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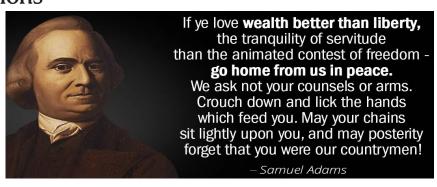
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08 November, 2022 November General Election

- Anyone registered to vote by Tuesday, October 11 may vote.
- Early voting runs from 24 October through 04 November.

Texas Secretary of State > <u>Current Election Information</u>

Attached in .pdf is an example of the 08 November 2022 election ballot for Willow Park, with links to campaign information about election candidates.

This example ballot was created by Willow Park Civics.

When the official, sample ballot provided by Parker County is available, it will be shared here.



Articles

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- Texas' elected Supreme Court: What to know before voting for justices, The Texas Tribune, 22 October 2022
- Fifth Circuit Tosses Challenge to Texas Election Law Preventing Voter Registrations at PO Boxes, The Texan, 27 October 2022
- Five issues driving Americans for the Midterms, The Foreign Desk, 21 October 2021
- Abbott, Democrats Received Another \$132,000 From Las Vegas Sands' Pro-Casino PAC, The Texan, 20 October 2022
- Voters pessimistic on economy, inflation as Election Day approaches, Politico, 19 October 2022
- Fundraising Breakdown of Statewide Races, The Texan, 14 October 2022

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- How poll watching will be different in upcoming Texas elections, Big County News , 21 September 2022,
- Why does Texas have so many elections, and why do few people vote in them?, Texas Tribune, 15 September 2022
- Comptroller, railroad commissioner, lieutenant governor: What do Texas state officials actually do? Texas Tribung

Let's Chat!

- These 10 Texas donors gave over \$36.8 million, The Center Square, 27 September 2022
- GOP Runoff Candidate for Railroad Commissioner Sarah Stogner Endorses Democrat Luke Warford. The former GOP candidate has frequently made her "anyone but Christian" position clear on social media, making this endorsement little surprise. The Texan, 26 September, 2022
- <u>VIDEO: Luke Warford, Democratic Railroad Commissioner Nominee</u>, On The Texan's Podcast, The Texan, **06 September 2022**
- Beto O'Rourke spent more than any other Democratic statewide candidate or officeholder in Texas, The Center Square, 06 September 2022
- Gov. Greg Abbott, Beto O'Rourke agree to debate Sept. 30 in Edinburg, The Texas Tribune, 01 September 2022
 - O'Rourke wants more debates, but Abbott has indicated this is the only one he is willing to do before the November election.
- Here's your ballot for the Nov. 8 Texas midterm elections, The Texas Tribune, 23 August 2022
- Parker County recount results in 100-percent match, Weatherford Democrat, 15 June 2022
 - Parker County completed its recount process Monday for the May primary runoff election.
 - GOP Chair J Scott Utley led the recount process, which resulted in a 100-percent match.
 - Recounts were conducted for the House District 60 runoff between Glenn Rogers and Mike Olcott, with Olcott's win in Parker County confirmed. A recount was also held last week in Stephens County, the second of three counties encompassing the district. Palo Pinto County is expected to hold its recount on Tuesday.

• 5 Biggest Donations to Texas Governor Candidates The Texan, 29 July 2022

Republican Greg Abbott and Democrat Beto O'Rourke both posted massive fundraising hauls in their latest report, with O'Rourke edging out Abbott by a couple of million dollars.

Below are each candidate's top five single contributions from the July semiannual filing and the donor behind them.

Abbott

\$500,000 on April 7 - Edward Rosiki, Jr., President & Chairman of Majestic Realty Co. from City of Industry, CA

\$500,000 on June 22 – James Pitcock, Jr., Contractor with Williams Bros. Construction from Houston

\$450,000 on March 31 – Kenny Troutt, Executive with Mount Vernon Investments from Dallas

\$300,000 on April 22 – William Harris, Owner of Colony Ridge Development from Huntsville

\$300,000 on April 25 – Stuart Stedman, Executive at Stedman West Interests Inc. from Houston

O'Rourke

\$1,000,000 on June 23 - George Soros, Owner of Soros Fund Management from New York, NY

\$1,000,000 on March 4 – Tench Coxe, former Venture Capitalist at Sutter Hill Ventures from West Lake Hills

\$1,000,000 on March 4 - Simone Coxe, former CEO of Blanc & Otus and Co-founder of CalMatters nonprofit news from West Lake Hills

\$500,000 on June 28 - Our Texas PAC, run by Alan Metni, Founder of iFLY Indoor Skydiving, based in Greenwood, CO

\$300,000 on June 30 – American Federation of Teachers PAC based in Washington, DC

Read more about the candidates' fundraising here and an in-state versus out-of-state fundraising breakdown here.

- Abbott and O'Rourke's Recent Fundraising Hauls Compared, The Texan, 22 July 2022
 - O'Rourke had over half a million individual contributions in his report, 41 percent of which were from within Texas. Of his \$27.6 million raised, 52 percent came from within Texas. O'Rourke pulled in three \$1 million donations during this filing period, two from West Lake Hills couple Tench and Simone Coxe and the other from progressive billionaire George Soros, who lives in New York. Abbott's percentage of his over 112,000 contributions from Texas is comparable to O'Rourke's: 43 percent. But concerning the cash itself, 86 percent of his \$24.9 million raised came from Texas.
- <u>List of New Additions to the Texas Legislature Unopposed in November,</u> The Texan, 10 June 2022

- Texas Legislative General Election Matchups Listed, The Texan, 03 June 2022
- Texas November General Election Matchups Finalized, The Texan, 27 May 2022
- <u>Texas Democrats Double Down on Support for Unfettered Abortion</u>, Democrat gubernatorial candidate Beto O'Rourke says he opposes any restrictions on abortion. Texas Scorecard, **05 May 2022**
- <u>Beto O'Rourke Backs Legalizing Casinos, Sports Betting for Additional Tax Revenue</u>, The Texan, **21 April 2022**, The Democratic candidate for governor suggested legalizing gambling could provide an opening for property tax relief.
- <u>Democrat Jessica Cisneros Tops Cruz, Crenshaw with Latest Fundraising Numbers of Texas Federal Candidates</u>, The Texan, **18 April 2022 [Includes** John Cornyn, our US Senator and Roger Williams, our US House Representative (District 25), running unopposed in the this year's elections.]
- Abbott Plays Defense to Patrick's Offense Episode 162, Luke Macias talks about Greg Abbott's questionable runoff endorsements, Texas Scorecard, 06
 April 2022
 - Lt. Gov. Patrick, whose role puts him constitutionally at the helm of the Texas Senate, is pushing senators to ban taxpayer-funded lobbying in 2023. As Sydnie Henry reports, the Senate has passed bans on the odious practice in the past, but those efforts were blocked by the Texas House leadership of Speaker Dade Phelan (R-Beaumont) In 2020, more than 94 percent of Republican primary voters supported a ballot proposition calling on lawmakers to ban taxpayer-funded lobbying
- <u>Dan Patrick Takes Aim at 'Woke' Disney</u>, Calls for Legislation Prohibiting Sexualization of Children in the Classroom, The lieutenant governor urged supporters to oppose Disney and said he wants parental rights legislation like the bill enacted in Florida, The Texan, 05 April 2022
- On Statewide Tour, Beto O'Rourke Contradicts Previous Campaign Positions The Texan, 22 March 202 In his 2022 gubernatorial bid, Beto O'Rourke struggles to square the circle between stances taken in his previous two bids for public office.
- Beto O'Rourke to visit county, The Community News, 18 March 2022
- Republican Incumbents on Texas Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals Face Democratic Opponents, The Texan, 17 March 2022 Texas has two courts of last resort the Texas Supreme Court and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. Civil cases and juvenile discipline cases are appealed to the former, while adult criminal cases are appealed to the latter. The judgeships are elected statewide and each court has been composed entirely of Republicans for decades.
- Beto Tries to Backtrack From Hard-left Positions, Appealing to moderate voters, O'Rourke "clarified" his stance on guns and spoke against critical race theory in public schools. Texas Scorecard, 15 March 2022
- As the Democrat Party has not won a statewide office in more than 20 years, Sydnie Henry reports Democrat gubernatorial candidate Robert "Beto" O'Rourke has recently been walking back some of the hard-left positions that served him well on the national stage but not as well in Texas. O'Rourke famously proclaimed in the 2019 Democratic presidential primary debate in Houston, "Hell, yes, we're going to take your AR-15, your AK-47," in support of mandatory gun buyback programs that would essentially confiscate currently legally owned military-style rifles. However, at a campaign event in Tyler last month, O'Rourke told reporters, "I'm not interested in taking anything from anyone. What I want to make sure that we do is defend the Second Amendment." In a similar appeal to moderate voters Friday night, O'Rourke distanced himself from critical race theory, a hot topic in parental rights and public education. After once again dodging the question of whether he supported the racist ideology in public schools, O'Rourke eventually answered, saying, "No, I don't think [CRT] should be taught in our schools."

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