



Ranked Choice Voting is Coming to Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro

In November 2010, Ranked Choice Voting (also known as Instant Run-off Voting) will be used by voters in Berkeley, Oakland and San Leandro to elect most local officials. Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) allows voters to choose a first-, second- and third-choice candidate for a single office. Ranked Choice Voting does not affect the election of county, state and federal officials or the approval or rejection of ballot measures.

How does Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) Work?

- To start, every voters first choice vote is counted.
- Any candidate who receives a majority of more than 50% of the first choice votes is declared the winner.
- If no candidate receives more than 50% of the first choice votes, a process of eliminating candidates and transferring of votes begins and is repeated until one candidate has a winning majority.

The Ranked Choice Voting Ballot

This postcard shows a sample RCV ballot, To review the official ballot for the November 2, 2010 election please see your information pamphlet or go online to www.acgov.org/rov/rcv

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