

UOCAVA Voters



IN THIS SPOTLIGHT

UOCAVA Voters covers the work of serving voters under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act. It includes accepting and tracking Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) and Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs), distributing ballots on time, and keeping voters informed about status and renewal.

AWARD-WINNING PROGRAMS

Arizona's Online UOCAVA Portal - 2025 Award Winner

• *Arizona Secretary of State*



Created a secure online portal allowing military and overseas voters to complete, sign, and submit Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) and Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots (FWABs) entirely on their own devices, replacing a fragmented paper-based system.

WHAT TO BORROW

- ✓ Single portal replaces multiple paper forms and email chains.
- ✓ Voters can complete everything from their own devices.
- ✓ Reduces staff time spent reformatting and re-entering paper submissions.

Learn more: Read the full program writeup → <https://www.eac.gov/clearinghouse-awards/2025-winner-exemplary-services-assist-military-and-overseas-voters-arizona>

Durham County Board of Elections UOCAVA Ballot Distribution Tool - 2025 Award Winner

• *Durham County Board of Elections, North Carolina*



Integrated with the county's in-house Ballot Tracker Application to automate ballot distribution to UOCAVA voters, reducing manual work, minimizing communication errors, and ensuring timely, consistent notifications to voters requesting ballots.

WHAT TO BORROW

- ✓ Automates a high-stakes, deadline-sensitive workflow that's easy to get wrong manually.
- ✓ Built on an existing in-house tracker – extends prior investment instead of replacing it.
- ✓ Consistent voter notifications reduce customer service calls and emails.

Learn more: Read the full program writeup → <https://www.eac.gov/clearinghouse-awards/2025-winner-exemplary-services-assist-military-and-overseas-voters-north>



PWC UOCAVA Connect - 2025 Award Winner

• *Prince William County Office of Elections, Virginia*

A dedicated database proactively tracks FPCA expirations and sends targeted, situation-specific emails to military and overseas voters for renewal, status updates, or cancellations – replacing manual tracking with automated outreach and individualized confirmations.

WHAT TO BORROW

- ✓ Proactive outreach catches expiring FPCAs before voters miss an election cycle.
- ✓ Situation-specific messages avoid the confusion of generic mass emails.
- ✓ Replaces a manual tracking spreadsheet that doesn't scale during busy periods.

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