

Equality for All in Arizona



VOTER GUIDE

★ 2024 Elections ★

 EQUALITYARIZONA

Every Arizona Vote Matters

**Your vote, as an Arizona, will matter in every race.
Your vote could change the outcome of this election.**

Important Election Information

- ★ **10/9 Early Voting Begins**
- ★ **10/25 Last Day to Request Mail Ballot**
- ★ **10/29 Last Day to Mail Back Your Ballot**
- ★ **11/1 Last Day to Vote Early in-Person**
- ★ **11/5 Election Day**

Arizona is one of 7 swing states, where every vote will matter. We ask you to vote for an Arizona and United States where everyone is respected and values. Where Equality for all is valued.

Voter Guide

**What is the Equality Arizona Voter Guide?
How and Why should I use this Voter Guide?**

All About the Voter Guide

- ★ This voter guide was created to answer the a question that we get a lot - “How can I make sure my vote advances equality for all?” We have done our best to answer that question with this voter guide. While no one can predict how anyone elected to office will behave, we think these candidates present the best opportunity for us, as a community, to organize and advocate for equality.
- ★ Please use this voter guide as a source of information as you prepare to vote in this election. Your vote is yours, no one should decide your vote for you. This guide is Equality Arizona’s way of sharing with you the candidates we would like to work with to full fill the promise of Equality for All.
- ★ Not every race has been included in this voter guide. We have included the races that are most important for us in this election or races that could make a significant impact on the overall political environment. Some races have not been included because there is very little chance of a candidate that meets our criteria winning that race. Other races have not been included due to capacity of our team. If a race is not included we are not encouraging you to skip that race, please vote according to your values.

Federal Races

U.S. President and Vice President

HARRIS/WALZ (D)



U.S. Senator

Ruben Gallego (D)



U.S. Representatives

CD1 - Amish Shah (D)



CD2 - Jonathan Nez (D)



CD3 - Yassamin Ansari (D)



CD4 - Greg Stanton (D)



CD6 - Kristen Engel (D)



CD7 - Raúl Grijalva (D)



CD8 - Gregory Whitten (D)



State Races

Arizona Senate

LD1 - Mike Fogel



LD14 - Elizabeth Brown



LD2 - Judy Schwiebert



LD15 - Alan Smith



LD4 - Christine Marsh



LD17 - John McLean



LD5 - Lela Alston



LD18 - Priya Sundareshan



LD6 - Theresa Hatathlie



LD19 - Bob Karp



LD7 - Haley Creighton



LD20 - Sally Gonzales



LD8 - Lauren Kuby



LD21 - Rosanna Gabaldon



LD9 - Eva Burch



LD22 - Dr. Eva Diaz



LD10 - Robert Doyle



LD24 - Analise Ortiz



LD11 - Catherine Miranda



LD23 - Brian Fernandez



LD12 - Denise 'Mitzi' Epstein



LD26 - Flavio Bravo



LD13 - Sharon Winters



LD29 - Eric Stafford



State Races

You can vote for up to 2 candidates. If there is only 1 candidate that aligns with your values it is ok to not vote for a second candidate that does not align with your values.

Arizona House of Representatives

LD1	Marcia Smith Jay Ruby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD13	Nicholas Gonzales Brandy Reese	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD2	Stephanie Smack	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD15	Barbara Beneitone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD3	Richard Corles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD16	Keith Seaman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD4	Kelli Butler Karen Gresham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD17	Kevin Volk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD5	Sarah Liguori Aaron Marquez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD18	Nancy Gutierrez Chris Mathis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD6	Myron Tsosie Mae Peshlakai	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD19	Greg Frostrom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD7	Nancy Hartl Kevin Chiquete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD20	Alma Hernandez Betty Villegas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD8	Brian Garcia Janeen Connolly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD21	Stephanie Hamilton Consuelo Hernandez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD9	Lorena Austin Seth Blattman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD22	Lupe Contreras	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD10	Dr. Helen Hunter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD23	Mariana Sandoval Matias Rosales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD11	Oscar De los Santos Junelle Cavero	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD26	Cesar Aguilar Quantá Crews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
LD12	Stacey Travers Patty Contreras	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LD29	Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez Tom Tzitzura	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

State & County Races

Corporation Commission

Ylenia Aguilar (D)



Jonathon Hill (D)



Joshua Polacheck (D)



Maricopa County

County Attorney

Tamika Wooten



County Recorder

Timothy Stringham



County Superintendent

Laura Metcalfe



County Sheriff

Tyler Kamp



County Assessor

Greg Freeman



County Races

Maricopa County Board of Supervisors

D1 - Joel Navarro



D2 - Julie Cieniawski



D3 - Daniel Valenzuela



D4 - David Sandoval



D5 - Steve Gallardo



Pima County

County Attorney

Laura Conniver



County Recorder

Gabriella Cázares-Kelly



County Superintendent

Dustin Williams



County Sheriff

Chris Nanos



County Races

Pima County Board of Supervisors

D1 - Rex Scott



D2 - Matt Heinz



D3 - Jennifer Allen



D4 - Vanessa Bechtol



D5 - Adelita Grijalva



Coconino County

County Attorney

Ammon Barker



County Recorder

Sarah Benatar



County Superintendent

Cheryl Mango-Paget



County Sheriff

Bret Axlund



County & City Races

Coconino County Board of Supervisors

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| D1 - Patrice Horstman | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| D2 - Jeronimo Vasquez | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| D3 - Adam Hess | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| D4 - Judy Begay | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| D5 - Lena Fowler | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

City of Phoenix

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| Mayor
Kate Gallego | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| District 3
Ayensa Millan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| District 7 (temporary term)
Carlos Galindo Elvira | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| District 7 (full term)
Marcelino Quinonez | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

City & Other Races

City of Mesa

Mayor

Scott Smith



City of Mesa Questions

Question 1

Permanent base adjustment



Question 2

Enhance community safety



Question 3

Parks, recreation, & culture



Question 4

Mesa 2050 general plan



Central AZ Water of Conservation District

Terry Goddard



Heather Macre



Judges

These are all yes or no retention votes. A no vote means a new judge could be appointed to that seat. We have selected 5 judges where we recommend a No on retention.

Arizona Supreme Court

Clint Bolick

 X No

Reason: Judicial decisions questionable on judicial merit, seemingly motivated by partisan politics. Lack of judicial experience prior to appointment.

Kathryn Hackett King

 X No

Reason: Judicial decisions questionable on judicial merit, seemingly motivated by partisan politics.

Maricopa County Superior Court

Christopher A. Coury

 X No

Reason: Treatment of litigants rate poorly and seems to be motivated by partisan politics.

Pima County Superior Court

Kellie L. Johnson

 X No

Reason: Judicial decisions questionable on judicial merit, seemingly motivated by partisan politics.

Court of Appeals Division 1

Angela Paton

 X No

Reason: History of conflict of interest issues beginning with her appointment. Potential future conflict of interest with Prop 137 on 2024 ballot.

School Board

This is by no means a comprehensive list of school board races. However, these are important districts in the state of Arizona that help set the tone for K-12 education.

Chandler Unified School District

- Claudia Mendoza**
- Barb Mozdzen**
- Zeyna Pruzhanovsky**

Deer Valley Unified School District

- Ann Ordway**
- Steve Bottfeld**
- Julie Stockwell**

Gilbert Unified School District

- Rose Parker**
- Jesse Brainard**

Glendale Union High School District

- Paul Ulan**
- Pattie Hussey**
- Laura Arita**

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Higley Unified School District

Kathleen Richards

Scott Glover

Tiffany Schultz

Mesa Public Schools

Lacy Chaffee

Josh Chilton

Courtney Davis

Paradise Valley Unified School District

Amanda Lim

Jessica Wani

Anne Greenberg

Peoria Unified School District

David Sandoval

Melissa Grimscheid

Mike Dryer

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Scottsdale Unified School District

Mike Sharkey

Donna Lewis

Matthew Pittinsky

Tempe Union High School District

Berdetta Hodge

Nicole Miller

Armando Montero

Tempe Elementary School District

Raymond Thiry

Allison Ewers

Jim Lemmon

Tucson Unified School District

Natalie Luna Rose

Ravi Shah

Sadie Shaw

Ballot Propositions

In this section we provide both our recommendation and why we are making that recommendation.

Proposition 133

About: This ballot measure proposes partisan primaries for partisan offices. This is a proposed constitutional amendment put forth by the legislature and would require partisan primaries elections for partisan offices. In recent years partisan primaries have been credited for incentivizing extremism in American politics. Making primary elections less beholden to the most extreme views in any political party could help to dampen political extremism. This proposition will likely increase partisanship and extremism and for that reason we recommend you vote no.

Recommendation for Prop 133

 No

Proposition 134

About: This ballot measure would change the signature requirements for voter-proposed initiatives, making it more difficult to get them on the ballot. Prop 134 would require an equal percentage of signatures from all 30 districts - 62% of Arizonans live in Maricopa County with another 15% in Pima County. Prop 134 would make it significantly more difficult and expensive for citizens to propose initiatives. Citizen initiatives are the closest mechanism to direct democracy that we have. Citizen initiatives are already difficult to propose, we should not make that more difficult. For this reason we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 134

 No

Proposition 135

About: This ballot measure impacts the Governor's ability to declare a state of emergency. Prop 135 would limit the Governor's power over state-of-emergency declarations and give more related power to the legislature. Prop 135 would make it so a state of emergency would expire after 30 days unless extended by the legislature. Exceptions include war-related emergencies and fire and flood emergencies. The legislature already has the ability to review state of emergency declarations after 120 days. We recommend a no vote because Prop 135 is unnecessary .

Recommendation for Prop 135

 No

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Proposition 136

About: This ballot measure changes the process for constitutionality of voter-proposed initiatives. Current Arizona law mandates that constitutionality of initiatives cannot be challenged until they are voted on, similar to how new legislation is treated. Prop 136 would make it much harder for citizens to initiate propositions and potentially adds expense to an already expensive and difficult process. Prop 136 would make citizen propositions unnecessarily difficult and we recommend no for that reason.

Recommendation for Prop 136

 No

Proposition 137

About: This ballot measure would end retention elections for state Supreme Court justices. Currently, voters have the power to remove judges from the bench at the end of their term. If Prop 137 if passed would be applied retroactively to the 2024 election, potentially dismissing the will of the voters. While there is an argument to be made for judges not being subject to election, judges in Arizona are appointed and then only later retained through voting. For this kind of Prop to be effective clear term limits would be necessary and a process that citizens feel confident in for removing judges that conduct themselves unprofessionally or in violation of their oath to uphold the law without bias. Prop 137 does not meet this benchmark and for that reason we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 137

 No

Proposition 138

About: This ballot would change the lawful minimum wage for tipped workers in Arizona. Prop 138 would allow tipped workers in Arizona to be paid 25% less than the minimum wage if income from tips passes a certain threshold. Prop 138 does not add up to a fair wage for workers and for that reason we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 138

 No

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Proposition 139

About: This ballot measure would amend the Arizona Constitution to establish that every woman or AFAB individual has the fundamental right to abortion that the state of Arizona may not interfere with before the point of fetal viability. Fetal viability is defined in the measure as the point of pregnancy when there is significant chance of the survival of the fetus outside of the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures. The measure would also provide for the right to an abortion after fetal viability if it is done so to protect the life, physical, or mental health of the pregnant woman or AFAB individual, in the judgment of a treating health care professional. The measure would also prohibit laws that penalize individuals for aiding or assisting a person exercising the right to an abortion. Medical decisions should be made by individuals of their own free will, according to their own values, morals and needs, in consultation with their medical team, family, and support system - no one should make these kinds of deeply personal decisions for anyone else. For this reason we recommend a yes vote on Prop 139.

Recommendation for Prop 139



Proposition 140

About: This ballot measure would change the Arizona electoral system for both primary and general elections. Primary elections would no longer be partisan. Instead candidates would appear on a single ballot, and a certain number would advance to the general election. Candidates could list their partisan affiliation, and political parties could endorse candidates. The Arizona State Legislature would need to pass a bill to determine the number of candidates that advance from primaries to general elections. Candidates would need to receive a majority of votes in general elections, meaning they need to secure more than half of the total votes, not just the highest number. Similar systems exist in Alaska, California, Washington, and other states. The result of this type of election reform would likely be greater less partisan and less politically polarized elections. Prop 140 is following the lead of other states to create a healthier, less partisan representative democracy. We believe this kind of electoral reform would allow for Arizona elected leaders to be more representative of Arizonans not political parties. For this reason we recommend a yes vote on Prop 140.

Recommendation for Prop 140



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Proposition 311

About: This ballot measure was put on the ballot by the legislature. It will create a new death benefit that will go to the spouse or child of a first responder killed in the line of duty. This measure will be funded through a new \$20 fee billed to people who receive a criminal conviction. Fees for people convicted of crimes are already one of the biggest reasons our jails and prisons are overcrowded - because poor people can not afford fees from the criminal justices system. If the legislature wants to add another death benefit for first responders they should do so by a different mechanism that impacts Arizonans equitably. For this reason we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 311

 No

Proposition 312

About: This ballot measure proposes property tax refunds for public nuisance issues reported by individuals. While this is certainly a new approach, it does not actually do anything to help homeless people, the most frequent target of nuisance reports. Prop 312 would likely actually defund local governments because property taxes are one way that public safety are funded for local governments. For these reasons we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 312

 No

Proposition 314

About: This ballot measure would make it a state crime to cross the border illegally, which is currently a federal crime. Proposition 314 would grant enforcement power to state and local officials and these officials would receive immunity so they could not be prosecuted for civil rights violations. Prop 314 is not meant to be serious immigration reform - it is based on bills from other states that have been found unconstitutional. Prop 314 will not secure the border, will not support Arizonans, especially Dreamers who have been in this country since they were born, and will not make Arizona more safe. This proposition is unfunded and therefore violates state law. Prop 314 will cause enormous reputational and economic harm to our state like SB1070 did. This bill is not a real solution or attempt at immigration reform for this reason we recommend a no vote.

Recommendation for Prop 314

 No

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Maricopa County - Proposition 479

This proposition, if passed, would continue the existing transportation sales tax for the next twenty years.

This sales tax has helped to fund incredible transportation development in our region. For this reason we recommend a yes vote.

Recommendation for Prop 479



Maricopa County - Proposition 486

This proposition, if passed, will permanently adjust the MCC districts base expenditure limit to \$52,841,755. The base expenditure limit has not been adjusted since 1980. There are many more students and different funding needs today than there were in 1980. Additionally, this proposition will not require additional funding or raise taxes. For these reasons we recommend a yes vote.

Recommendation for Prop 486



City of Phoenix Propositions

Prop 487

Continue local control of expenditure limitation



Prop 488

Adopting City of Phoenix General Plan



Prop 489

Accept recommendation to raise salary of Mayor and City Council



Bonds & Overrides

In this section we provide both our recommendation and why we are making that recommendation.

There are 40 school districts with bonds or overrides. We recommend you vote yes on any bond or override on your ballot. This funding is vital to supporting public education in our state.

Maricopa County

28 Bonds & Overrides



Gila County

1 Override



Pinal County

5 Bonds & Overrides



Pima County

3 Bonds & Overrides



Yavapai County

2 Overrides



Yuma County

1 Bonds



Voter Protection

Beings LGBTQ, being trans or non-binary, does not disqualify you from voting. Even if your gender expression does not fit gender stereotypes, you have a right to vote.

Know Your Rights as an LGBTQ Voter

If you are lawfully eligible to vote, then you have a right to vote. There is nothing about being LGBTQ, being trans or non-binary that disqualifies you from voting. Having ID that does not match your gender identity or gender expression does not disqualify you from voting.

What ID do I need to vote in Arizona?

Acceptable photo ID with address: (bring 1)

- valid Arizona driver license
- valid Arizona non-operating identification card
- tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- valid United States federal, state, or local government-issued identification

Acceptable non-photo ID with name and address: (bring 2)

- utility bill, bank statement, or credit union statement dated within 90 days of the election
- valid Arizona Vehicle Registration
- Indian Census Card
- property tax statement of your residence
- tribal enrollment card or other form of tribal identification
- Arizona vehicle insurance card
- Recorder's Certificate
- valid US federal, state, or local government-issued ID, including a voter registration card issued by the County Recorder
- any mailing to the elector marked "Official Election Material"

Acceptable combination if you have a new address:

- valid photo identification from List 1 in which the address does not reasonably match the precinct register and non-photo identification from List 2 in which the address does reasonably match the precinct register
- U.S. Passport without address and one valid item from List 2
- U.S. Military identification without address and one valid item from List 2

For more information go to transformthevote.org/voting