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COFFEE CHATS

Voting Series Part One: Registering People Experiencing Homelessness to Vote

Friday September 11 at 1pm Eastern



Presenters

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Vot-ER

Vot-ER is a web portal to help people determine their registration status, register to vote, or request a mail-in ballot from their state.

vot-er.org/nhchc

- We recommend HCH staff add a line to their email signature "Participating in our democracy is critical to our individual and communal well-being. Check to see if you are registered, register to vote, or request a mail-in ballot in your state here."
- You can also download resources for staff (<u>badges with QR codes</u>) or <u>phone lock screen with QR code</u>) or encourage people to text "Vote NHCHC" to 34444 to begin the process.

Discussion

- What voter registration activities is your organization coordinating?
- What barriers have you found to registering people experiencing homelessness to vote during the pandemic?
- How have you overcome these challenges?
- What strategies have you found most effective in registering people to vote?
- What advice do you have for other communities setting up registration activities?

Moving Forward

 September 22 is National Voter Registration Day. Be sure to organize voter registration and education events within your organization!

October 24 is National Early Vote Day. Work with your community
to create opportunities to get people experiencing homelessness
to polling locations or returning their mail ballots on this day.

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