



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're a survivor of domestic violence, sexual offense, stalking, or human trafficking, the **North Carolina Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)** can help protect your privacy and provide a way to exercise your right to vote safely.

WHAT IS AN 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?

- + North Carolina residents who recently moved or plan to move to a new address and are:
 - + A survivor of domestic violence, sexual offense, stalking, or human trafficking
 - + An adult (over 18 years old)
 - + A parent or guardian acting on behalf of a minor who lives with you
 - + A guardian acting on behalf of an incapacitated individual
 - + Able to sign a statement that you fear for your safety or the safety of your children

Chapter 15C. Address Confidentiality Program
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HOW DO I ENROLL?

Enrollment is free and can be completed by:

1. Visit an Application Assistant at a domestic violence or sexual assault center. Together, you will complete your application, develop a personal safety plan, and discuss ACP guidelines.
 - a. To find an Assistant, contact the ACP program manager. Email acp@ncdoj.gov or call **(919) 716-6785**.
 - b. Bring your photo ID to the appointment.
 - c. The Assistant will work with you to ensure you can provide one of the following:
 - i. Law enforcement, court, or other federal or state agency records or files.
 - ii. Documentation from a domestic violence program.
 - iii. Documentation from a religious, medical, or other professional.
 - iv. Documentation of an application for federal assistance or benefits under federal human trafficking laws.
2. The Application Assistant will submit your application to the Attorney General.
3. Upon approval, you will receive an ACP Authorization Card that can be used to provide official notice to state and local government agencies when registering to vote.

WHO HAS MY ACTUAL ADDRESS?

The Attorney General's Office.

PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY. CAST YOUR VOTE FOR SURVIVORS EVERYWHERE.



VOTING AND THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (ACP)

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

You will register to vote through your **County Board of Elections**. Make sure to bring your ACP card and ACP verification letter as proof of your enrollment.

Your substitute address designation provided by the Attorney General cannot be used as an address for voter registration or verification purposes. Due to federal voting regulations, you must provide your real address to only the Director. Your original application and forms will be kept in a locked file that only the Director can access.

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

To keep your ballot confidential, you will submit the following to your County Board of Elections:

- + Your ACP authorization card
- + A signed statement that you have good reason to believe that your physical safety would be jeopardized if the voter's address was open to public inspection.

A board of elections will use your actual address for all election-related purposes and will keep the address confidential from the public.

§ 163-82.10. Official record of voter registration.

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

Your information cannot be removed from the registry under state law. North Carolina requires the name, address, date of birth, voting history, and voting district of every registered voter in the state to be made available to the public.

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

Once registered as an ACP voter, your voter registration information will be kept confidential and not included on any public lists. Your address is a public record but will be kept confidential while you are a certified ACP participant.

WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

For questions about the ACP:

- + Email: acp@ncdoj.gov
- + Phone: (919) 716-6785.

For questions about voting, contact the North Carolina State Board of Elections:

- + Email: elections.sboe@ncsbe.gov
- + Phone: (919) 814-0700