



**Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
Fact Sheet
May 5, 2009**

San Marino Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election

OVERVIEW

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) will be conducting the San Marino Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election on May 5, 2009. The purpose of the election is for voters in the San Marino Unified School District to vote **Yes** or **No** on whether to authorize an annual parcel tax for six (6) years (see Measure Text on Page 2). The election is being conducted as a Special Vote by Mail Election.

FACTS ABOUT THE ELECTION

Ballot Group:	1
Vote at Poll Precincts:	0
Vote by Mail Precincts:	13
Average Voters per Precinct:	758
Registered Voters:	*9851
Vote by Mail Ballot Return Deadline:	Tuesday, May 5th, by 8:00 p.m.
Sample Ballot Translations:	2 – Chinese, Spanish
Estimated Cost of Election:	\$54,000

*Figure as of 4/06/09

ALL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION

This election is being conducted as a Vote by Mail election.

All eligible registered voters in the district will automatically be mailed Official Vote by Mail ballots and Sample Ballot Booklets. The RR/CC began mailing the Official Ballots and Sample Ballot Booklets to voters on **April 6th**. Voters may also access the sample ballot contents interactively on the RR/CC website www.lavote.net and clicking *View Sample Ballot* in the Online Services box of the main page.

Deadline for voted ballots to be received by the RR/CC: Tuesday, May 5th, by 8:00 p.m.

NOTE: In order for their vote to be counted, voters must return their ballots by mail with sufficient time for delivery to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on May 5th (postmarks are not acceptable), or in person to the RR/CC's Office at 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk, CA 90650 no later than 8 p.m. on May 5th.

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Replacement Ballots – If voters damage or lose their ballot, a replacement ballot may be requested by contacting the Vote by Mail Section at (562) 466-1323 weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

For additional information regarding Vote by Mail voting call the Vote by Mail Section at (562) 466-1323 weekdays, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., or by accessing the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net

VOTER REGISTRATION

Individuals who wish to register must be at least 18 years of age by Election Day, a U.S. Citizen, and not in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony. To be eligible to vote in the May 5th Election, voters must also reside in the San Marino Unified School District. An individual needs to re-register to vote if he/she has permanently moved to a different address, changed his/her name, or wishes to change his/her political party affiliation.

Deadline to Register to Vote: Monday, April 20th

Voter registration forms are available at over 1,240 locations across the County – including Department of Motor Vehicles offices, libraries, fire stations, post offices, and City Clerk offices. An online voter registration form is available at the RR/CC website www.lavote.net by clicking on the *Secretary of State* link found under Resources on the main page or by calling the *Voter Registration Request Line* (800) 481-VOTE (8683).

Registration status may be checked online at www.lavote.net by clicking the *Voter Registration Status* button on the main page or by calling the RR/CC at (562) 466-1310 or (562) 466-1323.

MEASURE TEXT APPEARING ON THE BALLOT

E - PRESERVE SAN MARINO SCHOOLS. To mitigate the cuts in the San Marino Unified School District's educational program that will result from a potential \$5 million budget shortfall caused by state budget cuts, to preserve teachers, core academic curriculum, advanced placement and honors classes, arts and athletic programs, and minimize increases in class sizes, shall the San Marino Unified School District authorize a \$795 annual education parcel tax, as adjusted, for six (6) years, that will exempt seniors?

VOTES REQUIRED TO PASS MEASURE

Passage of the measure requires 2/3 of the total votes cast.

FINAL OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

The canvass of returns shall commence no later than the first Thursday following the election. (May 7). (E.C. § 10547 & 15301)

The official canvass of returns must be completed by the elections official within 28 days of the election. The legal deadline for the County Elections Official to certify the election results is June 2, 2009. (E.C. § 15372)

NOTE: On Friday, May 15, 2009, the RR/CC is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On Tuesday, May 19, 2009, the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to declare the election results official. (E.C. § 15501)