



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, stalking, or human trafficking, **Pennsylvania's Address Confidentiality Program (ACP)** can help protect your privacy and provide a way to safely exercise your right to vote.

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?

- + Survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking
- + **Any** household member of an eligible person (e.g., a minor child who lives with an ACP participant)

Title 37, Chapter 802. *The Domestic Violence And Sexual Violence Address Confidentiality Program.*

HOW DO I ENROLL?

Enrollment is free and can be completed by:

1. Contacting the Pennsylvania Office of the Victim Advocate (OVA) directly at 800.563.6399; or by
2. Contacting a **local victim service agency**

Applications can be submitted electronically or by mail. OVA typically receives electronically submitted applications within 3-4 days. For applications sent by mail, OVA typically receives applications within 3-4 weeks.

No documentation is necessary to establish eligibility (i.e., you do not need to provide a police report, medical records, etc.). Instead, you self-identify as a survivor with a written statement. Once OVA receives your application, it may take about a week to approve.

Once approved you will receive a welcome booklet, an ACP card, and a verification letter that can be used to provide official notice to state and local government agencies (i.e., the Pennsylvania Department of State, etc.) when registering to vote.

WHO HAS MY ACTUAL ADDRESS?

The Pennsylvania Office of the Victim Advocate (OVA)

PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY. CAST YOUR VOTE FOR SURVIVORS EVERYWHERE.



VOTING AND THE PENNSYLVANIA ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (ACP)

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

Register to vote with the Pennsylvania Department of State. Make sure to bring your ACP card and ACP verification letter as proof of your enrollment.

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 will have access to.

A record of your registration will be in the statewide voter registration system. This record will use a code generated by the system *instead* of your residential address. Only this code and your ACP number will appear on public voter lists and reports.

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

All voting must be done via absentee or mail-in ballot. Reach out to your voting precinct to request an absentee or mail-in ballot and visit [Vote.PA.Gov](https://www.vote.pa.gov) for more information.

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

Your information cannot be removed from the registry under state law. PA 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 through the Pennsylvania Department of State, your voter registration information will be kept confidential and will not be included on any lists made available to the public.

WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

- + For questions related to The Pennsylvania Domestic And Sexual Violence Victim Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) contact the Office of Victim Advocate at 800.563.6399 or ra-ovainfo@pa.gov.
- + For questions related to Voter Registration and Voting contact the Pennsylvania Department of State at 1-877-VOTESPA (1-877-868-3772) or ST-VoterReg@pa.gov.