### VIRGINIA BANKERS ASSOCIATION

# GET OUT TOOLKIT

Virginia



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### Disclaimer:

Virginia Bankers Association (VBA) prepared this toolkit to educate Virginia banks and employees about the Virginia voting process - and does <u>not</u> serve as a candidate endorsement.



## Are You Ready to Vote? VIRGINIA

### How to Utilize the VBA GOTV Toolkit



### **How to Utilize**

In this year's election cycle, your bank has an opportunity to mobilize employees and increase voter turnout by participating in permissible nonpartisan Get Out the Vote (GOTV) activities.

These materials will help you create awareness and promote voter participation amongst your employees. Visit <u>VBA Get Out the Vote</u> for additional tools and resources.

Remember, every vote counts!



### **Posters and Flyers**

If people are forced to visualize voting they are more likely to vote. For example, flyers and posters create a buzz around participating in upcoming elections.

Place copies of the promotional posters and flyers in this guide in high traffic areas (such as your lobby, break rooms, elevators or general areas) where employees gather to encourage them to register and vote.



## Are You Ready to Vote? VIRGINIA

### **Three Opportunities to Vote! (2025)**



### **Vote by Mail**

The last day to request an absentee ballot for the General Election is **October 24th**.

Find more information on how to vote absentee.



### **Early Voting**

You can vote early in person between **September 19th through November 1st** for the General Election.

Visit <u>VBA's GOTV Center</u> to find early voting sites and schedules in your locality.



### **Vote In-Person**

Election Day is **November 4th** for the General Election. Check <u>VBA's GOTV Center</u> for information about voting requirements - and to find your polling place.





Sept 19

**Early Voting Begins** 

**Oct 24** 

Last Day to Register to Vote or Update Registration\*

Oct 24

Last day to Request Absentee Ballot

**Nov 01** 

**Early In-Person Voting Ends** 

**Nov 04** 

**General Election Day** 

\*May register through Election Day, and vote using a provisional ballot.





### When & Where to Vote in Virginia! (2025)



### **Important General Election Dates**

September 19 Early In-Person Voting Begins for General Election

October 24 Last Day to Register to Vote or Update Registration\*

October 24 Last Day to Request Absentee Ballot

November 1 Last Day to Vote Early In-Person

**November 4** General Election Day

\*May register through Election Day, and vote using a provisional ballot.

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Last day to request an absentee ballot for the General Election is October 24

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### **Early Voting**

Vote early in-person between **September 19 through November 1** for the General Election.

Find early voting sites and schedules in your locality <u>here</u>.

### **Vote In-Person**

Election Day is **November 4** for the General Election.

Check the <u>VBA</u>
<u>GOTV Center</u> about requirements for voting in-person.





### **GOTV Bank Communications**

### **Template: Communicating with Bank Staff**

You may use your bank's internal communications tools (e.g. intranet & email) or staff meetings to encourage staff to participate in upcoming elections. Any staff communication should include nonpartisan information that will help them to vote. You may include polling hours and location information, voter information website, and election date reminders and deadlines.

To help you get started, use the template below to help motivate, remind and provide timely information about upcoming elections to your employees.

### Sample Email: Bank Leadership GOTV Message

Election Day is almost here!

This year we have the opportunity to elect state lawmakers who will have an impact on our industry, our economy, our communities and our lives. Electing officials is an important opportunity we have as citizens to make our voices heard. **Election Day is Tuesday, November 4th**.

Visit the <u>Virginia Bankers Association (VBA) GOTV Center</u>, and enter your address to learn more about key election dates and deadlines, to find out how to apply for an absentee ballot or vote early, and see a list of Virginia state candidates running in your district.

Let's make sure our voices are heard - vote on Tuesday, November 4th!





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