



Voter Protection in Texas

Who we are.

Jenna Royal

Voter Protection Director,
Texas Democratic Party
jroyal@txdemocrats.org

Brenda Cruz

Deputy Voter Protection Director,
Texas Democratic Party
bcruz@txdemocrats.org

Agenda

- **Why Voter Protection?**
- **Problem Prevention**
- **Direct Voter Assistance**

Why Voter Protection?

Why?



- We need to fight for every single Democratic vote
- Voter Protection determines outcomes in close elections

Why?

The New York Times

With New Voting Bills, Texas Legislature Targets Elections in Democratic Stronghold

The bills' passage was the culmination of a Republican effort to increase oversight of voting in Harris County, which includes Houston.

Gov. Greg Abbott vetoes bill that would give people with disabilities new option to vote by mail

- **Republicans** are actively fighting to prevent people from voting
- **Help voters navigate** this maze of suppressive laws and mitigate the challenges

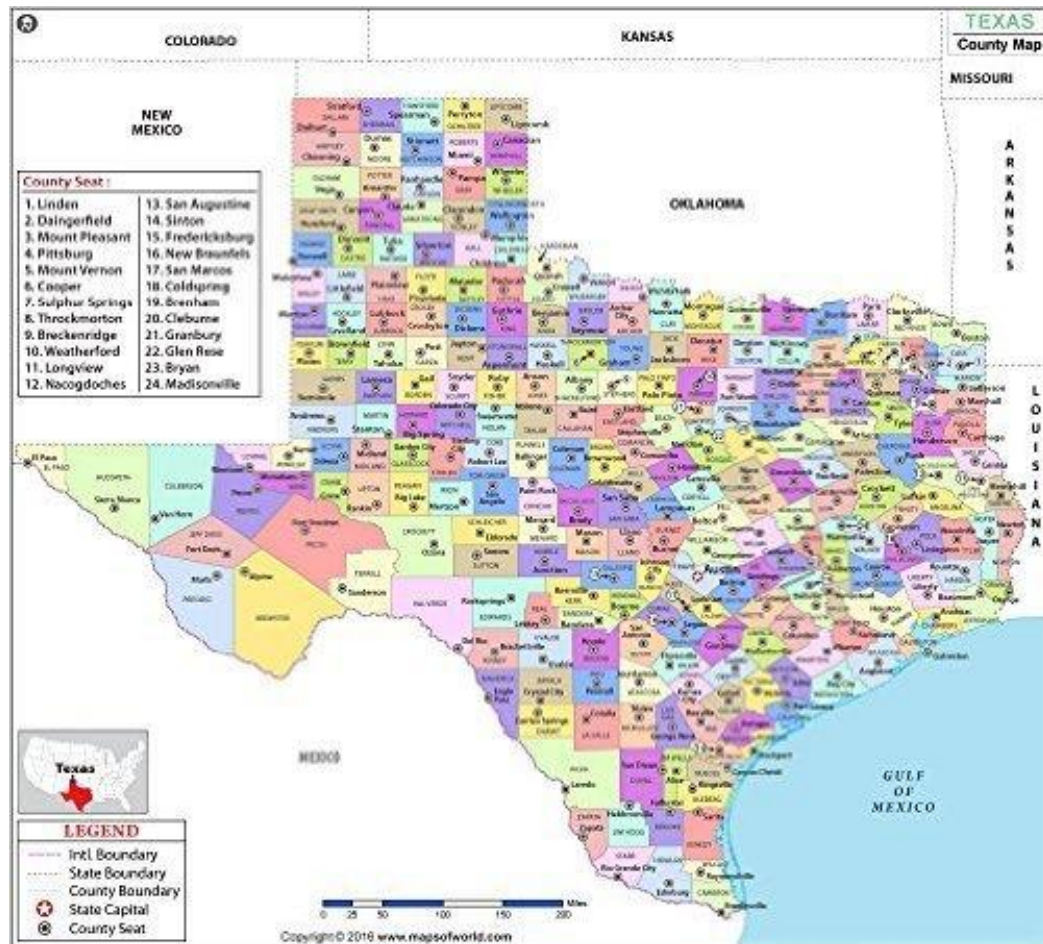
Our Goals

- **Ensure every eligible voter can cast a ballot that is counted**
- Create **the most voter-friendly voting environment** possible
- **Support voters** in the voting process

Problem Prevention

County Liaisons

48 counties covered & counting



Election Workers & Ballot Boards



**Let's use this power on
behalf of voters &
go the extra mile**

Direct Voter Assistance

mytexasvotes.com

My Texas Votes

En español

[My Texas Votes](#) [Voter Registration](#) [Voting by Mail](#) [What to Bring](#) [Shareable Resources](#) [Voting Assistance & Access](#)

Questions about voting? Our Voter Assistance Hotline can help!

Call us at 1-844-TX-VOTES.

Check Voter
Registration Here

844-TX-VOTES

- **5,000+ inward calls in 2022**
 - Am I registered?
 - Where can I vote?
 - I'm at the polls & having an issue.



Primary Administration

Primary Administration

Our Voter Protection Team provides support and resources to County Chairs as they comply with their statutory requirements as administrators of their county's primary election.

County Chairs can expect in-person trainings, online webinars, virtual office hours, and assistance throughout the Primary Election and Runoff Election.

Questions?

Questions

- How do we recruit election workers & ballot board members?
- How can we prevent additional polling place closures and reopen closed locations?
- How can we support students voting at school, both registering and their political activity, which has come under fire?

How You Can Help

Voter Protection Needs

- Election Workers
 - Serve
 - Recruit
- Follow us on social media
[@texasdemocrats](https://twitter.com/texasdemocrats)
- Be a county liaison





Thank you!