



County Voter Information Guide & Sample Ballot

Presidential General Election November 5, 2024

Please review this Voter Information Guide for details on the Election and voting options.

IMPORTANT: POLLING PLACES WILL ONLY BE OPEN FROM 7 A.M. TO 8 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY

Please see back cover for your assigned polling place if you are unable to vote by mail, prefer to vote at your polling place, or require assistance.

WARNING: ELECTIONEERING AND CORRUPTING THE VOTING PROCESS IS PROHIBITED!

Violations subject to fine and/or imprisonment.

For additional information on what is considered electioneering or corrupting the voting process, please visit our website at sbcvote.com.

County Elections Division Offices

Main telephone number: 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683)

Website: sbcvote.com

SANTA BARBARA AREA

4440-A Calle Real

Office Hours (Beginning October 7, 2024): 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon. – Fri., except holidays

LOMPOC AREA

401 E. Cypress Ave, Room 102

Office Hours (Beginning October 31, 2024): 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Mon. – Fri., except holidays

SANTA MARIA AREA

511 E. Lakeside Parkway, Suite 134

Office Hours (Beginning October 7, 2024): 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Mon. – Fri., except holidays

All locations will be open:

November 2, 2024, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Mailing Address:

County of Santa Barbara Elections Division

PO Box 61510

Santa Barbara, CA 93160-1510

Important Dates to Remember

October 7 - October 29, 2024	Vote by Mail ballots mailed to ALL eligible voters.
October 7 - November 5, 2024	Voting at County Election Division offices. See hours and locations above.
October 21, 2024	Close of Registration, register at registertovote.ca.gov .
October 22 - November 5, 2024	Conditional Voter Registration Period, also known as Same Day Voter Registration.
October 29, 2024	Deadline to request a replacement Vote by Mail ballot or Remote Accessible Vote by Mail (RAVBM) ballot be sent to you.
October 29, 2024	Suggested last day to mail your voted ballot.
November 5, 2024	Election Day, Polls and County Election Division offices open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Important Election Information

All voters will receive a Vote by Mail ballot for this Election. Please review the information provided with your ballot and return envelope for instructions on how to properly mark and return your ballot.

Official ballots will begin mailing by October 7, 2024. If you do not receive your Vote by Mail ballot by Monday, October 14, 2024, contact our office or check your ballot status at voterstatus.sos.ca.gov.



How to Vote by Mail

All voters will receive a Vote by Mail ballot for the **November 5, 2024, Presidential General Election**.

The County of Santa Barbara Elections Division will send voters Vote by Mail ballots, in envelopes similar to the one pictured to the right, by **October 7, 2024**.



VOTING BY MAIL IS EASY



MARK IT.

Follow the instructions on the ballot and mark your choices.



SEAL IT.

Insert your voted ballot in the return envelope provided and seal it.



SIGN IT.

Make sure the signature on your return envelope matches the one on your driver's license/state ID or the one you provided when registering, and complete all required information on your return envelope.



RETURN IT.

You may return your voted ballot by mail or in person by 8:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on **Election Day, November 5, 2024**.

By mail: Make sure your ballot is **postmarked** by Election Day. No stamp required. Ballots postmarked on or before Election Day are considered timely if received by **November 12, 2024**.

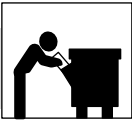
In person: Return your ballot to any county elections office, official ballot drop box or polling place within the state by 8:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day.

This guide contains a list of official ballot drop box locations and information for the County of Santa Barbara. County Elections Division office locations and business hours may be found on the inside cover of this guide.



TRACK IT.

Sign up at **wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov** to receive status alerts by text (SMS), email or voice call notifications to confirm the County Elections Division has received your ballot.



Official Ballot Drop Boxes

Official ballot drop boxes will be available 24 hours a day (unless otherwise noted) **October 7, 2024**, until **November 5, 2024 at 8:00 p.m.**

Drive-Up **D** | Walk-Up **W**

Area	Ballot Drop Box	Address	
Buellton	Buellton City Hall	107 W. Highway 246	D, W
Carpinteria	Carpinteria City Hall	5775 Carpinteria Ave.	D, W
	Casa De Las Flores	4090 Via Real	W
Goleta	Goleta City Hall	130 Cremona Dr.	W
	Goleta Valley Community Center	5679 Hollister Ave.	D, W
Guadalupe	Guadalupe City Hall	918 Obispo St.	W
Isla Vista/UCSB	UCSB Student Resource Building	UCSB Campus	W
Lompoc	Lompoc City Hall (Near utility payment drop box)	100 Civic Center Plaza	D, W
	Lompoc Public Library	501 E. North Ave.	W
	COSB Department of Social Services/Public Health	1100 West Laurel Ave.	W
	Vandenberg Village Library	3755 Constellation Rd.	D
Los Alamos	Los Alamos Branch Library	405 Helena St.	W
Montecito	Manning Park (Area 9 – Parking lot off Santa Rosa Ln.)	449 San Ysidro Rd.	D
New Cuyama	Cuyama Valley Rec. District (Montgomery Hall Bldg.)	4885 Primero St.	W
Orcutt	Oak Knolls Shopping Center (Parking lot by State Farm)	1103 E. Clark Ave.	W
Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara City Hall	735 Anacapa St.	W
	COSB Administration Building (Anacapa St. entrance)	105 E. Anapamu St.	W
	COSB Elections Division Main Office	4440-A Calle Real	D, W
	Eastside Branch Library	1102 E. Montecito St.	W
	MacKenzie Park (Lower parking lot., sunrise to sunset)	3111 State St.	D, W
	San Andres Hardware	635 W. Micheltorena St.	W
	Santa Barbara City College (West Campus drop-off entrance)	721 Cliff Dr.	D
Santa Maria	Atkinson Park Community Center	1000 N. Railroad Ave.	W
	Allan Hancock Community College (Off Bradley Rd., Parking Lot 3)	800 S. College Drive	W
	COSB Santa Maria Elections Division Branch Office	511 E. Lakeside Pkwy	D, W
	Minami Community Center	600 W. Enos Dr.	W
	Santa Maria Animal Center	548 W. Foster Rd.	W
	Santa Maria Public Library (City Library parking garage)	421 S. McClelland St.	D, W
Santa Ynez	Stuart C. Gildred Family YMCA	900 N. Refugio Rd.	W
Solvang	Solvang Veterans Memorial Building	1745 Mission Dr.	D

 **Locations may change due to unforeseen circumstances. For the most current list of official ballot drop boxes visit [sbcvote.com](https://www.sbcvote.com).**



Accessible Voting

Language Assistance. Bilingual (English/Spanish) staff is available at County Elections Division offices and polling places. Assistance for additional languages is available using an interpreter service.

Election Materials in Other Formats. Audio CDs and large print versions of the information printed in this guide and the State Voter Information Guide are available upon request. To request an audio or large print copy of this guide, return the application located on the back of this guide, or contact the County Elections Division at 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683).

Remote Accessible Vote by Mail (RAVBM) System. The RAVBM system allows a voter to independently download, mark, and print their ballot on their own computer using their personal assistive technology. A voter may use the return envelope that came with their Vote by Mail ballot packet or their own envelope to return their voted ballot and signed declaration.

RAVBM ballots can be returned in the same way as all other Vote by Mail ballots and have the same return deadline.

To request a RAVBM ballot, please email votebymail2@countyofsb.org or call 1-800-722-8683. For more information refer to the “Remote Accessible Vote by Mail” page in this guide or visit the “Remote Accessible Vote by Mail” webpage at sbcvote.com.

Curbside Voting. Curbside voting is available at all County Elections Division offices and polling places for voters unable to come into their designated voting location. To use curbside voting, voters can:

- Call 1-800-722-8683 in advance to request curbside voting at one of the County Elections Division offices or their polling place; or
- Follow the curbside voting signs to the designated parking space and call 1-800-722-8683 once they arrive at the polling place.

Accessible Voting System. All County Elections Division offices and polling places have at least one (1) ImageCast X® (ICX) ballot marking device with ballots available in English and Spanish. The ImageCast X® (ICX) ballot marking device provides:

- an audio option that reads the ballot in both languages through provided headphones;
- a universal plug for personal assistive technology; and
- large print and black/white contrast viewing options.

Other Aides Available Upon Request. Easy grip pens and magnifiers are available upon request at all County Elections Division offices and polling places.

Personal Assistance Marking Your Ballot. Voters have the right to get help casting their ballot from anyone they choose, except from their employer or union representative. Voters may bring up to two (2) people to their polling place to assist them while voting.



Remote Accessible Vote by Mail (RAVBM)

The RAVBM system gives voters the ability to read and mark their ballot privately and independently on their personal devices. Any active voter can request and receive access to the RAVBM system.

The RAVBM system allows you to:

- ✓ Mark your selections and review them prior to downloading and printing your voted ballot.
- ✓ Use your own assistive technology devices to read and mark your ballot.
- ✓ Select English or Spanish language.
- ✓ Change the screen contrast and font size for your ballot.

RAVBM is not “internet voting.” **You cannot submit your selections online. You must print and return your marked ballot by mail or in person.**

How to vote with RAVBM:

1. Request an RAVBM ballot access link. Submit your request:

- **Online:** Complete an electronic request online at sbcvote.com/RAVBM or when you review your voter information on My Voter Status webpage at voterstatus.sos.ca.gov, or
- **Via Email:** Email your request to votebymail2@countyofsb.org, or
- **By Phone:** Contact the County Elections Division at (805) 568-2200 or 1-800-722-8683.



RAVBM requests will be accepted through October 29, 2024.

2. Mark your ballot

Use the access link to open your ballot. Mark the ballot on your own computer, with your own assistive technology, if needed.




3. Review and print your ballot

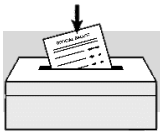
Review your ballot choices and make any corrections. Download and print your ballot.

4. Seal and sign your ballot return envelope

Place your RAVBM ballot in the identification return envelope you received in the mail with your official ballot. Only vote and return one ballot, either the one mailed to you or the RAVBM ballot. **It is a crime to vote twice.** Sign the voter’s declaration (punched holes tell you where to sign). Seal the envelope. If you misplaced the official return envelope, please email votebymail2@countyofsb.org or call 1-800-722-8683 to request a new envelope.

5. Return your ballot:

-  By mail. Must be **postmarked** by Election Day, November 5, 2024, and received in our office by **November 12, 2024**.
-  At any official ballot drop box in California. Ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day, November 5, 2024.
-  At any in-person voting location or any county elections office in California. Ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Election Day, November 5, 2024.



How to Vote at the Polls

Find your polling place on the back cover of this guide, visit our *Upcoming Elections & Events* webpage at sbcvote.com, or call the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division at 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683). If no polling place is assigned, this means your registered address is in a mail ballot precinct.



Look near the wheelchair symbol on the back cover of this guide to determine if your polling place is accessible to voters with specific needs. Curbside voting is also available at all County Elections Division offices and polling places.

What do I do to vote at my Polling Place?

- Take the Vote by Mail ballot you received in the mail to your polling place and give it to the Check-In Clerk.
- Provide your name and address to the Check-In Clerk and let them know if you will need assistance marking your ballot.
- Verify your information and sign on the Electronic Poll Book Tablet. You will receive a ballot issue ticket.
- Take your ballot issue ticket to the Ballot Issue Clerk to get your ballot. Please make sure your ballot matches the Sample Ballot in this guide.
- Vote your ballot at one of the voting booths.
- Deposit your voted ballot into the ballot bag.

What to do if...

You do not have your Vote by Mail ballot to turn in to the Check-In Clerk and want to vote at your polling place:

- If the Check-In Clerk can confirm that you have not voted in the election, then you may be issued a poll ballot to vote. If the Check-In Clerk is unable to confirm that you have not already voted in the election, you will be issued a Provisional Ballot to vote. Your Provisional Ballot will be counted once it is confirmed you have not already voted in the election.

You changed your name and did not re-register:

- Let the Check-In Clerk know. They will give you a new voter registration card to complete.
- You will need to sign your new and old name on the Electronic Poll Book Tablet.

You are at the wrong polling place or you are listed at a different address:

- If you have a new address, the Check-In Clerk will give you a form to complete to update your address.
- If you are at the wrong polling place, you have the following options:
 - Go to your correct polling place; or
 - Vote using an ImageCast® X (ICX) ballot marking device for your precinct's ballot; or
 - Vote a Provisional Ballot from the available poll ballots at the polling place. In this case, only the contests you are eligible to vote on will be counted.

You need assistance marking your ballot:

- You may ask to use the ImageCast® X (ICX) ballot marking device to vote independently.
- You are allowed to bring up to two (2) people to assist you with marking your ballot.
 - Assistance CANNOT be provided by your employer or an officer or agent of a union you are a member of.
- Tell the Check-In Clerk that you need assistance voting your ballot. An Election Officer is able to assist if needed.
- You and your assistant(s) will be asked to complete an Assisted Voter Form.



Important Registration Information

Eligibility to register to vote

To register to vote in California a person must be:

- ✓ a United States citizen and resident of California,
- ✓ 18 years old or older on Election Day,
- ✓ not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- ✓ not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court.

A person may pre-register to vote if that person is at least 16 years of age and meets all the other eligibility requirements. Pre-registrants are automatically registered to vote on their 18th birthday.

Re-register to vote

If you have moved,
If you have changed your name,
If you want to change your political party preference, or
If your mailing address has changed.

You may re-register to vote online at registertovote.ca.gov or request a paper voter registration application from the County Elections Division by calling 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683), or emailing voterreg@countyofsb.org.

Deadline to register or re-register to vote

The last day to register to vote for the November 5, 2024 Presidential General Election is **October 21, 2024**.

Conditional Voter Registration

Voters who miss the deadline to register or re-register to vote may visit one of the County Elections Division offices between October 22, 2024, and November 5, 2024, or go to their polling place on Election Day to “conditionally” register and vote.



If visiting a polling place on Election Day, use the polling place look up tool at sbcvote.com or call 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683) to locate your polling place.

If you are a military or overseas voter or a voter with disabilities, contact the County Elections Division to learn about conditional voter registration and voting options that are available to you.

Phone: 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683) Email: votebymail2@countyofsb.org.

Requirements for First Time Federal Voters

Any person voting for the first time who registers by mail and does not provide their California driver's license, California identification number, or last four digits of their Social Security number, will be asked to show a form of identification when they go to the polls, or must provide a copy of that identification with their Vote by Mail ballot. First Time Federal Voters who fail to provide identification when voting, may result in their ballot not being counted. There are 30 forms of identification that can be used for this purpose under the Help America Vote Act of 2002, including a government issued check or a utility bill that includes the person's name and address.

For a full list of the forms of identification that can be used, visit the Secretary of State's website at: sos.ca.gov/elections/hava-id-standards



Language Assistance/Asistencia con el idioma

In this year's elections, some polling places will have translated sample ballots that voters can use as a reference when voting. The polling places that will have them are determined by the Secretary of State. To find out if your polling place will have a translated sample ballot, or to request to have one sent to you before Election Day, please visit our website or call our office. Requests must be received no later than 7 days before Election Day.

If you need assistance when voting, you may bring up to two people with you to your polling place, as long as they are not representatives of your employer or your union. Bring a family member or friend!

Spanish/Español

En las elecciones de este año, algunos lugares de votación contarán con modelos de boletas traducidas que los votantes pueden usar como referencia al votar. La Secretaría de Estado determinó qué lugares de votación contarán con estos modelos de boletas. Para saber si su lugar de votación contará con una boleta modelo traducida, o para solicitar que le envíen una antes del Día de Elecciones, por favor, visite nuestro sitio de internet o llame a nuestra oficina. Las solicitudes se deben recibir antes de los 7 días previos al Día de Elecciones.

Si necesita ayuda al votar, puede llevar hasta dos personas con usted a su lugar de votación, siempre que no sean representantes de su empleador o sindicato. ¡Lleve a un familiar o amigo!

Chinese/ 中文

在今年的選舉中，一些投票站將提供翻譯的選票樣本，投票人可以在投票時用作參考。選民所屬的投票點由國務卿決定。若想了解您的投票站是否有提供翻譯的選票樣本，或請求在選舉日之前將翻譯樣本發送給您，請訪問我們的網站或致電我們的辦公室。請求必須在選舉日7天前收到。

如果您在投票時需要幫助，您可以最多帶兩個人（只要他們不是您雇主或工會的代表）到您的投票站。您可帶上家人或朋友！

Korean / 한국어

올해 선거에선 일부 투표소에 투표자가 투표할 때 참고용으로 사용하도록 번역된 샘플 투표 용지를 비치할 예정입니다. 번역된 투표 용지를 비치할 투표소는 국무 장관이 결정합니다. 귀하의 투표소의 번역된 투표 용지 비치 여부를 알아보시거나 선거일 전에 번역된 용지를 받아보도록 신청하시려면 웹사이트를 방문하시거나 사무실에 전화 주십시오. 신청은 선거일 최소 7 일 전에 수신되어야 합니다.

투표할때도움이필요하신경우귀하의고용주또는조합의대표인이아닌사람최대두명과투표소에동행하실수있습니다.가족이나친구와함께오세요!

Tagalog / Tagalog

Ngayong eleksyon ngayong taon, ang mga lugar ng botohan ay magkakaroon ng mga balota na pwedeng pagbasehan para sa proseso ng pagboto. Ang mga lugar na pagbobotohan na magkakaroon ng mga balotang ito ay tutukuyin ng Sekretarya ng Estado. Upang malaman kung ang iyong lugar na pagbobotohan ay may naisalin na balota o para humingi ng kopya nito bago ang Araw ng Eleksyon, paki-bisita lamang ang aming website o tawagan ang aming opisina. Lahat ng hiling ay dapat matanggap sa loob ng 7 araw bago ang Araw ng Eleksyon.

Kung kailangan niyo ng tulong sa pagboto, pwede kayong magdala ng hanggang dalawang tao sa lugar ng botohan basta sila ay hindi kinatawan ng iyong lugar na pinagtrabahuan o ng iyong unyon. Magdala kayo ng miyembro ng pamilya o isang kaibigan!



Additional Resources

A Ride to your Polling Place.

Transportation to and from polling place locations may be available on Election Day to senior citizens and to persons with mobility impairments. Most transportation services require that you schedule services up to two weeks in advance. For information on scheduling services and fees, please contact the agency directly.

Carpinteria Area (Help of Carpinteria): Call 805-684-0065

Santa Barbara/Goleta Area (Easy Lift Transportation): Call 805-681-1181

Santa Ynez/Solvang Area (Santa Ynez Valley Transit): Call 805-688-5452

Santa Maria Area (SMOOTH – Santa Maria Organization of Transport Helpers): Call 805-922-8476
(Santa Maria Regional Transit): Call 805-928-5624.

Voting on Election Day if hospitalized or in a care facility due to a medical emergency.

Most hospitals and care facilities in Santa Barbara County have staff available to help voters in their care with retrieving and returning an emergency ballot on Election Day.

Contact the County of Santa Barbara Elections Division for additional information on emergency voting at votebymail2@countyofsb.org or call 1-800-SBC-VOTE (1-800-722-8683).

OTHER RESOURCES



Disability
Rights
California

Disability Rights California

Website: disabilityrightsca.org

Voting Hotline – 1-888-569-7955

TTY: 1-800-719-5798



Independent Living Resource Center

Website: ilrc-trico.org

Voice: 805-963-0595 (Santa Barbara) 805-925-0015 (Santa Maria)

Video Phone (VP): 805-284-9051 (Santa Barbara) 805-354-5948
(Santa Maria)



Tri-County Glad

Website: tcglad.org

Voice: 805-644-6322

TTY: 805-644-6323

Video Phone (VP): 805-256-1053

Email: info@tcglad.org



Appendix A - Information about Candidates

Candidate contact information and campaign financial disclosure statements are available online:

Local Candidates: sbcvote.com

Statewide Candidates: sos.ca.gov

Federal Candidates: fec.gov

State Legislative Candidates – Voluntary Spending Limits

California law includes voluntary spending limits for candidates running for state offices who choose to keep their campaign expenses under specified dollar amounts. Candidates for state legislative offices who agree to the voluntary spending limit are able to purchase space for a candidate statement to be printed in this voter guide. Some candidates, however, chose not to buy space for a statement.

The following state legislative candidates have agreed to abide by the voluntary spending limits.

Office	Candidate's Name	Candidate's Statement of Qualifications Included
State Senator, District 21	S. Monique Limón	Yes
State Senator, District 21	Elijah Mack	No
Member of the State Assembly, District 37	Sari M. Domingues	Yes

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates have the option to prepare and pay for a Candidate's Statement of Qualifications (candidate statement) to be printed in this voter guide.

Candidate statements are printed exactly as submitted, including errors.

Candidate statements are arranged by candidate's last name in a random alphabet order. The random alphabet used depends on the contest, following either the randomized alphabet drawing conducted by the Secretary of State's office or the County Elections Division.

The following pages may or may not represent a complete list of candidates. For a complete list of candidates on your ballot, please see the Sample Ballot pages of this guide.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
United States Representative
District 24**

SALUD CARBAJAL

Age: 59

Occupation: Member of Congress

Education and Qualifications: I'm Salud Carbajal, and I'm working to advance our Central Coast priorities in Congress.

I grew up on the Central Coast. My father worked as a farmworker in Ventura County. I attended UCSB while working two jobs to become the first in my family to graduate from a university. I proudly served our country in the Marine Corps Reserves, and my community as Santa Barbara County Supervisor. My wife, Gina, and I raised our family here, and now are watching our grandchildren grow up here.

In Congress, I've focused on supporting hardworking families and growing the middle class. I helped pass laws that are creating jobs, investing in our infrastructure and clean energy, and lowering costs of living including housing and health care.

I'm still fighting to defend reproductive freedom and restore abortion access nationwide. And as an immigrant, I am committed to advancing overdue fixes to our broken immigration system and restoring order at our borders.

I've worked on legislation that protects our environment, addresses climate change, bans new offshore drilling off our coastline, supports our veterans, and makes our communities safer by getting guns and deadly fentanyl off our streets. At a time when Washington dysfunction is at an all-time high, I've remained focused on finding common ground across the aisle to tackle homelessness, improve child care availability, and prevent wildfires.

I would be honored to continue working for you in Congress.

For more information, visit SaludCarbajal.com.

I kindly ask for your vote. Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
United States Representative
District 24**

THOMAS COLE

Age: 67

Occupation: Data Analyst

Education and Qualifications: Dear voters, it's time for a decision. For the safety of your children and the protection of your nation, we need you to decide.

Do you want a country that fights endless wars?

Do you want \$200 billion of your tax dollars sent to Ukraine while our homeless veterans die on the streets?

Do you want a nation that has open borders?

Do you want schools that have men competing against your daughters and in their showers?

Do you want a nation where bicoastal political and media elites and tech barons prosper while you can't afford basic necessities?

And, do you want continuing inflation destroying your paycheck, doubling the price of food and gas and your mortgage payment?

Now, I offer a solution and that is to vote for me, Thomas Cole for Congress, where your vote for me will mean a vote for America. A vote for your right to have safe schools, safe borders, plentiful jobs and stable money.

We need the government to get out of the way and allow the private sector to provide more energy jobs, more housing, and better education.

And, government should be providing the things we cannot do ourselves, like border security, infrastructure and national defense.

Instead, what you are getting is politicized schools promoting transgenderism, open borders with crime and thousands of homeless people -- many of them mentally disturbed and violent -- admitted into your neighborhoods.

It's time for a change. I will be that change. Learn more at thomascolegforcongress.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
State Senator
District 21**

S. MONIQUE LIMÓN

Occupation: California State Senator

Education and Qualifications: As a lifelong resident of the Central Coast, I'm honored to represent Santa Barbara County in the State Senate.

I have a proven record of working to improve our schools, protect our environment, expand job training, advance women's health care, protect consumers, combat the high cost of living, and bring resources to our area to prevent and fight wildfires. That's why I am proud to be supported by a broad range of community leaders including teachers, nurses, and firefighters.

Since being elected, I've worked to tackle climate change, protect consumer privacy, improve mental health care and long-term strategies to prevent homelessness, improve access to quality healthcare including aging and Alzheimer's, and help safeguard human trafficking survivors. Access to healthcare continues to be a priority for our community and I have worked with a coalition to protect and improve it. I earned a 100% voting record with Health Access California.

I've worked to protect our air, water and coastline, and earned a 100% rating from the Sierra Club and California Environmental Voters.

In response to the Supreme Court's overruling of Roe v. Wade, I co-authored Proposition 1, which passed overwhelmingly by the voters of California, to enshrine the right to choose for women in our State Constitution.

These challenging times require effective leadership and the integrity to stand up for the people of the Tri-Counties. I believe my record reflects both.

I would be honored to earn your vote for my re-election to the State Senate. Thank you for your consideration.

www.MoniqueLimonforSenate.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
State Assembly
District 37**

SARI M DOMINGUES

Occupation: Retired

Education and Qualifications: I'm Sari M Domingues, and I'm honored to be your candidate for California State Assembly District 37. Growing up in this community, I've witnessed California's potential firsthand and have experienced it's decline. It is time to stop the decline and bring California back to the strong, vibrant state we all love. With 30 years of extensive experience in public service, I had to problem solve, project manage, be detail oriented and a critical thinker. I worked with all levels of employees including front-line staff, subject matter experts, technical staff, and administration. My work experience taught me valuable lessons on collaboration and has given me strength dealing with adversity. I have earned a master degree in Organizational Leadership based on Servant Leadership. My dedication to the principles of Servant Leadership, and love for my community make me the candidate capable of bringing positive change to District 37 and the State as a whole. With your support, I'll work tirelessly to revitalize our local economy, promote job growth, strengthen our schools, and create safe and flourishing communities. Together, we can create a brighter future for District 37 and California. Please vote Sari M Domingues for California State Assembly District 37.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 5
Santa Ynez Valley Union High School District**

CHRIS JOHNSON

Occupation: Incumbent Board President/Businessman

Education and Qualifications: As the current President of the Santa Ynez Valley Union High School District Board, I was honored to be elected to this position by the board in December 2022. In my tenure, I've completed the Masters in Governance program through the CSBA, which has equipped me with the tools to be an effective advocate for our students.

My experience as a business owner and former football coach has reinforced my commitment to teamwork, leadership, and community. These principles have guided me in collaborating with educators, administrators, and fellow board members to navigate challenging issues with positive outcomes. Together, we revised our Mission and Vision statement, set a 3-5 year plan to reverse deficit spending, and addressed administrative turnover by restructuring and hiring a combined Superintendent/Principal to strengthen leadership and save the district money.

I am dedicated to ensuring that every student receives a high-quality education, regardless of their future goals. With your support, I will continue to serve our district with compassion and focus, helping to prepare our students to be productive members of society. I humbly ask for your vote on November 5th

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 5
Santa Ynez Valley Union High School District**

JOSHUA A. JONES

Age: 45

Occupation: Technology Entrepreneur

Education and Qualifications: As a candidate for the school board, I am committed to prioritizing kindness, transparency, and integrity. I believe in providing equal representation and amplifying the voices of all community members. By supporting more site-based decision-making, I aim to empower parents and teachers to actively shape our schools. Advocating for fair teacher compensation, affordable housing assistance, and comprehensive school safety measures will help create a secure, supportive, and thriving educational environment. With my background in virtual event technology and management, and a passion for the creative arts, health and wellness, and community service, I am eager to bring my diverse experiences and dedication to the board. Together, we can ensure every student receives the high-quality education they deserve, tailored to their unique needs and backgrounds.



Appendix B - Local Measures

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN BALLOT MEASURES, ANALYSES AND ARGUMENTS

(For measures that will be on your ballot)

Arguments in support of or in opposition to a measure are the opinions of the authors. All information for ballot measures are printed exactly as submitted to the County Elections Division, including errors.

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**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE L2024
COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

This measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees of the College School District, which is the governing board of the School District.

If approved by 55% of the voters voting on the proposition, this measure authorizes the College School District (School District) to issue and sell bonds of up to \$18,000,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the School District's Bond Project List. The Bond Project List, as well as the full text of the measure, are printed in the voter information guide. None of the proceeds from the sale of bonds may be used for teacher or administrator salaries or operating expenses.

The bonds and interest thereon would be payable from the proceeds of property taxes levied on taxable property in the School District. These taxes would be in addition to the property taxes currently levied on taxpayers in the School District. The amount of the increased taxes each year would depend upon the amount needed to pay the principal and interest on the bonds. The School District's estimate of the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2057-58.

The bond measure includes the following accountability requirements:

- A. A requirement that the proceeds from the bond sale be used only for the above purposes and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.
- B. A list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded and certification that the School District's Board has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing that list.
- C. A requirement that the School District's Board will conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been spent only on the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List.
- D. A requirement that the School District's Board will conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List.
- E. If the measure is approved, the School District's Board will also establish an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure bond proceeds are used only to fund the projects listed in the Bond Project List, as printed in the voter information guide.
- F. If the measure is approved, the School District's Board will establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of the bonds will be deposited. An annual report will be filed with the Board stating the amount of proceeds received and expended in the past fiscal year, and the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds.

/S/ Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel
County of Santa Barbara
July 30, 2024

**TAX RATE STATEMENT
MEASURE L2024
COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

An election will be held within the boundaries of College School District ("School District") on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$18 million in bonds to finance facilities as described in the measure. If the bonds are approved, the School District expects to sell the bonds in multiple series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property located within the School District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 to 9404, inclusive, of the California Elections Code.

- The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the election, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$17.99 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2057-58.
- The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$19.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation first occurring in fiscal year 2025-26.
- The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$36.9 million.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the Santa Barbara County official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the School District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the School District. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the School District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessors in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

/S/ Maurene Donner
Superintendent
June 11, 2024

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
MEASURE L2024
COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Our schools are some of the most important assets in our community and should be our number one priority. High-quality schools increase student achievement, improve property values, prepare children for a productive future, and create greater neighborhood safety. Although our teachers and staff do a great job educating local children, classrooms and buildings are deteriorating and need to be upgraded to provide students with the proper school facilities they need to succeed.

While our facilities have been well maintained, aging classrooms and facilities must be upgraded. We can achieve this by voting **YES on Measure L**, as this school improvement measure would allow the District to improve the quality of its school facilities and education provided to local students. By investing in our schools, we can meet today's safety, technological, and educational standards as well as better our community.

Measure L will provide funding to make critical classroom and facility improvements at the District's three schools by:

- Repairing or replacing leaky roofs
- Replacing aging portables with permanent classrooms
- Upgrading inadequate electrical systems
- Modernizing outdated classrooms, restrooms, and school facilities
- Replacing deteriorating plumbing systems

Measure L makes financial sense and protects taxpayers.

- By law, spending must be reviewed and annually audited by an independent citizens' oversight committee.
- All bond funds must be spent locally and **cannot be taken by the State.**
- Funds are required to be spent only on schools, not for administrator or teacher salaries.

Measure L upgrades and renovates classrooms, restrooms, and other school facilities, improves the education of local children, and maintains the quality of our community. Please join teachers, parents, businesses, civic leaders, and residents throughout our community, **VOTE YES ON MEASURE L** to ensure healthy, safe, modern schools for years to come!

The undersigned author(s) of the primary argument in favor of Ballot Measure L2024 at the General Election for the College School District to be held on November 5, 2024, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

/S/ Hayden Landon 7/29/2024
Local Business/Equestrian Center Owner, Parent, Civic Leader

/S/ Leonard Kelsey 7/19/2024
Multi-Generational SY Resident, Local Business Owner, Educational Boards Advisor

/S/ Ben Merz 7/30/2024
Local Business Owner, Community Leader, SY Elementary Alumni

/S/ Calisse Courtney 7/19/2024
Former Community Schools Coordinator/Board Member, Parent, Attorney

/S/ Shannon DeNatale Boyd 8/1/2024
SYV Charter School Parent, Attorney

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE L2024 WAS FILED.

**FULL TEXT
MEASURE L2024
COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FACILITIES AND EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT BOND MEASURE**

By approval of this measure by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting thereon, the College School District ("District") shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$18 million in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed below in the Bond Project List, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified herein.

SECTION I: KEY FINDINGS

- The Board of Trustees of the District believes that a high-quality education is the fundamental right of every student, and seeks to provide a 21st century education in a safe and engaging learning environment for all students;
- Some District schools and buildings are over 50 years old, and many of schools need repairs and improvements to meet modern educational standards;
- The District must repair, construct, acquire or equip classrooms, sites, and facilities to make them safe and help ensure that all students have equal access to 21st century classrooms, labs and school facilities;
- Classrooms and educational facilities require updates for improved student learning in subjects like reading and science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) to accommodate 21st century learning methods and support hand-on instruction and learning by doing;
- The Board believes it is a wise investment to protect the quality of our schools, the quality of life in our community and the value of our homes;
- The District has reviewed its facilities needs and aligned them to the District's educational goals;
- Because State funding is limited, passing this bond measure provides a guaranteed source of local funding to maintain and improve this community's local school facilities;
- This bond measure will benefit local schools, funding will be controlled locally, no funds can be taken away by the State or other school districts, and by law, no money can be used for administrator salaries or pensions;
- This bond measure requires strict fiscal accountability protections including mandatory annual audits and an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure funds are managed and spent properly.

SECTION II: ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

The provisions in this section are included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Section 15264 *et seq.* of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees has evaluated the facilities needs of the District and has identified projects to finance from a local bond measure at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee in accordance with Education Code sections 15278-15282 and applicable Board policy, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the school

facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within sixty (60) days of the date when the Board of Trustees enters the results of the election in its official minutes.

Annual Performance Audit. The Board of Trustees shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects described in the Bond Project List.

Annual Financial Audit. The Board of Trustees shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects described in the Bond Project List.

Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this measure and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent shall cause a report to be filed with the Board of Trustees no later than January 1 of each year, commencing on the first January 1 after bonds have been issued and proceeds spent, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in the past fiscal year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may be incorporated into the annual budget, annual financial report, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

SECTION III: BOND PROJECT LIST

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. All information contained within this "Section III: Bond Project List" comprises the list and description of permissible projects and expenses that may be paid from bond proceeds.

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of funding sources, including joint use funds or contributions, development impact fees, and state funding (if available). The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for and mainly applied to projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted in Education Code section 17070.63(c). While no specific project is dependent on the receipt of state funding for completion, approval of this measure does not guarantee that all projects on this Bond Project List at all listed sites will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects assumes the receipt of some state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, all as listed on the Bond Project List. All projects to be financed with bonds authorized by this measure listed on the Bond Project List have been determined by the District to be "school facilities" as that term is used in the California Constitution. "School facilities" include projects at school sites as well as administrative and teacher/staff support facilities which are necessary for, and related to, the delivery of high-quality education services.

Projects listed below may be completed at any and all school sites and facilities where such project is determined necessary, and projects are authorized to be performed at each and all of the District's schools, campuses and buildings, including without limitation:

- *Santa Ynez Elementary School*
- *College Elementary School* (including school district administrative offices and Santa Ynez Valley Charter School campus)

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include, without limitation, the following:

I. SCHOOL UPGRADES AND REPAIRS TO KEEP EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES SAFE, CLEAN AND IN GOOD CONDITION

- Replace old, outdated, and inefficient electrical, plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, lighting and ventilation systems
- Repair or replace deteriorating roofs
- Remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes where needed
- Upgrade older schools and buildings to meet current health codes and building safety codes, and improve safety, accessibility and paths of travel for Americans with Disability Act compliance and disabled student access
- Update playgrounds, sports fields, athletic facilities, courts and asphalt surfacing
- Install fencing, gates, barriers and signage to improve controlled access to schools
- Renovate school points of entry to improve campus security
- Upgrade, replace or install communications systems, including intercom, emergency communications and/or master clock systems

- Upgrade fire alarms
- Install door and window hardware, locks and/or safety treatments
- Install exterior security cameras
- **EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND FACILITY UPGRADES FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNING**
 - Renovate, reconfigure, reconstruct or replace aging classrooms, offices, buildings, labs and learning spaces with educational and functional, flexible spaces, learning studios and maker spaces to accommodate 21st century learning methods and support hand-on instruction and learning by doing
 - Construct, furnish and equip modern flexible classrooms and labs needed to support high quality instruction in science, technology, engineering arts and math (STEAM)
 - Acquire, upgrade and repair technology and communication infrastructure including, without limitation, cabling and wireless infrastructure, network hardware and software, and other shared access equipment such as digital whiteboards, document cameras, projectors, and printers
 - Acquire and upgrade software, computers, and other classroom instructional equipment
 - Renovate multipurpose rooms and construct classrooms and facilities needed to support high quality instruction in music, visual and performing arts.
 - Replace aging portable classrooms with modern permanent classrooms and buildings where needed; replace portable restrooms
 - Construct new classrooms for transitional kindergarten and kindergarten programs
 - Acquire and install energy efficiency systems to reduce energy/utility costs
 - Repair, rebuild, equip and furnish school sites in the event of unforeseen emergencies or to house charter schools in reasonably equivalent facilities in accordance with legal requirements
 - Pay down capital leases or other lease-based debt obligations to free up general funds to support educational program needs

Listed projects, repairs, improvements, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed only as needed, and the listing of projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements. Projects may be done in phases, based on Board of Trustees priorities. Listed projects may be completed at any and all District schools, sites, properties (owned or leased) and education buildings where such project is determined necessary. Decisions regarding the scope, timing, prioritization or other facets of project implementation will be made solely by the Board of Trustees by subsequent action. Where terms such as "renovate," "upgrade," "repurpose" and "improve" are used in the Bond Project List, the Board of Trustees has the discretion to determine the best method for accomplishing the project's objective. For any listed project involving renovation or modernization of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the District determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors. In addition, where feasible, projects may be completed in partnership with other agencies on a joint use basis using bond proceeds. Property, buildings and equipment on the bond project list may be acquired through lease, sale, lease-purchase, lease-leaseback or other project delivery or acquisition methods determined appropriate by the Board.

Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering, legal and similar planning costs, construction management, bond project staff and consultants, staff development and training expenses associated with learning construction techniques and approaches and new bond-funded equipment and systems, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Payment of the costs of preparation of facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, environmental studies, permit and inspection fees, Division of State Architect (DSA) and/or Title 24 building code requirements, studies and assessments, including ADA and seismic, and temporary housing and relocation costs for dislocated programs or activities caused or necessitated by projects on the Bond Project List are permissible bond expenditures.

The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Necessary site preparation, grading or restoration may occur in connection with acquisition of property, new construction, modernization, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses or rights of way to property.

SECTION IV: ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

No Operating Expenses. Proceeds from the sale of Bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities on the Bond Project List, including the furnishing and equipping of said school

facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for said school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher or administrator salaries and other school operating expenses in accordance with applicable law.

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Section 15100 of the California Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose.

Other Terms of the Bonds. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a financing plan determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to requirements of law. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum and with a maximum term not exceeding the statutory maximum, provided that the average useful life of bonds sold will not exceed one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average life of the projects being financed or as otherwise provided by federal tax law. Bond funds may be used to reimburse the District for Bond Project list expenditures incurred prior to the election and bond issuance, in accordance with federal tax law.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the financial information contained in this measure is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District, nor are the summary estimates, if any, provided in the Ballot Label. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessors in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

In preparing this information, the District obtained reasonable and informed projections of assessed property valuations that took into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the County Assessor, if any, in accordance with Education Code Section 15100(c).

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

Approval of Measure L2024 does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the College School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure L2024 will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure L2024. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY
COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT BY
COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

This measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara in order to increase the transient occupancy tax (commonly referred to as the "Hotel Tax") rate from 12% to 14%. Although the County tax is collected only in the unincorporated areas of the County, the law requires that there be a countywide vote on the question of increasing the tax rate to 14%.

This measure passes if approved by a majority of voters voting thereon.

The California Constitution and the Government Code authorize the County, upon a majority vote, to levy a general tax. The Revenue and Taxation Code authorizes the County to levy a tax on the privilege of occupying a room or rooms, or other living space, in a hotel, inn, tourist home or house, motel, or other lodging for 30 days or less in the unincorporated areas of the County.

The transient occupancy tax is a general tax. Revenues from the transient occupancy tax go into the County's general fund and may be used for general governmental purposes, without restriction.

The transient occupancy tax rate is currently at 12%. This measure would authorize the increase of the transient occupancy tax rate to 14%. According to the Ordinance, the increased tax rate of 14% would take effect beginning January 1, 2025. If the measure does not pass, the transient occupancy tax rate would remain at 12%.

/S/ Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel
County of Santa Barbara
July 30, 2024

**SUMMARY OF IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY
COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

A YES vote on this measure means:

A majority "yes" vote means that the County of Santa Barbara's Transient Occupancy Tax (Hotel Tax) rate will increase to 14%.

A NO vote on this measure means:

A majority "no" vote means that the Hotel Tax rate will remain at 12%.

/S/ Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel
County of Santa Barbara
July 30, 2024

Summary

This measure would increase County revenues by increasing the existing County of Santa Barbara unincorporated area Transient Occupancy Tax rate from 12% to 14% of the daily rent paid for lodging. The current transient occupancy tax rate of 12% generated \$17,746,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 for the County. If this measure is approved, the tax rate would increase to 14% and is estimated to generate an additional \$3.0 million annually. The total of the tax collected changes on an annual basis as a result of increases or decreases in lodging rates and lodging occupancy.

Revenue generated by the transient occupancy tax is considered general revenue for the County General Fund. This tax source is a significant discretionary General Fund tax source. This revenue is expended on general County government services and capital needs for public safety, law and justice, health services, public assistance, community resources, public facilities, administrative, and other general government purposes.

Background

Local governments were first granted the power to tax the privilege of occupying a room or living space in a hotel, motel, inn, short-term rentals, and other lodging establishments when rented for 30 days or less, in 1963. The Transient Occupancy Tax (also commonly referred to as TOT or hotel bed tax) is collected by the lodging provider in the unincorporated area of the County then remitted to the County Treasurer-Tax Collector for deposit as general revenue to the County.

/S/ Betsy M. Schaffer, CPA
County Auditor-Controller

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

Protect our quality of life for local residents -- vote **YES on H** to update Santa Barbara County's Tourist Tax. Your YES on H vote generates money for the core services you expect and deserve: improving 911 response services, fixing potholes, repairing roads damaged during winter storms, and upgrading aging and deteriorating bridges. Funding is needed to carry out more local flood control projects and clean out storm drains to prevent mudslides and protect homes.

YES on H generates \$3,000,000 annually to maintain these services -- and is 100% paid for by tourists and lodging guests visiting unincorporated Santa Barbara County communities. Vote YES on H to ensure tourists pay their fair share of the services they use when visiting our amazing region.

YES on H:

- Protects groundwater supplies.
- Maintains 911 emergency, wildfire, and disaster response services.
- Addresses homelessness.
- Repairs deteriorating bridges, roads, and other transportation infrastructure.

All funds generated by **YES on H** are subject to the County's strict accountability provisions, ensuring public transparency on how funds are spent. This includes online budget and expenditure reports and annual independent audits available for public review.

State and federal governments can't take a dime of the money generated by Measure H. By law, all funds raised are controlled locally and will be used to maintain the services so many families need. Join First Responders, small business owners, and residents from every corner of our amazing county.

Protect the region we all love, without raising your taxes -- vote **YES on H!**

For the official text of Measure H, visit www.countyofsb.org.

The undersigned author(s) of the primary argument in favor of Ballot Measure H2024 at the General Election for the County of Santa Barbara to be held on November 5, 2024, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

/S/ Joan Hartmann
County 3rd District Supervisor 8/1/2024

/S/ Das Williams
County 1st District Supervisor 8/1/2024

**REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

VOTE NO ON MEASURE H: WE DON'T NEED HIGHER TAXES
Just months ago, Santa Barbara County Supervisors passed the largest budget in county history -- \$1.59 BILLION. This record-high county budget represented a 7.3% increase from the previous year, but now we're being told we need Measure H to raise taxes by another \$3 million a year.

MEASURE H IS A BAIT AND SWITCH TRICK

The truth is politicians often will promise one thing then do another. Measure H says the taxes will go towards things that are popular with voters like public safety, roads, and addressing homelessness, but Measure H contains a giant loophole that allows politicians to spend the money on anything they want, including administrative costs, outside consultants, pay raises, and pensions.

MEASURE H GIVES POLITICIANS A \$3 MILLION BLANK CHECK

The politicians say Measure H is for "essential" community services, but because it was put on the ballot as a General Tax, the funds won't be dedicated to addressing a specific problem and there are NO guarantees on how our tax money will be spent. Measure H gives politicians a blank check with no accountability.

MEASURE H IS FLAWED

Measure H's higher taxes will hurt small and family-owned businesses. If we're going to raise taxes, we need *real protections* ensuring our tax dollars will go where promised and not end up diverted to the General Fund, where the money can be used for other purposes.

We need better accountability from politicians, not just higher taxes. Vote NO on Measure H.

The undersigned author(s) of the rebuttal argument to the argument in favor of Ballot Measure H2024 at the General Election for the County of Santa Barbara to be held on November 5, 2024, hereby state that such rebuttal argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

/S/ Tom Widroe
Taxpayer Advocate 8/6/2024

/S/ Lorena Chavez
Farm Management 8/6/2024

/S/ June Van Wingerden
Flower Grower 8/6/2024

/S/ Kari Campbell Bohard
Ranch Management 8/6/2024

/S/ Andy Caldwell
Government Watchdog COLAB 8/6/2024

**ARGUMENT AGAINST
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

Supervisors Are Wasting Tax Dollars; Don't Give Them More of Your Hard-Earned Money!

The county makes no specific promises as to how they will spend this \$3 million tax and that should tell you something! The *real reason* county supervisors want to raise taxes is because they refuse to reduce the size and cost of their workforce of 4,763 employees. That is, the odds are the money from this tax will be used for out-of-control county employee salaries and benefits which cost \$824 million per year and average \$170,000 per employee which is twice as much as what most residents earn.

The supervisors' misplaced priorities include a \$400 million deficit in maintaining our roads and infrastructure and a plan to reduce the capacity of the jail to hold criminals. They wasted \$250 million on a "trash digester" that doesn't work. Millions more were squandered when the county was convicted of a felony for an oil spill for which they were responsible, not to mention their attempt to steal a contract for ambulance services which encouraged a judge to slap them with a preliminary injunction! County supervisors also burned through \$100 million in extra (COVID) money from the state and federal government and they have little to show for it.

Supervisors haven't laid off any workers in years, instead, they have been cutting services and raising fees for services to residents! Why is that? The sad truth is that our county government's top priority is to serve its employees, not the public, at taxpayer expense! More than one half of their \$1.6 billion budget goes into the pockets of county employees. Please don't vote for higher taxes until county supervisors tighten their own belt as working families have had to do. Vote NO on Measure H2024.

The undersigned author(s) of the primary argument against Ballot Measure H2024 at the General Election for the County of Santa Barbara to be held on November 5, 2024, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

/S/ Tom Widroe 7/30/2024
Taxpayer Advocate

/S/ Lorena Chavez 7/29/2024
Farm Management

/S/ June Van Wingerden 7/30/2024
Flower Grower

/S/ Kari Campbell Bohard 7/29/2024
Campbell Ranches

/S/ Andy Caldwell 7/29/2024
Government Watchdog COLAB

**REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

Opponents of Measure H claim it will impact your money, but that is completely false. Measure H is funded solely by tourists staying in 24 hotels outside of our cities - (local residents will not face any tax increase.) Here's why Measure H is a smart choice:

1. **Transparent:** Measure H clearly identifies priorities for County expenditures, such as:
 - **Enhance Emergency Services:** Improve response times and capabilities for better safety.
 - **Repair Roads:** Fix damage from recent storms to ensure safe transportation.
 - **Address Homelessness:** Invest in effective programs to manage and reduce homelessness.
 - **Flooding Protection:** Prevent flooding by cleaning storm drains (protecting homes and businesses).
2. **Tourist-Funded, (Not Resident-Funded):** We live in one of the most desirable places to visit in the world. Measure H ensures these visitors contribute a small additional amount to support the parks, roads and services they enjoy, instead of burdening local residents.
3. **Local Control and Economic Benefits:** Measure H funds will be managed locally, ensuring they directly benefit our community rather than being redirected by state or federal agencies. This investment supports local businesses, enhances public safety, and boosts our economy.
4. **Comprehensive Accountability:** Measure H guarantees transparency through public budget hearings and independent audits (ensuring funds are used efficiently.)

By voting YES on Measure H, you support a responsible solution for maintaining and improving essential services (*without increasing taxes for local residents*). This measure is a practical step to keep our infrastructure strong and our county thriving. **Vote YES on H!**

The undersigned author(s) of the rebuttal argument to the argument against Ballot Measure H2024 at the General Election for the County of Santa Barbara to be held on November 5, 2024, hereby state that such rebuttal argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

/S/ Laura Capps 8/9/2024
County 2nd District Supervisor

/S/ Steve Lavagnino 8/9/2024
County 5th District Supervisor

**FULL TEXT
MEASURE H2024
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

ORDINANCE NO. 5217

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 32-12 OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CODE
TO INCREASE THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX RATE TO
FOURTEEN PERCENT (14%)

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: VOTER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CODE SECTION 32-12. Section 32-12 of the Santa Barbara County Code is hereby set forth for voter approval to read as follows:

Sec. 32-12. Transient Occupancy Tax

For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of fourteen percent (14%) of the rent charged by the operator. Such tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the County which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the County. The transient shall pay the tax to the operator of the hotel at the time the rent is paid. If the rent is paid in installments, a proportionate share of the tax shall be paid with each installment. The unpaid tax shall be due upon the transient's ceasing to occupy space in the hotel. If for any reason the tax is not paid to the operator of the hotel, the County Tax Collector may require that such tax shall be paid directly to the County Tax Collector. The tax rate of fourteen percent (14%) shall take effect beginning January 1, 2025. In the interim period between the November 5, 2024 election and January 1, 2025, for the privilege of occupancy in any hotel, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of twelve percent (12%) of the rent charged by the operator.

SECTION II: NATURE OF TAX. If approved by a majority of the electorate voting on the measure, the ordinance will increase the current transient occupancy tax rate to fourteen percent (14%) of rent charged. The transient occupancy tax is a tax imposed upon transients for the privilege of occupying defined hotels located within the unincorporated territory of Santa Barbara County. The tax would be collected by hotel operators in the same manner as the current transient occupancy tax is collected. The collection of the tax from hotel operators would be administered by the Santa Barbara County Tax Collector as provided in Chapter 32, Article II of the Santa Barbara County Code.

SECTION III: GENERAL TAX. The transient occupancy tax imposed by this ordinance is a general tax within the meaning of Government Code Section 53721 and Article XIII C, Section 1 (a) of the California Constitution. The revenue generated by this general tax is available for general government use and purposes. To that end, the Auditor- Controller is instructed to deposit the revenue from the tax into the County General Fund. The County shall include an estimate of the revenue from this general tax, together with the estimates of other revenue sources, in the tabulation that is annually required to be prepared by Government Code Section 29060. The revenue from this general tax shall be made available to the Board of Supervisors for annual appropriation in the County's budget for any lawful expenditure. Nothing in this ordinance nor in any other ordinance, advisory measure, resolution, or policy shall be construed as limiting, in any way, the amount or the objects of the appropriations and expenditures that can be made from the revenue of the tax nor be construed as creating a continuing appropriation. The tax will remain in effect unless and until repealed.

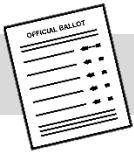
SECTION IV: EFFECT. Voter approval of this ordinance shall have the effect of increasing the transient occupancy tax.

SECTION V: COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), adoption of this tax increase ordinance as a government funding mechanism is not a project subject to the requirements of CEQA. Prior to commencement of any project that may result from the expenditure of revenues from this tax increase, any necessary environmental review required by CEQA shall be completed.

SECTION VI: SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION VII: ELECTION. An election shall be held on November 5, 2024, on the issue of increasing the current transient occupancy tax rate to fourteen percent (14%) of rent charged. If the measure is defeated, the transient occupancy tax will remain at the existing transient occupancy tax rate of twelve percent (12%) of rent charged.

SECTION VIII: EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by a majority of the electorate voting on the ordinance at the November 5, 2024 general election.



Appendix C - Sample Ballot Information

Sample Ballots are available in English and Spanish. Sample Ballots may also be available in Chinese, Korean, and Tagalog depending on your precinct. Please see the Language Assistance section of this guide for more information.

How to Use the Sample Ballot

Use the Sample Ballot in this guide to review the contests and measures you will find on your official ballot. You may use the Sample Ballot as a “practice ballot” before you mark and vote your official ballot.

Notice to All Voters Regarding the United States Senate Contests

There are two United States Senate contests on the November 5, 2024, Presidential General Election ballot.

- The first contest is the regular election for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031.
- The second contest is a special vacancy election (the current officeholder is temporarily filling a vacancy) for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025.

You may vote for both contests.

Party Endorsements for Voter-Nominated Offices – Submitted at the option of the Political Party

Not all parties submit endorsements and some parties may endorse a candidate from another party. A candidate’s party preference does not necessarily mean that they have that party’s endorsement or support.

The following political parties have submitted endorsements and have been listed below in the order of the County of Santa Barbara randomized alphabet drawing.

Office	Republican Party	American Independent Party	Democratic Party
U.S. Senator Full Term	No endorsement submitted	No endorsement submitted	Adam B. Schiff
U.S. Senator Partial/Unexpired Term	No endorsement submitted	No endorsement submitted	Adam B. Schiff
U.S. Representative District 24	Thomas Cole	Thomas Cole	Salud Carbajal
State Senator District 21	Elijah Mack	Elijah Mack	S. Monique Limón
Member of the State Assembly District 37	Sari M. Domingues	Sari M. Domingues	Gregg Hart

Sample Ballot

SAMPLE BALLOT

Ballot Type: 12

PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

24TH CONGRESSIONAL, 21ST SENATE, 37TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Instructions for Voting



- To vote for a candidate, completely fill in the oval next to the candidate's name or the word "Yes" or "No."
- To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the name in the blank space provided and fill in the oval.
- If you make a mistake: contact the elections official for instructions or to obtain another ballot.
- Make sure your vote counts, use a Blue or Black ballpoint pen.
- Do not select more candidates than the number to be elected. You may vote in as many or as few contests as you want.
- A mistake in one contest does not affect the rest of the ballot.

Party-Nominated Offices	Voter-Nominated and Nonpartisan Offices	NONPARTISAN OFFICES
Candidates for these offices are the official nominee of the party displayed with their name.	Candidates display a party preference (or None) for the information of voters. This is not a party endorsement or approval.	SCHOOL
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT		COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
President and Vice President	UNITED STATES SENATOR	Governing Board Member Trustee Area 4
Vote for One Party	There are two U.S. Senate contests on this ballot.	Vote for One
DONALD J. TRUMP For President JD VANCE For Vice President	One for the regular 6-year term ending January 3, 2031	PATRINA JONES Technician
CLAUDIA DE LA CRUZ For President KARINA GARCIA For Vice President	One for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025	GUY R. WALKER Financial Advisor
KAMALA D. HARRIS For President TIM WALZ For Vice President	You may vote for both contests.	
ROBERT F. KENNEDY JR. For President NICOLE SHANAHAN For Vice President	United States Senator Full Term	Write-In
CHASE OLIVER For President MIKE TER MAAT For Vice President	Vote for One	SANTA YNEZ VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
JILL STEIN For President RUDOLPH WARE For Vice President	STEVE GARVEY Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative	Governing Board Member Trustee Area 5
Write-In	ADAM B. SCHIFF Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative	Vote for One
	United States Senator Partial/Unexpired Term	CHRIS JOHNSON Governing Board Member, Santa Ynez Valley Union High School District
	Vote for One	JOSHUA A. JONES Technology Entrepreneur/Parent
	UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	Write-In
	United States Representative District 24	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS
	THOMAS COLE Party Preference: Republican Campaign Data Analyst	STATE
	SALUD CARBAJAL Party Preference: Democratic Member of Congress	PROPOSITION 2 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges, and career technical education programs, including for improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$500 million annually for 35 years to repay the bond. Supporters: California Teachers Association; California School Nurses Organization; Community College League of California Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association
	STATE SENATOR	YES <input type="radio"/>
	State Senator District 21	NO <input type="radio"/>
	S. MONIQUE LIMÓN Party Preference: Democratic California State Senator	
	ELIJAH MACK Party Preference: Republican College Student	
	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	PROPOSITION 3 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRIAGE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends California Constitution to recognize fundamental right to marry, regardless of sex or race. Removes language in California Constitution stating that marriage is only between a man and a woman. Fiscal Impact: No change in revenues or costs for state and local governments. Supporters: Sierra Pacific Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Dolores Huerta Foundation; Equality California Opponents: Jonathan Keller, California Family Council; Rev. Tanner DiBella
	Member of the State Assembly District 37	YES <input type="radio"/>
	Vote for One	NO <input type="radio"/>
	SARI M. DOMINGUES Party Preference: Republican Retired Business Analyst	
	GREGG HART Party Preference: Democratic State Assemblymember	

VOTE BOTH SIDES

Ballot Type 12

Sample Ballot

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
STATE	
<p>PROPOSITION 4 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and protection of communities and lands. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond. Supporters: Clean Water Action; CALFIRE Firefighters; National Wildlife Federation; The Nature Conservancy Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association</p>	<p>PROPOSITION 34 RESTRICTS SPENDING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires certain providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation of Medi-Cal drug prices. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs, likely in the millions of dollars annually, to enforce new rules on certain health care entities. Affected entities would pay fees to cover these costs. Supporters: The ALS Association; California Chronic Care Coalition; Latino Heritage Los Angeles Opponents: National Org. for Women; Consumer Watchdog; Coalition for Economic Survival; AIDS Healthcare Foundation; Dolores Huerta</p>
YES <input type="radio"/>	YES <input type="radio"/>
NO <input type="radio"/>	NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>PROPOSITION 5 ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing bonds for low- and middle-income Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements. Fiscal Impact: Increased local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing, and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes. Supporters: California Professional Firefighters; League of Women Voters of California; Habitat for Humanity California Opponents: California Taxpayers Association; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; Women Veterans Alliance</p>	<p>PROPOSITION 35 PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, which, if approved by the federal government, provides revenues to pay for Medi-Cal health care services. Fiscal Impact: Short-term state costs between roughly \$1 billion and \$2 billion annually to increase funding for certain health programs. Total funding increase between roughly \$2 billion to \$5 billion annually. Unknown long-term fiscal effects. Supporters: Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA; American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists; American Academy of Pediatrics, CA Opponents: None submitted</p>
YES <input type="radio"/>	YES <input type="radio"/>
NO <input type="radio"/>	NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>PROPOSITION 6 ELIMINATES CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to remove current provision that allows jails and prisons to impose involuntary servitude to punish crime (<i>i.e.</i>, forcing incarcerated persons to work). Fiscal Impact: Potential increase or decrease in state and local costs, depending on how work for people in state prison and county jail changes. Any effect likely would not exceed the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Assemblymember Lori Wilson Opponents: None submitted</p>	<p>PROPOSITION 36 ALLOWS FELONY CHARGES AND INCREASES SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN DRUG AND THEFT CRIMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs and for thefts under \$950, if defendant has two prior drug or theft convictions. Fiscal Impact: State criminal justice costs likely ranging from several tens of millions of dollars to the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Local criminal justice costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Crime Victims United of California; California District Attorneys Association; Family Business Association of California Opponents: Diana Becton, District Attorney Contra Costa County; Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice</p>
YES <input type="radio"/>	YES <input type="radio"/>
NO <input type="radio"/>	NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>PROPOSITION 32 RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Raises minimum wage as follows: For employers with 26 or more employees, to \$17 immediately, \$18 on January 1, 2025. For employers with 25 or fewer employees, to \$17 on January 1, 2025, \$18 on January 1, 2026. Fiscal Impact: State and local government costs could increase or decrease by up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. State and local revenues likely would decrease by no more than a few hundred million dollars annually. Supporters: None submitted Opponents: California Chamber of Commerce; California Restaurant Association; California Grocers Association</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SCHOOL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT</p> <p>MEASURE L2024 To repair aging classrooms/school facilities to meet health and safety codes; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing and electrical; remove asbestos/lead pipes; and upgrade, construct and equip classrooms, labs, facilities to support student achievement in science, math, technology, engineering, and arts; shall the College School District measure authorizing \$18,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying \$19 per \$100,000 assessed value (\$1 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight and all money staying local?</p>
YES <input type="radio"/>	BONDS-YES <input type="radio"/>
NO <input type="radio"/>	BONDS-NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>PROPOSITION 33 EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Repeals Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995, which currently prohibits local ordinances limiting initial residential rental rates for new tenants or rent increases for existing tenants in certain residential properties. Fiscal Impact: Reduction in local property tax revenues of at least tens of millions of dollars annually due to likely expansion of rent control in some communities. Supporters: CA Nurses Assoc.; CA Alliance for Retired Americans; Mental Health Advocacy; Coalition for Economic Survival; Tenants Together Opponents: California Council for Affordable Housing; Women Veterans Alliance; California Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COUNTY</p> <p>MEASURE H2024 SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY SERVICES MEASURE. To fund local services such as: maintaining 911 emergency communications; gang prevention; repairing deteriorating bridges, potholes, roads, transportation infrastructure; protecting groundwater; addressing homelessness; and general county services/purposes, shall the ordinance increasing Santa Barbara County's Transient Occupancy Tax (paid only by hotel/short-term rental guests), in unincorporated areas (excluding cities), from 12% to 14%, providing approximately \$3,000,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring public audits; all funds locally controlled, be adopted?</p>
YES <input type="radio"/>	YES <input type="radio"/>
NO <input type="radio"/>	NO <input type="radio"/>

VOTE BOTH SIDES



ELECTION OFFICERS WANTED!

The County of Santa Barbara Elections Division is seeking volunteers to serve on Election Day, November 5, 2024.

Paid positions from \$220-\$350

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be available to work on Election Day, November 5, 2024, from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Registered to vote in the State of California or lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.
- Must be at least 16 years old.
- Bilingual Spanish speakers needed throughout the county. Chinese, Korean, and Tagalog speakers needed in certain areas.

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION

County of Santa Barbara Elections Division,
PO Box 61510, Santa Barbara CA 93160-1510
Phone: 1 (800) 722-8683 (press option 5),
Email: poll1@countyofsb.org; or
Website: [countyofsb.org/1006/](https://www.countyofsb.org/1006/)

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DEMOCRACY!**

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Voter Bill of Rights

YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS

- 1. The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:
 - ★ a U.S. citizen living in California
 - ★ not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony
 - ★ at least 18 years old
 - ★ registered where you currently live
 - ★ not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- 2. The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list. You will vote using a provisional ballot.**
Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.
- 3. The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**
- 4. The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5. The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
 - Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot,
 - Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
 - Vote using a provisional ballot.**
- 6. The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7. The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** in California.
- 8. The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9. The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10. The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights or if you are aware of any fraud or misconduct, please call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

-  **On the web at sos.ca.gov**
-  **By phone at (800) 345-VOTE (8683)**
-  **By email at elections@sos.ca.gov**



Attention Voters

WARNING: CORRUPTING THE VOTING PROCESS IS PROHIBITED!

VIOLATIONS CAN LEAD TO FINES AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED:

- *DO NOT* commit or attempt to commit election fraud.
- *DO NOT* provide any sort of compensation or bribery to, in any fashion or by any means induce or attempt to induce, a person to vote or refrain from voting.
- *DO NOT* illegally vote.
- *DO NOT* attempt to vote or aide another to vote when not entitled to vote.
- *DO NOT* engage in electioneering; photograph or record a voter entering or exiting a polling place; or obstruct ingress, egress, or parking.
- *DO NOT* challenge a person's right to vote or prevent voters from voting; delay the process of voting; or fraudulently advise any person that he or she is not eligible to vote or is not registered to vote.
- *DO NOT* attempt to ascertain how a voter voted their ballot.
- *DO NOT* possess or arrange for someone to possess a firearm in the immediate vicinity of a polling place, with some exceptions.
- *DO NOT* appear or arrange for someone to appear in the uniform of a peace officer, guard, or security personnel in the immediate vicinity of a polling place, with some exceptions.
- *DO NOT* tamper or interfere with any component of a voting system.
- *DO NOT* forge, counterfeit, or tamper with the returns of an election.
- *DO NOT* alter the returns of an election.
- *DO NOT* tamper with, destroy, or alter any polling list, official ballot, or ballot container.
- *DO NOT* display any unofficial ballot collection container that may deceive a voter into believing it is an official collection box.
- *DO NOT* tamper or interfere with copy of the results of votes cast.
- *DO NOT* coerce or deceive a person who cannot read or an elder into voting for or against a candidate or measure contrary to their intent.
- *DO NOT* act as an election officer when you are not one.

EMPLOYERS cannot require or ask their employee to bring their vote by mail ballot to work or ask their employee to vote their ballot at work. At the time of payment of salary or wages, employers cannot enclose materials that attempt to influence the political opinions or actions of their employee.

PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS cannot attempt to determine how a voter voted their ballot or, if that information is discovered, disclose how a voter voted their ballot.

The prohibitions on activity related to corruption of the voting process summarized above are set forth in Chapter 6 of Division 18 of the California Elections Code.

TIME OFF FOR VOTING

DIVISION 14. ELECTION DAY PROCEDURES CHAPTER 1. Privileges of Voters

14000.

(a) If a voter does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote at a statewide election, the voter may, without loss of pay, take off enough working time that, when added to the voting time available outside of working hours, will enable the voter to vote.

(b) No more than two hours of the time taken off for voting shall be without loss of pay. The time off for voting shall be only at the beginning or end of the regular working shift, whichever allows the most free time for voting and the least time off from the regular working shift, unless otherwise mutually agreed.

(c) If the employee on the third working day prior to the day of election, knows or has reason to believe that time off will be necessary to be able to vote on election day, the employee shall give the employer at least two working days' notice that time off for voting is desired, in accordance with this section.

SEPARATE HERE

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FROM

DID YOU SIGN AND PRINT YOUR RESIDENCE AND EMAIL ADDRESSES ON YOUR APPLICATION?

Mail, return in person to the County Elections Division
or fax to (805) 681-4003
Suggested Last Day to Mail: October 25, 2024



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JOSEPH E. HOLLAND
COUNTY CLERK, RECORDER AND ASSESSOR
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
PO BOX 61510
SANTA BARBARA CA 93160-1510



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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

Notice: If the person named on the county voter information guide is not at the address, please help keep the voter rolls current and save taxpayer dollars by returning this county voter information guide to your mail carrier.

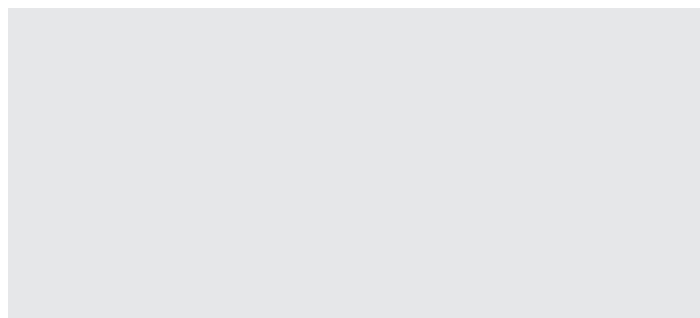
**YOUR POLLING PLACE
LOCATION**



If "No" appears below, your polling place is inaccessible to voters with specific needs. See Accessible Voting page for options.

YOUR ADDRESS

**BALLOT
TYPE 012**



**You will automatically be mailed a Vote by Mail ballot for the
November 5, 2024, Presidential General Election.**

SEPARATE HERE

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APPLICATION FOR ELECTION MATERIAL PREFERENCES

Due no later than October 29, 2024

Only return this application if you are requesting the following (check all that apply):

ELECTION MATERIALS

**Marque esta casilla para recibir información de la elección en español.
Check this box to receive election information in Spanish.**

County Voter Information Guide (CVIG)

I no longer want to receive my CVIG by mail.

I would like to receive an electronic notification when the CVIG is available online for all future elections. (Email address required)

If available in my precinct, please send me a facsimile copy of a ballot in:

如果本選區可以提供，請寄給我一份中文版選票 (Chinese)

우리 선거구에서 제공된다면 한국어로 된 투표용지를 저에게 보내주십시오. (Korean)

Kung mayroon sa aking presinto, mangyaring padalhan ako ng isang balota sa Tagalog. (Tagalog)

I would like to receive accessible election material:

In large print format **As an audio file**

Please Print Clearly:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Residential Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Email (Required for CVIG): _____

I certify that the information on this application is true and correct.

**SIGN
AS
REGISTERED**

IMPORTANT: Each applicant must sign own signature.

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