California Asian Pacific Islander Voter Guide

Your VOTE Counts! Vote November 8, 2016

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8, 2016

This November, Asian American and Pacific Islander voters will play a key role in shaping the future of our country, our state and our neighborhoods. California is home to the largest Asian American and Pacific Islander population in the nation and we believe that an informed Asian American and Pacific Islander electorate will benefit our entire state.

We want to help you get the information you need to be an informed and engaged voter, so we created a statewide Asian American and Pacific Islander Voter Guide to educate Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders on a wide range of issues.

A lot of people will be voting this November and it is going to be a close election. Your vote will make the difference. Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

PROP

Education Bond

Prop 51 would allow the state to borrow \$9 billion in bonds to invest in repairing and building new schools and community colleges.

Supporting Organizations

18 Million Rising Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance – CA Asian Pacific Islander Youth Promoting API Equality - Northern CA Asian Immigrant Women Advocates Asian Pacific Environmental Network

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PROP

Yes

Medi-Cal Fee

Prop 52 would generate \$3 billion a year by extending a fee on private hospitals that allows the state to provide Medi-Cal services to more low-income patients.

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Voter Approval for Bonds

Prop 53 would require a statewide vote and approval for any bond that exceeds \$2 billion.

Opposing Organizations

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Legislative Transparency

Prop 54 would require any proposed legislation to be made available to legislators and posted on the Internet for at least 3 days before voting on bill.

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Prop 30 Extension

Prop 55 would generate up to \$8 billion a year by extending the temporary personal income tax on the state's wealthiest individuals until 2030 to prevent deep cuts to public education.

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Tobacco Tax

Prop 56 would increase the state tax on cigarettes by \$2 to \$2.87 to fund health care and smoking prevention programs for children.

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Public Safety and Rehabilitation

Prop 57 would increase parole and good behavior opportunities for non-violent offenders and allows judges, not prosecutors, with the authority to try juveniles as adults in court.

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Repeal Prop 227

Prop 58 would repeal and amend Prop 227 (which eliminated bilingual education in public schools) and allow school districts with the option to establish language immersion programs locally.

Supporting Organizations

Asian Prisoners Support Committee

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API Equality — Northern CA
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59 Yes

Citizens United

Prop 59 is an advisory measure that asks California's elected officials to limit corporate spending in political campaigns by reversing the Citizens United Supreme Court decision.

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PROP

Condoms for Adult Films

Prop 60 would require adult film actors to wear condoms in the filming of sexual intercourse.

NO POSITION

PROP

<u>61</u>

Yes

Prop 61 would require California to pay the same prescription drug price as the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Prescription Drugs

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Death Penalty Repeal

Prop 62 would replace the death penalty with life in prison without the possibility of parole.

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Ammunition Ban

Prop 63 would prohibit the possession of large capacity ammunition magazines and impose new requirements to sell and distribute ammunition.

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Marijuana Legalization

Prop 64 would legalize marijuana for adults 21 and over and to is expected generate up to \$1 billion annually for drug education, prevention and treatment.

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Plastic Bag Fee

Prop 65 has no direct impact on the state's plastic bag ban but would redirect bag revenue away from grocers to the Wildlife Conservation Board.

Opposing Organizations

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Expedited Death Penalty

Prop 66 intends to accelerate and expedite the death penalty by modifying the appeals process.

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PROP

Plastic Bag Ban

Prop 67 would uphold a 2014 bill that banned single-use plastic bags.

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API Equality - Northern CA

Asian American & Pacific Islander Progressive Alliance

Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Asian Law Caucus

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