

# FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

## April 8, 2025

### FAQ's

#### IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Feb. 27, 2025</b>	Voter Information Pamphlets start going out to registered voters residing in the First Supervisorial District.
<b>March 10, 2025</b>	Ballots begin to go out to registered voters residing in the First Supervisorial District.
<b>March 10, 2025</b>	In-office voting begins at the Registrar of Voters office (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.)
<b>March 11, 2025</b>	26 official ballot drop boxes available daily through the final day of voting, April 8. A list of locations and a locator map will be available on the <a href="#">Election Information</a> page at sdvote.com.
<b>March 24, 2025</b>	Deadline to register to vote.
<b>March 25 – April 8</b>	Conditional Voter Registration period. If you missed the registration deadline, you can still conditionally register and vote provisionally at the Registrar's office or any vote center located in the First Supervisorial District.
<b>March 29, 2025</b>	Seven vote centers open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., providing voters with ten consecutive days of early voting. A list of locations and a locator map will be available on the <a href="#">Election Information</a> page at sdvote.com.
<b>April 8, 2025</b>	Last day to vote! Thirteen vote centers and 26 official ballot drop boxes are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
<b>May 8, 2025</b>	Deadline to certify the election. <i>*Certification may occur on an earlier date.</i>

#### 1. WHY IS THERE AN ELECTION ON APRIL 8, 2025?

This special primary election is to fill the vacant seat in the County's First Supervisorial District for the remainder of the current term ending in January 2029. If no candidate receives a majority vote in the primary election, the top two vote-getters will move on to the special general election on July 1, 2025.

#### 2. WHO CAN VOTE IN THIS ELECTION?

Only registered voters residing in the First Supervisorial District are eligible to vote.

District 1 spans from the Pacific Ocean on the west, to the Otay and San Miguel mountains in the east, and from Barrio Logan in the north to the U.S./Mexico international border on the south. The First Supervisorial District includes the cities of Chula Vista, Imperial Beach, National City, and some communities within the City of San Diego, such as Barrio Logan, East Village, Golden Hill, and more. Additionally, District 1 includes the unincorporated areas of Bonita, East Otay Mesa, Lincoln Acres, Sunnyside, and La Presa.

If you're not sure whether you reside in District 1, you can look it up at [sdvote.com](http://sdvote.com).

### **3. WHERE CAN I FIND MY COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET FOR THE APRIL 8 ELECTION?**

Voter Information Pamphlets start going out to registered voters residing in the First Supervisorial District on February 27. You may also view your pamphlet [online](#).

### **4. WILL I RECEIVE MY OFFICIAL BALLOT IN THE MAIL?**

Yes. Every active registered voter residing in the First Supervisorial District will receive a ballot in the mail for the upcoming April 8 special primary election. If you have kept your address information up to date with the Registrar's office, you should expect to receive yours the week of March 10.

### **5. WHEN IS THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION?**

Monday, March 24 is the deadline to register to vote in this election.

Remember - you need to complete a new registration form anytime you move, change your name, or change your political party preference. You can register online at [sdvote.com](http://sdvote.com).

Voter registration forms are also available at the Post Office, Department of Motor Vehicles, and library buildings, as well as various City Clerk offices and the Registrar of Voters office at 5600 Overland Ave, San Diego CA, 92123.

### **6. WHAT IF I MISSED THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE?**

If you missed the March 24 deadline, you may still conditionally register and vote provisionally. To do that, you may visit any vote center in the First Supervisorial District starting Saturday, March 29. You may also visit the San Diego County Registrar of Voters office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Once your voter registration is processed and becomes active then the provisional ballot is counted.

### **7. HOW CAN I RETURN MY VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT?**

The Registrar's office asks you to vote early! Mark your selection in the comfort of your home, seal your completed ballot inside your security return envelope, sign your name and date the envelope, and return it promptly to a trusted source:

- Return it by mail so it is received well before Election Day.
  - [Find a U.S. Postal Service Collection Box \(Blue Box\) near you.](#)
- Starting March 11, return it to any of the Registrar's official ballot drop boxes.
  - A locator map and complete list of official ballot drop box locations will be available on [sdvote.com](http://sdvote.com).

You may also return it to any vote center beginning March 29 through April 8. A list of vote center locations will be available on [sdvote.com](http://sdvote.com).

To be considered timely cast, vote-by-mail return envelopes must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Registrar of Voters no later than April 15, 2025.

## **8. HOW DO I FIND A VOTE CENTER NEAR ME?**

You can visit any vote center in the First Supervisorial District to cast your ballot in-person. A complete list of locations is included in your voter information pamphlet sent to your home and may also be viewed online at [sdvote.com](https://sdvote.com).

Starting Saturday, March 29, seven vote centers will be open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On the final day of voting, Tuesday, April 8, a total of thirteen vote centers will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

## **9. WHAT IF I WANT TO VOTE IN-PERSON USING THE OFFICIAL BALLOT I RECEIVED IN THE MAIL?**

Voters who would rather vote in-person by marking their pre-printed ballot with a pen can do so by bringing in the official ballot they received in the mail to any of the vote centers located in the First Supervisorial District **starting Saturday, March 29**. Voters must first check-in at the vote center, fill out the check-in form, and sign the ePollbook (also called the electronic roster of voters). Once the voter checks-in, the barcode on their mail ballot return envelope is automatically suspended.

The voter will be given a secrecy sleeve to place their ballot inside. The voter will be asked to slide their ballot toward the top of the secrecy sleeve so the sequence number at the top of the ballot can be seen by the poll worker. This will conceal any already marked contests while the poll worker goes through the steps to ensure that the ballot the voter carried in is in fact the voter's correct ballot type.

The sequence number is a four-digit number that identifies a voter's precinct and ballot type. It represents the defined geographic boundary that determines which contests are on the ballot for the voters in a particular area.

The voter will then either be directed to a voting station to mark their ballot with the pen or marker provided by the poll worker or if the voter already marked their ballot prior to arriving at the vote center, they will be directed to the check-out station to have the poll worker cast their ballot into the ballot box. An envelope is not needed because the voter checked-in and signed the ePollbook.

Once the ballot is placed inside the ballot box, there is no way to link how that specific voter voted. Their ballot is completely anonymous.

Learn more: [What to Expect at a Vote Center](#)

## **10. DOES THE COUNTY NEED POLLWORKERS?**

Poll workers play an essential role in elections and can serve their community while earning some extra money. To be a poll worker, applicants must be 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and registered to vote in California, or lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.

English speakers who are bilingual in Chinese, Filipino, Laotian, Spanish, or Vietnamese are also needed to serve as poll workers.

If you are interested in serving your community by becoming a poll worker or simply want to learn more, please visit our [Be a Poll Worker page](#) or call (858) 565-5800.