You have the ability to register to vote with your school address or home address
- **I live abroad:** You can contact the Federal Voting Assistance Program. The website is www.fvap.gov

4. "I don't have time today. I am just here for (health care/services)."

- I understand completely. Our ability to provide our services can depend on the support of elected officials, and it makes a difference when they know our community members are registered to vote.
- Would you consider updating your registration right now? It will only take a couple of minutes.

5. "Why are you asking me that?"

We think it is important our organization is helping you register to vote. Your vote really can make a difference in your community. I'd be glad to help you register to vote or update your registration right now. It will only take a couple of minutes.

6. "I don't know any of the candidates."

I understand! We're nonpartisan and can't recommend or provide details about candidates, but you can get information from vote411.org or looking online. You can get a copy of the ballot at sots.ct.gov

7. "Who should I vote for?"

We are a nonpartisan organization and we don't and can't endorse candidates. We suggest thinking about what matters to you and reaching out to people who can help.

8. "I don't want to list my phone number."

It's not a required field, but it's really helpful to list your phone number in case the local board of elections has a problem with your registration and needs to contact you.

9. "My Vote does not count"

Your vote is your voice, if you don't exercise your right to vote, you will let someone else do the talking for you. Many Elected officials pay attention to people who vote, let that be you.