

CEO Buffalo - Voter Registration Guide



In New York, You're Eligible to Vote if:

- You are *not* in state prison or federal prison for a felony conviction.
- You *can* vote if you have been pardoned or have restored rights of citizenship (ask your Parole Officer if you're eligible to vote).
- You *can* vote at the completion of your prison term and parole. You *can* vote if you are still on probation.
- You *may be able* to vote on parole - the Governor is reviewing parolees on NY State parole to restore their right to vote. This review happens automatically. Check with your parole officer or you can check if you're eligible to vote online at <https://campaignlegal.org/restoreyourvote>
- You're a United States citizen and a resident of New York and the county, city, or village for at least 30 days before Election Day
- You're at least 18 years old on Election Day
- You are not found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- Due to voter rolls being purged, sometimes individuals who are eligible and registered to vote are removed. You can check whether you're still registered to vote <https://www.vote.org/am-i-registered-to-vote/>

Where and How to Register to Vote in Erie County

To register online:

You can register to vote online at <https://www.elections.erie.gov/VoterRegister>:

- To register online you will need your New York State driver license or New York identification card number, the last four digits of your social security number, and your date of birth.
- You need to sign and mail the voter registration form **at least 25 days before** Election Day. Mail the registration form to the Erie County Board of Elections at
134 West Eagle Street
Buffalo, NY 14202
- If you will need your ballot mailed to you, you will need to fill out a separate Absentee Ballot Form. More information can be found at <https://www.elections.erie.gov/Absentee>.



Where and When to Vote in Buffalo

- The 2020 Presidential election will take place on **Tuesday, November 3rd**.
- You can vote in person or by mail before Election Day. You can find the nearest place to vote at <https://www.elections.erie.gov/VSearch2>.
- If you vote by mail, you need to mail the ballot at least 7 days before Election Day **(This means that if you plan to vote by mail, you need to mail in your ballot by Tuesday, October 27th in order for your vote to be counted.)**

Additional Information

- If you have already registered to vote but have since moved, be sure to re-register at your new address.
- Under New York State law, you are eligible for up to two hours of paid time off to vote, unless you have four consecutive hours to vote either from the opening of the polls to the closing of the polls. Alternatively, you can vote by mail.

You can see what will be on the ballot and plan how you'll vote at

<https://www.vote.org/ballot-information/>

You can learn about candidates and their views on criminal justice, including who has the right to vote, at the following websites:

- <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2019/10/10/2020-the-democrats-on-criminal-justice>
- https://ballotpedia.org/2020_presidential_candidates_on_criminal_justice