



The Advocate

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Election Season is Underway

This is a big election year in North Carolina as voters head to the polls on March 3 to participate in the Primary Election. [View a complete list](#) of primary election candidates.

Key Dates & Deadlines

The deadline to register to vote in the primary election is 5:00 PM on February 6, 2026. [View information](#) on ways to register to vote. [Check your voter registration and update your registration](#). Below is a list of other key election dates.

- 2/12/2026 – In-person voting begins
 - [Early voting site locations](#)
- 2/17/2026 – Absentee ballot request deadline - 5:00 PM
 - [Request an absentee ballot](#)
- 2/28/2026 – In-person early voting ends - 3:00 PM
- 3/3/2026 – Absentee ballot return deadline - 7:30 PM
- 3/3/2026 – Primary Election Day
 - [Election day polling place](#)
- 5/12/2026 – Second primary election date, if needed

Stay tuned to future Advocates for additional information on the upcoming primary election. Please remember to exercise your rights as a US citizen and head to the polls on March 3, 2026, to vote for the candidates of your choice. A photo ID is required to vote.

Grant Funding

NAR has officially opened their grant process for the year. We encourage you to request funds early to avoid the risk of exhausted funds later in the year. [View additional information](#) about NAR grants. Do you need help planning? Please contact [Maurice Brown](#), Local Advocacy Director.

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