

Private & Independent Voting

Reducing barriers

History of VBM in Utah

2012-Started in one small county

2014- 10 of 29 counties

2016- 21 counties

2018- 27 counties

98% of Utah's population lives in a county that votes by mail.

All active voters are mailed a ballot

3 ways to vote

- Mail ballot
- Drop box
- Vote in person



Communication

Where will voters easily find the information?

Website, social media, with mailed information.

Is it in accessible formats?

print, & web

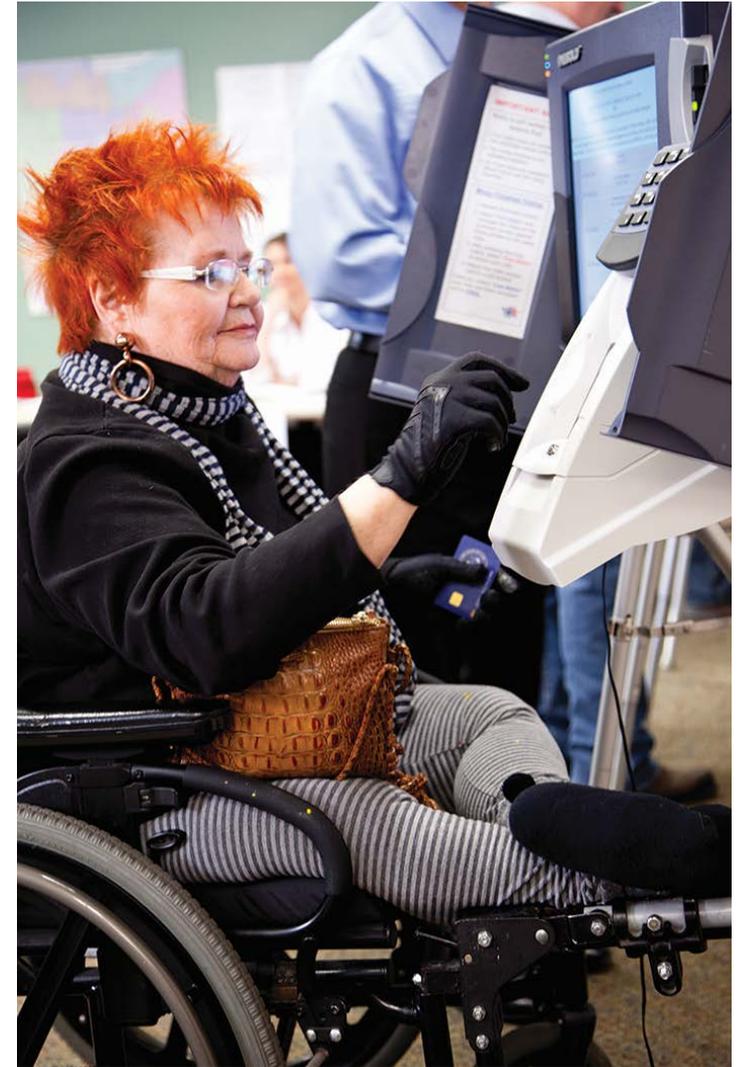
Ensure voters know:

- Accommodations are offered
- Electronic ballot marking available
- Accessibility features
- Voting Options



Poll Worker Training

- Competently operating voting machines and ballot marking devices
- Accessible set-up
- Offering assistance
- Appropriate interactions with voters



Equipment

- Give significant consideration to accessibility features
- Ease of use by voters with visual and motor impairments
- Include accessibility experts and voters with disabilities when evaluating equipment that will be used by voters.



Expanding Options

- On-line Voter Registration
- Early Voting
- Curb-side voting
- Same-day voter registration
- Electronic Ballot Marking at Home
- New Technologies for Voting from home (Blockchain)
- Apps to track wait times at election centers/polling places
- County-wide voting