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## WHY AND HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE



### **WHY is voting so important?**

The right to vote allows *ALL* citizens to choose the representatives who make the laws governing our country and to participate equally in a way to express their personal choices for leadership and issues.



***YOU MUST* be 18 years old and registered to vote BEFORE you can cast your ballot.**

**American citizens have the right to VOTE!**



### **HOW to register to vote.**

Each state has different ways to register voters so please do the following to find out how your state registers people to vote.



Go to [www.govoter.org](http://www.govoter.org) : this is a *website* created by people with disabilities for people with disabilities to learn how to become informed and registered voters.



- On the left side of the home page is a list of options. *Click* on the “state contacts” bar.
- This will take you to map of the United States. *Click* on your state.
- A list of resources for your state will come up. Contact your Secretary of State Office by website, email or telephone. They will help you register to vote.

