# **2017 NVRA UPDATES**



#### **CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE**

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### **Attention NVRA Agencies:**

- PRE-REGISTRATION NOW AVAILABLE
- REVIEW UPDATES TO TRAINING MATERIALS
- KNOW YOUR UPCOMING LOCAL ELECTIONS

#### PRE-REGISTER AT 16. VOTE AT 18.

Voter pre-registration is now available for eligible 16 and 17 year olds by visiting RegisterToVote.ca.gov or by filling out a paper voter registration application, like the kind provided in your office. California youth who pre-register to vote will have their registration become active once they turn 18 years old. Pre-registration does not change the voting age, which is 18. Instead, it allows eligible Californians ages 16 or 17 to pre-register, providing sufficient time and opportunity to get ready to vote.

Be sure to provide the voter registration application to any applicant or participant 16 years old or older. Follow the same process as you would for any other voter registration application to ensure your office site will receive NVRA credit for these transactions. Like typical registrations, it is not the responsibility of local agency staff to determine voter eligibility. Rather, inform the applicant of the voter registration requirements. If completed, simply collect the voter registration application and submit it to your County Elections Office within 3 calendar days. For more information regarding pre-registration please visit <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/pre-register-16-vote-18">www.sos.ca.gov/elections/pre-register-16-vote-18</a> or find contact information for your County Elections Office contact at

www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices.

#### REVIEW UPDATED TRAINING MATERIALS

All staff at NVRA reporting agencies must participate in annual NVRA training. We encourage all NVRA coordinators to visit the Secretary of State's resources page to access the newly updated training materials, FAQs, NVRA Basics Quick Reference Sheet, and many more useful tools.

They can be found at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-registration/nvra/training.

If assistance with providing annual training to local agency staff is necessary, please contact the Secretary of State's NVRA Team or the County Elections NVRA Coordinator.

## WHEN IS MY NEXT LOCAL ELECTION?

To find information about upcoming elections in your area please visit <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/county-administered-elections">www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/county-administered-elections</a>.

For more information please contact the Secretary of State's NVRA Team via email at nvra@sos.ca.gov or call 916-657-2166.