



AG PAXTON ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF 2021 TEXAS ELECTION INTEGRITY UNIT

The foundation of our constitutional republic is a secure and transparent ballot. It's why my office remains ever vigilant in defending the integrity of our elections. And it's why I'm establishing a 2021 Texas Election Integrity Unit. During this election season, keep in mind the following:

- You have the right to vote however you choose. It is a crime for anyone assisting you while voting to suggest, by word, sign, or gesture, how you should vote.
- If you have a disability, are 65 or older, or fit certain other specific categories, you qualify to vote by mail. In-person voting at the polling location is always an option for all voters.
- An elections official will rarely approach you at your home or outside of your polling place to offer assistance or take your ballot. Do not give your ballot to any person you do not trust.
- You should not accept assistance if you are ineligible to receive it. But if you are eligible and you do allow a person to assist you with marking your ballot, you have the right to verify the accuracy of the ballot before it is cast.
- It is a crime for a vote harvester to collect your mail ballot from you. If you are physically incapable of depositing your own ballot in the mail, you have the right to request assistance from someone you trust.

If you see any violations of these or any other Texas election laws, please contact my Texas Election Integrity Unit at electionintegrity2021@oag.texas.gov.

My Office is monitoring this account at all times, and we are prepared to take action against unlawful conduct where appropriate. We are committed to following and ensuring compliance with all relevant state and federal laws.

