



# 2020 AZVoteSafe Guide for Native Americans

## Recommendations for Arizona Voters in Tribal Communities

Due to COVID-19, the Secretary of State's Office is encouraging all voters to request a ballot-by-mail to ensure they have a safe and reliable option for voting. Tribal members historically participate in voting on Election Day as a civic and community event, and many tribal members face challenges to voting by mail due to limited mail service and language assistance needs. However, because of current public health concerns, it's more important than ever to plan ahead and have back-up options available. Use the steps below as a quick reference guide to making your plan for voting in 2020 and ensuring your voice is heard in our democracy.

### STEP 1 – REGISTER TO VOTE

- Register to vote by filling out a voter registration form, which you can download at [Arizona.Vote](http://Arizona.Vote) or call your County Recorder to request a mailed form. If you have an AZ Driver's License or ID, you can register to vote online at [www.servicearizona.com](http://www.servicearizona.com).
- If you're already registered, confirm your registration status at [Arizona.Vote](http://Arizona.Vote) and update your address or other information if needed.
- The deadline to register to vote or update your voter registration is October 5, 2020.

### STEP 2 – REQUEST A BALLOT-BY-MAIL

- Getting a ballot-by-mail should be part of every tribal member's voting plan. It is your choice how you ultimately decide to vote. Even if you prefer or plan to vote in-person, requesting a ballot-by-mail will ensure you have a safe and secure back-up option for voting this year – an option that doesn't require waiting in line to get a ballot or needing to vote at a potentially crowded polling place.
- If you have a mailing address or P.O. Box and are not already on the Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL), request a one-time ballot-by-mail for the 2020 General Election or join the PEVL as soon as possible so you have enough time to receive the ballot, get language or other assistance if needed, vote it, and return the ballot on time.
- Call your County Recorder or go to [Arizona.Vote](http://Arizona.Vote) to request a ballot-by-mail. The deadline to request a ballot-by-mail or join the PEVL is October 23, 2020.

### STEP 3 – VOTE AND SIGN YOUR BALLOT-BY-MAIL

- If you need language assistance when you get your ballot-by-mail, contact your County Recorder's Office or Elections Department (listed below) to learn about available resources. Certain community organizations may also have language assistance resources.
- After voting your ballot, put your ballot in the return envelope and make sure you sign the affidavit envelope. You should also provide a phone number in the appropriate space on the envelope so elections officials can contact you if there are any issues with your ballot.

**KNOW YOUR OPTIONS — MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A VOTE PLAN**

## STEP 4 – RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY 7:00 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY

- If you voted a ballot-by-mail, your best option is to return your voted ballot to any voting location in your county on Election Day. You can also drop off your ballot at your County Recorder's office, any early voting location in your county, or any other designated drop-off location in your county. Contact your County Recorder or visit [Arizona.Vote](https://www.arizona.vote) to find all available drop-off locations.
- Ballots must be received by county election officials by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day to be counted.
- If you cannot drop off your ballot yourself for any reason, a family member, household member, caregiver, or election worker can help return your voted, sealed, and signed ballot for you.
- If you need to mail your voted ballot back, make sure you mail it early enough to arrive at the County Recorder's office by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. The state's recommended last day to mail back a ballot is October 27, but if you live in a rural area with slower mail service, you should build in more time.

## STEP 5 – VOTING IN-PERSON

- If you did not receive a ballot-by-mail or otherwise choose to vote in-person, we encourage you to vote early. To learn about in-person early voting options, contact your County Recorder's office.
- If you choose to vote in-person on Election Day, confirm your correct voting location by contacting your county elections department (see below) or visiting [Arizona.Vote](https://www.arizona.vote). Curbside voting may be available.
- Whether you're voting early or on Election Day, remember to bring valid identification to vote in-person. For information on valid identification, visit [Arizona.Vote](https://www.arizona.vote).
- In-person voters should take precautions to help protect themselves, other voters, and poll workers:
  - **Come prepared.** Review and mark a sample ballot so you can vote quickly and minimize the time you need to spend at the voting location.
  - **Wear a face covering.** If it can be safely managed, wear a cloth face covering when you go to vote to help protect yourself and those around you.
  - **Bring your own pen.** Bring your own pen to the voting location to minimize contact with surfaces others may have touched. Some voting locations may have single-use pens available, but bringing your own pen will help keep you safe and minimize waste.
  - **Maintain physical distancing.** Stay at least 6 feet away from other voters and poll workers whenever possible (except for caregivers and members of the same household).
  - **Wash your hands.** Wash your hands with soap and water (for at least 20 seconds) before and after voting. If facilities are not readily available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
  - **Don't touch your face.** Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

## COUNTY RECORDERS AND ELECTIONS CONTACT INFORMATION

### APACHE COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-337-7515  
Recorder Email: [voterreg@co.apache.az.us](mailto:voterreg@co.apache.az.us)  
Elections Phone: 928-337-7537  
Elections Email: [aromero@co.apache.az.us](mailto:aromero@co.apache.az.us)

### COCHISE COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 520-432-8358 / 888-457-4513  
Recorder Email: [recorder@cochise.az.gov](mailto:recorder@cochise.az.gov)  
Elections Phone: 520-432-8970 / 888-316-8065  
Elections Email: [imarra@cochise.az.gov](mailto:imarra@cochise.az.gov)

### COCONINO COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-679-7860  
Toll Free: 800-793-6181  
Email: [ccelections@coconino.az.gov](mailto:ccelections@coconino.az.gov)

### GILA COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-402-8740  
Recorder Email: [sbingham@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:sbingham@gilacountyaz.gov)  
Elections Phone: 928-402-8709  
Elections Email: [emarisca@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:emarisca@gilacountyaz.gov)

### GRAHAM COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-428-3560  
Recorder Email: [recorder@graham.az.gov](mailto:recorder@graham.az.gov)  
Elections Phone: 928-792-5037  
Elections Email: [hudederstadt@graham.az.gov](mailto:hudederstadt@graham.az.gov)

### GREENLEE COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-865-2632  
Recorder Email: [smilheiro@greenlee.az.gov](mailto:smilheiro@greenlee.az.gov)  
Elections Phone: 928-865-2072  
Elections Email: [bfigueroa@greenlee.az.gov](mailto:bfigueroa@greenlee.az.gov)

### LA PAZ COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-669-6136 / 888-526-8685  
Recorder Email: [recorder@lapazcountyaz.org](mailto:recorder@lapazcountyaz.org)  
Elections Phone: 928-669-6149  
Elections Email: [kscholl@lapazcountyaz.org](mailto:kscholl@lapazcountyaz.org)

### MARICOPA COUNTY

Recorder and Elections Phone: 602-506-1511  
Email: [voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov](mailto:voterinfo@risc.maricopa.gov)

### MOHAVE COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-753-0701 / 888-607-0733  
Recorder Email: [voterregistration@mohavecounty.us](mailto:voterregistration@mohavecounty.us)  
Elections Phone: 928-753-0733  
Elections Email: [elections@mohavecounty.us](mailto:elections@mohavecounty.us)

### NAVAJO COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-524-4194  
Email: [VoterRegistration@navajocountyaz.gov](mailto:VoterRegistration@navajocountyaz.gov)  
Elections Phone: 928-524-4062  
Email: [Rayleen.richards@navajocountyaz.gov](mailto:Rayleen.richards@navajocountyaz.gov)

### PIMA COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 520-724-4330  
Email: [PimaRequests@recorder.pima.gov](mailto:PimaRequests@recorder.pima.gov)  
Elections Phone: 520-724-6830  
Elections Email: [elections@pima.gov](mailto:elections@pima.gov)

### PINAL COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 520-866-6830  
Recorder Email: [recorder@pinal.gov](mailto:recorder@pinal.gov)  
Elections Phone: 520-866-7550  
Elections Email: [michele.forney@pinal.gov](mailto:michele.forney@pinal.gov)

### SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 520-375-7990  
Recorder Email: [voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov](mailto:voter@santacruzcountyaz.gov)  
Elections Phone: 520-375-7808  
Email: [hampton@santacruzcountyaz.gov](mailto:hampton@santacruzcountyaz.gov)

### YAVAPAI COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-771-3244  
Email: [web.voter.registration@yavapai.us](mailto:web.voter.registration@yavapai.us)  
Elections Phone: 928-771-3250  
Elections Email: [web.elections@yavapai.us](mailto:web.elections@yavapai.us)

### YUMA COUNTY

Recorder Phone: 928-373-6034  
Email: [voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov](mailto:voterservices@yumacountyaz.gov)  
Elections Phone: 928-373-1014  
Email: [mary.fontes@yumacountyaz.gov](mailto:mary.fontes@yumacountyaz.gov)