LOUISIANA PREPARED TO VOTE 2018

Important Dates: Congressional and Other Elections

- Last day to register in person or by mail to vote in the Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections
  Tuesday, October 8, 2018

- Last day to register to vote online via Geaux Vote in the Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections
  Tuesday, October 16, 2018

- Early voting for the November 6, Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections
  Voting hours are from 8:30am and 6:00pm
  Tuesday, October 23, 2018 – Tuesday, October 30, 2018 (Except Sunday and Holidays)

- Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail for the Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections
  Friday, November 2, 2018 by 4:30pm

- Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections. Voting hours are from 6:00am to 8:00pm
  Tuesday, November 6, 2018

- Last day to register to vote in person or by mail in the Open Primary/Congressional and Other Elections
  Wednesday, November 7, 2018

- Last day to register online to vote via Geaux Vote in the Open General/Congressional and Other Elections
  Saturday, November 17, 2018

- Early voting for the December 10, Open General/Congressional and Other Elections
  Voting hours are from 8:30am to 6:00pm
  Saturday, November 24, 2018 – Saturday, December 1, 2018

- Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail for the Open General/Congressional and Other Elections
  Saturday, November 17, 2018 by 4:30pm

- Open General/Congressional and Other Elections. Voting hours are from 6:00am to 8:00pm
  Saturday, December 8, 2018

PROBLEM VOTING? Call 1-866-OUR-VOTE

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Voters can request an absentee ballot by mail online through the Louisiana Voter Portal (https://voterportal.sos.la.gov) or in writing through your Registrar of Voters Office.

IMPORTANT END
Voting Changes

Common Potentially Discriminatory Voting Changes
The NAACP Legal Defense Fund (LDF) is closely monitoring how places like Louisiana, which was formerly protected by Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, are responding to the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in Shelby County, Alabama v. Holder, which immobilized that provision. We encourage you to let us know of any voting changes that are planned in your area that you believe may negatively impact your community by emailing LDF at vote@naacpldf.org. These potentially discriminatory voting changes might include: changing polling hours and locations; reducing the number of polling places; changing or eliminating early voting days and/or hours; replacing ward-level voting with at-large parish-wide elections; implementing onerous registration qualifications like proof of citizenship; and purging qualified voters from registration lists.

Voter Identification

What are the acceptable forms of photo ID?
Acceptable forms of photo ID include a driver’s license, a Louisiana Special ID (which you can obtain by presenting your voter registration information card to your Office of Motor Vehicles), or some other generally recognized picture ID that contains your name and signature.

Can I still vote if I don’t have a photo ID?
Yes, you can still vote even if you do not have a photo ID. If you do not have a photo ID, you can either get a “free” Louisiana Special ID card by presenting your voter registration information card to the Office of Motor Vehicles or you can vote by correctly filling out an affidavit with identifying information before voting.

Provisional Ballots

What is a provisional ballot?
A provisional ballot allows you to vote in federal elections when you arrive at your polling place but are not listed as an eligible voter. You will need to certify in writing on the ballot that you are a registered voter in the parish and are eligible to vote in the election for federal office before you cast your ballot. You must be a registered voter in the parish where you vote and eligible to vote in the election for federal office for the provisional ballot to be counted. Note: Your vote will still be counted if you vote in the right parish, but the wrong precinct; however, you will vote a paper provisional ballot and will have to certify in writing on the ballot that you are eligible to vote.