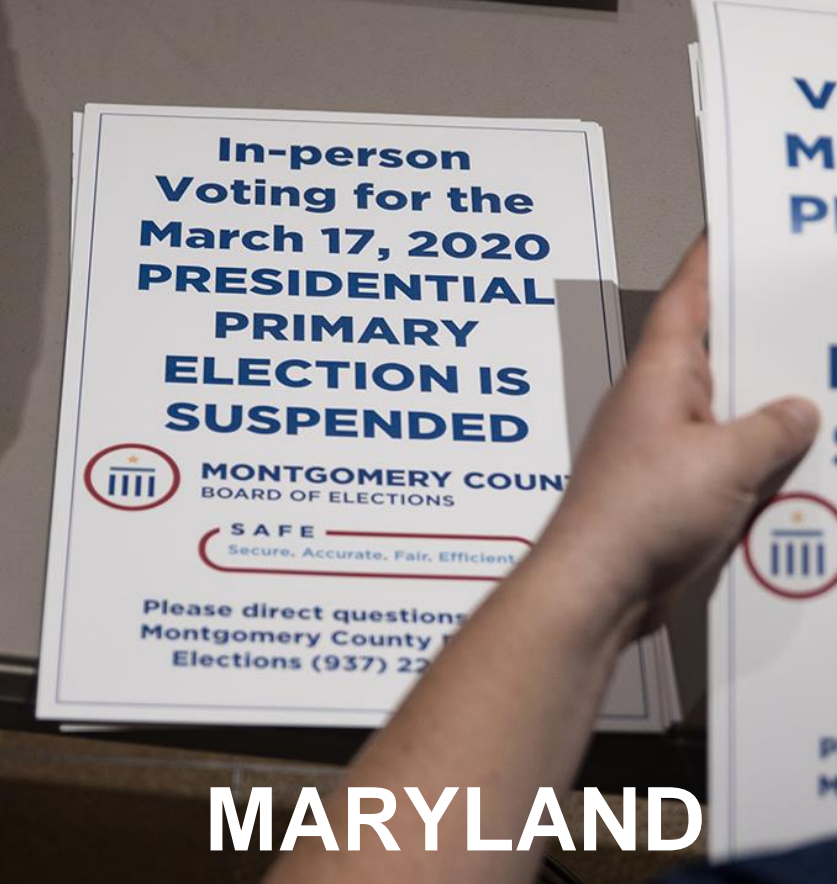
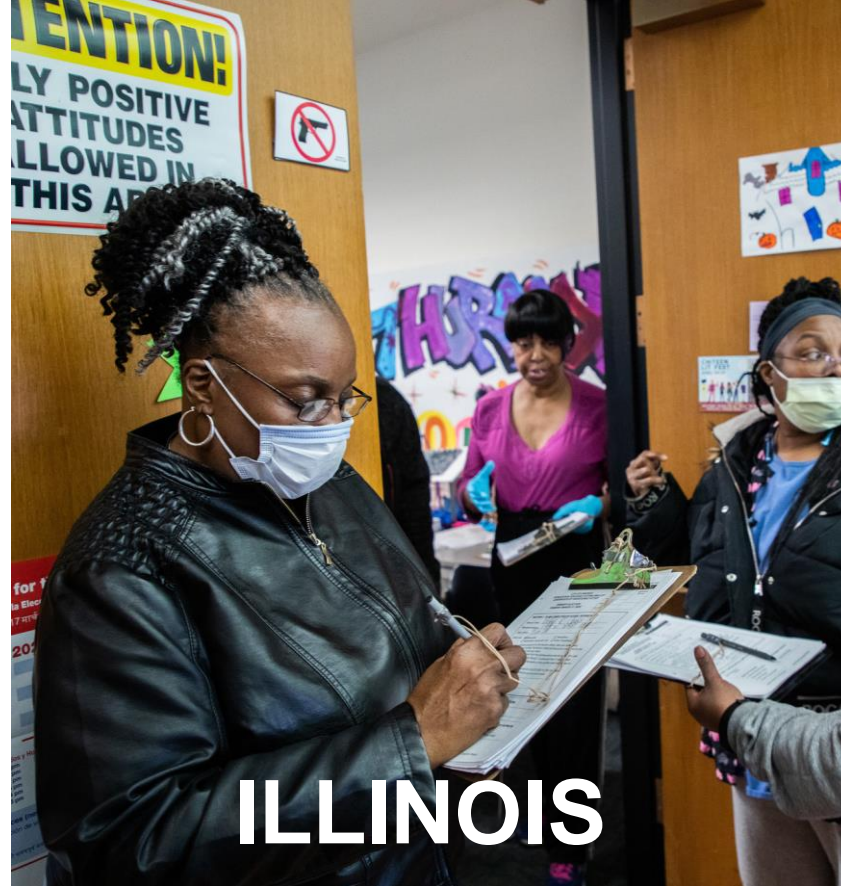




Nevada County
Election
Administration
for November 2020



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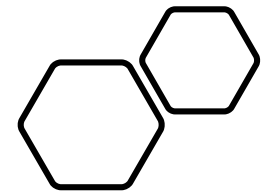
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Administering Elections Under COVID-19

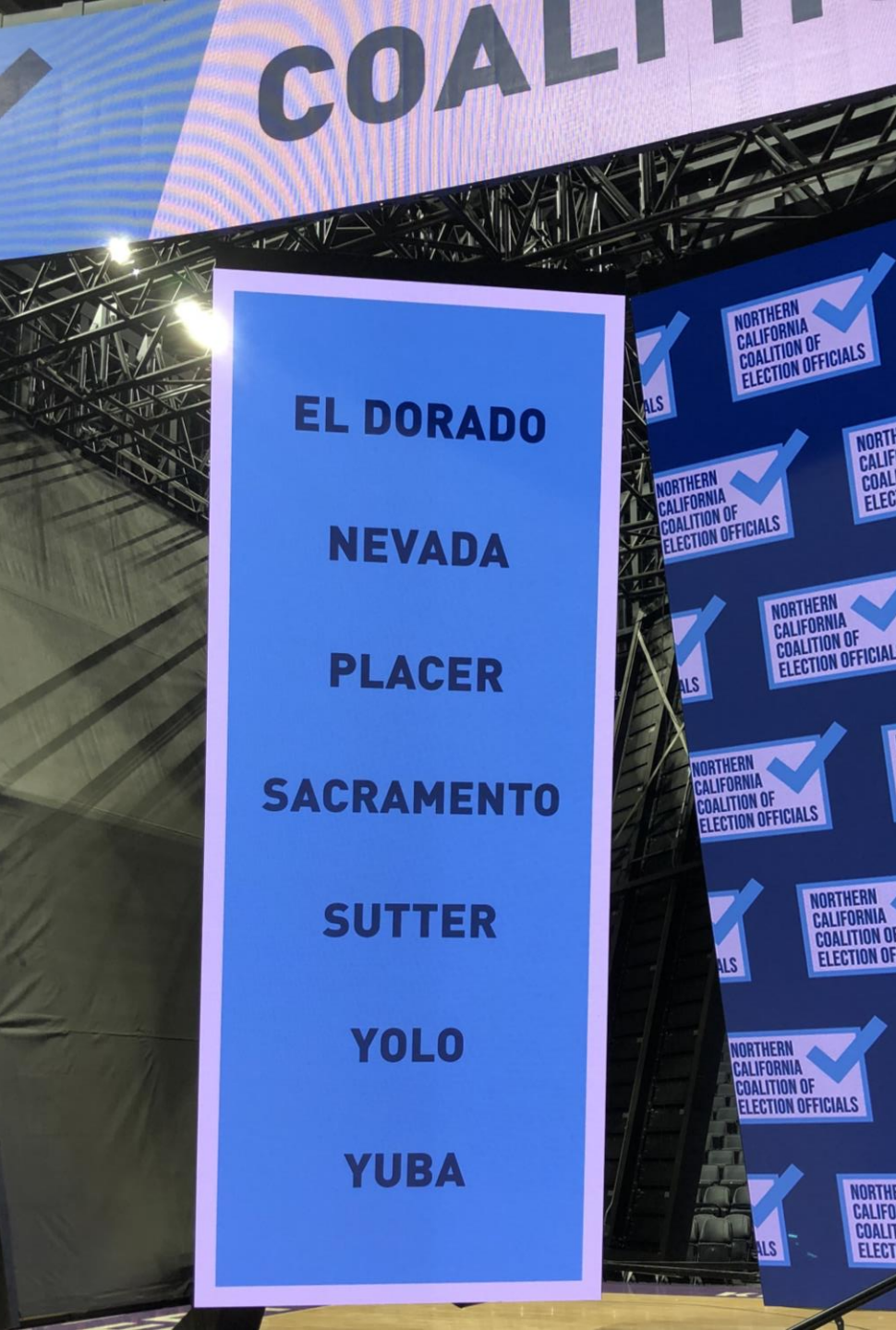
- 16 states postponed primaries
- Some states kept election dates and processes by court orders
- Little reference to past experience
- Hundreds of polling places forced to shut down
- Poll worker recruitment crisis



Contextual Factors Affecting Elections

- Politics of public health
- Politics of funding elections
- PSPS events and wildfire contingencies
- Civil unrest
- Elections cybersecurity concerns
- Mis-/disinformation
- USPS controversy
- Implications for national security





Solving for COVID-19 Collaboratively

- SOS/CACEO task force and recommendations to Governor and lawmakers
- Executive Orders 64 and 67, AB 860 and SB 423
 - All counties send all active registered voters a ballot
 - Registrar discretion to open vote centers 3 days before election
 - Accept completed ballots at E+17 if properly postmarked
 - Mandatory in person voting options
- County partnerships

Ballot Distribution and Return



Voter's Choice Act of 2016

- Nevada was one of five pilot counties to implement in 2018
- 7 elections-worth of experience
- Everyone gets a mailed ballot
- In person voting available
(1 vote center/10,000 registered voters)





Overview of Nevada County's Election System

- Vote in-person
- Drop off a ballot
- Get a replacement ballot
- Accessible voting machines
- Get help and voting material in multiple languages
- Register to vote or update voter registration
- 8 locations

Nevada County Fairgrounds Main Hall

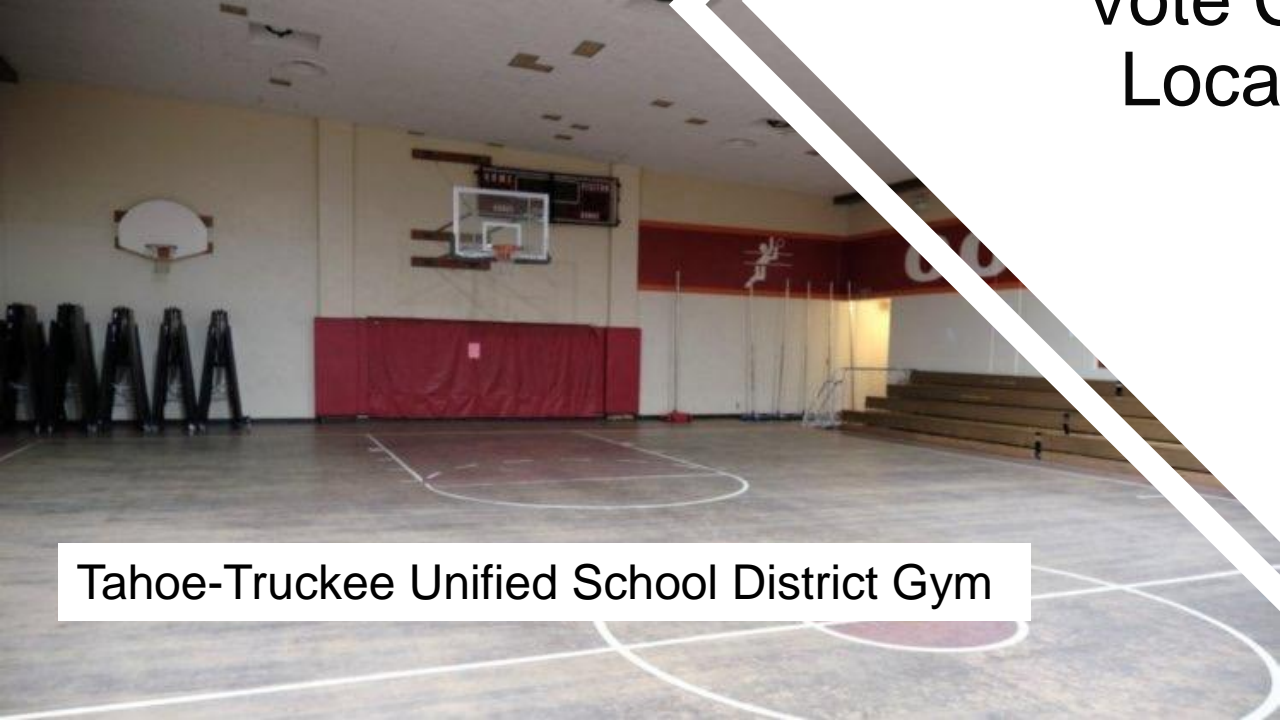


Sierra College Grass Valley Gym



New and Familiar
Vote Center
Locations

Tahoe-Truckee Unified School District Gym



Truckee Public Works Bays



Gold Miners Inn Ballroom



North San Juan Community Center



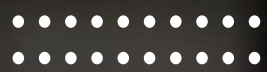
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Bear River High School Gym



Rood Center Providence Mine Room





In Person Voting

- ✓ Creation
- ✓ Verification
- ✓ Print
- ✓ Voting
- ✓ Delivery



Changes to Voting

- Updated vote centers
- Added drop boxes
- Required PPE for vote center workers
- Online and in person vote center training
- Will call ballot replacement
- Waiting areas in lieu of standing in line
- Drive thru ballot drop off at Fairgrounds
- BallotTrax participant



Drop Box Locations

- Briar Patch Coop
- Chicago Park Store
- Grocery Outlet Grass Valley
- Gold Miners Inn Lobby
- Hills Flat Lumber
- SPD Grass Valley
- Save Mart Grass Valley
- Rood Center Parking Lot
- Holiday Market Penn Valley
- Holiday Market Auburn
- Sweetland Garden Mercantile
- Grocery Outlet Truckee
- Truckee Town Hall
- Save Mart Truckee

Home As A Ballot Booth

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| ✓ Creation | ✓ Verification |
| ✓ Print | ✓ Processing |
| ✓ Distribution | ✓ Tabulation |
| ✓ Voting | ✓ Reporting |
| ✓ Delivery | ✓ Auditing |

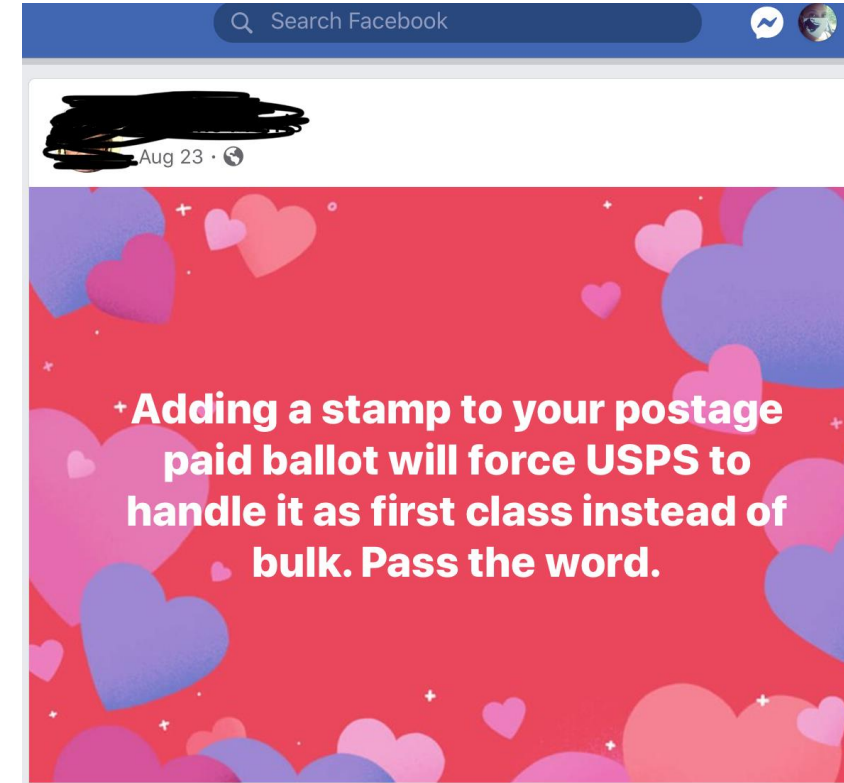
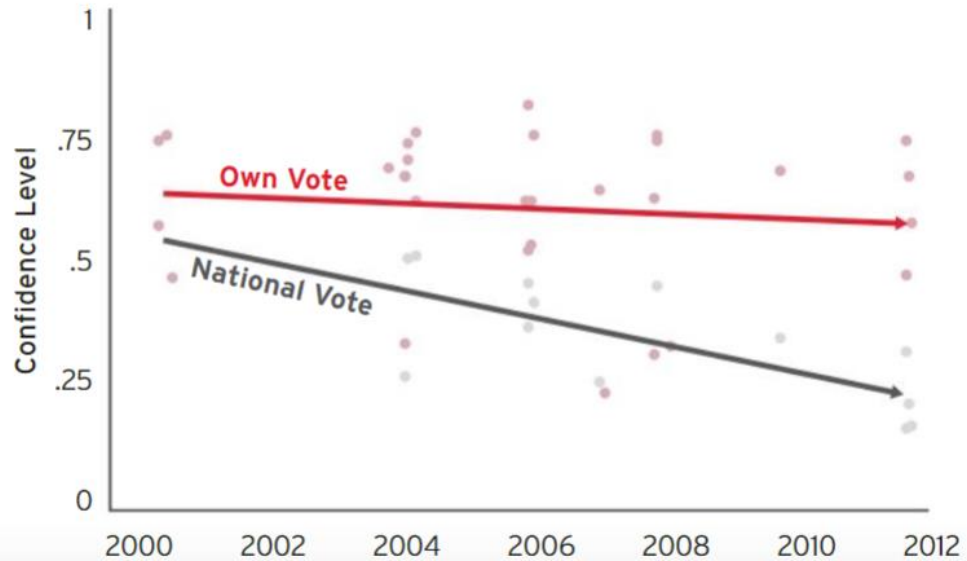




Key Election Security Features

- Voter registration records updated regularly
- No part of the voting system is connected to the Internet (Ca. Elec. Code § 19205)
- Ballots sent only to active voters
- 2-person verification/chain of custody procedures
- All signatures verified
- Most drop boxes are inside and monitored

While voters remain confident that their own votes are being counted as intended, confidence in national results has declined.



2020 Challenges

- Misinformation and disinformation
- COVID-19
- De-escalating tense situations
- Voter intimidation and suppression
- Post-election reaction