



# Your Vote Matters

## *Information for Individuals with Disabilities*

*Brought to you by the City of Easthampton,  
Commission on Disability*

*The November 8th election will be one of the most important elections in over a decade.*

The disability community—people with disabilities, family, members, attendants, providers, professionals, advocates and supporters—has a major stake in the outcome of this election. Under the Bill of Voting Rights, you have the right to take part in civic life. So know your rights!

### REGISTERING TO VOTE

I may register to vote in Massachusetts if:

- I am a citizen of the United States and;
- I will be at least 18 years old on or before the next election and;
- I am a resident of Massachusetts and;
- I am not currently incarcerated by reason of a felony conviction.
- I may register to vote online, by mail, or in-person.
- If someone challenges my qualification or right to vote, I have the right to vote a provisional ballot.

### IDENTIFICATION

I may be required to show identification when:

- I registered by mail and it is my first time voting in a federal election in Massachusetts
- I am an inactive voter or casting a provisional ballot.

Acceptable ID must include my name and address at which I'm registered to vote. Examples include: a driver's license, state-issued ID card, recent utility bill, lease, a copy of a voter registration affidavit, or any other printed identification which contains name and address.

### VOTING AND ACCOMMODATIONS

If I am registered to vote, I have the right:

- To vote alone or with help.
- To vote with guardian, unless a court determines you cannot.
- To be accommodated at all polling places with assistive voting devices.
- To bring anyone I choose into the voting booth with me if I need help marking my ballot due to physical disability, inability to read or read English. Or, I may ask for help from two poll workers (by law, the poll workers assisting you should be of different political parties).
- To mark my ballot independently with the AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal, which is available in every polling place.
- To vote if I am waiting in line when the poll closes.
- To have accessible parking.

*If you feel your right to vote has been violated in any way, call the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Elections Division at 1-800-462-VOTE (8683).*