

Accessible Vote by Mail Ballots Now Available in Sangamon County

Sangamon County is pleased to offer accommodations for blind and low vision voters in the vote by mail process for the upcoming General Election.

Voters may request to receive their vote by mail ballot electronically. Voters must make this request directly to our office by calling 217-753-8683. You must first complete and submit an application to vote by mail. After submitting your application, our office will ask you for your name, date of birth, and the email address where you would like to receive the link to your electronic ballot.

Within 5 business days of the request, you will receive an email from noreply@access.vote with an Access PIN and a link to a website where you can access your electronic ballot.

Following the instructions on the accessible website, you may download your ballot and mark it using assistive technology. After you have completed and reviewed the ballot, please print, sign, and return it to your election authority in accordance with the Vote by Mail materials we have sent you. Please note the wet signature of the person marking the ballot is required for the ballot to be counted. While the State Board of Elections has also recommended election authorities exercise consideration and discretion in evaluating the locations of the certifying signatures, election officials are bound by minimum statutory requirements. You may return the ballot by mail, in-person delivery, or by utilizing one of our two drop boxes – one at the Sangamon County Building on the South side of the building on Monroe and the second at the Sangamon County Juvenile Center located at 2201 S. Dirksen Parkway.

If you receive a ballot by mail, please contact our office for further instructions about substituting it with an electronic, accessible vote by mail ballot.

You can access a demonstration of the accessible vote by mail platform at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=E6qj1DukMWc>.