

## **In-person voter registration deadline nearing**

### **Local News**

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OLYMPIA, Wash. - If you have never registered to vote in Washington and want to cast a ballot in the November 3 General Election, do it soon.

Monday, October 26, is the last day for in-person registration for citizens not currently registered to vote in the Evergreen State. People should go to their county elections office to register in person. To visit a county's elections Web page, click on this state [map](#) and then click on the county you want.

Secretary of State Sam Reed is urging unregistered Washington residents to sign up soon so they can vote on local races, as well as two highly publicized and hotly debated statewide ballot measures:

? Initiative 1033 aims to cap the annual growth of state, county and city general funds at the rate of inflation plus population growth. Revenue above the cap would be used to reduce property taxes.

? Referendum 71 asks voters to weigh in on a bill passed by the Legislature this year that expands domestic partnership rights and responsibilities.

&ldquo;Besides I-1033 and R-71, there are many mayoral and council races in cities and counties across Washington that are important to those communities, such as the County Executive and County Council races in King County and the County Council races in Snohomish County, and three state House races in Eastern Washington,&rdquo; Reed said. &ldquo;If you want to have a say, but haven't registered to vote, do it before it's too late.&rdquo;

Reed predicts a 51 percent voter turnout for the General Election.

Citizens who register in person to vote will receive their ballot for the November 3 General Election either in person at their county elections office or via regular mail, depending on the county.

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