

ALAMEDA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Vietnamese Language Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Thursday, December 11, 2025

Time: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Yen started the virtual meeting at 11:55 a.m. with the participation of Mr. Thep, Mr. Anh-Tuan and Ms. Trinh. Mr. Chuong was unable to join in the meeting due to prior engagement. Yen began the meeting by informing the members that Tamy was no longer working for the ROV and had moved to another Agency of Alameda County and introduced the members of the Vietnamese Election Support Team: Hien, Quynh and Truyen to the members of the Vietnamese Language Accessibility Advisory Committee. Yen thanked the members for taking the precious time outside of their busy schedules to participate in the meeting. Before the meeting started, Ms. Trinh also announced that she would have to return to work at 12:45 p.m., so Hien quickly presented the main content of the meeting. Since we only had Vietnamese-speaking members attend this meeting, the meeting was conducted in Vietnamese.

Hien began by introducing the meeting's agenda, and presented a review of the Dec. 4, 2025, Statewide Special Election, as well as some important information regarding the upcoming elections, June 2, 2026, the Direct Primary Election.

In the review report, Hien emphasized that the total number of registered voters for the November 4, 2025, election was 965,876, of which 4,927 were Vietnamese voters. We had 38 Vote Centers for the November 4, 2025, Election and 67 24-Hour Official Ballot Drop Boxes. The Registrar of Voters is the Trusted Source, and we are committed to ensuring every eligible voter has the opportunity to cast their ballot safely, securely, and with ease.

The Vietnamese Language Accessibility Advisory Committee is provided with more information about being able to track the status of a Vote by Mail ballot through BallotTrax, you can sign up for Ballot Trax at: <https://california.ballottrax.net/voter/> or sign up for USPS' Informed Delivery service. Hien shared with members about the interface and content of the website when registering to track the Vote by Mail ballot including entering name, date of birth, zip code. Hien also shared the content on the website including information about the date the Registrar of Voters sent the ballot to the voters, the date the ballot was received and the status of the ballot for all past elections.

Hien updated members that Mr. Thep's suggestion during the previous meeting to post the Alameda County Registrar of Voter's recruitment/Voting Locations/24-Hr Official Drop boxes with Bao Mo

and Vietnamese radio stations – Yen forward the information received to the Digital Manager who will work on this for future elections.

Hien also updated important information and important dates of the upcoming election - the Direct Primary Election, June 2, 2026. All California active registered voters will receive a Vote by Mail ballot for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election. Vote by Mail ballots can be returned by mail, at a drop-off location (24-Hour Official Ballot Drop Boxes or Vote Centers, or our office).

Important Dates

- The last day to register to vote for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election is May 18, 2026.
- Our office will begin mailing ballots by May 4, 2026.
- Ballot drop-off locations open on May 5, 2026.
- Vote centers open for early in-person voting in all Voter's Choice Act counties beginning on May 23, 2026.
- Vote by Mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by June 9, 2026.

Ms. Trinh asked and confirmed important information such as the date the Registrar of Voters sends out the ballot to the voters. Hien reaffirmed that the start date for mailing ballots to voters will be May 4, 2026, and that voters will likely receive their ballots a few days after they are mailed.

Regarding the election results, Hien presented to members that the Turnout of Registered Voters to vote for November 4, 2025 was 965,876 people. The total number of votes cast was 508,730 or 52.67%. Of these, 472,141 ballots were Vote by Mail (48.88%) and Election Day Reporting Turnout of 36,589 (3.79%). The number of Vietnamese voters participated in the November 4, 2025 election was: 1,716 - equivalent to 34.8%.

Hien also highlighted two measures that were voted on in the November 4, 2025 election, including California's Proposition 50 and the Measure B – Washington Township Healthcare District. Proposition 50 was being widely approved in Alameda County with 409,301 YES votes (80.58%) and 98,653 NO votes (19.42%). Measure B was approved with a result of 57,647 YES votes (65.20%) and 30,774 NO votes (34.80%).

Ms. Trinh asked what the main purpose of Measure B was. Hien told members that voters in the cities of Newark, Fremont, Union City and a part of Hayward voted for Measure B and that the primary purpose of Measure B is to provide local access to the highest level of life-saving emergency and medical care for trauma patients, victims of heart attacks, strokes, accidents, and cancers, keep medical equipment and technology up-to-date, reducing ER wait times; and ensuring that our community has highly qualified doctors, surgeons and nurses, Measure B proposes to pass a bill to tax 5 cents per square foot of improved property be adopted of the Washington Township Health Care District, generate \$13,000,000 annually for 12 years for emergency healthcare, hospitals, and Trauma Centers services.

Mr. Anh-Tuan asked if 65.2% of the Yes vote for Proposition 50 was statewide. Hien reaffirmed that 65.2% of the Yes vote for Proposition 50 was only for Alameda County. Mr. Anh-Tuan asked after Proposition 50 was approved, whether these five seats have been put on the ballot for the June 2, 2026 election. Yen said that there is no specific information and could not answer at this time.

Regarding recruitment, Hien explained to members that the number of Election workers recruited for the November 4, 2025 Election had a total of 364 Election Workers, including 94 bilingual workers and 2 Vietnamese workers.

Ms. Trinh wondered because the number of Vietnamese election workers recruited for the November 4, 2025 election was only 2 people. Hien suggested that members introduce more bilingual Vietnamese staff if they know and have contact information.

Hien emphasized the ongoing need for recruitment, especially bilingual staff in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Tagalog.

Regarding the training classes for the November 4, 2025 Election, we conducted 35 in-person classes (3–3.5 hours each), including 2 additional hours of online training for all workers. Bilingual workers take an additional 30-minute online class in their language.

Finally, Hien presented an overview of the total number of outreach and language education events in 2025 that the Outreach team undertook. There was a total of 845 voter outreach events in 2025, including 163 outreach events at libraries or food pantries (operating from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday) to assist residents in learning about upcoming elections and registering to vote; 41 outreach sessions for people with disabilities; 28 festival sessions: 21 presentations and explanations of Rank Choice Voting which implements in 4 cities of Albany, Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro; and 1 Voter Reg. Class for people who want to help register people on their own to update the procedures and understand the registration forms under the new Election Code. In addition, the team conducted 47 Ballot Drop-Stops for the April 15, 2025 Oakland Special Election and 66 Ballot Drop Stops for the November 4 California Statewide Election. The Voter Outreach team also conducted 26 classes of High School Voter Education Weeks and 39 orientation sessions for Youth Votes. In addition, the team participated in 8 events to faith-based groups. For AC Vote On The Go, the Voter Outreach team made 20 trips for the April 15 Election and 77 trips for the November 4 Election. In addition, the Outreach team had 83 multilingual/multicultural voter outreach sessions, 95 outreach sessions to voters of black/brown men and 130 outreach sessions to underserved/unhoused voters.

Ms. Trinh suggested that the ROV Outreach team should attend events at the temple. Yen said she would work with Betty, who is the Lead of the Outreach team, and would connect Betty with Ms. Trinh so that she can participate in events at temples in the future. Ms. Trinh and Mr. Thep suggested two temples in Oakland, one located on International Blvd and the other one located on Martin Luther King Street.

Hien exchanged more information with the members about participating in the event at Hai Van Temple, located at 24805 Whitman St., Hayward, CA 94544. Ms. Trinh would be in contact with

the temple administration to arrange for the Outreach team to participate in future events at the temple.

Questions and suggestions were discussed throughout the meeting, so our members had no further questions at the end of the meeting.

At the end of the meeting, we thanked the members for taking the time to attend the Virtual Meeting of our Vietnamese Language Accessibility Advisory Committee and wished them a very healthy, merry Christmas and happy New Year. We look forward to meeting our members again at the next meeting in 2026.

The meeting ended at 12:55 p.m.