# **Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Nevada**

## **Voter Registration Deadlines**

Mail and in-person registration: 4th Tuesday before Election Day
Online registration: Thursday before Election Day

Same day registration is available only for voters who meet specific ID requirements. Drives must submit completed applications to the local county election office within 10 days of receipt or by the voter registration deadline, whichever comes first.

### **Getting Started**

**Training Requirement:** Nevada does not require training for registration drives.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Organizations and volunteers conducting voter registration drives are required to complete a Mail-in Voter Registration Application Distribution Plan if they will be requesting 50 or more voter registration forms from either the Secretary of State or the local county clerk. A link to the plan form on the Secretary of State's website is here:

nvsos.gov/sos/home/showpublisheddocument/3975/6365 24053713200000

Charges may apply for requests of more than 50 forms in a year. The plan form is also available in person at the offices of the Secretary of State or the local county clerk. For a complete list of dos and don'ts, plus county contact info, see here:

nvsos.gov/sos/home/showpublisheddocument?id=6776

**Compensation Restrictions:** It is illegal to pay registration drive participants based on how many registrations they collect or on how many registrations for a political party are collected. Drive participants may be compensated for hours worked. Do not offer an applicant any incentive of monetary value to register to vote.

#### **Obtaining Applications**

**State Form:** Voter registration groups may obtain voter registration applications from the offices of the Secretary of State or local county clerks:

nvsos.gov/sos/elections/voters/county-clerk-contact-information

**Federal Form:** The federal mail-in voter registration application may be used in voter registration drives: eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form

## **Obtaining Applications (cont.)**

**Photocopying Blank Forms:** Blank state forms may not be photocopied for use in registration drives.

#### **Handling Applications**

Incomplete Applications: Nevada law prohibits filling in any information on the voter registration application unless it is requested by the applicant. If assistance is provided, you are required to fill out the acknowledgment section of the voter registration application and sign it, as well as enter your name on the duplicate copy or receipt retained by the voter.

**Photocopying Completed Applications:** There is no law or rule prohibiting photocopying or retaining information from completed registration applications. As a best practice, a voter's full or partial Social Security number and/or driver's license number should not be retained.

Signing Applications: If you keep an application to turn in on behalf of a voter, you must print your name in the designated area of the applicant's receipt at the bottom of the registration form.

**Submitting Applications**: Completed applications collected during a registration drive must be mailed or delivered in person to the county clerk's office within 10 days after it was completed or before the registration deadline, whichever is earlier. When the registration drive is complete, all completed and uncompleted forms must be returned to the respective county clerk.

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