

2026

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Federal Government Elected Executive Officials

Address correspondence to:
The White House,
Washington, D.C. 20500.

Comments Line: 202-456-1111.
Website: www.whitehouse.gov/contact
4 year terms

	Party	Next Election
President – \$400,000		
Donald J. Trump	R	2028
Vice President – \$235,100		
JD Vance	R	2028

Elected Legislative Officials

Senate

United States Senators serve for a 6-year term beginning the first Tuesday in January following the election.
\$174,000

Address correspondence to:

The Honorable (Name), U.S. Senate,
Washington, D.C. 20510
Telephone: 202-224-3121

Website: www.senate.gov

Name (Party)	Next Election	Contact
John Fetterman (D)	2028	www.fetterman.senate.gov
1000 Liberty Ave, Suite 1811, Pittsburgh, PA 15222		412-803-3501
Dave McCormick (R)	2030	www.mccormick.senate.gov
310 Grant Street, Ste. 2415, Pittsburgh, PA 15219		412-803-7370

House of Representatives

United States Representatives serve for a 2-year term beginning the first Tuesday in January following the election.
All seats are up for re-election in 2026.
\$174,000

Address correspondence to: The Honorable (Name), U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Telephone: 202-224-3121

Website: www.house.gov
Next election 2026

District	Name (Party)	Contact
12	Summer Lee (D)	summerlee.house.gov
	211 N. Whitfield St. Pittsburgh, PA 15206	412-214-5000

Additional Satellite Office Hours available. Check website for details.

17	Chris DeLuzio (D)	deluzio.house.gov
	11 Duff Road, Suite A-3 Penn Hills, PA 15236	724-206-4860

Additional Satellite Office Hours available. Check website for details.

Pennsylvania State Government

Elected Executive Officials

Address correspondence to:

(Title, Name) 508 Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Find online contact information at this website: <http://www.pa.gov>

4 year terms

	Next		
Governor – \$253,870	Party	Election	Telephone
Joshua D. Shapiro	D	2026	
www.pa.gov/form/lt-gov/contact.html			717-787-2500
Lieutenant Governor/ President of PA Senate – \$213,248			
Austin Davis	D	2026	
www.pa.gov/form/lt-gov/contact.html			717-787-3300
Auditor General – \$211,219			
Timothy L. DeFoor	R	2028	717-787-2543
State Treasurer – \$211,219			
Stacey Garrity	R	2028	717-787-2465
Attorney General – \$211,219			
David W. Sunday, Jr	R	2028	717-787-3391

Elected Legislative Officials

Address correspondence to:

The Honorable (Name), Capitol Bldg., Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Website: www.legis.state.pa.us

Legislative Leadership

Senate President Pro Tempore Kim Ward (R)	Salary: \$177,323
Telephone: 717-787-6023	kward@pasen.gov
Senate Majority Leader Joe Pittman (R)	Salary: \$164,579
Telephone: 717-787-8724	jpittman@pasen.gov
Senate Minority Leader Jay Costa, Jr. (D)	Salary: \$164,579
Telephone: 717-787-7683	costa@pasenate.com
Speaker of the House Joanna McClinton (D)	Salary: \$164,579
Telephone: 717-783-3290	jmccclinton@pahouse.net
House Majority Leader Matthew Bradford (D)	Salary: \$164,579
Telephone: 717-772-2572	mbradford@pahouse.net
House Minority Leader Jesse Topper (R)	Salary: \$164,579
Telephone: 717-787-7076	jtopper@pahousegop.com
Chief Clerk Donetta M. D’Innocenzo	Telephone: 717-787-7163

Visit www.lwvpggh.org/PAreps to find your state districts & reps.

State Senators www.pasen.gov

Pennsylvania State Senators serve for a 4-year term. Even numbered districts are up for re-election in 2026. Odd-numbered districts are up for re-election in 2028. Pennsylvania State Senators earn a salary of \$113,591.

District	Name (Party)	Next Election	Contact
37	Devlin Robinson (R)	2028	412-785-3070 drobins@pasenate.com
38	Lindsey Williams (D)	2026	412-364-0469 williams@pasenate.com
42	Wayne D. Fontana (D)	2026	412-344-2551 fontana@pasenate.com
43	Jay Costa, Jr. (D)	2028	412-241-6690 costa@pasenate.com
45	Nick Pisciotano (D)	2028	412-380-2242 pisciottano@pasenate.com

State Representativeswww.house.state.pa.us

Pennsylvania State Representatives serve for a 2-year term. All seats are up for re-election in 2026. Pennsylvania State Representatives earn a salary of \$113,591. Terms begin the first Tuesday in January following the election.

District Name (Party)	Contact
19 Aerion Abney (D)	412-471-7760 repabney@pahouse.net
20 Emily Kinkead (D)	412-321-5523 repkinkead@pahouse.net
21 Lindsay Powell (D)	412-781-2750 reppowell@pahouse.net
23 Dan Frankel (D)	412-422-1774 repfrankel@pahouse.net
24 La'Tasha Mayes (D)	717-783-1017 repmayes@pahouse.net
25 Brandon J. Markosek (D)	412-856-8284 repmarkosek@pahouse.net
27 Daniel J. Deasy Jr. (D)	412-928-9514 repdeasy@pahouse.net
28 Jeremy Shaffer (R)	412-369-2230 shaffer@pahousegop.com
30 Arvind Venkat (D)	412-348-8028 repvenkat@pahouse.net
32 Joseph McAndrew (D)	412-793-2448 repmcandrew@pahouse.net
33 Mandy Steele (D)	724-826-5151 repsteele@pahouse.net
34 Abigail Salisbury (D)	412-273-3400 repsalisbury@pahouse.net
35 Dan Goughnour (D)	412-664-0035 repgoughnour@pahouse.net
36 Jessica Benham (D)	412-881-4208 repbenham@pahouse.net
38 John C. Inglis III (D)	412-466-1940 rmatzie@pahouse.net repinglis@pahouse.net
39 Andrew Kuzma (R)	412-382-2009 akuzma@pahousegop.com
40 Natalie Mihalik (R)	724-942-2045 nmihalik@pahousegop.com
42 Seat is vacant. Special Election Feb 24, 2026	
44 Valerie Gaydos (R)	412-262-3780 vgaydos@pahousegop.com
45 Anita Astorino Kulik (D)	412-264-4260 repkulik@pahouse.net
46 Jason Ortitay (R)	412-221-5110 jortitay@pahousegop.com

State Senators and Representatives provide a wide range of constituent services in addition to their legislative roles. Your representatives can provide you with forms, information and assistance you need when dealing with PA state government and agencies.

Allegheny County

Elected Officials

County Information Call Center: 412-350-4636

Address correspondence to:

The Honorable (Name), County Court House,
436 Grant St., Pittsburgh, PA 15219. Executive Rm. 101; County
Council Rm. 119

www.alleghenycounty.us

4 year terms

Chief Executive – \$142,339	Party	Next Election	Tel. No.
Sara Innamaroto	D	2027	412-350-6500
Controller – \$120,313			
Amy Weise Clements (Acting)	D	2027	412-350-4660
Treasurer – \$120,313			
Erica Rocchi Brusselars	D	2027	412-350-4100
District Attorney – \$218,940			
Stephen A. Zappala, Jr.	R	2027	412-350-4401
Sheriff – \$120,314			
Kevin M. Kraus	D	2029	412-350-4700

County Council

County Council is a part-time position. Council members meet twice a month, receive an annual stipend of \$11,485.50 and typically hold another full-time job. To reach any County Council member, contact the central County Council Office:

Call - 412-350-6490; emails - CountyCouncil@AlleghenyCounty.US

Meets every other Tuesday at 5:00 P.M.

At large	Bethany Hallam	D	2027
At large	Alex Rose	L	2027
District 1	Kathleen Madonna-Emmerling	D	2029
District 2	Suzanne Filiaggi	R	2027
District 3	Lissa Geiger Shulman	D	2029
District 4	Patrick Catena, President	D	2029
District 5	Dan Grzybek	D	2027
District 6	John F. Palmiere, V. Pres	D	2027
District 7	Nicholas Futules	D	2027
District 8	Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis	D	2029
District 9	Aaron Adams	D	2029
District 10	DeWitt Walton	D	2027
District 11	Paul Klein	D	2027
District 12	Robert J. Palmosina	D	2029
District 13	Jordan Botta	D	2027

Appointed Officials

Department of Court Records – \$136,325

Michael McGeever, Director 412-350-5322

Director of Administrative Services – \$136,325

Jessica Garofolo 412-350-4636

Medical Examiner – \$290,000

Dr. Ariel Goldschmidt, MD 412-350-4800

County Manager – \$284,999

John Fournier 412-350-5300

County Solicitor – \$159,908

Rosalyn Guy-McCorkle, Esq. 412-350-1120

Chief Public Defender – \$136,325

Andy Howard 412-350-3516

County Real Estate Tax 6.43 Mills

Allegheny County Departments

Find a complete list of County Departments at.

www.alleghenycounty.us/Government/Departments-and-Offices/Department-Directory

Health Department

Acting Director, Patrick Dowd

The Allegheny County Health Department provides services to promote public health and safety in the county, including health inspections for food and building safety, monitoring air and water quality, clinical services such as pediatric dentistry and vaccinations, tracking infectious disease outbreaks, providing health literacy outreach, and administering the WIC program for the county.
website: alleghenycounty.us/Services/Health-Department

To submit a complaint or request to the Health Department, call 412-687-ACHD (2243)

Health Department meetings are open to the public and are live-streamed. Learn how to participate here: www.lwvpgh.org/publicmeetings.

Department of Human Services

Director, Erin Dalton

The Department of Human Services has programs and services to help county residents with housing and homelessness prevention, child protection, behavioral health, child and family support, aging services, and addiction recovery services..

www.alleghenycounty.us/Services/Human-Services-DHS

For help in a crisis, call DHS

Access the right DHS resource on the Allegheny Connect page or call 211.

To submit a concern or question to the Health Department, contact the Director's Action Line:

call 1-800-862-6783, or

text "Action" to 412-324-3388

Property Assessment and Real Estate

Chief Assessment Officer, Lou Fabian

Phone: 412-350-4636 - option 2

alleghenycounty.us/Services/Property-Assessment-and-Real-Estate

Search Property Records:

www2.alleghenycounty.us/RealEstate/Default.aspx

View Tax Abatement and Exemption programs

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Services/Property-Assessments-and-Real-Estate/Tax-Abatements-and-Exemptions>

Elections Division 412-350-4500

Director, David Voye david.voye@alleghenycounty.us

View the Board of Elections meeting schedule and participation guidelines:

alleghenycounty.us/Government/Elections/Board-of-Elections

Sign up to be a poll worker:

alleghenycounty.us/Government/Elections/Poll-Workers

Subscribe to the Elections Division newsletter, Allegheny Votes

E-News: alleghenycounty25048.activehosted.com/f/21

Board of Elections meetings are open to the public and are live-streamed. Learn how to participate here:

www.lwvpgh.org/publicmeetings.

2026 City of Pittsburgh

City-County Building

414 Grant St., Pittsburgh, PA 15219

www.pittsburghpa.gov

			Next
Mayor 4 year term Salary \$140,000 Rm. 512 Party Election			
Corey O'Connor	D		2029
mayor@pittsburghpa.gov		412-255-2621	
Independent Citizen Police Review Board			
Emma Lucas-Darby, Chair		412-765-8023	
City Information	311 or	412-255-2621	

Council 4 year term Salary \$89,585 Rm. 510 412-255-2142
Meets Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 A.M.

District

1 Bobby Wilson.....	412-255-2135	..... D	2027
2 Kim Salinetto	412-255-8963	..... D	2029
3 Bob Charland.....	412-255-2130	..... D	2027
4 Anthony Coghill.....	412-255-2131	..... D	2029
5 Barb Warwick	412-368-2068	..... D	2027
6 R. Daniel Lavelle, President .	412-255-2134	..... D	2029
7 Deborah Gross	412-255-2140	..... D	2027
8 Erika Strassburger	412-255-2133	..... D	2029
9 Khari Mosley.....	412-255-2137	..... D	2027

City Clerk: Kimberly D. Clark-Baskin \$129,126 412-255-2138
kim.clark-baskin@pittsburghpa.gov

www.pittsburghpa.gov/City-Government/City-Council/Clerks-Office
Pittsburgh's City Clerk maintains records of official meeting schedules, agendas, and minutes, along with documents created in the legislative process, citizen petitions, and other historical records.

Controller 4 year term Salary \$87,404

Rachael Heisler..... D 2027
Telephone 412-255-2054 city_controller@pittsburghpa.gov

Department Directors & Executive Staff

Department Directors salary range: \$125,000 - \$140,000

Executive Staff salary range: \$95,000-\$115,000'

Chief of Staff Salary Dan Gilman..... 412-255-2626

Chief Operating Officer Sharon Werner

Chief Legal Officer/City Solicitor

Press Secretary Molly Onufer..... 412-627-0679

Director of Economic Dev Steve Wray..... 412-255-6600

Dir. of Finance/City Treasurer Patrick Cornell..... 412-255-2578

Acting Director of Public Works John McClory.... 412-255-2726

Dir. of Mobility & Infrastructure..... 412-255-2523
Jeff Skalican (acting)

Acting Director of Parks & Recreation

Dir. of City Planning Ivette Mongalo-Winston 412-255-2219

Dir. of Permits/Lic./Inspect. David Greene..... 412-500-6669

Public Safety Officials

Public Safety Department Directors salary range: \$155,000-180,000

Acting Director of Public Safety	412-255-8615
Sheldon Williams	
EMS Chief Amera A. Gilchrist	412-622-6932
Police Chief, Jason Lando	412-323-7814
Fire Chief, Darryl E. Jones.....	412-255-2860

Public Boards, Authorities and Commissions

Commissions operate across different levels of government with representatives from municipal, county and state government coming together to coordinate policy.

Sports & Exhibition Authority for Pittsburgh & Allegheny County	
Aaron Waller, Executive Director	412-393-0200
Parking Authority	
Liz Fishback, Executive Director.....	412-560-7275
Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority	
Will Pickering, Executive Director.....	412-255-2423
Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA)	
Susheela Nemani-Stanger, Executive Director	412-255-6697
Pittsburgh Housing Authority	
Caster D. Binion, Executive Director	412-456-5012
Accountability, Conduct and Ethics Commission (ACE)	
David Quinn & Robert S. Bernstein (members) ...	412-350-5300
Government Review Commission (GRC)	
Caster D. Binion, Executive Director	412-456-5012
Independent Police Review Board (IPRB)	
Justin Levitt Paul, Chair	412-456-5012
Jail Oversight Board	
Sara Innamaroto, County Executive.....	412-456-5012

View a full list of County Authorities, Boards & Committees at:
apps.alleghenycounty.us/website/boards.asp

View a full list of Pittsburgh Boards, Authorities, & Commissions at:
pittsburghpa.gov/ and type Commissions into the search field.

To view schedules and learn how to participate in public meetings please visit: www.lwvpg.org/publicmeetings

Civil Rights Protection

The Civil Rights of people living in Pennsylvania, Allegheny County, and the City of Pittsburgh are protected by laws and organizations that promote equal opportunity and prohibit discrimination.

State

Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission (PHRC)...	412-565-5395
.....	412-565-5711 TTY
Civil Rights Enforcement (PA Attorney General)	717-787-0822

County

Allegheny County Human Relations Commission.....	412-255-2600
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City of Pittsburgh

Commission on Human Relations (PghCHR)	412-255-2600
email: human.relations@pittsburghpa.gov	

Office of Equal Protection	412-255-2710
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2026 Pittsburgh Public Schools Board of Education

341 South Bellefield Avenue
Telephone: 412-529-3500
www.pghschools.org
Let's Talk! App: ID: PP1952
parenthotline@pghschools.org

Pittsburgh, PA 15213
Fax: 412-325-4319
Board Office 412-529-3770
Parent Hotline 412-529-HELP (4357)

To register to Speak at Public Hearings , call 412-529-3868.

The members of the Pittsburgh Public Schools Board of Education are elected by district for a 4-year term. No salary.

Directors

District	Next Election
1 Tawana Cook Purnell	2029
tcookpurnell1@pghschools.org	
2 Devon Taliaferro, 1st Vice President,	2027
dtaliafero1@pghschools.org	
3 Erikka Grayson	2029
egrays3@pghschools.org	
4 Yael Silk	2027
ysilk1@pghschools.org	
5 Dr.Tracey Reed, 2nd Vice President	2029
treed1@pghschools.org	
6 Emma Yourd	2027
eyourd1@pghschools.org	
7 Eva Diodati	2029
ediodati1@pghschools.org	
8 Dwayne Barker	2027
dbarker1@pghschools.org	
9 Gene Walker, President	2029
gwalker1@pghschools.org	

The Board of Education meets the 3rd Wednesday after the first Thursday of each month in the Board of Education Bldg. at 7pm. Public Hearings are held Monday evening at 6pm preceding the Legislative Board Meeting. (Subject to change). For the exact day, view the Pittsburgh Public School Calendar of Events or call for the exact day at 412-529-3770.

Find the Board Calendar and live links to online meetings by viewing the calendar at: <https://www.pghschools.org>
Board agendas and minutes are archived here:
<http://www.pghschools.org/boarddocs>

Pittsburgh Public Schools Central Administration

Superintendent, Dr. Wayne N. Walters,
Chief of Staff, Lamar Blackwell,
Chief of Human Resources, Margaret Rudolph
Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Jala Olds-Pearson
Chief Accountability Officer, Dr. Ted Dwyer
Chief Operations Officer, Michael McNamara
Chief Financial Officer, Ronald Joseph
Chief Technology Officer, Mark Stuckey
District Solicitor, Weiss Burkardt Kramer, 445 Fort Pitt Boulevard,
Suite 503, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 attn: Mary Ellen MacPhail
mmacphail@wbklegal.com Phone: 412-391-9890

Real Estate Tax:.....10.457 mills

Pennsylvania State Judiciary

The PA Constitution, as amended January 1, 1969, provides for a unified judicial system. The Supreme, Superior, and Commonwealth Courts are the state appellate courts. The Courts of Common Pleas are the county-level trial courts. Learn more at www.pacourts.us

Judicial Elections in Pennsylvania

Judges in the courts of common pleas and state appellate courts are elected for 10-year terms. A judge who has completed a term of 10 years may qualify for a retention election.

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania – 412-565-2816

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court hears appeals of decisions by the PA Superior and Commonwealth Courts. Like the US Supreme Court, the PA Supreme Court has discretion over which cases to take.

		Retention Election
Chief Justice – \$278,496		
Debra Todd	Butler Co.	2027
Justices – \$270,622		
P. Kevin Brobson	Harrisburg	2031
Christine Donohue	Pittsburgh	2035
Kevin M. Dougherty	Philadelphia	2035
Daniel McCaffery	Philadelphia	2033
Sallie Updyke Mundy	Wellsboro	2027
David N. Wecht	Pittsburgh	2035

Superior Court of Pennsylvania – 412-565-7592

Pennsylvania's Superior Court hears appeals of civil and criminal decisions from the Court of Common Pleas.

President Judge – \$263,216

Anne E. Lazarus	Philadelphia	2029
Judges – \$255,346		
Jill Beck	Pittsburgh	2033
Mary Jane Bowes	Pittsburgh	2029
Alice Beck Dubow	Philadelphia	2035
Megan McCarthy King	West Chester	2029
Deborah A. Kunselman	Beaver County	2027
Timika Lane	Philadelphia	2033
Maria McLaughlin	Philadelphia	2027
Mary P. Murray	Pittsburgh	2027
Carolyn H. Nichols	Philadelphia	2027
Judith Ference Olson	Pittsburgh	2029
Jack A. Panella	Bethlehem	2033
Victor P. Stabile	Harrisburg	2033
Megan Sullivan	Chester County	2031

Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania – 717-255-1600

Pennsylvania's Commonwealth Court hears original cases filed by or against the state or state agencies, including cases involving voting law and election disputes. They also hear appeals from decisions made by state agencies and by Common Pleas courts.

President Judge – \$263,216

Renée Cohn Jubelirer	State College	2031
Judges – \$255,346		
Christine Fizzano Cannon	Media	2027
Anne E. Covey	New Hope	2031
Lori A. Dumas	Philadelphia	2031
Patricia A. McCullough	Pittsburgh	2029
Stella Tsai	Philadelphia	2035
Stacy Marie Wallace	McKean County	2031
Michael H. Wojcik	Pittsburgh	2026
Matt Wolf	Philadelphia	2033

Court of Common Pleas – 412-350-5410 FAX: 412-350-3930
Fifth Judicial District www.alleghenycourts.us

Allegheny County's Common Pleas Court has four divisions: Civil (Cv), Criminal (Cr), Family (F) and Orphans' (O) Courts. Civil Court handles most major civil cases, including contract disputes and business law. Criminal Division handles cases like assault, murder, and property theft. Family Court hears divorce, custody, domestic violence and juvenile cases. Orphans' Court handles issues like adoptions, guardianship and estate law.

President Judge – \$238,853 Next Election
Susan Evashavik DiLucente (Cr) 2029

Judges – \$234,916

Bruce R. Beemer Adm (Cr) 2031	Arnold I. Klein (Cv) 2029
Kelly Eileen Bigley (O) 2027	Sabrina Korbel (F) 2031
Edward J. Borkowski (Cr) 2035	Beth A. Lazzara (Cr) 2035
Simquita Bridges (Cr) 2035	Jennifer S. McCrady, Adm (F) 2035
Cathleen C. Bubash (F) 2027	Mary C. McGinley (Cv) 2029
Eleanor L. Bush (F) 2033	Hugh F. McGough, Adm (O) 2035
Julie Capone (F) 2035	John T. McVay, Jr. (Cv) 2027
Tom Caulfield (Cr) 2031	Lisa G. Middleman (F) 2031
Patrick M. Connelly (Cv) 2027	Daniel L. Miller (F) 2035
Jessel A. Costa III (F) 2031	Jill E. Rangos (Cr) 2033
Paul E. Cozza (F) 2033	Matthew V. Rudzki (Cv) 2035
Anthony R. DeLuca (Cr) 2035	Kevin G. Sasinowski (Cv) 2029
Kim D. Eaton (F) 2029	Jennifer Satler (Cv) 2037
Thomas E. Flaherty (Cr) 2035	Heather Schmidt Bresnahan (F) 2035
Amanda Green-Hawkins (F) 2035	Tiffany Sizemore (F) 2031
Nicola Y. Henry-Taylor (Cv) 2031	David L. Spurgeon (F) 2027
Alan D. Hertzberg, Adm (Cv) 2035	Patrick A. Sweeney (Cr) 2033
Jaime Marie Hickton (Cr) 2035	Randal B. Todd (Cr) 2031
Elliot C. Howsie (Cr) 2031	Chelsa L. Wagner (Cv) 2031
Philip Anthony Ignelzi (Cv) 2029	Wrenna Watson (F) 2031

*Administrative Judge { \$235,941 (fewer than 6 judges in division) 2035
\$236,963 (6 or more judges in division.)

Judges are elected for a 10 year term. Term begins the first Monday in January following election. Direct complaints against judges to: Judicial Conduct Board, 225 Market St., Harrisburg, PA 17101.

The Court of Common Pleas is in continuous session on Election Day from 7am to 8pm to hear Election Day complaints: 412-350-5463

Judicial Conduct Board

To file a complaint about any Pennsylvania judge, go to: judicialconductboardofpa.org/frequently-asked-questions/, and judicialconductboardofpa.org/filing-a-complaint/

Magisterial District Judges – \$113,713 412-350-5485

Allegheny County has 46 magisterial districts. One Magisterial District Judge is elected in each district for a 6-year term. Elections are held in odd-numbered years. MDJs conduct preliminary arraignments and hear cases involving misdemeanors, small claims, setting bail, issuing warrants, and granting emergency Protection From Abuse orders. Some cases are referred to the Court of Common Pleas. MDJs also conduct marriage ceremonies.

Find the office for your district at:

<https://apps.alleghenycourts.us/magisterial-district-courts/offices.aspx>

Election and Voting Information

Primary—May 19, 2026

Polls open 7 am to 8 pm May 19, 2026

Registration closes May 4, 2026

Request a Mail-in Ballot by May 12, 2026

General Election—November 3, 2026

Polls open 7 am to 8 pm November 3, 2026

Registration closes October 19, 2026

Request a Mail-in Ballot by October 27, 2026

Qualifications for Voters

1. You must be a citizen of the United States.
2. You must be at least 18 years of age on the day of election.
3. You must be a resident of Allegheny County and of your election district for 30 days.

Voter Registration – You can Register

- online at vote.pa.gov
- on paper by requesting a Voter Registration Application from the Allegheny County Elections Division, at all public libraries, or download at vote.pa.gov. Mail completed form to the **Allegheny County Elections Division, County Office Building, 542 Forbes Avenue, Suite 312, Pittsburgh, PA 15219**.
- in person at the Allegheny County Elections Division or at a voter registration drive.

If you move, you must **update your address**

- online at vote.pa.gov
- in person or by mail at the Allegheny County Elections Division (address above)
- by calling the County Elections Division at 412-350-4500 (for moves within Allegheny County only)

Closed Primaries and Party Registration

Pennsylvania is a closed primary state. You may or may not choose to be affiliated with a political party. However your party registration affects how you may vote in primary elections.

- In a **primary election** in Pennsylvania, only voters registered as members of either the Democratic or Republican party may vote for candidates of their own party.
- Occasionally there is a **ballot question, referendum, or special election on the primary ballot**. All voters may vote on these.
- In a **November (general) election**, any registered voter may vote for any candidate of any political party.

Mail-in and Absentee Voting (PA Act 77 of 2019 authorized “no excuse” mail-in ballots.)

A **mail-in ballot** may be used by **any** registered voter.

An **absentee ballot** may be used by registered voters who expect to be away from their municipality on election day due to college, work or vacation, or who are ill or incapacitated. (This option was retained due to the wording regarding “absentee ballots” in the Pennsylvania State Constitution. However, these voters may choose to apply for a mail-in ballot instead.)

Mail-in and Absentee Voting (cont.)

There are three steps to secure and return a mail-in or absentee ballot:

1. **Request Application:** Go to vote.pa.gov and complete the online mail-in or absentee ballot application. For a paper application, download, print, and mail the paper application. Or call 412-350-4500 to request a paper application.
2. **Complete and Return Application:** Return paper mail-in or absentee ballot application to:
Allegheny County Elections Division, 542 Forbes Avenue, Suite 312, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. Online applications are automatically filed.
3. **Complete and Return Mail-in Ballot:** When you receive your mail-in or absentee ballot, mark the ballot and prepare it for mailing following the directions exactly. You must sign and date the outer envelope.
Voted mail-in or absentee ballots must be returned to your County Elections Division and RECEIVED by 8pm on election day.

Reliable Non-Partisan Election Information Sources:

- www.alleghenycounty.us/government/Elections: **Allegheny County Elections Division** website for up-to-date election information. 412-350-4500
- www.vote.pa.gov: to register to vote, get a mail-in or absentee ballot application, confirm your registration status, find your polling place and more.
- www.Vote411.org: **League of Women Voters** website-register to vote, find nonpartisan candidate information, and more.
- www.lwvpg.org; Visit the **League of Women's of Greater Pittsburgh** website to find nonpartisan, up-to-date voting and elections information, and more. See the **Resources (Explainers and Graphics)** to find infographics and other documents to view, download and/or share

Know your candidates at election time. The LWVPGH provides these services.

Online: Go to Vote411.org to get nonpartisan information about the candidates on your ballot.

Print: The Voters Guide is compiled by the LWVPGH and published in **The New Pittsburgh Courier** newspaper on Wednesday, two weeks prior to each Primary and General Election. The guide lists the candidates with their biographies and views. Copies can be found in local public libraries. A PDF copy of the printed Voters Guide will be available online at www.lwvpg.org.

Know Your Rights on Election Day

- An approved photo or non-photo ID is required for first-time voters, and those voting for the first time in a new polling place.
- If your name was not found in the Voting Record, ask for a Provisional Ballot. **DO NOT LEAVE WITHOUT VOTING.**
- Call the Election Protection Hotline if you have any questions or problems. English 1-866-our-vote/1-866-687-8683.
Spanish 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA/1-888-839-8682.
- If you make a mistake on your ballot, ask for a new one.
- If you are still in line at 8pm, stay there until you VOTE.
- Citizens who are not currently incarcerated for a felony are eligible to vote.

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Website: www.lwvpgh.org

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan 501c3 political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. It is affiliated with the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania and of the United States. Membership is open to all citizens, ages 16 and above.

Contacting Your Elected Officials

Civic engagement does not end at the voting booth. **An elected official's job is to serve & represent you.** When reaching out to your elected officials, your call or email will be answered by a staff member who needs to know these three things:

- 1. Are you a Constituent?**
Identify yourself as a constituent by giving your name and street address.
- 2. What action are you requesting?**
Be polite and brief; yet specific.
- 3. Do you want a response?**
State whether or not you want a response.

Sample reach out regarding a bill or issue:

"Hello. This is (your name), and I live in your district at (your address). I am calling/writing to urge you to support/oppose/co-sponsor (describe or name bill). This is important to me because, (your reason). I (do/do not) need a response. Thank you for considering my views."

Sample reach out for information or assistance:

"Hello. My name is (your name), and I live in your district at (your address). I am reaching out to your office for assistance with / more information regarding (describe need). The best way to reach me is (contact information and availability). I look forward to hearing from your office soon. Thanks."

Additional Resources

Visit Us: lwvpgh.org



PA Voter Info: vote.pa.gov



Ballot Listings: vote411.org



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