



Your Vote, Your Voice



Voting is your right! Everyone's quality of life is impacted by elected leaders who make important decisions on behalf of their constituents – **that's you!**

Make sure your voice is heard for your community, your schools and your future. In a democracy, every voice matters.

Atlanta will hold a municipal election on Tuesday, Nov. 2, for the positions of mayor, city council, board of education and municipal court judges. These leaders will decide important issues ranging from development to public transportation to education. Our neighborhoods and community are strengthened when we participate in local elections.

Learn more about how you can vote in the upcoming Atlanta election.

Atlanta, Georgia

MUNICIPAL ELECTION DATE:
Tuesday, November 2

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
Monday, October 4

FIND YOUR POLLING PLACE:
Vote411.org/target

MAJOR OFFICES ON THE BALLOT:
Mayor, City Council, Atlanta Board of Education, Municipal Court Judges

At Target, We Believe Your Vote Makes a Difference.

Since its founding, Target has proudly stood in support of democracy by encouraging and supporting our team members and guests to exercise their right to vote. Voting is essential for democracy to thrive. As Americans, we must all make our voices heard.

*In November 2020, the state of Georgia reported a record-high number of voters, with nearly **4 million ballots** cast by nearly **74%** of the state's registered voters.*



Yes, Local Elections Matter! Here's Why.

Local elections have a direct and immediate impact on your daily life: The street where you live. The school your kids attend. The roads you drive to work.



Issues addressed at the local level include education, policing, public transit, access to clean water or green spaces, zoning laws and city planning. Local policies often set the precedent for laws on the state and national level. You can help your community by making your voice heard in the upcoming Atlanta election.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
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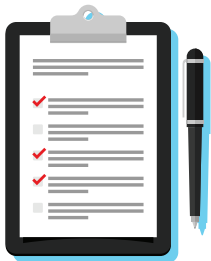
Don't forget these voting deadlines

- ⦿ **VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**
Monday, October 4 at 5:00 p.m.
- ⦿ **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS (BY MAIL):**
Friday, October 22 at 5:00 p.m.
- ⦿ **ABSENTEE VOTING (IN PERSON):**
Friday, October 29 at 5:00 p.m.
- ⦿ **MARKED ABSENTEE BALLOTS (BY MAIL AND IN PERSON):**
Tuesday, November 2 at 8:00 p.m.
- ⦿ **ELECTION DAY:**
Tuesday, November 2 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

In Georgia, a runoff election is held when no candidate receives at least 50% of the vote. When this happens, the two candidates with the largest number of votes compete in a runoff election to determine the winner. If needed, a runoff election is scheduled for November 30, 2021.



Need to Register to Vote? It's Easy! Here's How.



REGISTER ONLINE:

Submit an [Electronic Voter Registration Application](#). You can also [check to see if you're registered](#).

REGISTER BY MAIL:

Download the [State of Georgia Mail-In Voter Registration Form](#) and deliver it to your local county board of registrars, or mail it to the Georgia Secretary of State.

Secretary of State, State of Georgia, PO Box 105325
Atlanta, GA, 30348-9562

Remember: You are not registered to vote until your application is approved. You should receive a voter precinct card in the mail. If you don't receive a card within two to four weeks of registering to vote, contact your [county board of registrars](#).

Don't Miss the Deadline

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 2 election is Oct. 4. If you have never voted you need to register to vote. If you have moved recently, changed your name or have not had contact with election officials in five or more years, [you must re-submit your voter registration information](#).

Planning to Vote On Election Day?

Find your polling place here: Vote411.org/target. Polling places will be open in Atlanta from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

Bring your photo ID to the polls

In Georgia, all voters are required to show proof of identification at the polls. You may use any of the following forms of photo ID:

- ⦿ A Georgia driver's license
- ⦿ Any valid state or federal government issued photo ID, including a free voter ID card issued by your county registrar or Georgia Department of Driver Services (DDS)
- ⦿ Valid US passport
- ⦿ Valid employee photo ID from any branch, department, agency, or entity of the U.S. government, Georgia, or any county, municipality, board, authority, or other entity of the state
- ⦿ Valid military photo ID
- ⦿ Valid tribal photo ID

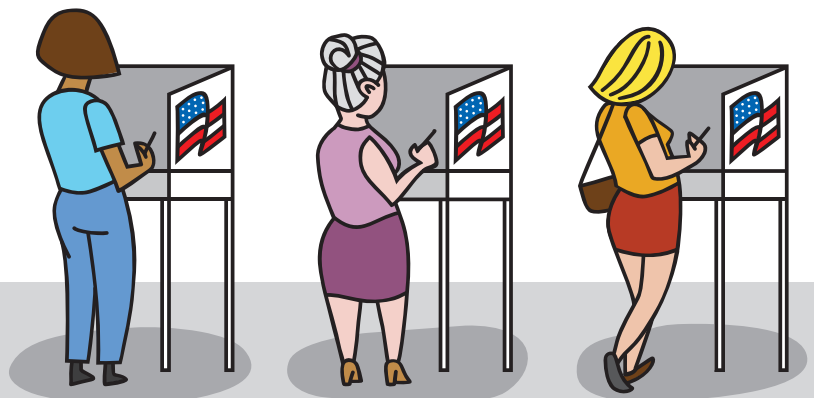
If you do not have one of these forms of photo identification, you can obtain a free voter ID card at your [county registrar's office](#) or the [Georgia Department of Driver's Services](#). For more information, call the Georgia Secretary of State's Elections Division at 404-656-2871.

If you don't have a valid ID, you can still vote

You will be allowed to vote a provisional ballot if you don't have a valid ID. You will have three days after the close of the polls to present acceptable identification to your county registrar's office for your provisional ballot to be counted.

Know Your Voting Rights!

- ⦿ If you are in line at your polling place by 8:00 p.m. on November 2, you will be allowed to vote.
- ⦿ It is illegal for anyone to try to stop you from voting.
- ⦿ If you suspect election or voter fraud, call the Voter Fraud Hotline at 877-725-9797
- ⦿ You do not need to register as a Republican, Democrat, or member of any political party to vote.
- ⦿ Campaigning is not allowed within 150 feet of buildings where voting is taking place.
- ⦿ You may not wear campaign material such as a shirt or button that solicits votes for any political party, candidate or question.
- ⦿ You may not use a mobile phone, camera or recording device while inside a polling place.
- ⦿ You may bring non-alcoholic beverages and snacks to the polls.



You can build a personalized voter guide at Vote411.org/target

Qualifications for Absentee Voting

The state of Georgia allows absentee voting by mail and in-person, with no excuse required.

Requesting an absentee ballot

[Download an absentee ballot application](#) and return it to your [county board of registrars](#) by mail, fax, email (as an attachment), or in-person.

If you're a Fulton County resident ...

- ☉ Mail or deliver your application to:
130 Peachtree St. SW, Suite 2186, Atlanta, GA 30303-3460
- ☉ Email: elections.voterregistration@fultoncountyga.gov
- ☉ Fax: 404-612-3697

If you're a DeKalb County resident ...

- ☉ Mail or deliver your application to:
4380 Memorial Drive, Suite 300, Decatur, GA 30032-1239
- ☉ Email: voterreg@dekalbcountyga.gov
- ☉ Fax: 404-298-4038

Don't miss the deadline

The last day you can submit an absentee ballot application for the Nov. 2 election is Friday, Oct. 22. You can track the status of your absentee ballot [here](#).

Absentee voting deadline

Your absentee ballot must be received by the Department of Registration and Elections offices by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day (Nov. 2). The U.S. Postal Service strongly encourages voters to mail their ballots at least seven days before the election (Oct. 26), or else hand-deliver your ballot to your [county board of registrars](#). You may not return your absentee ballot at your polling place.

Onsite absentee voting deadline

You may vote early in-person from Tuesday, Oct. 12 to Friday, Oct. 29 without excuse. When casting your ballot in person, you must present an appropriate photo ID. [Find your early voting location here](#).

*The state of Georgia requires that onsite absentee voting be available at early voting locations on **Saturday, Oct. 16** and **Saturday, Oct. 23**. Contact your county board of registrars for more information.*

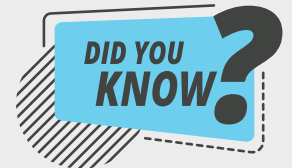


Target Supports Your Right to Vote

Get paid time off to vote! Talk to your manager or HR leader at Target for information about paid time off to vote.

Don't have a ride to the polls? We provide discounted transportation. Talk to your manager or HR leader at Target for information about discounted rides to the polls through Lyft (up to \$15 each way). *This offer is not intended to induce, nor is it conditioned on, the act of voting, refraining from voting, or voting for or against any particular candidate, political party or measure.*

*Target provides paid time off to vote and serve as an election judge or poll worker. In 2020, Target recruited **more than 1,600 team members** to staff polling places across the country.*



Get paid time off to serve as a poll worker! Poll workers (also known as election judges) are paid election officials who staff local polling places to carry out assigned Election Day procedures. Election workers are essential to the democratic process and ensure that the rights of every eligible voter are protected. Their work begins before Election Day – each worker is required to undergo training. Serving as a poll worker is an amazing opportunity to support the democratic process and deepen connections within your community. Target provides team members with paid time off to serve as an election judge/poll worker. Check with your manager or HR leader for any applicable notice or other requirements.

Here's How to Serve as a Poll Worker in Atlanta

Requirements to serve as a poll worker:

- ⦿ You must be a resident of the county you seek to work in.
- ⦿ You must be at least 16 years of age.
- ⦿ You must have no prior felony convictions for at least 10 years.
- ⦿ You must be a U.S. citizen who can read, write and speak English.
- ⦿ You must attend a training session.
- ⦿ You must provide your own transportation and will be required to provide documents that establish your identification and your employment authorization.
- ⦿ You cannot be a member of a candidate's immediate family (or blood relative, such as a grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece or half-sibling) and cannot be a member of a candidate's political committee.

How to apply

If you're a Fulton County resident, complete [this online application](#). If you're a DeKalb County resident, complete [this online application](#). If you serve as a poll worker, email CitizensAtTarget@Target.com, so we can track your participation.

What are the Major Offices on the Ballot in Atlanta?

Mayor

LENGTH OF TERM:

Four years.

NUMBER OF TERMS ALLOWED:

Two consecutive terms.

Atlanta's mayor serves as chief administrator and official representative. The mayor is responsible for overseeing the city's day-to-day operations. The mayor appoints and dismisses key leadership positions such as the Police Chief and Fire Chief, advises the city council and presents an annual budget to the city council for approval.

Together with the city council, the mayor addresses issues such as job programs, education, housing, police leadership, land use and development, city transportation, parks, libraries and collaboration with the federal government on areas like immigration and drug issues. The mayor also signs local legislation into law.

City Council

LENGTH OF TERM:

Four years.

NUMBER OF TERMS ALLOWED:

No limit.

The Atlanta City Council is the city's primary legislative body. City council members are responsible for adopting the city budget, approving mayoral

appointees, levying taxes, and making or amending city laws, policies and ordinances. The city council is made up of sixteen members, twelve of whom are elected by the city's twelve districts, and three other members and the council president who are elected at large. [Find your district here.](#)

Atlanta Board of Education

LENGTH OF TERM:

Two-Four years.

NUMBER OF TERMS ALLOWED:

No limit.

The Atlanta Board of Education is a nine-member elected body that oversees the city's six geographical school districts and three "at large" districts. The board establishes and approves operating budgets, hires and dismisses the superintendent, and sets guidelines for teachers. [Find your school district here.](#)

The 2021 election is the start of staggered-term elections for the Atlanta Board of Education. Even district (2, 4, 6, and 8) candidates will be running for a full four-year term on Nov. 2. Board members serving in odd districts (1, 3, 5, 7, and 9) will complete a two-year term and their seats will be open for election in 2023.

A substantial portion of your taxes goes toward funding

education, and your local school board has a big say in how that money is spent. Atlanta City Schools recently approved a budget of \$1.4 billion for the 2021-2022 school year.

Your vote directly affects the education of students in K-12 schools, including funding for arts and music programs, career and technology training, and athletics.

Municipal Court Judges

LENGTH OF TERM:

Four years.

NUMBER OF TERMS ALLOWED:

No limit.

The Municipal Court of Atlanta handles a variety of cases under state laws and city ordinances, including parking disputes, traffic violations, disorderly conduct, drug offenses and panhandling. There are 10 judges appointed to the Municipal Court bench.

View a sample ballot at Vote411.org/target

Election rules and notices may change. Please visit the [Georgia Secretary of State's website](#) for the latest information.

Other Voting Resources

- ⦿ Visit [Vote 411](#) to register to vote, find your polling place, view a sample ballot and more.
- ⦿ Visit the [Georgia Secretary of State website](#)
- ⦿ Visit the [Georgia My Voter Page \(MVP\)](#)
- ⦿ Visit the [Fulton County Elections Office website](#)
- ⦿ Visit the [DeKalb County Elections Office website](#)

This voter guide was created by Target based on a variety of sources, including:

- ⦿ Georgia Secretary of State
- ⦿ Georgia.gov
- ⦿ Atlanta City Council
- ⦿ City of Atlanta
- ⦿ Municipal Court of Atlanta
- ⦿ Atlanta Public Schools
- ⦿ Fulton County
- ⦿ DeKalb County
- ⦿ VoteATL.org
- ⦿ Local and national news organizations

