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**Stanislaus Required to Support Voters in 5 Languages**

Modesto, CA – April 5, 2018 – County Clerk / Recorder / Registrar of Voters Lee Lundrigan, announced new language requirements are in place for the June 5 Statewide Direct Primary Election. Stanislaus will now have support voters in varying degrees with five languages. In addition to all voting materials provided in the English language and the Spanish language, replica ballots also known as facsimile ballots will be available in three Limited English Proficient (LEP) languages at some polling places. Language assistance in the County Voter Information Guide and on the elections website at [www.stanvote.com](http://www.stanvote.com) will be available in the following languages:

- Assyrian/Syriac
- Khmer/ Cambodian
- Punjabi

The addition of these languages results from the county's population growth and corresponding shift in demographics. For a language group to receive coverage under the California Elections Code, three percent or more of the voting age residents within a precinct must be members of the language group and have difficulty voting in English without assistance. This new law has been enacted by the California legislature to ensure that no eligible voter experiences a barrier to voting because of his or her language skills.

The Registrar of Voters is always in need of poll workers, but especially those individuals who speak English/Khmer, English/Punjabi or English/Assyrian. County residents are invited to sign up as a bilingual poll worker for the upcoming June 5, 2018 election. Interested individuals can send an email to [pollworker@stancounty.com](mailto:pollworker@stancounty.com) or telephone poll worker services at 209-525-5233.

Stanislaus County ballots will continue to be printed in English and Spanish. However, due to the record number of 142 candidates on the ballot, there will be two ballot cards for the June 5 election. Two (2) cards will form one (1) ballot. The last election in which Stanislaus County had two cards was in 2006.