# HOSTING A VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE IN VERMONT

## WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Voter registration forms or laptop/tablet(s) for electronic registration
- Signage, pens, clipboards, and stickers
- Volunteers to assist and encourage voters
- Information about upcoming elections in your community

### **DURING THE DRIVE:**

- Stay nonpartisan! Remember you aren't there to tell people how to vote, but to help them make sure they are able to.
- Vermont has a high percentage of registered voters. If people are already registered, don't be discouraged! You can help them to make sure their address is updated, provide information about upcoming elections and how to request an absentee ballot, and make sure they have a plan to vote!
- Let people know about My Voter Page (mvp.vermont.gov). Voters can go there to check their status, update their address, find a sample ballot, and more!

#### **AFTER THE DRIVE:**

- Return hard copy registration forms to the Town Clerk where the applicant lives. <u>Click here for a link to Vermont's Town Clerk Guide.</u>
- Tag us in any social media posts you make about the drive!

#### TIPS:

- Print a QR code so that people can use their own phone to pull up the online registration link.
- Include a note to the Town Clerk when you return the forms so they know they were collected at a drive.
- Contact our office for a special link to use for your voter registration drive so that people do not have to upload an ID. This will streamline the process!



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# **PAPER OR ONLINE FORM?**

There are benefits to both and we recommend having both available, if possible. Paper forms do not require an internet connection and may be more accessible. However, each form needs to be returned to the correct Town Clerk office so if you are registering people from a variety of towns you will take on that responsibility. Online forms don't require any paperwork to keep track of but you do need to ensure that you have internet access and that your audience is comfortable entering that information online.

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

#### Who is eligible to vote in Vermont?

You are eligible if on Election Day you are: a citizen of the United States, a resident of Vermont, if you have taken the Voter's Oath, and are 18 years or older.

#### Can you register before you are 18?

Yes. If you are not yet 18 years old but will become 18 years old before the next election, the application can be completed and submitted to the town clerk any time before the deadline to register. Additionally, a person who will be 18 on or before the date of a general election may register and vote in the primary election immediately preceding that general election. You must be 18 to attest to the Voter's Oath and you can do that at My Voter Page (mvp.vermont.gov).



**I just moved here or go to college here. Can I vote in Vermont?** Yes, as long as you consider Vermont your primary residence and meet the other eligiblity requirements, you can vote in Vermont.

# **NEED MATERIALS?**

Our office can provide forms, buttons, stickers, and signage for your event. Order by calling 1-800-439-VOTE or emailing sos.voterregistration@vermont.gov.

You can also pick up voter registration forms at your local town clerk's office.



