



South Carolina DisAbility Voting Coalition

November 2018 Voting Survey

The South Carolina Disability Voting Coalition is gathering information about the experience of voters in South Carolina. Thank you for taking the time to complete this short survey. If you would like assistance in completing this survey, please contact us at info@pandasc.org, 1-866-275-7273 (toll free), 1-866-232-4542 (TTY). To view the survey in American Sign Language (ASL) please go to <https://youtu.be/Wa8UAnEc038>.

Please answer the following questions concerning your voting or not voting in the November 2018 election. You can skip any question you do not feel comfortable answering. Thank you for taking the time to complete this short survey.

1. What county do you live in? _____

2. What is your age range?

____ 18 – 25

____ 26 – 39

____ 40 – 59

____ 60 and older

3. Do you currently live in a:

____ City or urban area

____ Country or rural area

4. Where did you learn about voting and your rights to vote? Mark all that apply:

- School
- Internet
- Disability groups
- Videos
- State or county election officials
- Voter registration drive
- Family or friends
- Other voting groups (League of Women Voters, Rock the Vote, civil rights groups)

5. If you voted in the November 2018 election, which way did you vote?

- In person on Election Day at my polling location
- Curbside on Election Day at my polling location (driving up to the side of the building and notifying a poll worker that you need to vote from your car)
- Mail in absentee voting (getting a paper ballot and sending it via mail before Election Day as your vote)
- In person absentee voting (Going to a location designated by your county before election day and voting there)

6. Were you able to vote privately?

- Yes
- No
- I did not vote

7. If you did not vote in this election, why not? Mark all that apply.

- Illness
- Disability
- Tried to vote but was unsuccessful
- Not interested
- Too busy

- Forgot
- Transportation problems
- Registration problems
- Didn't like the choices for candidates or campaign issues
- I voted

8. What physical barriers did you notice at your voting location, if any? Mark all that apply.

- Parking lot
- Entrance
- Curbside voting
- Ramps or curb cuts
- Lack of clear signs
- Inside of building
- Voting machine
- I did not vote

9. Did you have any problems getting help to vote?

- No
- Yes
- I did not vote
- If yes, please explain: _____

10. Did you have any of the following problems with the poll worker? Mark all that apply.

- Poll worker treated me like I did not know how to vote.
- Poll worker did not treat me with the same respect as other voters.
- Poll workers did not know how to help voters with disabilities.
- I did not have any problems with the poll workers.

11. If you voted via a paper absentee ballot, did you have any of the following problems? Mark all that apply.

- The process to get a ballot was confusing.
- It was hard to understand the directions.
- The print was too small.
- The postage was too expensive to return.
- I needed help but had no one to help me.
- I did not try to vote this way.

12. Did you use any of the following while voting? Mark all that apply.

- Wheelchair accessible van
- Wheelchair / scooter
- Walker / rollator
- Cane
- Service animal
- American Sign Language (ASL)
- Assistant (family member, friend, poll manager)
- Headphones
- Speech device
- Paper and pencil to communicate
- Magnifier
- Transportation service
- I did not vote.
- Other (please specify) _____

13. Are you a...

- Person with a disability
- Family or friend of a person with a disability
- Work in a disability related field
- Person who cares

14. Are you a person who has a disability (mark all that apply)

- Physical disability
- Deaf or hard of hearing
- Blind or low vision
- Mental illness or psychiatric disability
- Intellectual or developmental disability
- Learning disability
- Chronic health condition
- Other (please specify) _____
- I do not have a disability.

15. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being bad to 10 being good), how would you rate your voting experience?

16. Would you like to share anything else about your voting experience with us?

Please return the completed survey to:

Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities
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