

LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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November 15, 2024

- TO: Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Chair Supervisor Hilda L. Solis Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell Supervisor Janice Hahn Supervisor Kathryn Barger
- FROM: Dean C. Logan C. Logan Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

ELECTION STATUS UPDATE – NOVEMBER 5, 2024 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

This report is to inform your Board of our operations to complete the November 5, 2024 Presidential General Election. The election status update supports the Department's ongoing commitment to fair, accessible, and transparent election services.

Vote by Mail

The Department issued 5,785,268 Vote by Mail (VBM) ballots, and 2,720,879 have been tallied as of November 14th. Voters returned their ballots through the Ballot Drop Boxes, the United States Postal Service, and at our Vote Centers. Vote by Mail continues to be the most utilized voting method. Currently, VBM accounts for 73.2% of the turnout in this election.

The majority of VBM ballots remaining to be processed are pending signature cures from voters who returned their VBM return envelope unsigned or whose signature provided could not be verified. Voters have been notified of the issue and have been provided with a Signature Verification and Unsigned Ballot Envelope Statement. This statement can be returned via mail, in-person, email, fax, or using our new SMS text-based system. There have been 3,319 VBM ballots returned missing a signature and 8,474 VBM ballots returned with a signature that did not match. The list of voters whose ballots are awaiting cure is available upon request through our Election Information Section. Additional information is available on our <u>website</u>.

Vote Centers

In-person voting was completed on Election Day, November 5th at 8:00 PM. There were 648 Vote Centers and RR/CC headquarters opened to voters. There have been

996,570 Vote Center ballots tallied as of November 14th. Election Day continues to be the highest turnout day, with 533,144 check-ins on Election Day. Vote Centers currently account for 26.8% of the turnout in this election.

Voter Turnout

Overall turnout was lower for the November Presidential General Election compared to similar elections such as the November 2020 Presidential Election and past Presidential Elections.

Year	VBM	In-Person	Turnout	Registration	Turnout
2024*	2 720 970	006 570	2 717 440	E 726 002	64.8%
2024	2,720,879	996,570	3,717,449	5,736,803	04.0%
2020	3,424,426	913,765	4,338,191	5,709,853	76.0%
2016	1,283,648	2,260,467	3,544,115	5,103,353	69.4%
2012	975,828	2,260,876	3,236,704	4,593,621	70.5%

*As of November 14th. Final results will be certified on December 3rd.

While overall turnout was lower, we observed record in-person turnout since our transition to the Vote Center model. Various factors influence participation levels, and turnout is not the only data point we consider when evaluating the effectiveness of an election. We prioritize equity, availability, and accessibility of voting services to ensure all eligible voters have equal opportunity to participate in the democratic process. The tables below detail the overall turnout and distribution by Supervisorial District as of November 14th.

Method	First District	Second District	Third District	Fourth District	Fifth District
Vote Centers	176,953	174,188	215,634	212,351	217,444
Vote by Mail	451,246	477,838	632,873	549,259	609,663
Total	628,199	652,026	848,507	761,610	827,107

We did see significant turnout at Vote Centers on Election Day, which resulted in lines at some of our busier locations later in the day. Lines were notably longer at Vote Centers located on college and university campuses. Our efforts to prepare and respond to this turnout proved successful, and we were able to deploy contingency resources where needed.

Election Results Reporting

The official election tally began on November 5th at 8:00 PM at the Ballot Processing Center in the City of Industry. The election results were reported as follows:

- Ballot Tabulation Begins: November 5th, 8:00 PM
- Vote by Mail ballots cast and processed before Election Day: 8:15 PM 8:30 PM
- Vote Center ballots cast before Election Day: 8:30 PM 8:45 PM
- Additional Vote by Mail ballots received prior to or on Election Day: 9:00 PM
- Vote Center ballots cast on Election Day: 9:30 PM 3:30 AM
- Semi-Final Results Announced

The remaining ballots continue to be processed and tallied during the Official Canvass Period. Subsequent election results updates will include VBM ballots returned on Election Day, and those postmarked by Election Day and received up to 7 days after Election Day.

The Canvass Update Schedule was revised to include weekend updates. The new schedule is as follows, with completed updates marked in yellow:

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	-	-	Nov. 6	Nov. 7	Nov. 8	Nov. 9
Nov. 10	Nov. 11	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Nov. 14	Nov. 15	
	Nov.18	Nov. 19	-	-	Nov. 22	
	-	Nov. 26	-	-	Nov. 29	
	Dec. 2	Dec. 3	-	-	-	

The Department will certify the election results on Tuesday, December 3rd as designated in California Elections Code.

Election Observer Program

The Department conducts an extensive *Election Observer Program* as part of our commitment to open and transparent elections. The Election Observer Program provides an opportunity for public observation of critical election processes to maintain integrity, encourage participation, and build voter confidence. Election Observers are provided access to Vote Centers, Check-in Centers, and the Ballot Processing Center to observe voting and election procedures. Some observable activities occurring at the Ballot Processing Center are:

- Logic and accuracy testing of the voting system to conduct a central count of Vote by Mail (VBM) and in-person ballots.
- VBM operations (incoming ballots, Automated signature verification, data processing, ballot extraction, remakes, Ballot preparation for tally).
- Processing provisional and conditional ballots received at the Vote Center.
- Ballot transportation and delivery at a Check-in Center.

- Ballot intake, preparation, and storage.
- Vote tally and reporting on Election Night.

The Election Observer Program at the Ballot Processing Center runs through December 3rd, the tentative date for the completion of the post-election canvass. Election observers are encouraged to check the public schedule of events on LAVOTE.GOV and must comply with all Election Observer Panel Plan Rules and Guidelines.

The Department held an orientation for election observers on October 18, 2024, providing comprehensive training on their rights, how to escalate issues during the election process, and the proper channels for reporting concerns. The orientation also included an open Q&A session to address any questions from community organizations interested in observing the upcoming election. This ensures a transparent and secure voting process while enhancing community trust.

A variety of Election Observer resources and tools are available on our website:

Public Observation Landing Page Election Observer Panel Plan Observation Rules and Guidelines Observation Schedule of Events

Executive Dashboard

The attached Executive Dashboard (Attachment I) contains critical updates on election preparation activities. This dashboard will be included with all future status updates and will evolve over time to reflect operational priorities.

Departmental Contacts

Contact Information for Voters

Phone:(800) 815-2666Email:voterinfo@rrcc.lacounty.govWebsite:lavote.gov

Resources for Media/Communications Deputies

<u>Election Results</u> <u>Fact Sheets</u> <u>Press Releases</u> <u>Outreach Toolkit</u>

Media/Communications Contact

Michael Sanchez, Communications Manager 562-462-2648 – office 562-274-3938 – mobile <u>msanchez@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>

Election Contacts

We appreciate the partnership with your offices in our efforts to serve voters and allow them to exercise their fundamental right to vote. Your respective offices have been provided with a dedicated contact to assist in responding to election-related inquiries.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (562) 462-2716 or email <u>dlogan@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>. Your staff may also contact Adrian Avelar, Executive Assistant at (562) 345-8372 or email <u>aavelar@rrcc.lcounty.gov</u> for any urgent or pressing matters.

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Attachment

c: Fesia Davenport, Chief Executive Officer



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NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION STATUS UPDATE DASHBOARD 5



In-person voting concluded on November 5, 2024

- 648 total Vote Centers available for the November Presidential General Election
- 996,570 Voter Center ballots tallied



Vote by Mail

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Return Sources

- Approximately 1,400,000 ballots via Ballot Drop Boxes
- Approximately 880,000 ballots via the United States Postal Service
- Approximately 465,000 ballots returned to a Vote Center



The tables below include the overall turnout and by Supervisorial District as of November 14th.

Method	Ballots Cast		
Vote Centers	996,570		
Vote by Mail	2,720,879		
Total	3,717,449 (64.8% Turnout)		
Registration	5,736,803		

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