



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 **West Virginia Address Confidentiality Program** can help you protect your privacy and 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 records 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?

- + An applicant must be a resident of the state of West Virginia who is:
 - + A survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking
 - + A parent or guardian acting on behalf of a minor or incapacitated person who is a survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking
 - + In fear for their safety, their children's safety, or the safety of the person they're applying for
 - + Not required to register as a sex offender

§48-28A-103 Address Confidentiality Program - West Virginia Code

HOW DO I ENROLL?

Enrollment is free and can be completed by:

1. Contact an application assistant to schedule an in-person application visit.
 - a. Email acp@wvsos.com or call **(304) 558-6000** to find an assistant.
 - b. Your assistant will help you complete the participant **application**.
 - c. Additional documentation is NOT needed to prove eligibility.
2. Your assistant will mail your completed application to the ACP.
3. Upon approval, you will receive your ACP Authorization Card with your substitute address. Use this information to notify state and local government agencies of your ACP status when you register to vote.
4. ACP certification lasts 4 years unless canceled.

WHO HAS MY ACTUAL ADDRESS?

The West Virginia Secretary of State's Office.

PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY. CAST YOUR VOTE FOR SURVIVORS EVERYWHERE.



VOTING AND THE WEST VIRGINIA ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (ACP)

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

As an ACP participant, you can register to vote as a special absentee voter through the ACP program manager (within the Secretary of State's Office).

The program manager will notify the designated county contact to mail an absentee ballot to you for each election.

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

Once you are registered as a special absentee voter, the Address Confidentiality program manager will mail you an absentee ballot no later than 46 days before each election.

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

The Board of Elections can only protect voter registration you establish as a confidential voter. Your previous registrations cannot be removed from the registry.

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

Once you register as a special absentee voter, your name and address will not be included in any list of registered voters available to the public.

WHO DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

- + For questions about the ACP contact the Address Confidentiality Program (WV Secretary of State)
 - + Phone: (304) 558-6000
 - + Email: acp@wvsos.com
- + For questions about voting contact the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office
 - + Phone 304-558-6000
 - + Email: elections@wvsos.gov