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Media resource guide for midterm elections

Interview opportunities and important information for the November 8 election

WISCONSIN – Election Day for the fall general election is one week away and it is vital that every vote is counted, every voice is heard, and the election results are respected to preserve our democracy.

The United States has long stood as a model for a strong democracy with trusted elections. On Tuesday, Nov. 8, we will continue that tradition as people of all races, classes, and zip codes exercise their freedom to vote.

Here in Wisconsin, we have a history of high voter turnout, which is expected again this election. According to the Wisconsin Elections Commission chart [here](#), voter turnout in off-Presidential years in Wisconsin has been as follows:

- 2018: 59.43 percent
- 2014: 54.84 percent
- 2010: 49.66 percent
- 2006: 50.86 percent
- 2002: 43.97 percent

It's also important to remember the winners of close election races may not be announced by 8 p.m. Tuesday night. [Three-dozen cities](#), including Milwaukee, have a central count for absentee ballots, and they don't start counting those ballots until the polls close at 8 p.m., so they won't report their absentee ballot results until later in the night. It'd be imprudent to make rush calls unless the candidates have conceded their races.

See the list below for spokespeople to contact for your election stories:

Debra Cronmiller, Executive Director, League of Women Voters of Wisconsin:
920-213-3237

Expertise: General, voting rights issues

Shauntay Nelson, Co-Director of States (AZ, GA, NV, WI), All Voting Is Local:
414-581-8770

Expertise: General, voting rights issues

Nicole Safar, Executive Director, Law Forward:

608-239-7032

Expertise: Legal

Barbara Beckert, Director of External Advocacy of Disability Rights Wisconsin:

414-292-2724

Expertise: rights of voters with disabilities

Angela Lang, Executive Director, BLOC (Black Leaders Organizing for Communities):

Expertise: Black vote, especially in Milwaukee

414-238-3811

Christine Neumann-Ortiz, Executive Director, Voces de la Frontera

Contact **Jessica Schmidt**, Interim Communications Director, 414-469-9206

Expertise: Latino voters in Wisconsin

Dee Sweet, Native Vote Manager, Wisconsin Conservation Voices:

920-366-7636

Expertise: Native voters in Wisconsin

Paul Vang, Civic Engagement Manager, Hmong American Women's Association:

Expertise: Voting in the Hmong and general Southeast Asian community

242-390-7121

For questions on election administration, we recommend you go to trusted election officials. Your local county and municipal clerks should be your go-to contacts, but county and municipal clerks also have associations, and these are their presidents:

Kim Pytleski, Oconto County Clerk (R), President of the County Clerk's Association

Marie A. Moe, City of Portage Clerk, President of the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association

You can also contact **Riley Vetterkind** at the Wisconsin Elections Commission at 715-577-2521.

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