



# PLAN YOUR TRIP TO THE POLLS

Voting is an awesome opportunity and responsibility. Use this check list and plan your trip to the polls in 5 easy steps!

## 1 WHEN will you go to the polls?

You can vote early or on Election Day.

- ☐ Early Voting (Monday, Oct. 22 - Friday, Nov. 2 | Various times and locations)
- ☐ Election Day (Tuesday, Nov. 6 | 7 AM - 7 PM | You can only vote in your precinct)
- ☐ Set a reminder in your phone or on your calendar

## 2 HOW will you get there?

- ☐ Car
- ☐ Bus
- ☐ Walk
- ☐ Neighbor/Friend
- ☐ Family member

## 3 WHAT do you need to take?

- ☐ To vote in Texas, you MUST show one of the following photo ID's. Which will you take?
- ☐ Texas Driver License issued by Texas Dept. of Public Safety
- ☐ Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by the Texas Dept. of Public Safety
- ☐ Texas Personal Identification Card issued by Texas Dept. of Public Safety
- ☐ Texas Handgun License issued by Texas Department of Public Safety
- ☐ United States Military Identification Card with the voter's photograph
- ☐ United States Citizenship Certificate with the voter's photograph
- ☐ United States Passport

## 4 HOW will you prepare?

- ☐ Review the sample ballot
- ☐ If you are Catholic, refresh your understanding of Faithful Citizenship
- ☐ Watch a debate
- ☐ Review endorsements
- ☐ Evaluate trusted media sources

## 5 HOW will you celebrate?

- ☐ Wear your "I Voted" sticker with pride
- ☐ Share your civic duty on social media with these hashtags: **#AquíEstamos** **#EPVotes**
- ☐ Tell your friends and family members



## ON THE BALLOT

Use HOPE's sample ballot to stay informed about who and what to expect when you go to vote.

### STRAIGHT PARTY

This is the last election where voters in El Paso County will have the option of voting Straight Party. By selecting one of these three options, the voter's ballot will be cast in favor of all candidates who are running as members of a political party. Since El Paso City Council seats are non-partisan, they do not apply to straight party voting. You do not have to select straight party voting and can elect to vote on each race individually.

### ON THE BALLOT

Republican Party **5**  
(Partido Republicano)

Democratic Party **6**  
(Partido Democrata)

Libertarian Party **7**  
(Partido Libertario)

### US SENATE

The United States Senate is the upper chamber of the legislature of the United States. The Senate is comprised of two senators that represent the entire state for staggered six-year terms. There are 100 members of the senate - two from each of the 50 states.

### ON THE BALLOT

Ted Cruz **10**  
(Republican) *Incumbent*

Beto O'Rourke **11**  
(Democrat)

Neal Dikeman **12**  
(Libertarian)



## US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House of Representatives is the lower chamber of the legislature of the United States. The house is made up of representatives in congressional districts allocated to each state based on the results of the U.S. Census.

## ON THE BALLOT

### District #16

Rick Seeberger (Republican) **15**  
Veronica Escobar (Democrat) **16**  
Ben Mendoza (Libertarian) **17**  
Write In (Escrito)

### District #23

Will Hurd (Republican) **20**  
*Incumbent*  
Gina Ortiz Jones (Democrat) **21**  
Ruben Corvalan (Libertarian) **22**

## TEXAS STATE OFFICIALS

## GOVERNOR

The Governor of Texas is the chief executive of the state. The governor makes policy recommendations that lawmakers from the Texas Senate and Texas House of Representatives use as they develop bills. The governor serves a four-year term and signs or vetoes bills passed by the Texas Legislature.

## ON THE BALLOT

Greg Abbott **25**  
(Republican) *Incumbent*

Lupe Valdez **26**  
(Democrat)

Mark Tippetts **27**  
(Libertarian)



## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

The Texas Lieutenant Governor is the second-highest position in the executive branch and oversees the work of the Texas State Senate for a four-year term. The Lieutenant Governor controls the budgeting process for the state and determines committee appointments.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

The Attorney General is the state's chief legal officer. The Attorney General and its office provide legal representation to the State, its officials and agencies. The Office of the Attorney General also enforces the state's child support laws, investigates and prosecutes criminal activities.

## ON THE BALLOT

Dan Patrick (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>30</b>
Mike Collier (Democrat)	<b>31</b>
Kerry McKennon (Libertarian)	<b>32</b>

## ON THE BALLOT

Ken Paxton (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>35</b>
Justin Nelson (Democrat)	<b>36</b>
Michael Ray Harris (Libertarian)	<b>37</b>

## FYI: IMPORTANT DATES



**EARLY VOTING**  
*Go out and Vote*



**ELECTION DAY**  
*Last chance to Vote!*



## COMPTROLLER

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts is the chief steward of the state's finances acting as tax collector, chief accountant, chief revenue estimator and chief treasurer for all of state government. The Comptroller collects taxes due to the state and also manages and awards statewide contracts for services.

## ON THE BALLOT

Glen Hegar (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>40</b>
Joi Cheavlier (Democrat)	<b>41</b>
Ben Sanders (Libertarian)	<b>42</b>

## COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

The Commissioner of the General Land Office manages land and mineral rights properties owned by the state. The General Land Office also manages and contributes to the Permanent School Fund, a wealth fund whose revenues fund Texas public schools.

## ON THE BALLOT

George P. Bush (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>45</b>
Miguel Suazo (Democrat)	<b>46</b>
Matt Pina (Libertarian)	<b>47</b>



## AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER

The Agriculture Commissioner promotes production agriculture, consumer protection, economic development and healthy living. The agriculture commissioner oversees the agency and is elected every four years.

## ON THE BALLOT

Sid Miller **50**  
(Republican) *Incumbent*

Kim Olson **51**  
(Democrat)

Richard Carpenter **52**  
(Libertarian)

## RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

The Railroad Commissioner oversees an agency that regulates the oil and gas industry. Despite its name, it ceased regulating railroads in 2005.

## ON THE BALLOT

Christi Craddick **55**  
(Republican) *Incumbent*

Roman McAllen **56**  
(Democrat)

Mike Wright **57**  
(Libertarian)

## FYI: WHAT DO I NEED TO VOTE?

Texas law requires that voters show one of seven photo ID's when they vote.

These forms of identification include:

- Texas Driver License issued by Texas Department of Public Safety
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety
- Texas Personal Identification Card issued by Texas Department of Public Safety
- Texas Handgun License issued by Texas Department of Public Safety
- United States Military Identification Card with the voter's photograph
- United States Citizenship Certificate with the voter's photograph
- United States Passport



## SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

The Supreme Court of Texas is the court of last resort for civil matters in the state. The Court is composed of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices. Supreme Court justices are elected to staggered six-year terms in statewide elections.

## ON THE BALLOT

<b>Supreme Court Place 2</b> Jimmy Blacklock (Republican)	<b>60</b>
Steven Kirkland (Democrat)	<b>61</b>
<b>Supreme Court Place 4</b> John Devine (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>64</b>
R.K. Sandill (Democrat)	<b>65</b>
<b>Supreme Court Place 6</b> Jeff Brown (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>68</b>
Kathy Cheng (Democrat)	<b>69</b>

## TEXAS COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals is the court of last resort for criminal matters. The Court is composed of a Presiding Judge and eight judges (unlike the Texas Supreme Court which is composed of a Chief Justice and eight Justices). Each judge serves a six-year term and they are elected in staggered partisan elections.

## ON THE BALLOT

<b>Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Place 1</b>	
Sharon Keller (Republican) <i>Incumbent</i>	<b>72</b>
Maria T. (Terri) Jackson (Democrat)	<b>73</b>
William Bryan Strange III (Libertarian)	<b>74</b>



## TEXAS COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS CONT.

### ON THE BALLOT

#### **Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Place 7**

Barbara Parker Hervey **77**  
(Republican) *Incumbent*

Ramona Franklin **78**  
(Democrat)

#### **Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Place 8**

Michelle Slaughter **81**  
(Republican)

Mark Ash **82**  
(Libertarian)

## TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Texas House of Representatives is made up of 150 members who each serve a two-year term. The Texas House and its counterparts in the Texas Senate make up the Texas Legislature, the state's governing body that convenes every two years.

### ON THE BALLOT

#### **Texas State House District 75**

Mary E. Gonzalez **85**  
(Democrat) *Incumbent*

#### **Texas State House District 76**

Cesar J. Blanco **88**  
(Democrat) *Incumbent*

#### **Texas State House District 77**

Evelina "Lina" Ortega **91**  
(Democrat) *Incumbent*





## TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONT.

### ON THE BALLOT

#### **Texas State House District 78**

Jeffrey Lane **94**  
(Republican)

Joe Moody **95**  
(Democrat) *Incumbent*

#### **Texas State House District 79**

Joe C. Pickett **98**  
(Democrat) *Incumbent*

## EL PASO COUNTY COURT OF APPEALS

The State of Texas is divided into fourteen courts of appeals districts. Each court has a chief justice and at least two justices. The Eighth Court of Appeals is located in El Paso County.

### ON THE BALLOT

#### **Justice, 8th Court of Appeals District, Place 2**

Yvonne Rodriguez **101**  
(Democrat)

#### **Justice, 8th Court of Appeals District, Place 3**

Gina M. Palafox **104**  
(Democrat)



## EL PASO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGE

El Paso County has 13 district courts, each with a single judge, elected to a four-year term. District courts have original jurisdiction in all felony criminal cases, divorce cases, land title disputes, election contests, civil matters in which at least \$200 is disputed or claimed in damages, as well as other matters.

## ON THE BALLOT

<b>District Judge, 120th Judicial District</b> Maria Salas Mendoza (Democrat)	<b>107</b>
<b>District Judge, 168th Judicial District</b> Marcos Lizarraga (Democrat)	<b>110</b>
<b>District Judge, 171st Judicial District</b> Bonnie Rangel (Democrat)	<b>113</b>
<b>District Judge, 205th Judicial District</b> Francisco X. Dominguez (Democrat)	<b>116</b>
<b>District Judge, 210th Judicial District</b> Alyssa G. Perez (Democrat)	<b>119</b>
<b>District Judge, 243rd Judicial District</b> Selena Solis (Democrat)	<b>122</b>
<b>District Judge, 327th Judicial District</b> Linda Yee Chew (Democrat)	<b>125</b>



## EL PASO COUNTY JUDGE

The El Paso County Judge presides over the county commissioners court and is seen as the chief executive of the county. The court adopts the county's budget and tax rate, authorizes contracts, and sets all salaries and benefits for county employees.

## ON THE BALLOT

Ricardo Samaniego **128**  
(Democrat)

## EL PASO COUNTY COURT

## ON THE BALLOT

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 1**  
Ruth Reyes (Democrat) **131**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 2**  
Julie Gonzalez (Democrat) **134**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 3**  
Javier Alvarez (Democrat) **137**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 4**  
Alex Gonzalez (Democrat) **140**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 5**  
Jesus Rodriguez (Democrat) **143**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 6**  
M. Sue Kurita (Democrat) **146**

**Judge, County Court at Law No. 7**  
Ruben Morales **149**



## EL PASO COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT

The El Paso County Criminal Courts are dedicated to cases involving DWI, family violence, bond forfeitures, burglaries and prostitution.

## ON THE BALLOT

**Judge, County Criminal Court at  
Law No. 1**

Alma Trejo (Democrat) **152**

**Judge, County Criminal Court at  
Law No. 2**

Robert S. Anchondo **155**  
(Democrat)

## EL PASO COUNTY PROBATE COURT

The El Paso County Probate Court is responsible with determining how the estate of a deceased person gets settled through the courts. The purpose of the court is to prevent fraud after someone's death.

## ON THE BALLOT

**Judge, County Probate Court at  
Law No. 1**

Patricia B. Chew **158**  
(Democrat)

**Judge, County Probate Court at  
Law No. 2**

Eduardo A. Gamboa **161**  
(Democrat)

## EL PASO DISTRICT CLERK

The El Paso District Clerk specifically serves the district court. The functions of the district clerk are administrative, record keeping and finance. The district clerk is elected to a four-year term.

## ON THE BALLOT

Norma Favela Barceleau **164**  
(Democrat)



## EL PASO COUNTY CLERK

The El Paso County Clerk is the clerk and recorder for all county courts. The county clerk also carries out elections for the county, issues marriage licenses, and maintains vital statistics.

## ON THE BALLOT

Delia Briones (Democrat) **167**

## CITY OF EL PASO CHARTER AMENDMENTS

A charter amendment is a request to modify the city charter, the legal document formalizing the creation of a city.

## ON THE BALLOT

### City of El Paso Charter Amendment Proposition A

"Should Section 3.2 of the City Charter, Relating to the salaries of the mayor and district representatives, be amended to provide that beginning September 1, 2019, the annual salary of the district representatives shall be set each year at the amount equal to the El Paso County area median household income as established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or successor agency for the prior fiscal year, and the annual salary of the mayor shall be set each year at one and one-half that amount?"

**For: 289**

**Against: 290**

Amendment A asks voters if they are for or against an increase to the salary currently paid to city representatives. They currently make \$29,000 annually and this change to the city charter would increase their salary to \$45,300. This rate equals the 2017 El Paso County area median household income as established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.



## EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

The El Paso City Council is the main legislative body for the city. Each council member represents one of eight geographic districts with a mayor elected at-large. The council adopts the city budget, levies taxes, and makes/amends city laws. They work in close collaboration with the city manager.

## ON THE BALLOT

### Representative, City of El Paso, District 1

Veronica Roni Frescas	266
Peter Svarzbein	267
Carlos F. Corral	268
Rick Bonart	269

### Representative, City of El Paso, District 5

Isabel Salcido	272
Jason K. Osborne	273
John B. Hogan	274
Kikito "Zito" Ekechukwu	275

### Representative, City of El Paso, District 6

Eric Stoltz	278
Claudia Ordaz Perez	279

### Representative, City of El Paso, District 8

Richard "Rich" Wright	282
Nicholas Anthony Vasquez	283
Greg Blaine	284
Cissy Lizarraga	285
Dylan Corbett	286



## EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

The El Paso County Commissioners Court is made up of county commissioners and the county judge. Commissioners represent one of four precincts and are responsible for building and maintaining county roads and bridges within the precinct. The court adopts the county's budget and tax rate, authorizes contracts, and sets all salaries and benefits for county employees.

## ON THE BALLOT

### County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

David Stout (Democrat) **170**

### County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Andrew R. Haggerty **173**  
(Republican)

Carl L. Robinson **174**  
(Democrat)

## FYI: WHO CAN VOTE?

To be eligible to vote in Texas, a person must be:

- Registered to vote
- A United States citizen
- A resident of the Texas county in which application for registration is made
- At least 18 years old on Election Day;
- Not finally convicted of a felony, or, if so convicted must have (1) fully discharged the sentence, including any term of incarceration, parole, or supervision, or completed a period of probation ordered by any court; or (2) been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disability to vote; and
- Not determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be (1) totally mentally incapacitated; or (2) partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote.



## EL PASO COUNTY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

El Paso County Justices of the Peace presides over the justice court in cases involving misdemeanors, small civil disputes, landlord/tenant disputes and more. They also conduct inquests and may perform marriage ceremonies.

## ON THE BALLOT

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3**

Josh Herrera **183**  
(Democrat)

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4**

Rebeca Bustamante **186**  
(Democrat)

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 5**

John-John Chatman **189**  
(Democrat)

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 6, Place 1**

Ruben Lujan **192**  
(Democrat)

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 6, Place 2**

Nina Serna **195**  
(Democrat)

### **Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 7**

Ida Gardner **198**  
(Republican)

Stephanie Fietze **199**  
(Democrat)