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Special Workshop
Election Resources and Tools for 2023
February 22-26, 2023
The Westin Pasadena, CA
DRAFT Agenda
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Wednesday, February 22

4-5pm   CERA/CERV Focus Group
(Discussion open to all members)

6-7:30pm   Registration Open
Welcome Reception (location TBD)

All meetings Thursday and Friday will be held in a room TBD

Thursday, February 23

8am-3pm   **Registration Open**

8:30-9am   **Continental Breakfast**

9-9:15am   **Welcome: Election Center Executive Leadership**

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COMMUNICATIONS BLOCK
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9:15-10am   **Getting the Word Out: Conversation with Alex Cohen & Sara Sadhwani of "Inside the Issues—The Podcast" and former NPR Correspondent Pam Fessler**

10-11am   **Telling Your Story Well: Elections Group Communication Workshop**
Bring your laptop, your press releases, your social media campaigns, and your questions for this session on how to effectively communicate what happens in your office to those you serve.
TJ Psyche, Rebecca Roberson, & Andrew Haun, Elections Group

11-11:15am   **Break**

11:15-11:30am   **electionline.org**
Get an update on electionline.org and share your thoughts on what you would like to see moving forward.
Mindy Moretti, Editor

11:30am-12:15pm **Practical Applications of Communications: Ethics and Trust**
Institute for Election Administration Research and Practice and Journal of Election Administration, Research & Practice this session will be a conversation around the status of the Institute's work and provide a space for members to share their thoughts and input.
Dr Kathleen Hale, Auburn University
Mitchell Brown, Auburn University
David Stafford, Supervisor of Elections, Escambia Co., FL

12:15-1:15pm   **Hosted Lunch**

DESIGN BLOCK

1:15-2pm   **Designing Elections: A Workshop on Basic Principles to Improve Your Materials**
Design makes our lives better, or not. This session will cover some design principles for election officials to use as a framework for their work. This is a first-time Election Center presentation by the d.school at Stanford and members won't want to miss this!
Dr David Janka, Stanford University d.school

2-2:45pm   **Designing Elections: A Workshop on Tools Available and in the Works**
This session will highlight the newest tools and resources available for election professionals with demonstrations, hands-on trials, and the potential for giving feedback for the future.
Tasmin Swanson, Center for Civic Design
Josh Goldman, Center for Tech and Civic Life

2:45-3pm   **BREAK**

ACCESS BLOCK

3-3:30pm   **Breaking Down the Barriers: Forming Advisory Boards & Innovations in Accessible Voting**
Paul Spencer & Gabe Taylor, Disability Rights California
Peg Perl, Jefferson Co, CO on Accessible Vote by Mail

3:30-4pm   **Breaking Down the Barriers:** Voting in Jails / Outreach & Engagement with Justice-involved Individuals
Scott Sussman, Restore the Vote, District of Columbia Board of Elections
Jessica Sarriot, Los Angeles County Justice Care and Opportunities Department
Phillip Verbera, Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

4-4:45pm   **U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC)**

4:45-5pm   **Wrap & Day 2 Preview**

Friday, February 24th

8-10am   **Registration Open**

8:30-9am   **Continental Breakfast**

9-9:15am   **Opening Remarks**

SECURITY BLOCK

9:15-10:15am   **Security Workshop: Reacting to Incident Notifications**
John Keller, U.S. Dept. of Justice/FBI Election Officials Task Force
Noah Praetz & Ryan Macias, DHS/CISA
Marci Andino, EI-ISAC

LOGISTICS AND PLANNING BLOCK

10:15 – 11am **Planning Tools and Resources Workshop:**
URI VOTES will perform an interactive walkthrough of the Voting Resource Allocation Pocket Guide, a polling place resource allocation tool, and discuss ongoing and future tools to aid with election planning.

The Voting Resource Pocket Guide provides users with an interactive tool to estimate wait times based on selected resource allocations and visualizes the impact of increasing or decreasing resource quantities. A cheat sheet with recommended resource allocations is also available within the Pocket Guide for several levels of voter turnout.

Where to place your polling locations and ballot drop-boxes based on sound data layers—CID will demonstrate the tools available in a growing number of states.

Dr Gretchen Macht, Dr. Nicholas Bernardo, & Amber Fearn of URIVotes
Dr Mindy Romero, USC Center for Inclusive Democracy

11-11:45pm **Wait time Web Interface and a Ballot Box Placement Optimization Plan Workshop**
Lindsey Wilson, U.S. Digital Response

VOTE BY MAIL PROCESSING BLOCK

11:45--1pm **Signature Verification & Ballot Curing Strategies Workshop**
This workshop will walk through the various stages of sig ver, approaches to training, and administrative solutions to common challenges.
Jennifer Morrell & Michele Forney, Elections Group

1:00-2:15pm **Lunch on Own**

2:15-2:30pm **Tour Instructions & Load Buses (Buses leave at 2:30pm)**

2:30-5pm **Tour of Los Angeles Facilities**

5pm-6pm **Hosted Reception at Los Angeles Facilities**

Saturday, February 25

9am-12pm **Courses 7, 8, and renewal Course 13**
12-1:30 pm **Lunch CERA/CERV students only**
1:30-4:30pm **Classes continued**

Sunday, February 26

8-11am **Courses 7,8 and 13 Continued**