

County of Riverside



Registrar of Voters

Consolidated General Election

*Tuesday, November 7, 2017
County Voter Information Guide*

Polling Place Location
on Back Cover
Polls Open
November 7, 2017
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Registration Deadline
October 23, 2017

Additional Information Inside
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Quick • Easy • Convenient

Vote-By-Mail

October 10th - October 31st
Application on Back Cover

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Una traducción en Español de esta Guía de Información del Condado Para el Votante puede obtenerse en la oficina del Registro de Votantes llamando al (951) 486-7200 o (800) 773-VOTE (8683) o visite nuestro sitio web www.voteinfo.net



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Get out of line on Election Day!



VOTE-BY-MAIL

Quick, easy, convenient...
from the comfort of your home!

See application on back cover

VOTE EARLY

Riverside County
Registrar of Voters Office

See inside for additional information

YOU HAVE THE OPTION

OPT-IN TO VIEW YOUR COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE ONLINE!

You can view all future
County Voter Information Guides
online with 24/7 access at your convenience.

It's easy and great for the environment.

For more information visit www.voteinfo.net
or call (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-VOTE (8683)



REBECCA SPENCER
Registrar of Voters



ART TINOCO
Assistant Registrar of Voters

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Dear Voter:

November 7, 2017 is Election Day. This County Voter Information Guide provides ballot marking instructions, polling place location, candidate information, and other important election details that you should review before you vote. You may mark your selections on your Sample Ballot and take it with you to the polls for easy reference.

You have several options for voting:

Vote-by-Mail – Voting by mail is convenient and easy. You will find an application to receive a Vote-by-Mail ballot on the back cover of this guide. The deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot is October 31. You have several options for returning your ballot:

- Mail your ballot in time to reach the Registrar of Voters Office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.
- Return your ballot in person to the Registrar of Voters Office during regular business hours and until close of polls on Election Day. For your convenience the Registrar's office has a secure locked drop box at its entry for ballot drop off 24 hours a day.
- Deposit your ballot in one of the secure drop-off boxes available at designated City Clerks' Offices from October 10 through November 6. Please visit our website to view a map of ballot drop-off locations.
- Take your ballot to any polling place, vote center, or ballot drop-off location within the state no later than the close of the polls on Election Day.
- You may confirm that the Registrar of Voters Office has received your returned Vote-by-Mail ballot on our website at www.voteinfo.net.
- **Vote First, Count First!** Vote-by-Mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

Early Voting – Vote at the Registrar of Voters Office beginning October 10 through November 6 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 28 and November 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 7, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Early voting will also be available at the Palm Springs Public Library on Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting information.

Vote on Election Day November 7 – See the back cover of this County Voter Information Guide for your Polling Place location.

Have you considered participating in the Electoral process? We need you to volunteer to work the polls on Election Day! We are eager to train you to assist voters with their fundamental right to vote. Please contact us for more information.

The Registrar of Voters team is here to serve you. Please contact us anytime, so we can help make your voting experience a positive one. Thank you for participating in this election -- your vote counts!

Sincerely,



REBECCA SPENCER
Registrar of Voters

Be sure to follow the Registrar of Voters on
Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.

HOW TO MARK YOUR PAPER BALLOT

Please refer to the following instructions on how to properly complete your Official Ballot:

- Connect the head and tail of the arrow that points to your choice like the example provided.
- Check both front and back of ballot for voting contests.
- Use a black ball point pen. Do not use felt tip, red or gel ink.
- One line connecting the arrow is preferred.
- Vote for no more than the number of votes allowed in each contest (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.).
- Please keep the Vote-by-Mail ballot folded the same way as you received it.

**TO MARK YOUR VOTE
DRAW A LINE**



VOTE!!!

IMPORTANT NOTE!

If you are a Vote-by-Mail voter, you must fill out and sign your return envelope in order for your vote to be counted.

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT...MARK YOUR BALLOT CORRECTLY

EXAMPLE

CORRECT



INCORRECT









For a demonstration on marking your ballot, please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net












SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA DE MUESTRA

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION / ELECCIÓN GENERAL CONSOLIDADA

November 7, 2017 / 7 de noviembre de 2017

Mark your choices on your Sample Ballot, then refer to it when you vote / Marque sus opciones en su Boleta de Muestra, luego refiérase a esta cuando esté votando

NONPARTISAN OFFICES CARGOS NO PARTIDARIOS	
SCHOOL / ESCOLAR	
PALO VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE PALO VERDE	
Governing Board Member Miembro Junta Gobernante	
Vote for no more than Two Vote por no más de Dos	
NORMAN C. GUTH Retired Educator Educador Jubilado	← 
MARTHA E. GUTIERREZ Parent / Office Technician Padre / Técnica de Oficina	← 
AARON PALMER Farm Manager Gerente Agrícola	← 
JOHN M. ULMER Incumbent Titular	← 
	← 
	← 

CITY / CIUDAD	
CITY OF BLYTHE CIUDAD DE BLYTHE	
City Council Member Miembro del Concejo Municipal	
Vote for no more than Three Vote por no más de Tres	
JOSEPH "JOEY" DE CONINCK Farmer / Businessman Agricultor / Empresario	← 
MARK A. BOLLIGER Health Technician Técnico de Atención de la Salud	← 
JOSEPH M. HALBY, III Business Owner Propietario de Empresa	← 
JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ Sheriff's Lieutenant Teniente del Alguacil	← 
	← 
	← 
	← 
City Clerk Secretaria Municipal	
Vote for One Vote por Uno	
MALLORY SUTTERFIELD-CRECELIUS Incumbent Titular	← 
	← 
Treasurer Tesorera	
Vote for One Vote por Uno	
CHRISTA ELMS Treasurer Tesorera	← 
	← 

VOTER'S INFORMATION GUIDE SECTION

The following pages contain voter information applicable to your ballot which may include the following items:

- **CANDIDATE STATEMENTS**
- **BALLOT MEASURES**
- **ANALYSES**
- **ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT & IN OPPOSITION**

This guide section may not contain a complete list of candidate statements. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot section of this guide. Each candidate's statement in this guide is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Deposit amounts required for publication of candidate statements are listed in the candidate handbook at www.voteinfo.net. Additional candidate statements may be available and viewed at www.voteinfo.net.

Statements made on the following pages represent the views of the authors and are not endorsed by the County of Riverside. Internet website addresses included in any statements are provided by the authors. The County of Riverside assumes no liability for the accuracy or content of websites listed therein.

Arguments in support of or in opposition to the ballot measures are opinions of the authors. The text, grammar, and spelling are as submitted by the authors.

POLLING PLACE REMINDER NO ELECTIONEERING!



All electioneering, voter solicitation, etc. is prohibited within 100 feet in any direction of the room where voters are casting ballots.

Avoid wearing or displaying campaign buttons, hats, t-shirts, and other political items.

CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE §§18370, 18371

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
PALO VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NORMAN C. GUTH

OCCUPATION: Retired Educator

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Married 39 years; 8 children; 32 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild

Education: Bachelor's Degree; Master's Degree; Doctorate in Education

Resident of Blythe for the past 25 years.

I have served 53 years as an educator in California school districts as teacher, principal and superintendent.

I am active in Rotary, Boy Scouts and have several church callings.

As a four term governing board member, I have based my decisions on what is in the best interest of students first. I'm proud of the accomplishments of our students.

I have supported significant increases in salary schedules for employees to support efforts to recruit and retain outstanding teachers, staff members and administrators.

As a governing board member, I have approved new textbooks, supplies, materials and the newest technology to ensure all students have every opportunity for success.

The board has ensured the continued financial stability of the district and maintained a positive certification on every budget.

I am proud of our excellent classified support staff serving the needs of our students and teachers in keeping things running smoothly.

I look forward to continuing to represent our community as a board member. I would appreciate your vote on November 7th.

<p style="text-align: center;">CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, CITY OF BLYTHE</p> <p>JOSEPH DE CONINCK AGE: 63 OCCUPATION: Farmer EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:</p> <p>My name is Joey DeConinck and I am seeking your support for a fourth term on the Blythe City Council.</p> <p>Blythe has been my home since 1972. My wife and I farm 3,000 acres and we employ eight people. We are extremely active in all areas of the community and we take great pride in the people and events that make up our wonderful city.</p> <p>Blythe weathered many storms during my first three terms on the City Council and I feel that I have displayed the integrity, experience, and common sense that has helped us get through those time.</p> <p>I value partnerships and am grateful for those we have forged including those with PVID, Riverside County, the Air Quality Management District, and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, to name just a few.</p> <p>I have served as a member of countless, regional organizations and committees throughout my City Council career and believe I have represented Blythe and its interests well.</p> <p>There are more uncertain times directly ahead for Blythe and I feel the best approach is to keep on the course that has allowed the City to prosper. To that end, I would be honored to serve a fourth term.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, CITY OF BLYTHE</p> <p>JOSEPH M. HALBY, III AGE: 34 OCCUPATION: Business Owner EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:</p> <p>I was born and raised in Blythe, attended and graduated from our local schools. I have worked in the retail sector since 1997 and have seen many changes in the business landscape of Blythe.</p> <p>I believe my experience in doing business in this city can be an asset to our City Council.</p> <p>I also have vast knowledge of the Valley and our water interests. I realize that although I would only be 1 of the 5 councilmembers if elected, I promise to be a dominant voice for the citizens of Blythe.</p> <p>Although I am young, I am a great listener and a quick learner. I will be publicly accessible 6 days a week at my business as well.</p> <p>Please get out to the polls on election day and vote! It would be an honor to serve this city and see it grow while under my guidance.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, CITY OF BLYTHE</p> <p>JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ AGE: 49 OCCUPATION: Sheriff Lieutenant EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:</p> <p>My name is Johnny Rodriguez and I am a Sheriff's Lieutenant for the County of Riverside. I am a lifelong resident of Blythe and have been employed by the Sheriff's Department for over 30 years. I have served our community, and the communities of the Coachella Valley, in various leadership capacities during my career. I have managed the law enforcement component for the Coachella Arts and Music Festival and currently manage over 100 uniform Sheriff Patrol staff. I have prepared and managed budgets as part of my current duties. I have served as the liaison for the Sheriff's Department to 9 community councils. I have also managed the office work for a small family business in Blythe for the past 17 years. My wife owns and operates a small business in the city of Blythe. My goal is to proactively seek commercial development, improve city services, increase revenues, reduce waste, mitigate blight and make the city more attractive for businesses to get established and grow. I believe my extensive experience in the public and private sector can help lead this city forward and make it a better place for all citizens.</p> <p>I would appreciate your vote, thank you!</p>	

CAN'T MAKE IT ON ELECTION DAY?
WE'RE MAKING IT EASY TO VOTE EARLY



AT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507
October 10 through November 6
(excluding Holidays)

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 28 and November 4
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Election Day, November 7
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

AND AT THE PALM SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Learning Center
300 S. Sunrise Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262-7639
Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



VOTE-BY-MAIL

You can request your **OFFICIAL VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT** by using the application on the back of this County Voter Information Guide. Return your vote-by-mail ballot by mail or at the following drop-off locations throughout Riverside County October 10 to November 6:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• City Clerk's Offices (as listed)• The Registrar of Voters Office up until close of polls on Election Day.• The Registrar of Voters 24-hour Drop Box is available east of the main entry doors.• At any Polling Place within the State of California on Election Day.	<p><u>Participating City Clerk's Offices</u></p> <p>Banning Blythe Desert Hot Springs Indian Wells La Quinta Palm Desert Palm Springs Perris</p>	<p>Please visit our website for all of the drop-off locations throughout Riverside County at</p> <p><u>WWW.VOTEINFO.NET</u></p> <p>or</p> <p>call our office at (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-VOTE(8683)</p>



Conditional Voter Registration

Effective January 1, 2017, Conditional Voter Registration is available to eligible voters in California pursuant to Election Codes 2170 through 2173.

Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) extends the existing 15-day registration deadline to eligible voters, allowing them to register and vote 14 days prior to an election through Election Day. An eligible voter would need to register directly in the office of the Riverside County Registrar of Voters, located at 2724 Gateway Drive, in Riverside, CA 92507 to conditionally register to vote and vote a provisional ballot.

Voters may register online at www.registertovote.ca.gov, however, **CVR ballots will only be issued at the office of the Registrar of Voters.**

In order to conditionally register, the voter must first complete an affidavit of registration (also known as a Voter Registration Card). Once the registration is submitted, the Registrar of Voters will issue a CVR provisional ballot to vote.

The affidavit will be processed and once the eligibility is determined and validated, the registration will become permanent and the CVR provisional ballot will be counted.

Conditional Voter Registrations are treated and processed in the same manner as other registrations; CVR provisional ballots are treated and processed the same as other provisional ballots.

If you have any questions regarding Conditional Voter Registration, please call (951) 486-7200 or toll free (800) 773-VOTE (8683).

You may check the status of your voter registration at www.voteinfo.net/AmIRegistered.

CVR was enacted in 2012, to be operative on January 1st after the certification of a statewide voter registration database. VoteCal, California's statewide voter registration database, was certified on September 26, 2016; CVR became operative as of January 1, 2017.



VOTER BILL *of* RIGHTS



YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS



1. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:

- ★ a U.S. citizen living in California ★ registered where you currently live
- ★ at least 18 years old ★ not in prison or on parole for a felony

2. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.**

You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.

3. **The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**

4. **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.

5. **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake**, if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
Ask an elections official at a polling place for a new ballot; or
Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place; or
Vote using a provisional ballot, if you do not have your original vote-by-mail ballot.

6. **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.

7. **The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** within the state of California.

8. **The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.

9. **The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.

10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

SPECIAL NOTICE

- Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the day indicated in the posted county Voter Information Guide.
- Specific instructions on how to vote, including how to cast a provisional ballot, can be obtained from a poll worker or by reading the information mailed to you by your local elections official.
- If you are a newly registered voter, you may be asked to provide appropriate identification or other documentation according to federal law. But please note that every individual has the right to cast a provisional ballot even if he or she does not provide the documentation.
- It is against the law to represent yourself as being eligible to vote unless you meet all of the requirements to vote under federal and state law.
- It is against the law to tamper with voting equipment.

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).



On the web at www.sos.ca.gov



By phone at (800) 345-VOTE (8683)



By email at elections@sos.ca.gov

IMPORTANT DATES



October 10

First day you can vote

October 23

Registration Deadline

October 31

Last day to request a
Vote-by-Mail ballot

November 7, ELECTION DAY

Vote at your polling place, drop off your Vote-by-Mail ballot at any polling location or vote at the Registrar of Voters office by 8:00 p.m.



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE?

You can register to vote by:
Completing a registration application online
or

By requesting a registration card to be mailed to you.

You can also check to see if you are registered
by calling our office or online.

**For more information visit www.voteinfo.net
or call (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-VOTE (8683)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL

October 10 through October 31



HAVE YOU HEARD?

You can request to Vote-by-Mail in any election or elect to receive all ballots for future elections in the mail.

It's not too late to have your ballot mailed to you for this election. Fill out the application on the back cover of this County Voter Information Guide.

QUICK - EASY - CONVENIENT

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Vote First, Count First! Vote-by-Mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

EARLY VOTING ALSO AVAILABLE

You can vote early at:

The Registrar of Voters Office
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507



October 10 – November 6 (excluding Holidays)

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, October 28 and November 4, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Election Day, November 7, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net
for additional early voting information.**

BE A PART OF HISTORY

Be an Election Officer

Receive pay for attending training and working Election Day!

We encourage individuals with bilingual skills in Spanish, Tagalog, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese, and American Sign Language (ASL) to serve their communities as Election Officers.

Call toll free (877) 663-9906 or (951) 486-7341



SUGGEST A POLLING PLACE

The Registrar of Voters office has many partners; businesses, schools, organizations, club houses, libraries, etc.; that have served their community by hosting a polling place for our elections.

- ★ Earn \$25 for use of your facility
- ★ Serve your community
- ★ Promote your business
- ★ Great way to meet your neighbors and friends
- ★ Gain a better understanding of the voting process

If you are interested in hosting or suggesting a Polling Place, contact the Registrar of Voters office at:

Toll free (877) 663-9906 or (951) 486-7341 ★ Email: rovweb@rivco.org

FROM



FIRST
CLASS
POSTAGE

PLACE STAMP HERE

DID YOU SIGN YOUR APPLICATION?

**REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
2724 GATEWAY DRIVE
RIVERSIDE CA 92507-0923**



ACCOMMODATIONS FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES

A "YES" or "NO" printed under the disabled symbol/arrow on the back cover of this guide indicates whether or not your assigned polling place is accessible to physically disabled voters. Please be advised of the following alternate ways you may cast your ballot.

- **By Mail** - You may request a Vote-by-Mail ballot. Simply complete the application on the back cover of this guide, or, you may contact the Registrar of Voters Office by calling (951) 486-7200, (800) 773-VOTE (8683), TTY (951) 697-8966. The application must be received by the Registrar of Voters Office by the deadline given. Your ballot must be received at the Registrar of Voters Office no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.
- **Early Voting** - You may vote at the Registrar of Voters office located at 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, October 10 - November 6 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 28 and November 4, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 7, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting locations and information.
- **Curbside Voting on Election Day** - If you are unable to enter the polling place due to a physical disability, you may request Curbside Voting at your assigned polling place. Curbside Voting doorbells are available at some polling places. If you require Curbside Voting assistance you may call (877) 663-9906 before going to your assigned polling place and/or when you arrive at the facility. An Election Officer will be contacted prior to your arrival to meet you at the curb.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
2724 GATEWAY DRIVE
RIVERSIDE, CA 92507-0918



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Riverside

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 31, 2017.

I hereby request a ballot for the Consolidated General Election, November 7, 2017.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME AS REGISTERED

RESIDENCE ADDRESS AS REGISTERED

CITY STATE ZIP

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

**SIGNATURE
REQUIRED**

SIGNATURE OF VOTER

DATE

MAIL BALLOT TO:

ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)

CITY

STATE

ZIP

☐ ☒ Check this box to request PERMANENT VOTE-BY-MAIL status.

↓ POSTMASTER DELIVER TO ↓

33-BCov General 11-07-17

✓ **You May Cast Your Vote Early**

At

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DRAW A LINE



VOTE!!!

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**BALLOT
TYPE**

006

VOTE EARLY

IT'S QUICK

IT'S EASY

IT'S CONVENIENT

GET OUT OF LINE ON ELECTION DAY!

VOTE-BY-MAIL

↓ LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE ↓



ACCESS?

