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<u>Partner Resource: USICH Releases Voting Guides for Homeless Providers and People Experiencing</u> Homelessness

Congress has found that the right of citizens to vote is fundamental and that it is the duty of the Federal, State, and local governments to promote the exercise of that right.[i] Accordingly, HUD is sharing information to support the public, specifically people experiencing homelessness, in understanding how to access this fundamental right.

People can vote without a permanent address, and homeless services providers can help through nonpartisan registration and get-out-the-vote efforts. It is important to be aware of local registration deadlines, some of which occur in February, to ensure the ability to vote. Many rules about voting are set by states, so check with counsel to ensure that all activities are compliant with local and state law.

To help more Americans exercise their right to vote, our partners at the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) created the following step-by-step voting guides for homeless providers and for people experiencing homelessness. Both are available in five languages:

- Election checklist for homeless service providers
- Voting checklist for people experiencing homelessness

[i] NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1993.



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