



Fall 2022

*EEVotes is a non-partisan, volunteer-led initiative that aims to increase Emanu El's voter participation through educational activities, information sharing, and individual member outreach.*



## IS VOTE BY MAIL RIGHT FOR YOU? CONSIDER CURBSIDE!

Vote by mail is a good option if you will be out of your home county during the entire election period or physically cannot get to the polling place. If you can drive or get a ride to the polling place, you can vote **curbside**, *without getting out of your car*. An election judge will bring a voting machine to the car. No one is allowed to ask why you need to vote from your car.

Curbside voting is available at all polling locations during early vote and on election day. Emanu El is an election day polling location where you can vote curbside with confidence. If you need a ride to your polling place, contact [EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org) and we'll try to help.

**Early Vote: October 24 - November 4**

**Election Day voting: November 8**

Voting by mail can be complicated under Texas law, so be ready to follow detailed instructions and comply with strict deadlines for mailing your application and ballot on time. Here we go!



### STEP 1: CONFIRM THAT YOU'RE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE BY MAIL

You may vote by mail if you are registered to vote and meet one of the following criteria:

- You are 65 years or older on Election Day (Nov. 8, 2022);
- You are sick or disabled;
- You will be out of your home county during the Early Voting period and on Election Day (Oct. 24 - Nov. 8);
- You are expected to give birth within three weeks before or after Election Day;
- You are confined in jail, but otherwise eligible.



### STEP 2: GET A MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

Contact your local election administrator to request a mail ballot. You can **download and print** the form from the website, or you can **send an email or call the election administrator's office** to request that the mail ballot application be sent to you. Check where you're registered at <https://www.vote411.org>.

Harris County

Ft. Bend County

**Download:**

<https://www.harrisvotes.com/Voter/Vote-by-Mail>

**Email:** [vbm@HarrisVotes.com](mailto:vbm@HarrisVotes.com)

**Call:** 713-755-6965

**Download:**

<https://www.fortbendcountytexas.gov/government/departments/elections-voter-registration/vote-by/mail-in-ballot>

**Email:** [vote@fortbendcountytexas.gov](mailto:vote@fortbendcountytexas.gov)

**Call:** 281-341-8670



**STEP 3: APPLY TO VOTE BY MAIL BEFORE THE DEADLINE**

Fill out the application and submit it to your election administrator’s office via United States Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, courier, or personal delivery. You must bring your **photo ID** if you drop it off in person.

The official deadline for the election administrator to receive your application is **Friday, October 28, 2022**. But due to possible delays in mail service and to avoid the stress of coming up against the deadline, **apply as early as possible!** The elections administrator will mail your ballot within 7 days of the application being received.

If you have questions about filling out the form, email [EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org) or call the office at 713.529.5771 and a volunteer will call you back.

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<p><b>To deliver your application or ballot in person:</b></p> <p>Harris County Elections Administrator’s Office 1001 Preston, 4th Floor Houston, TX 77002</p>	<p><b>To deliver your application or ballot in person:</b></p> <p>Fort Bend County Elections 4520 Reading Road, Suite A-400 Rosenberg, TX 77471</p>



**STEP 4: FILL OUT YOUR BALLOT AND RETURN IT BEFORE NOV. 8 AT 7PM**

You must submit your mail ballot in the **Official Carrier Envelope**.

If you return your ballot by mail or via FedEx/UPS, make sure it’s **postmarked by 7pm on November 8**. For USPS, you will need two standard stamps (\$1.10 total postage). To be counted, your ballot must be received by the election administrator **by close of business on November 9**, so it’s best to **mail your ballot well before the deadline** to make sure it arrives on time.

If you’re worried about whether your ballot will make it in time, consider switching to in-person voting (see below). Contact [EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:EEvotes@emanuelhouston.org) if you need a ride to the polls or have questions about switching.

You can drop off your voted ballot in person to the address above, with a photo ID, on November 8 from 7am to 7pm. Only the voter can deliver the ballot in person.

Visit the Secretary of State’s mail ballot tracker at <https://teamrv-mvp.sos.texas.gov/BallotTrackerApp/#/login> to check the status of your mail ballot application and/or voted ballot.



**CAN I SWITCH TO IN-PERSON VOTING?**

Yes! **You may vote in person even if you applied for a mail ballot**. But remember, you can only vote once! To vote in person, take your mail ballot to a polling place to surrender it and receive a regular ballot. If you do not have the mail *It’s non-partisan. It’s civic engagement. It’s a mitzvah.*

ballot with you, you may still vote in person using a provisional ballot. If you never received your mail ballot, you can vote in person.

**If you decide to vote in person, bring your mail ballot with you!** Remember that Emanu El is a polling location on Election Day.



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