

★ THE APANO VOTER GUIDE ★



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THE ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN NETWORK OF OREGON (APANO) brings you this Voter Guide to increase voting in our communities. Follow this Guide for information on voter registration, ballot measures, and facts about Oregon's growing Asian and Pacific Islander community.

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD THIS NOVEMBER 4TH "Our families count and all of our lives matter!" Voting is one way we can join with our neighbors, family and friends to directly affect the ways our communities' look and feel. Voting matters because elected leaders and ballot measures create the rules we live by. These can either help or hurt our families.

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Ka tongeni pwan angei ei taropwen aninisin utuut me won an APANO website

O lenei Ta'iala Mo Le Palota i le gagana Samoa o lo'o maua fo'i i le upega fola <<u>www.apano.org</u>> a le APANO

這個指南在俄勒岡亞太裔網的網站上有中文繁體版

Nếu bạn muốn bản dịch tiếng Việt xin dùng website ở dưới đây.

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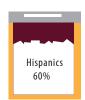
Asian and Pacific Islander groups represent one of the fastest growing segments of the U.S. population, yet we are largely under-engaged. Only half of Asian Americans who are voting age, are registered to vote—the lowest of all races. Of Pacific Islanders, 58% were registered to vote during the 2012 Presidential Election.

Asian political participation is still behind all other groups in the United States. Language and cultural views towards politics continue to be barriers.











Source: U.S. Census Bureau, November 2008 Current Population Survey

A CHANGING OREGON

- Over the last decade, Asian and Pacific Islanders grew 50% with over 220,000 people in Oregon.
- 1 in 8 Asian and Pacific Islanders are undocumented.
- While some in our community are doing well, many still face significant disparities in health, education and jobs.

WHAT IF I CAN'T VOTE?

Regardless of your ability to vote, you can still make a difference.

- Talk to people who can vote about ballot measures that matter to
- Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper about the issues you care about.
- Share this guide with a family member or friend who can vote.

You must be 18 years old and a US citizen to vote. If you have a felony conviction, you are eligible to re-register to vote after being released.

KEY DATES

OCTOBER 14TH | VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

OCTOBER 17TH | BALLOTS GET MAILED

NOVEMBER 4TH | ELECTION DAY (BALLOTS MUST BE

RECEIVED BY 8P.M.)

THREE SIMPLE STEPS TO VOTING



Oregon is a vote by mail state. A ballot will be mailed to all registered voters. You have until October 14 to register, and if you are unsure there is no penalty for re-registering. Once you fill in your vote by mail ballot, place it in the secrecy envelope, seal it and put it in the return envelope.



Make sure to sign the return envelope after verifying your name and current residence address is correct.



Place a stamp on the return envelope and mail it back. If it's after October 30, you'll need to drop off your ballot at an official ballot site. All ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. on election day (November 4th) in order to be counted.

CALL 1.866.673.VOTE or visit www.apano.org/vote2014 to find out if you are registered at your current address.