

Been Locked Up?

Don't Be Locked Out

Use Your Voice—VOTE!!

***In Illinois, you automatically get back your right to vote after you are released from prison or jail. *
You just need to register and vote like any other citizen.***

How Do I Register to Vote?

Illinois residents may register **online** or by **mail** (online registration and mail-in forms available at www.elections.il.gov – click on “Information for Voters”). Registration is also available **in person** at County Clerks’ offices, Board of Election Commissioners’ offices, city and village offices, township offices, schools, public libraries, military recruitment offices, and other locations specifically designated by the election authority.

When Can I Register to Vote?

Regular registration is open year-round except during the 27-day period just prior to an election, and during the 2-day period after each election (one day in Chicago). However, you can also register and vote during the 27-day period through grace period registration, available in person at authorized sites.

Important Dates in 2020

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• February 19: first day of grace period registration and voting• March 1: close of online voter registration**• <i>March 20: general primary election</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 7: first day of grace period registration and voting• October 18: close of online voter registration**• <i>November 3: general election</i>
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** Grace period registration still available in person at authorized sites after online registration closes.

For More Information:

Illinois State Board of Elections

www.elections.il.gov

(217) 782-4141 (Springfield)

(312) 814-6440 (Chicago)

*Some people are still eligible to vote while detained in jail, and may be able to vote by mail (or in person in Cook County).

A new state law requires that a voter registration application be provided to anyone who is eligible to vote and requests an application while in jail.