### **#V.INFORMED**

Don't just VOTE but vote INFORMED

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Do your RESEARCH

Be sure you are REGISTERED

Endorse the candidates that best align with your VIEWS

Go out and VOTE

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What does that mean?



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#### WHAT'S ON MY BALLOT?

#### View your sample ballot

- The sample ballot shows a list of the candidates and ballot questions you'll be voting on.
- Information is posted about 45 days before an election.
- · A sample ballot is not available for all local elections. You may need to contact the local government (city, town or school district) holding the election.

#### See who has filed to be a candidate

- Candidate filing for local offices for which a primary is possible ends on June 2nd.
- Local offices for which no primary will be

#### What's on the Election Day ballot in 2020?

All voters will have these races on their general election ballot:

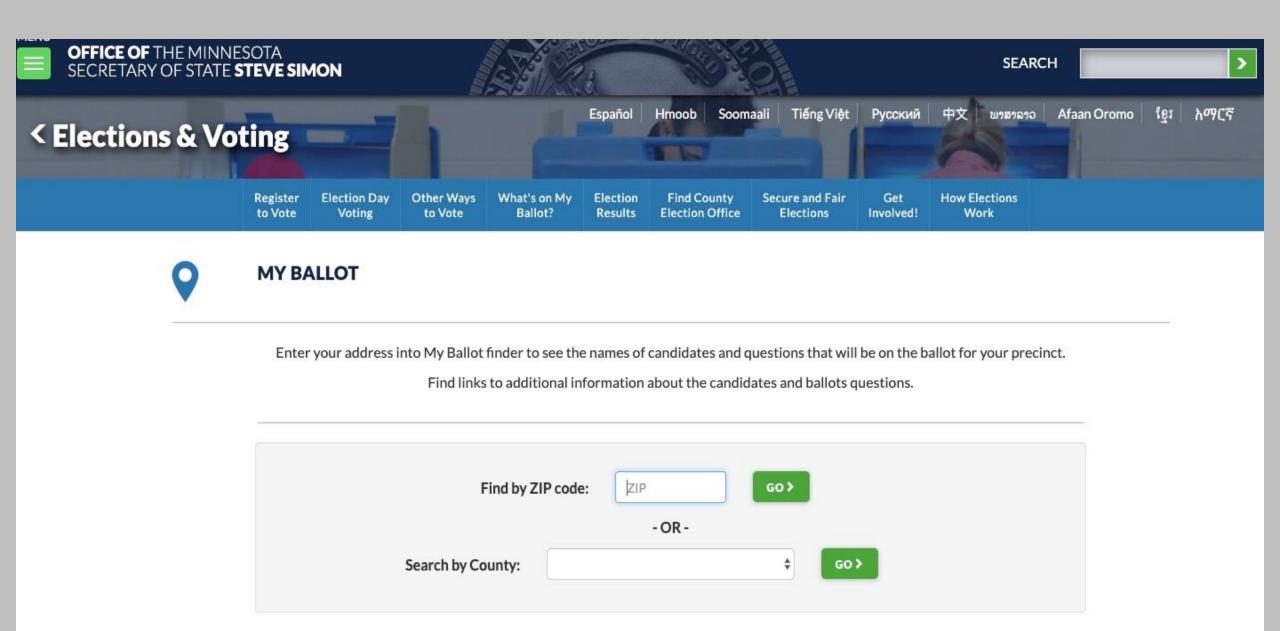
- U.S. President
- · U.S. Senator
- U.S. Representative
- State Senator
- State Representative
- Judicial seats

Voters may also have one or more of these races on their ballot:

County Officials

#### **USE YOUR** RESOURCES

- https://www.sos.state. mn.us/electionsvoting/whats-on-myballot
- See who has filed to be a candidate
- Review questions that maybe on the ballot
- View sample ballot
- Let's get informed
- **CLICK ON** 
  - **VIEW SAMPLE BALLOT**



ON THE NEXT PAGE YOU'LL PUT IN YOUR ADDRESS



#### **MY BALLOT**

If your house number is between: 1441 and 1761 and your street address is: WILSON AVE and your ZIP code is: 55106 and your City/Township is: St. Paul your precinct is ST. PAUL W-7 P-07 in Ramsey County

Upcoming Election: 08/11/2020 STATE PRIMARY

#### CLICK HERE FOR SAMPLE BALLOT >

Click on an underlined candidate name or underlined question title for additional information. Links to candidate information are provided by candidates.

Title	Candidate	Party
U.S. Senator	Kevin O'Connor	LEGAL MARIJUANA NOW
U.S. Senator	Oliver Steinberg	GRASSROOTS - LEGALIZE CANNABIS
U.S. Senator	Cynthia Gail	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Senator	Bob "Again" Carney Jr.	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Senator	James Reibestein	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Senator	Jason Lewis	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Senator	John L. Berman	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Senator	Christopher Lovell Seymore, Sr.	DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR
U.S. Senator	Tina Smith	DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR
U.S. Senator	Ahmad R. Hassan	DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR
U.S. Senator	Paula Overby	DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR
U.S. Senator	Steve Carlson	DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR
U.S. Representative District 4	Susan Sindt	GRASSROOTS - LEGALIZE CANNABIS
U.S. Representative District 4	Gene Rechtzigel	REPUBLICAN
U.S. Representative District 4	Sia Lo	REPUBLICAN

- Be sure the information displayed at the top of the form is accurate
- Note the upcoming election date AUG 11 2020 STATE PRIMARY
- VOTING for the state primary election is extremely important! These winners determine who is on the November ballot
- Note that information can change up to 45 days before the election so check back!



### NOT SURE WHERE TO VOTE?

On the same page of the sample ballot

click

#### **POLLING PLACE**

(which is found at the bottom of the page).

# ARE YOU REGISTERED?

https://www.sos.state.mn.us/electionsvoting/register-to-vote

For help by phone call: 1-877-600-VOTE (8683)

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#### REGISTER TO VOTE

Ways to register

Register online

Register on paper

Register on Election Day

Check my registration

**Registration FAQs** 

Voter registration drives

How to register if...

I'm a college student

I'm in the military or living abroad

I have a criminal record

I'm under guardianship or have an impairment

I'm in a nursing home or hospital

I fear for my personal safety

I'm in a residential facility

I'm moving on or close to Election Day

I'm living temporarily in Minnesota

I'm homeless

My home is in foreclosure

#### **REGISTER TO VOTE**

#### Who can vote in Minnesota

#### You must be:

- · A U.S. citizen
- · At least 18 years old on Election Day
- · A resident of Minnesota for 20 days
- Finished with all parts of any felony sentence

You can vote while **under guardianship** unless a judge specifically has revoked your right to vote.

You cannot vote if a court has ruled that you are legally incompetent.

#### Registering to vote for 17-year-olds:

To pre-register to vote at 17-years-old in Minnesota, you must be at least 18-years-old when the next election occurs (special, township, state primary, or state general).

Because special elections can be called at unexpected times, your application may be returned if an election becomes scheduled in between the date you register and your birthday. If that happens, simply wait until that election passes, and register again.

#### Register online

It's quick and easy! You will need your Minnesota driver's license or Minnesota identification card number, or the last four numbers of your Social Security number.

#### Register on paper

Download and print forms in English and other languages. Use these forms to register yourself or to register others in a voter registration drive.

#### Register on Election Day

You can register or update your registration when you vote, whether that is at your polling place on Election Day or at an early voting location. You will need proof of residence to register. Learn more about registering when you vote.

#### Check my registration

You can see if you are registered at your current address.

# REWIND... HISTORICAL CONTEXT

How Does "THEN" inform "NOW"

## RECONSTRUCTION ACT 1867

### There Were 4 Major Measures; 1 of those measures dealt with voting...

New state constitutions were required to provide for universal manhood suffrage (voting rights for all men) without regard to race.

https://www.facinghistory.org/reconstruction-era/reconstruction-acts-1867



# RECONSTRUCTION ENDS LATE 1870'S

### AND OPPRESSION CONTINUES

Here is where you see practices such as

- Literacy Test
- Requiring African American voters to explain certain laws
- Reciting of the Constitution
- And blatant hostility and violence at polling places

All to prevent African American men from voting

#### Civil Rights Movement 1954-1968

During this time Civil Rights Activists organized various protest to target and dismantle the oppressive systems that plagued our nation.

An example of the effort was on;

March 7, 1965: Also known as Bloody Sunday.

- The Selma to Montgomery March
- Roughly 600 civil rights marchers walk to Selma, Alabama to Montgomery to protest for the rights for black voter
- Local police blocked and brutally attacked the non-violent protestors (and these actions were televised for the world to see)
- After successfully fighting in court for their right to march, Martin Luther King and other civil rights leaders lead two more marches and finally reach Montgomery on March 25.

https://www.history.com/topics/civil-rights-movement/civil-rights-movement-timeline



https://medium.com/@patrickherring/voting-rights-act-2-0-dadd82708af9

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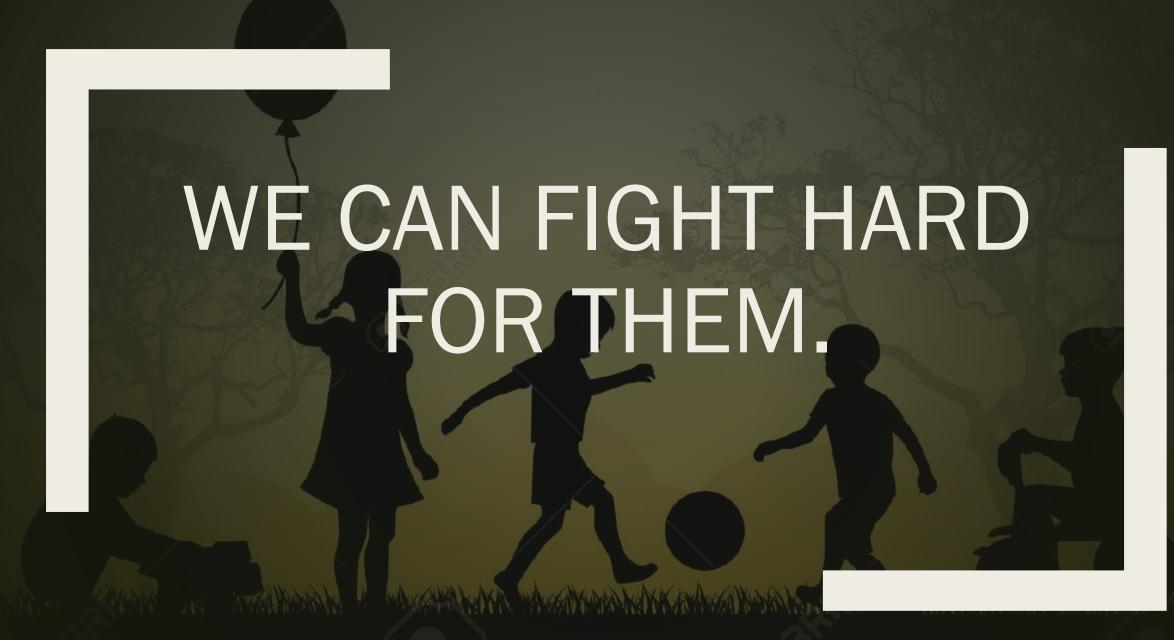
After much hard work, blood, sweat and tears; the Civil Rights Activists accomplished the signing of the Voting Rights Act.

# WHY DOES THAT MATTER?



- Because THAT is the foundation that we stand on
- Because THAT is the hard work that paved the way
- Because THEY fought hard for us

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES REGARDING THIS CONTENT, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT

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