Things to know about Maryland

- Every local jurisdiction uses the same voting system
- We build the ballots for all county election offices
- We have “no excuse” mail-in voting
- Any mail-in voter can receive their ballot electronically
- Voters cannot submit their voted ballots online
- The National Federation of the Blind (NFB) is headquartered here
- The University of Baltimore has a usability lab and a professor who is very interested in elections
How the Online Ballot Delivery System Works

- When ballots are ready, we send an email with a link to the system
- Voter creates a username and password to access the system
- Voter picks how to mark the ballot - by hand or using online ballot marking tool
  - By Hand: Print a blank ballot and mark the ballot by hand
  - Tool: Select candidates in system and print a ballot with the selections marked
- Voter prints either a blank ballot or ballot with selections
- Voter puts printed ballot into envelope and returns by mail or in person

This is a ballot delivery system only - no online return of voted ballots.
Decide how to make your voting selections.

Frequently Asked Questions
User Guide

How would you like to mark your ballot?

- Mark online, then print and mail it in or deliver it in person to your local board of elections or a voting location or a ballot drop box.
- I understand that the State Board of Elections has taken steps to protect the secrecy of my ballot but cannot guarantee secrecy when I mark my ballot online using my own computer, nor can it protect against all risks with using the internet.
- Print blank ballot, then mark by hand and mail it in or deliver it in person to your local board of elections or a voting location or a ballot drop box.

Both options require that you PRINT and MAIL your ballot or DELIVER it in person to your local board of elections or a voting location or a ballot drop box.

Next
Mark your votes.

For security purposes, you will be automatically logged out after 15 minutes of inactivity.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2014
STATE OF MARYLAND, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

GOVERNOR / LT. GOVERNOR
Vote for One

- Anthony G. Brown
  And
  Ken Ulman
  Democratic

- Larry Hogan
  And
  Boyd Rutherford
  Republican

- Shawn Quinn
  And
  Lorenzo Gaztanaga
  Libertarian

- Write-in

Next  Review and print ballot
Review your votes.
For security purposes, you will be automatically logged out after 15 minutes of inactivity.

Frequently Asked Questions

Below is a summary of your voting selections, which you may select to edit.
OFFICIAL BALLOT
GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2014
STATE OF MARYLAND, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

GOVERNOR / LT. GOVERNOR
You voted
Anthony G. Brown And Ken Ulman - Democratic

This contest is fully voted.
Click to Change.

COMPTROLLER
You voted
Peter Franchot - Democratic

This contest is fully voted.
Click to Change.

ATTORNEY GENERAL
You voted
Brian E. Frosh - Democratic

This contest is fully voted.
Click to Change.
History of Maryland’s Accessible Solution

- 2011: Received FVAP EASE grant to build an online ballot delivery system
- 2012: Offered online ballot delivery and marking tool to all voters
- 2013: State law amended to require the members of the State Board of Elections to certify the online ballot marking tool. The members did **not** certify it for use
- 2014: NFB sued for violating Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and §504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and a federal judge agreed.
- 2014: Online ballot marking tool was available for voters with disabilities
- 2016: Members of the State Board of Elections certified the use of the online ballot marking tool for all voters
- 2016 - Today: Solution is available for use for all voters
Things to Think About….

- Engage voters with disabilities to test your solution
- Be clear about what browser and accessibility tools work best with solution
- Treat as a separate mail-in voting program from mailed ballot packets
  - Import ballots from different voting systems and from local jurisdictions
  - Specific set of instructions, ballots and oath
  - Prepare and test system (example, plot X-Y coordinates for the oval locations)
- Prepare to provide help desk support & receive differently sized envelopes
  - Printing envelopes is a challenge
  - Prepare to send email with attachments to voters who aren’t able to access solution
  - Make sure that any envelope sorting solution can handle envelopes of different sizes
- Know whether ballots printed at home can be counted by your voting system
  - Duplicating these ballots is time consuming and resource intensive
Thank you!