Conducting a Voter Registration Drive in Utah

Before Getting Started

Training Requirement: Utah law does not require that civic organizations, employees, or volunteers conducting voter registration drives participate in training.

Notification and Registration Requirements: Utah does not require these groups to provide information or notification (registration) to the State of Utah or other election officials about their voter registration activities.

Compensation Restrictions: Utah law does not regulate the manner in which voter registration organizations pay their employees, but it is best not to pay employees by how many registrations they complete.

Obtaining Applications

State Form: The state mail-in voter registration application can be downloaded at the State of Utah elections website.

The county clerk will make voter registration forms available to interested organizations in lots of 250, to be replaced when each lot of 200 is returned to the county clerk.

Federal Form: The federal mail-in voter registration application may be used in voter registration drives.

Photocopying Blank Forms: Utah law does not forbid photocopying blank forms for use in voter registration drives.

Handling Applications

Incomplete Applications: There is no law or administrative rule prohibiting a voter registration drive volunteer or organizer from filling in missing information on an application. FELN does not recommend filling in missing information or making any changes to registration applications without the express consent of the applicant.

Photocopying Completed Applications: Under Utah law, a voter’s date of birth, driver license number, and social security number are private records. Organizations cannot photocopy or retain this information.

Submitting Completed Applications: Applications submitted by third-party voter registration organizations must be received by the appropriate county clerk or postmarked 30 days before Election Day.

The National Mail Voter Registration Form may also be delivered or mailed to Office of the Lieutenant Governor; P.O. Box 142325; Salt Lake City, UT 84114.

Voter Registration Deadlines

- Applications that are mailed must be postmarked 30 days before Election Day
- Utah allows in-person and online registration. The in-person deadline is 8 days before Election Day. The online deadline is 7 days before Election Day.
- If registering to vote less than 15 days, but before the registration deadlines, the person can vote on Election Day; however, they may not vote during the early voting period.
- Utah has adopted a pilot program for same-day voter registration where counties can opt-in to the program. Check with your county clerk to verify if same-day registration is permitted in your county.

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