## GOTW in Texas

## First things first

#### Register to vote:

- Go to: vote411.org/pflag
  - Check your registration status
  - If you are not registered REGISTER NOW.
  - Find information about who is eligible to vote in Texas
- When you register you will be asked for your current address and ID Number (driver's license, state ID, or social security number).
- The voter registration deadline in Texas is Monday, **October 7**.





### Voter Identification

In Texas, photo IDs are required to register and cast a ballot.

- Voters who do not have a photo ID <u>can vote</u> but are required to provide supporting ID (such as a utility bill) and complete a Reasonable Impediment Declaration.
- For more information visit: vote411.org/pflag
- There are resources available to help:
  - Legal Defense Fund: voting.naacpldf.org/votingrights/prepared-to-vote/texas/
  - Vote Riders: voteriders.org/freehelp/



TX Driver License

TX Election
Identification
Certificate

TX Personal Identification Card

TX Handgun License

US Military
Identification Card

US Citizenship Certificate

**US Passport** 



## **Voting While Trans/Nonbinary**

The state of Texas does not provide any specific guidance for trans and nonbinary voters. Here are a few recommendations from Advocates for Trans Equality:

- Bring valid ID and backups (voter registration card, utility bill)
- Share the #VotingWhileTrans guide with poll workers
- If needed, connect with a volunteer attorney on-site or call the National Election Protection Hotline (866-OUR-VOTE)
- Worst case, request and cast a provisional ballot and be sure to ask for follow-up instructions





## Voting While Living With a Disability

- If you need assistance at the polls, tell an election official. You do NOT have to provide proof of your disability.
- Voters can have a ballot brought to their car parked at the curbside if they are unable to enter the polling place.
- If you have a disability, you can apply to vote by mail. Voters must request their mail-in ballot by October 25, 2024.
- For additional information, visit: <u>votetexas.gov/voters-with-special-needs/</u>.



## Absentee voting or voting by mail

#### Vote by mail.

- Texas requires an excuse for voting by mail. Valid excuses include being:
  - Over the age of 65, sick, or disabled
  - Out of the country on election day and the early voting period
  - Expected to give birth within three weeks of Election Day
  - Civilly committed under Texas 841 or confined to jail but otherwise eligible





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- In order to vote by mail Texas residents must have a TX driver license,
   ID card, election ID certificate, or Social Security Card.
- Voters must request their absentee ballot by October 25, 2024.
- You can request an absentee ballot here: <u>votetexas.gov</u>
- In Texas an absentee ballot must be postmarked by 7:00 pm on Tuesday, November 5 and received by 5:00 Wednesday, November 6.
- Your absentee ballot can by hand delivered on election day.



PFLAG recommends that voters request their absentee ballots as soon as possible and get them in the mailbox no later than Tuesday, October 22.

## **Early Voting**

#### Vote early.

- All registered voters in Texas can vote early for any reason.
- You can find information about early voting locations in Texas here: vote411.org/pflag
- Early voting begins in Texas on October 21 and ends on November 1.
- Voters who plan to vote early in Texas can vote at any location in their county of residence.
- All other rules and procedures, including ID requirements and polling hours, apply to early voting.





## **Voting on Election Day:**

#### Vote on election day.

- Polls open in Texas at 7:00 am and close in at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 5.
- You can find information about the location of your polling place here:
   vote411.org/pflag
- Curbside voting is available though it is recommended that you call ahead
- If you arrive and are told you won't be allowed to vote:
  - Ask why, fix any problems, and request a provisional ballot.
  - Call 866-OUR-VOTE or 888-VE-Y-VOTA.





# If you are in line to vote when the polls close, STAY IN LINE.