

Verified Voting: Strengthening Democracy

Voters need elections to work.

We are experiencing unprecedented efforts to undermine, defund, and dismantle the infrastructure of our democracy. To remain resilient against the rising tides of authoritarianism, our elections require a commitment to ensure that every eligible voter can vote and have justified confidence that their vote counts as cast.

Voting technology boosts accessibility, security, and efficiency—but vulnerabilities provide space for attacks on our democracy to operate, whether through an actual attack or propagandistic disinformation. The need for evidence-based elections and public access to clear information about election safeguards is paramount.

Here's what we're doing.

Advocacy & Implementation:



Advancing policies that strengthen election resilience (like paper ballots and audits) and defending against those that weaken security (like internet voting)



Ensuring technology is available and accessible for all voters



Working directly with election officials to implement robust post-election audits that confirm election outcomes

Desired Impact: Election officials implement robust safeguards that are tailored to a jurisdiction's unique needs. Voters can cast an effective ballot because policies are in place that strengthen election resilience without unduly restricting voter access or burdening election officials.

Coalitions & Partnerships:



Resourcing the pro-democracy movement and voting rights community

Desired Impact: The pro-democracy movement and voting rights community has access to trusted, nonpartisan data and resources to power effective advocacy and election protection efforts. Ultimately voters are able to access and cast effective ballots.

Election Information Tools & Messaging:



Providing guidance and messaging that bolsters the public's understanding of how elections work



Mapping the election infrastructure landscape using our essential data and tools

Desired Impact: Verified Voting's premier tools, resources, and expertise create a strong foundational knowledge about how votes are cast and counted. They inform trusted partners, advocates, election officials, the media, and other stakeholders. Through transparent work to give the public accurate information, the public has justified confidence in election outcomes.





Desired Outcome:

Election technology, procedures, and contingency plans reliably allow U.S. voters to vote, to have their votes cast and counted as they intend, and to have justified confidence in the outcomes. Our work strengthens elections because voters accept and uphold valid election outcomes and election officials have the evidence to back it up.



Strategy:

Our strategy is to advocate for and support election technology and audit practices that make election results trustworthy, and to amplify information that protects our elections from direct and/or propagandistic attack.



Vision:

All voters are able to cast an effective ballot without barriers and have justified confidence that their votes were counted as cast, and that ultimately, foundational democratic principles are upheld.



Mission:

Strengthening democracy for all voters by promoting the responsible use of technology in elections.

Our Role in the Ecosystem:

Verified Voting is a trusted, nonpartisan resource and partner on election technology. We shape policy, promote best practices, and equip pro-democracy partners and election officials—across the political spectrum—with data, resources, and expertise.

