



As survivors, we are entitled to vote without sacrificing our safety. Our voices will be heard, our stories will not be ignored, and our votes will be counted.

If you are a survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, or stalking, the **Illinois Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)** can help you protect your privacy and exercise your right to vote safely.

WHAT IS THE ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (ACP)?

Address Confidentiality Programs (ACP) protect survivors and their families from harmful individuals by providing a legal substitute address to use instead of their existing address. ACP addresses are NOT public record and may be used for court and government records (e.g., driver's licenses; voter registration; etc.). The ACP forwards all first-class, registered, and certified mail to a survivor's real address, free of charge.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- + Illinois residents or people planning to move to Illinois soon who are:
 - + An adult who **1.)** believes they are a survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, or stalking and **2.)** fears for their safety.
 - + A parent or guardian acting on behalf of a minor child or a person with a disability, who **1.)** believes that the person they are acting on behalf of is a survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, or stalking and **2.)** fears for that person's safety.

Act 61 *Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking Act*

HOW DO I ENROLL?

Enrollment is free and can be completed by:

1. Complete **the secure online application OR download the PDF version.**
 - a. For help, call the Attorney General's Office at 1-844-916-0295 or acp@ilag.gov. Individuals with hearing or speech disabilities may use **the 711 relay service.**
 - b. The ACP does not require a police report or protective order as proof of violence and the applicant is not required to report the violence to law enforcement. Please include one of the following proofs of residency (If you are unable to, call 1-844-916-0295 for alternatives):
 - i. A copy of a lease with your name and residential address.
 - ii. A copy of a utility bill or piece of mail with your name and residential address
 - iii. A letter from the owner or renter of the residential address stating that you currently reside at the address and a copy of a lease, a utility bill, or mail with the owner or renter's name and residential address.
 - iv. A letter from an advocate or social service worker stating that you currently reside at a shelter. In this case, the shelter's mailing address must be used as the applicant's current residential address.
2. If you complete the PDF application, submit it to:
 - a. Office of the Illinois Attorney General, Address Confidentiality Program, 115 South LaSalle, 12th Floor Chicago, IL 60603, Fax: 312-793-0654
3. Upon approval, you will receive your ACP card with your substitute address. Local and State agencies must accept your substitute address. This information is effective for 4 years.

WHO HAS MY ACTUAL ADDRESS?

The Office of the Attorney General

PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY. CAST YOUR VOTE FOR SURVIVORS EVERYWHERE.



VOTING AND THE ILLINOIS ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (ACP)

HOW WOULD I REGISTER TO VOTE OR UPDATE MY VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION?

As an ACP participant who is otherwise qualified to vote, you may register or re-register to vote by submitting the Illinois ACP Voter Registration Application (found in your ACP Welcome Materials folder) to your local election authority.

HOW WOULD I CAST MY BALLOT AND KEEP MY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL?

You must vote by mail so that local election authorities can keep your information private from members of the public, as otherwise required by law.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY PREVIOUS REGISTRATION HAS OR MAY HAVE BEEN POSTED ONLINE?

The State of Illinois cannot remove previous voter registration from public record. Your information can only be protected once you register as a confidential voter.

HOW WILL MY INFORMATION SHOW UP IN A FUTURE VOTER REGISTRATION SEARCH?

As an ACP voter, your information will not be included in any list of registered voters or voter registration records made available to the public.

The only time an election authority would share your information is under the following circumstances:

- + If requested by a law enforcement agency, to the law enforcement agency; and;
- + If directed by court order, to a person

Section 750 ILCS 61/30 Voting by program participant; use of designated address by election authority

WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

For questions about the ACP:

- + Phone: 1-844-916-0295 (Toll-Free)
- + Email: acp@ilag.gov
- + Individuals with hearing or speech disabilities please use the **711 relay service**.

For questions about voting contact your local election authority. **Click here to find the contact information for your county.**