

Voter's Choice Taskforce Meeting

Thursday, June 12, 2025

10:30 - 11:30 am



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Meeting Agenda

- **Call to Order, Roll Call, Declaration of Quorum and Welcome**
- **Special Remarks** - Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D.
- **Introductions**
- **Overview of VCA Task Force**
- **Stakeholder Engagement**
- **Planning for Future Agenda Items**
- **Public Comment**
- **Adjournment**



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Roll Call



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Welcome



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Special Remarks

California Secretary of State, Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D.



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Acknowledgements



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2018-2021 VCA Task Force Members

Bryan Blum, California Labor Federation

Darren Chesin, State Senate Committee on Elections and Constitutional Amendments

Cathy Darling-Allen, Former Shasta County Clerk and Registrar of Voters

Kathay Feng, Common Cause

Rosalind Gold, National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials

Catherine Hazelton, Future of California Elections

Joe Holland, Santa Barbara County Clerk, Recorder, Assessor, and Registrar of Voters

Margaret Jakobson-Johnson, Disability Rights California

***Ethan Jones**, State Assembly Committee on Elections and Redistricting

***Deanna Kitamura**, Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles

Malka Kopell, California State University, Sacramento - Center for Collaborative Policy

***Dean Logan**, Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

Raul Macias, American Civil Liberties Union

Tammy Patrick, Bipartisan Policy Center

Mindy Romero, University of Southern California, Center for Inclusive Democracy

Emily Rusch, California Public Interest Research Group

***Jesse Salinas**, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Trudy Schafer, League of Women Voters

Michael Vu, Former San Diego County Registrar of Voters

Marty Wilson, California Chamber of Commerce



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New Voter's Choice Task Force Members

Melvin E. Levey,
Merced County
Registrar of Voters

Donna Linder,
Stanislaus County
Registrar of Voters

***Dean
Logan,** Los Angeles
County Registrar-
Recorder/County
Clerk

Matt Morales, Santa
Clara County Acting
Registrar of Voters

Bob Page,
Orange County
Registrar of Voters

Deva Proto,
Sonoma Registrar of
Voters

***Jesse Salinas,**
Yolo County
Assessor/Clerk-
Recorder/Registrar
of Voters

Art Tinoco, Riverside
County Registrar of
Voters

Petrina Branch,
Attorney

Camila Chavez,
Dolores Huerta
Foundation

**Russia Chavis
Cardenas,** California
Common Cause

Leslie Hernandez,
AltaMed Health
Services

***Deanna
Kitamura,** Asian
Americans Advancing
Justice - Los Angeles

Ellen Nash, San Diego
Black American
Political Association of
California

Dora Rose, League of
Women Voters

**Gabriel
Taylor,** Disability
Rights California

Advisory

**Carrie
Cornwell,** State
Senate Committee on
Elections and
Constitutional
Amendments

***Ethan Jones,**
State Assembly
Committee
on Elections
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Overview of the Voter's Choice Task Force



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Task Force Roles and Responsibilities



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Proposed 2025 Task Force Meeting Calendar

Thursday, June 12, 2025

10:30 am to 11:30 am

Thursday, September 18, 2025

10:30 am to 11:30 am

Thursday, December 11, 2025

10:30 am to 11:30 am



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Quorum and Administrative Support



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Discussion



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Stakeholder Engagement



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Review of vote center usage data

- Vote by mail has become the most popular voting method for California's voters.
- Vote centers have high traffic on e-1 and Election day.
- Vote center use is seeing a steady increase in VBM vote center drop off, especially on Election day.

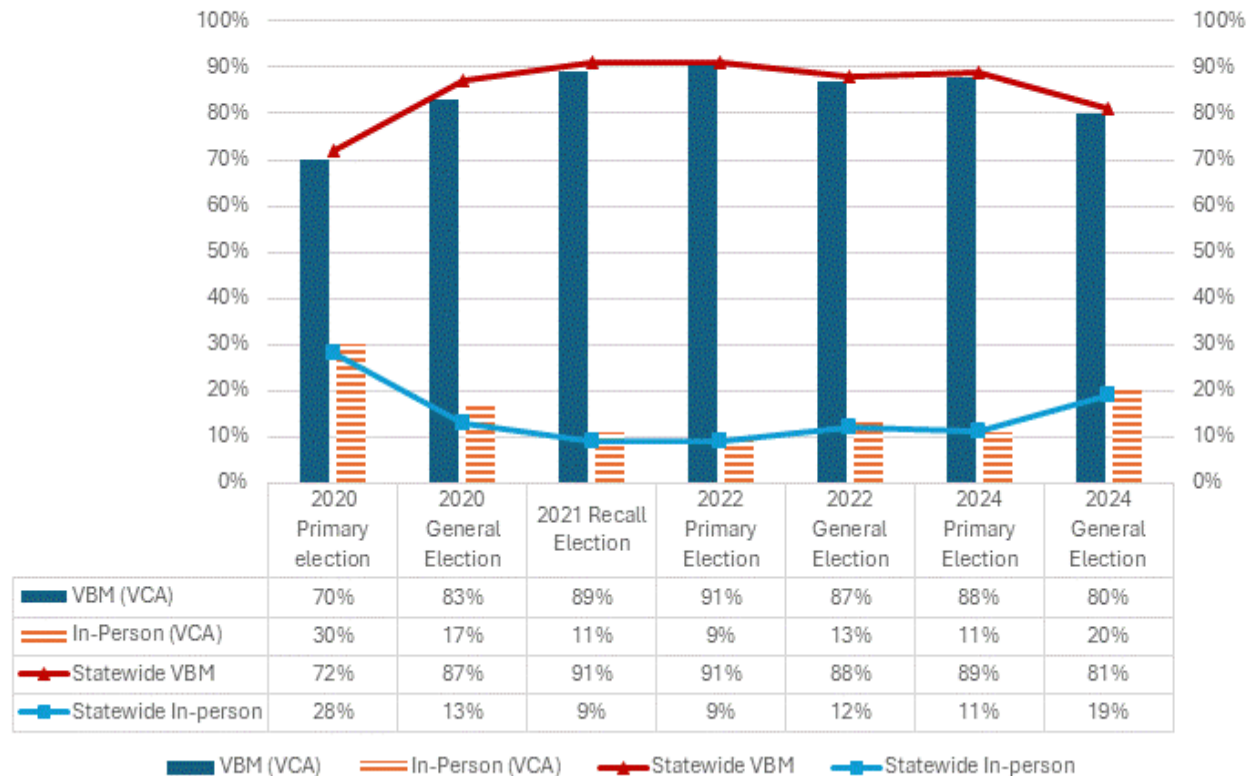


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Statewide and VCA counties: VBM most popular

Election	Voter Turnout
2020 Primary	47%
2020 General	81%
2021 Recall	58%
2022 Primary	33%
2022 General	51%
2024 Primary	35%
2024 General	71%

VBM vs In-person voting methods in VCA counties and Statewide
2020 Primary through the 2024 General Election



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*VoteCal data from CA Secretary of State Election Statement of Vote or VCA reports

Vote Center Participation



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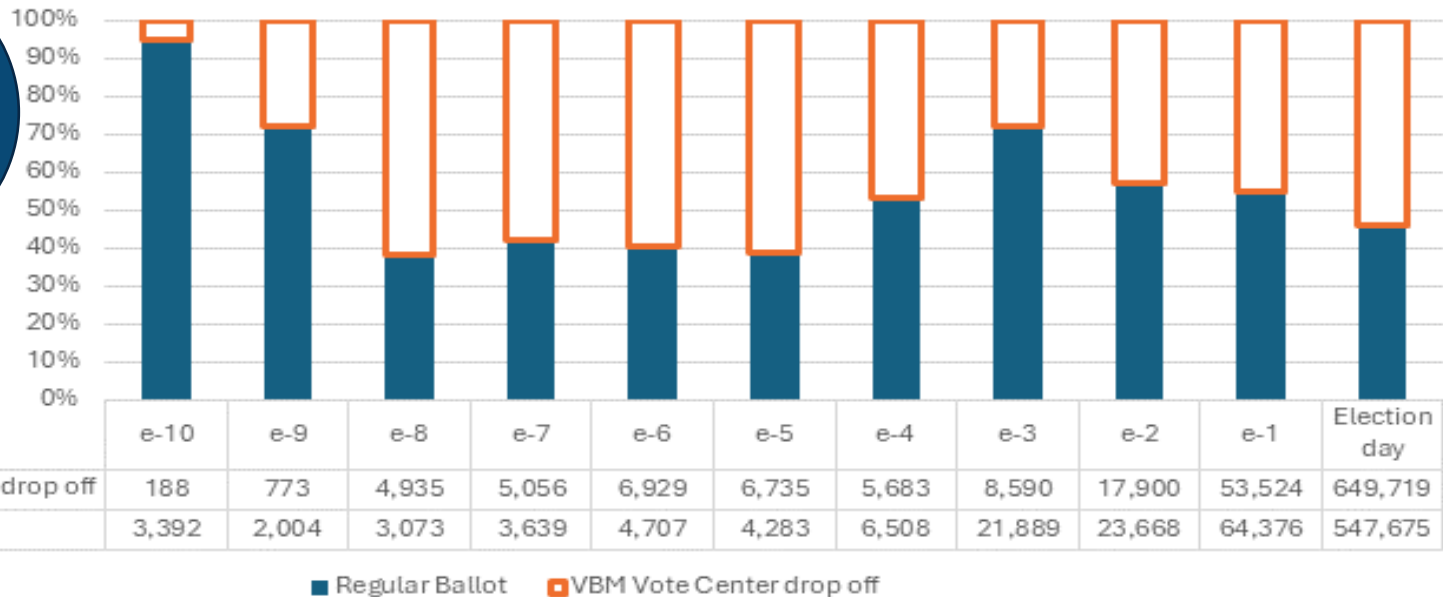
2024 Primary Election: How

Election	Vote center in-person total (e-10 through Election day)	Statewide Voter turnout
2020 Primary	1,365,273	9,687,076
2020 General	1,443,206	17,785,151
2021 Recall	666,446	12,888,061
2022 Primary	491,067	7,287,512
2022 General	1,073,804	11,145,257
2024 Primary	685,214	7,720,301

Vote Center Usage: 2024 Primary Election
e-10 through Election day

Statewide
Voter turnout: 35%
In-person: 12%

29 VCA counties
9% of all votes
came from in-person votes at centers

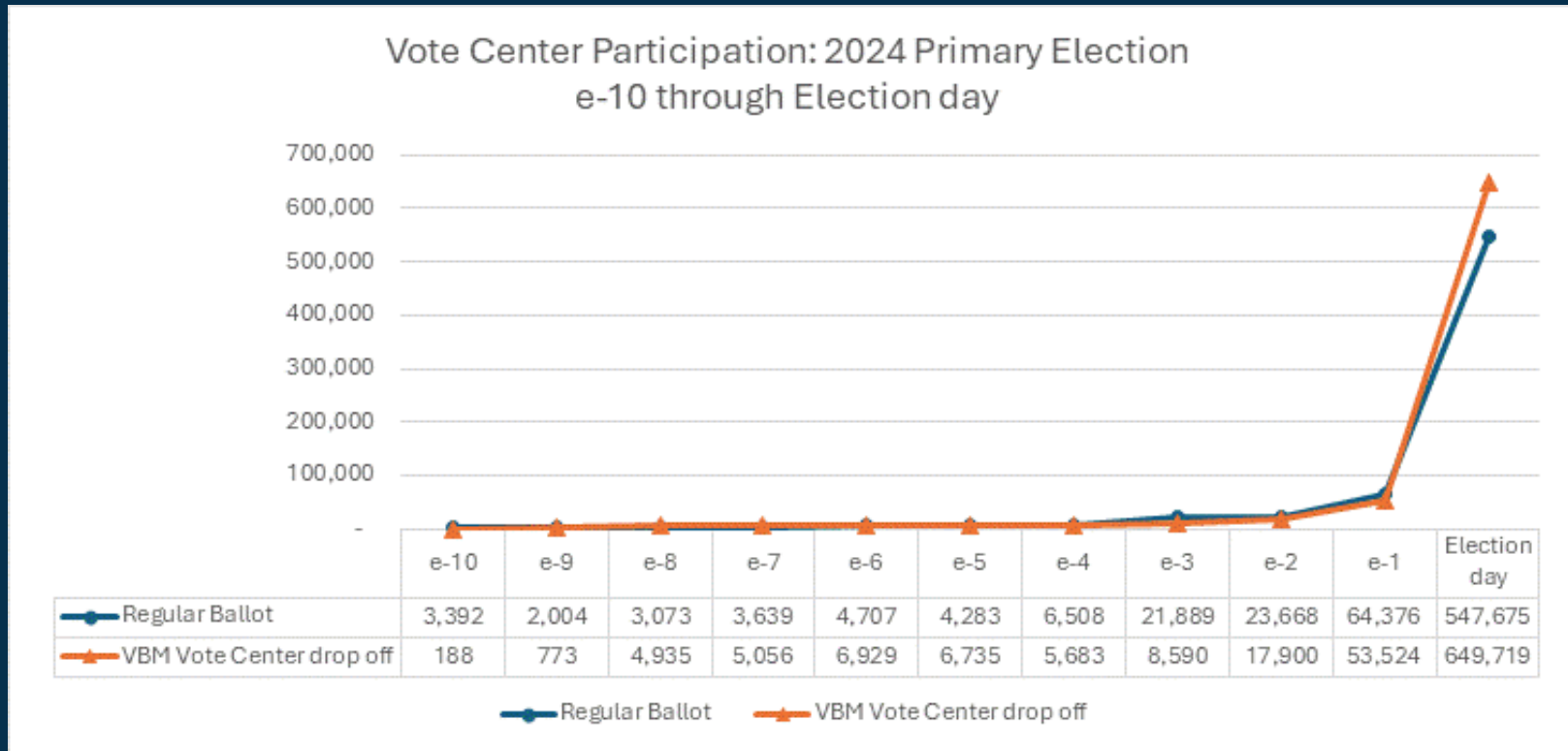


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2024 Primary Election: When



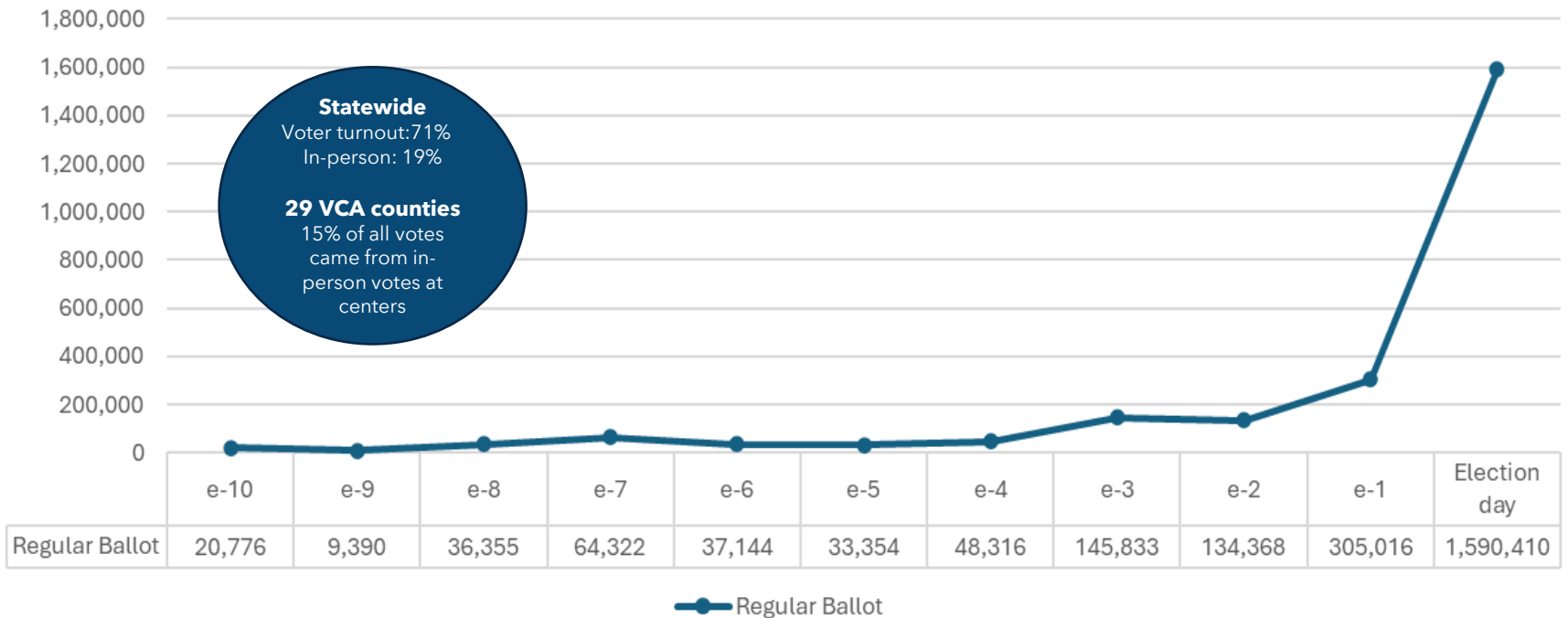
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2024 General Election - When

Vote Center Participation - Regular Ballot: 2024 General Election



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Strategies for Addressing VCA Challenges



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Planning for Future Agenda Items



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Future Agenda Items

- Work Groups
- Committees
- Recent research reports



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General Public Comment



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Adjournment

If you need more information or have any additional questions or comments, please email voterschoice@sos.ca.gov



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