

WHY:

The Truth is that

VOTING IS POWER

Here's WHY formerly incarcerated people now vote:

"Votes can change things."

"Everyone is important."

"Someone died for that right."

"I accomplished something."

"It's bigger than just your municipality"

"It was very important when you didn't have it."

VOTING IS YOUR RIGHT.

PLEASE USE IT RESPONSIBLY.

BUT, PLEASE USE IT!



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VOTING RIGHTS INFO

for RETURNING CITIZENS

Why should **YOU** vote?? Because YOUR VOTE CAN help to CHANGE your town, your state, and your country!

WHO:

YOU! Even if you have a prior felony conviction

You are eligible to vote in Connecticut, even if you have been involved in any way with the criminal justice system, **with these exceptions:**

- Persons currently sentenced and imprisoned in a Connecticut state or federal correctional facility are **NOT** eligible to vote
- Persons currently serving a period of state supervised PAROLE (any form) are **NOT** eligible to vote.

All other persons are eligible to register and vote. Including:

- ✓ persons released at End of Sentence (EOS)
- ✓ persons on PROBATION (state or federal)
- ✓ persons confined for a MISDEMEANOR offense
- ✓ persons in Pre-Trial detention who have **NOT** been convicted

How:

To register to vote in Connecticut, you MUST BE:

- ✓ a United States Citizen
- ✓ a Resident of a Connecticut town/city
- ✓ at least 18 years old (or you are 17 and will turn 18 on or before Election Day)



WHERE:

The easiest way to register to vote in your town of residence is to visit your Registrar of Voter's office.

You will need to bring a proof of address (for example, a piece of mail like a bill with your name and address on the envelope or billing statement). Registration forms are available in English (white card) and Spanish (yellow card).

Registrar of Voter offices for the four major cities in Fairfield County are located at (please call to verify hours of operation):

- Bridgeport Margaret Morton Government Center, 999 Broad Street (203 576-7281)
- Danbury City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Avenue (203 797-4550)
- Norwalk City Clerk's Office, 125 East Ave, Norwalk, CT (203 854-7996)
- Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Blvd., 6th floor (203 977-5565)

For other towns in Fairfield County, contact your Town Hall office.

Please Note: If you are currently confined on a MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE ONLY or are being held in PRE-TRIAL DETENTION, you may vote by requesting an ABSENTEE BALLOT prior to the Election Day.

