

# Get out the Vote in West Virginia

# Why should you vote?

Voting is one of the most powerful ways to make your voice heard in our democracy, but in 2016, 43% of the eligible voting-age population (nearly 100 million Americans) did not cast a vote for president; and 38.6% did not vote for any office.

In 2016, the Black voter turnout rate declined for the first time in 20 years in a presidential election, falling from a recordhigh 66.6% in 2012 to 59.6% in 2016.

## West Virginia's absentee and mail-in voting procedures

#### Permanent absentee / mail-in voting procedures:

· Excuse required to request an absentee ballot

#### 2020 state absentee / mail-in voting status:

Coronavirus updates: Absentee/mail-in ballot eligibility in the November 3, 2020, general election extended to all voters.



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## How can you register to vote in West Virginia?

#### To register to vote, visit

https://blackeconomicalliance.org/register-



For more information on voter eligibility you can also visit the State Board of Elections website.

#### **State Election Office**

https://www.sos.wv.gov/elections/Pages/default.asp

#### **Election Day: November 3**



#### **Deadlines to know for** voting in West Virginia

#### Voter registration deadline:

## October 13, 2020

Twenty-one days before an election

#### Early in-person voting deadlines:

Early in-person voting begins 13 days before the election.

In-person absentee voting ends 3 days before the election.

#### Absentee / Mail-In voting ballot deadlines:

Request must be received by

#### October 28, 2020

Six days before the election

#### **Ballot submission deadline:**

By mail: Postmarked by November 3, 2020 (Election Day) and received by November 9, 2020. In person: November 2, 2020.

#### **Voter ID Requirements**

#### Show one ID at the polls. Must be valid and unexpired:

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Photo ID:

- WV driver's license or other DMV-issued WV ID
- Driver's license issued by another state U.S. passport or card
- U.S. Military card US or WV
- Government employee ID card
- Student ID card Concealed carry permit

#### Non-Photo ID: Voter registration card

- Medicare card or Social Security card Birth certificate
- WV hunting or fishing license
- WV SNAP ID card
- WV TANF program ID card
- WV Medicaid ID card
- Bank or debit card Utility bill or bank statement
- (w/in 6 mos. of election date)
- Health insurance card issued to voter

## **Verify Your Registration**



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Information is current as of: August 24, 2020