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# **Ranked Choice Voting and Taking Action in the 2025 Primary Elections**

Presented by the New York City  
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# Hi, I'm Ama (she/her)

I am a brown-skinned woman with natural black microlocks with brown and blonde highlights.

I am a passionate 3rd-generation educator who believes in the power of knowledge sharing and lifelong learning. The best educators never stop learning and understand that education should be as diverse as the people it serves.

Let's work together to ensure that learning is inclusive and accessible to all. And that collective knowledge is collective power!!

Fun fact: I have lived in 5 boroughs in New York City!



# Hi, I'm Luke.

I am a 30-year-old Sicilian-American man, with dark hair, glasses, and a black trimmed beard.

My role with NYC Votes is Senior Coordinator, Accessibility. I manage our relationships with the disability community throughout our city.

I believe being actively engaged in the democratic process is one of the key tools we have to affect change, coupled with civic engagement and movement building. This is why I am in this role, and why I am excited to be here with all of you today!!

**Fun Fact:** I can name almost any national flag in the world by sight.



# Agenda

**Ranked Choice  
Voting (RCV)**

**How to use  
Ranked Choice  
Voting (RCV)**

**Voting**

**What is on the  
Ballot?**

**Voting Rights**

**Take Action!**

**Resources**

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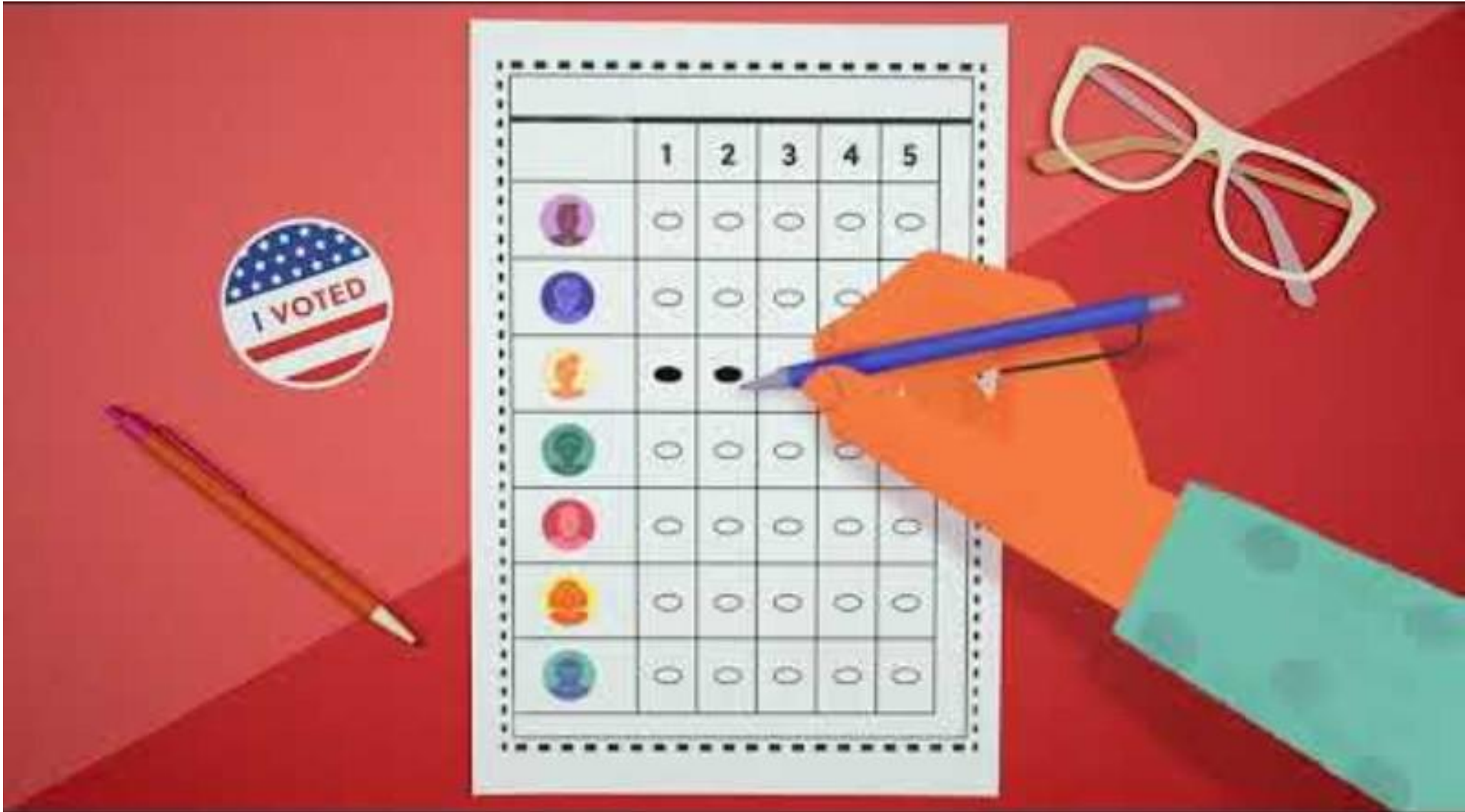
# NYC Votes

Is the voter engagement initiative of the NYC Campaign Finance Board. We focus on reaching New York City voters, especially those who are underrepresented in the electoral process, and equipping them with the resources they need to participate in our local elections.

- Register people to vote.
- Provide election information and materials like the Voter Guide.
- Educate community members and discuss barriers to voting.

# Ranked Choice Voting (RCV)

# What is RCV?



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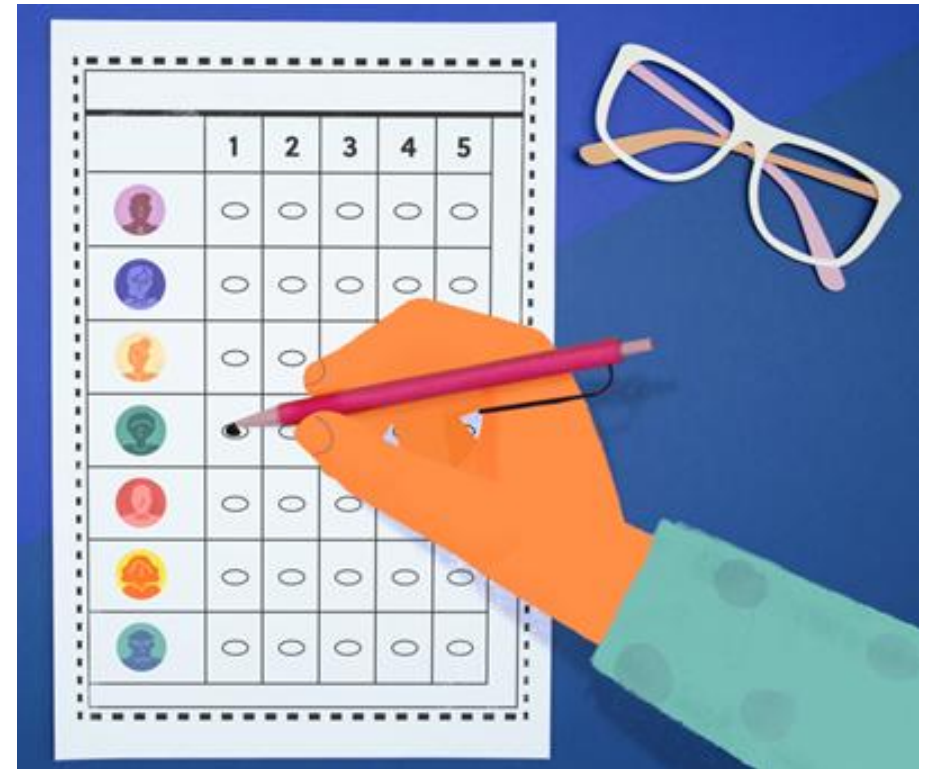
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# What is RCV?

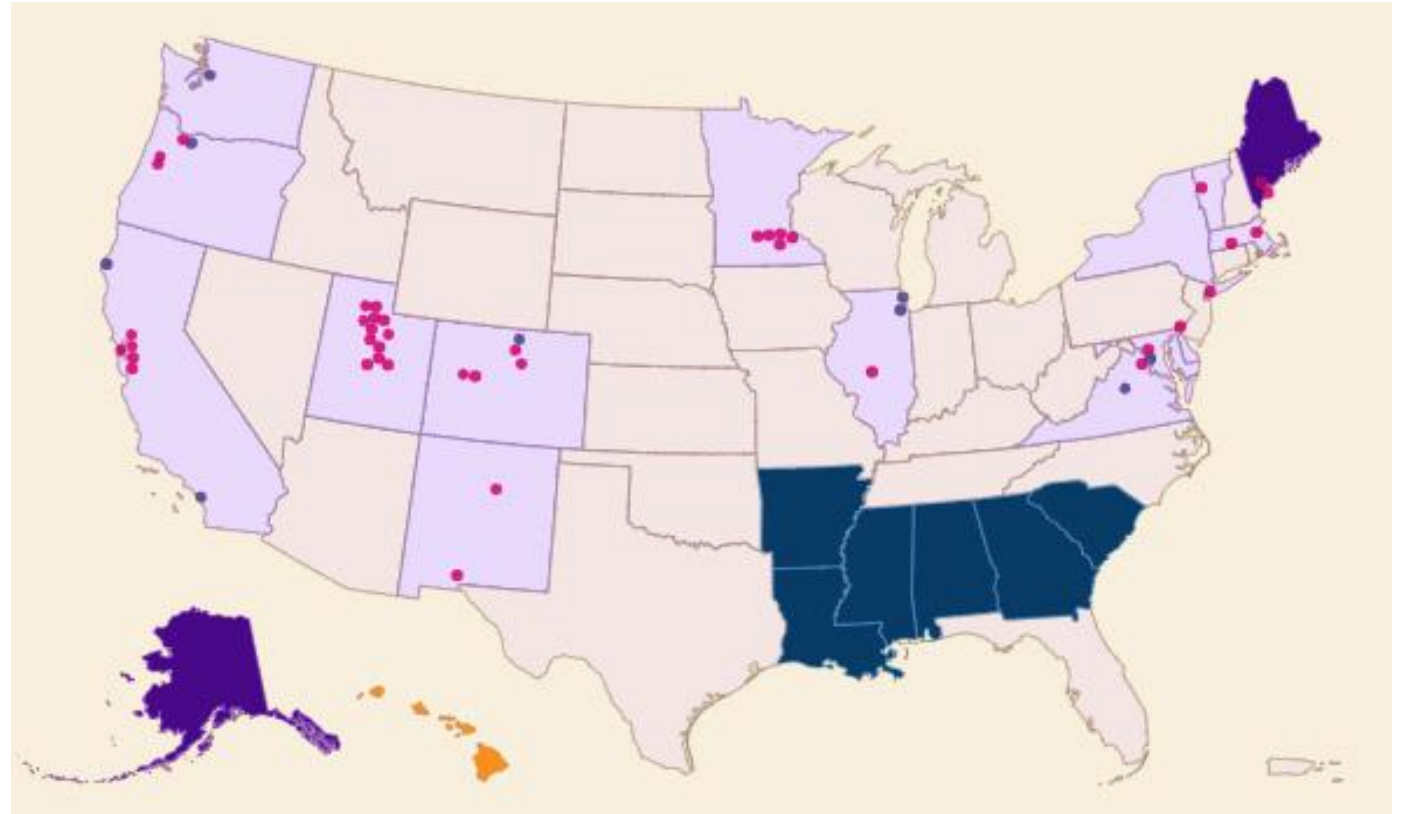
**RCV is a way for voters to elect their representatives.**

- Voters can rank up to 5 candidates in order of preference, instead of choosing just one.
- By ranking your top 5 candidates, voters are more likely to have their choice reflected in the final outcome.
- Votes are calculated in rounds.



# Who uses RCV?

- 62 U.S. jurisdictions:
  - ✓ 46 cities (including San Francisco, Minneapolis, Santa Fe, New York City)
  - ✓ 3 counties
  - ✓ Maine and Alaska
- The Academy Awards (Oscars)



**FairVote**

Cities and counties: ● In use ● Upcoming use  
States: ■ Used statewide ■ Local elections in some jurisdictions  
■ Military and overseas voters ■ 2020 Democratic presidential primary  
■ Special elections

# In 2025, New Yorkers will vote in a primary election for all the city offices. **These primary elections will use a process called Ranked Choice Voting.**



Used in special and primary elections for city offices:

- **Mayor**
- **Public Advocate**
- **Comptroller**
- **Borough President**
- **City Council**



**Not** used in general elections.



**Not** used for Federal or State races like President, Congress, or Governor.



**Not** used in local races like District Attorney and Judgeships.

# Marking your Ballot

# Meet the Candidates



## Pigeon

Let's make this city soar to new heights.



## Squirrel

Let's make NYC a little less nuts.



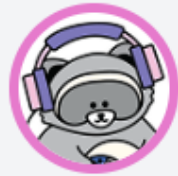
## Rat

NYC needs a leader who can get dirty.



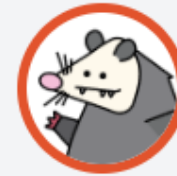
## Cat

A vote for me is a vote for a rat-free city.



## Raccoon





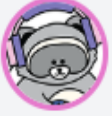

The city that never sleeps deserves a nocturnal leader.




## Possum





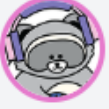

Bringing NYC together one garbage bag at a time.

# Steps for marking a ballot

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 Nice! You made your next choice. You can submit your ballot now or continue ranking.





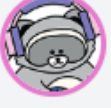
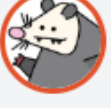
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**Oops! You can only rank one animal per column. If you rank two animals under the 1st column, your ballot will not be valid. If you rank two animals under the 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th column, only your earlier rankings will count.**

# Ballot marking error: Duplicate Ranking

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**!** Oops! You can only give one ranking to each animal. Only your highest ranking for a candidate will count.  
Note: Ranking other animals will not harm your first choice.

# SAMPLE BALLOT

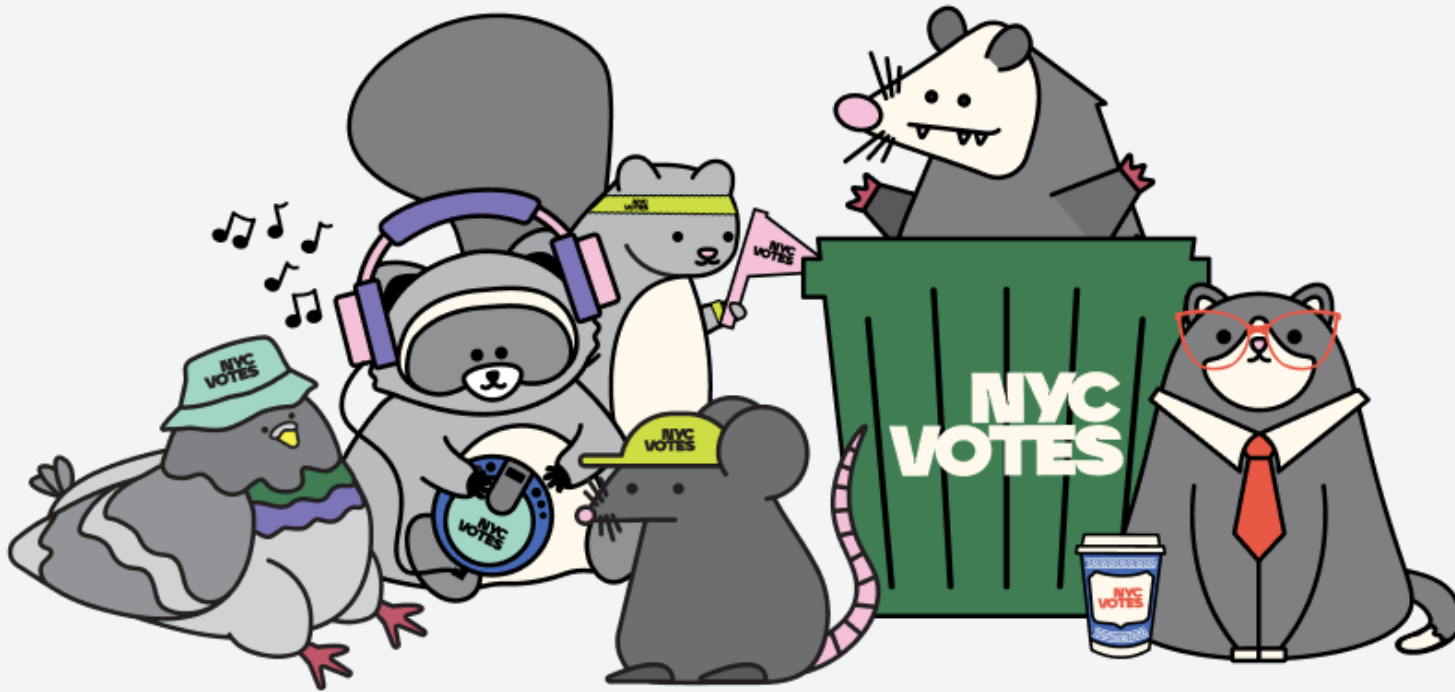
## Candidates for Mayor 2025



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# How Votes are Counted

# How ranked choice ballots are counted

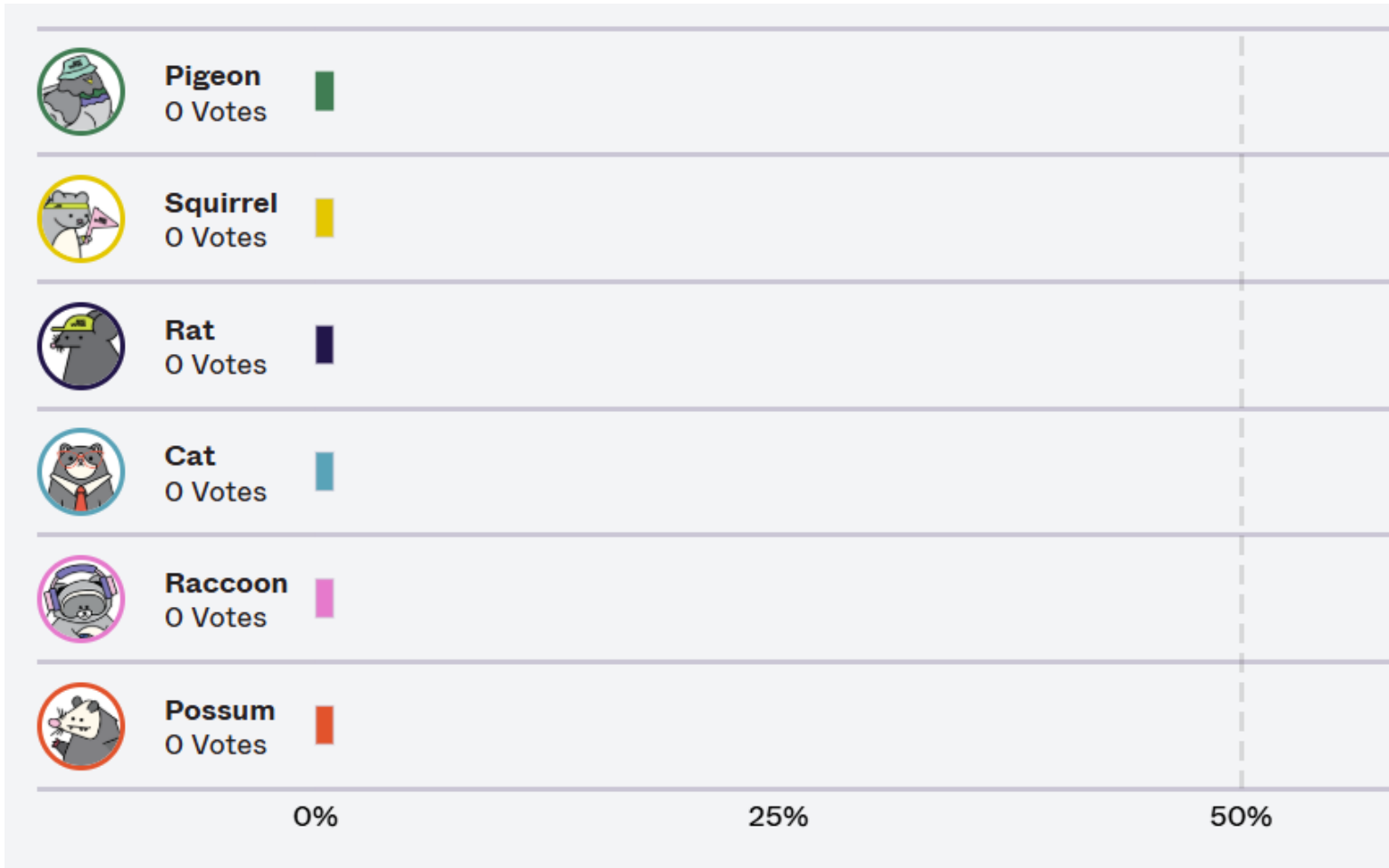


When counting begins, if a candidate gets more than 50% of first choice votes they win.

Otherwise, ballots are counted in rounds until 2 candidates remain.

Click “Start” to see how ballots are counted round by round.

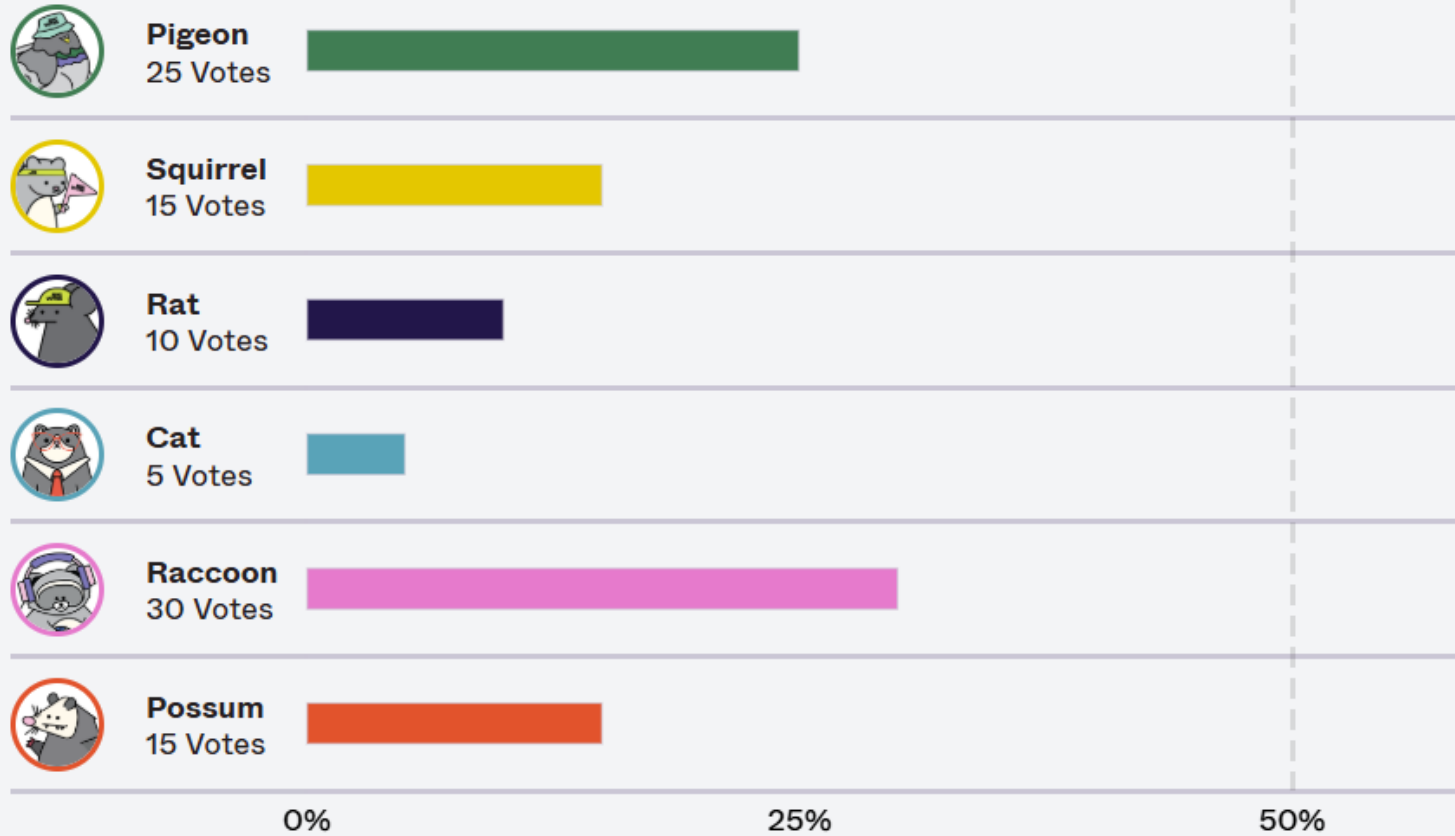
# Getting Started



- If no candidate has a majority (50%) of votes after counting all votes, then counting in rounds begins.
- Each round, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated.
- If your highest-ranked candidate is eliminated, your vote goes to the next highest-ranked candidate on your ballot.
- This process continues until there are only 2 candidates left.
- The candidate with the most votes wins.

Go to Round 1 to see the process begin.

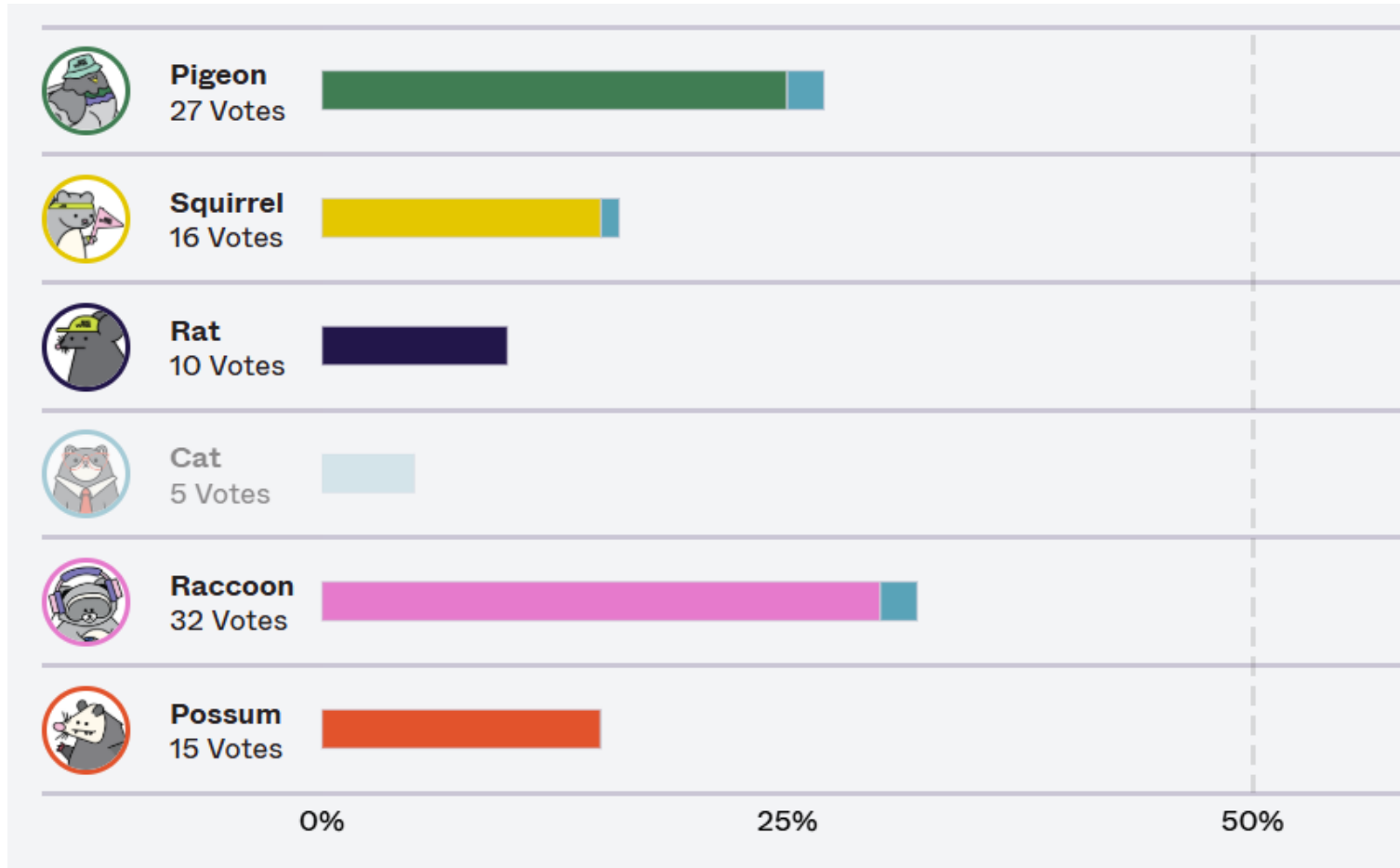
# Round 1



- After Round 1, no candidate got more than 50% of the votes, so counting in rounds begins.
- In this ballot, Raccoon starts off strong with 30 votes, followed by Pigeon with 25 votes, Squirrel and Possum tied with 15 votes, Rat with 10 votes, and Cat in last place with 5 votes.
- The counting now goes to Round 2.

*\*Only your vote for your 1st choice is counted.*

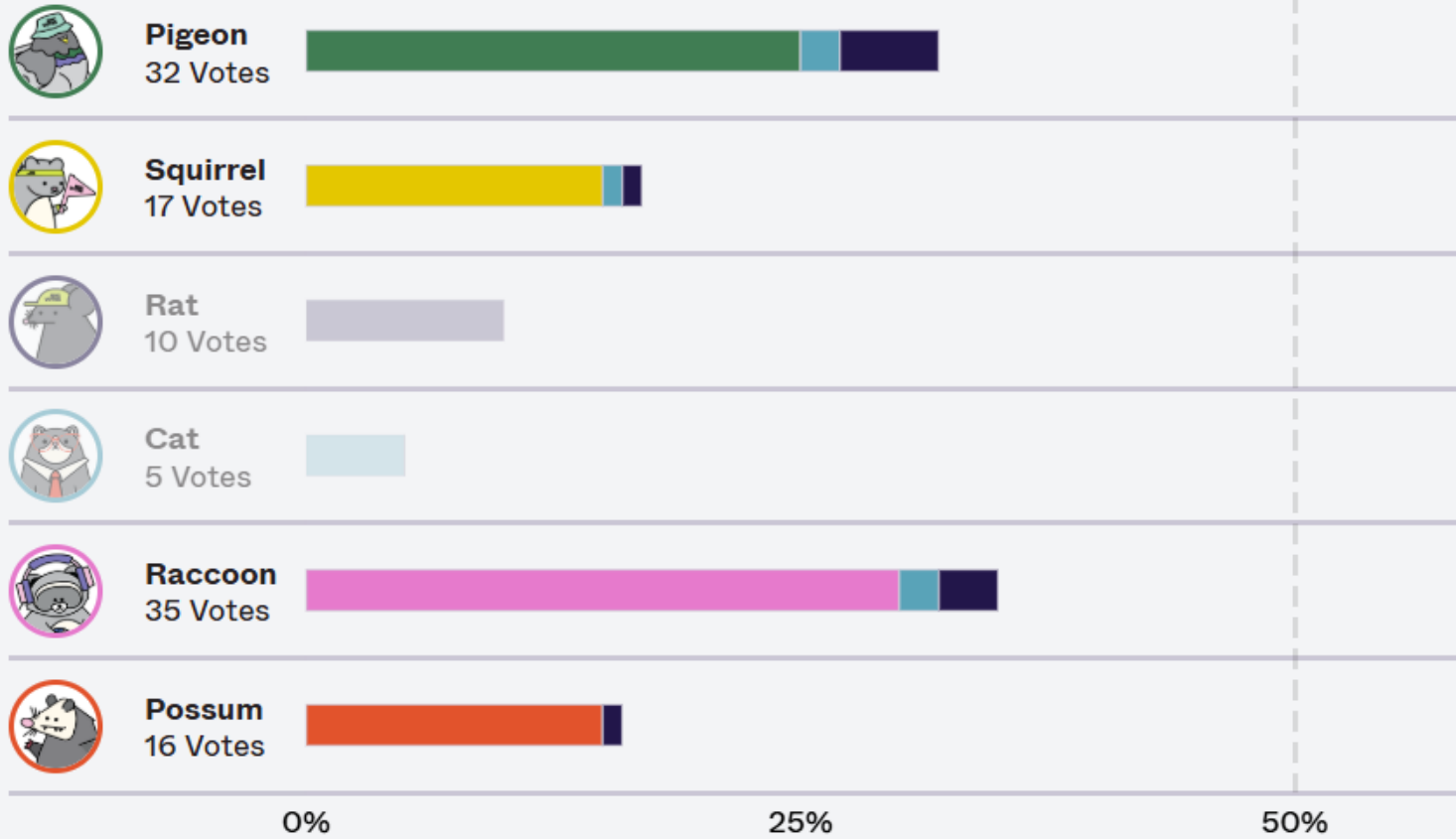
# Round 2



- Since Cat is the candidate with the fewest votes, they are eliminated.
- Ballots for the eliminated candidate, Cat, are counted for the voter's next choice. As indicated with color pink.
- Since no candidate has reached more than 50% of the votes to win, counting continues to Round 3.

*\*If your candidate has not been eliminated, your first choice still holds.*

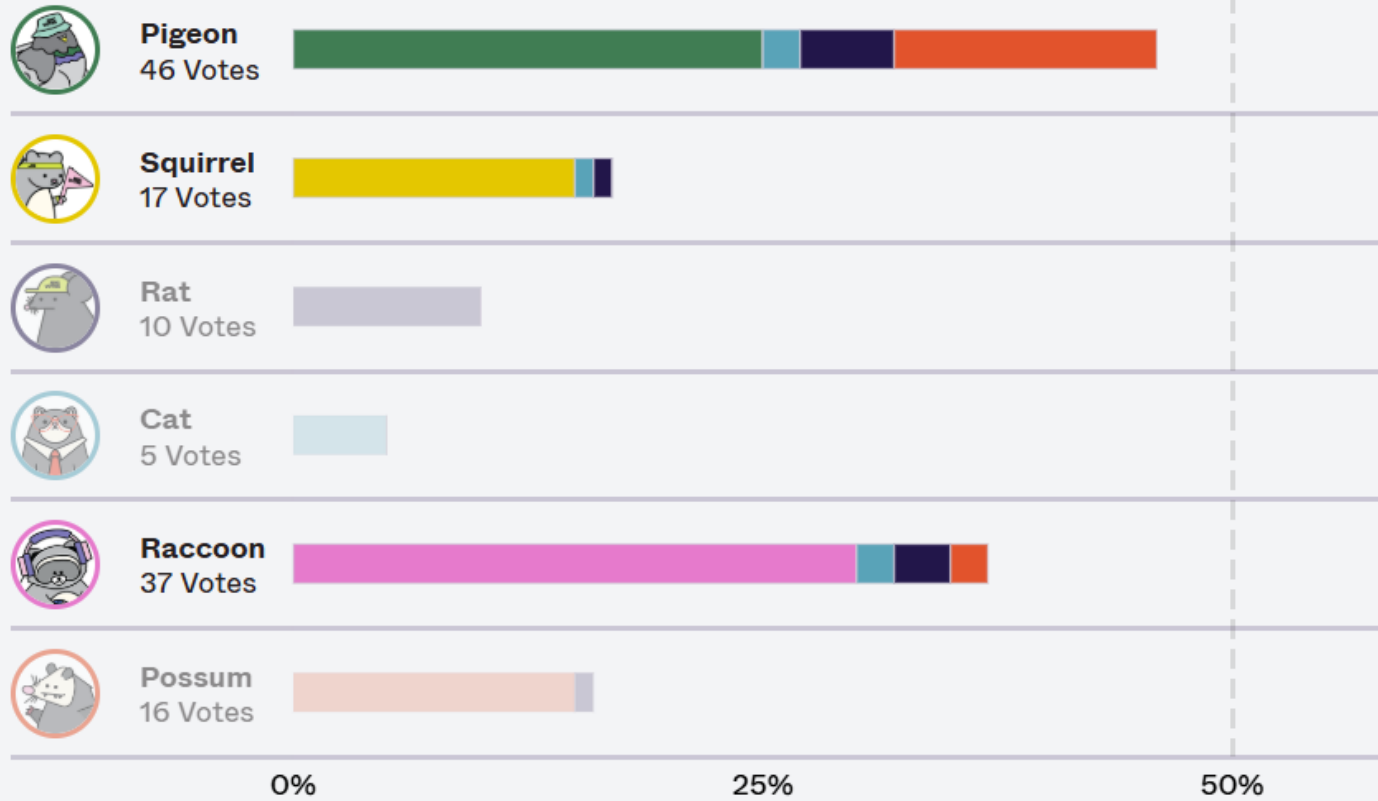
# Round 3



- The candidate with the fewest votes in this round is eliminated, Rat.
- Ballots for the eliminated candidate are counted for the voter's next choice. As indicated with the color yellow.
- Still no majority, counting continues on to Round 4.

*\*If your first choice candidate has been eliminated, your second choice vote is now counted.*

# Round 4



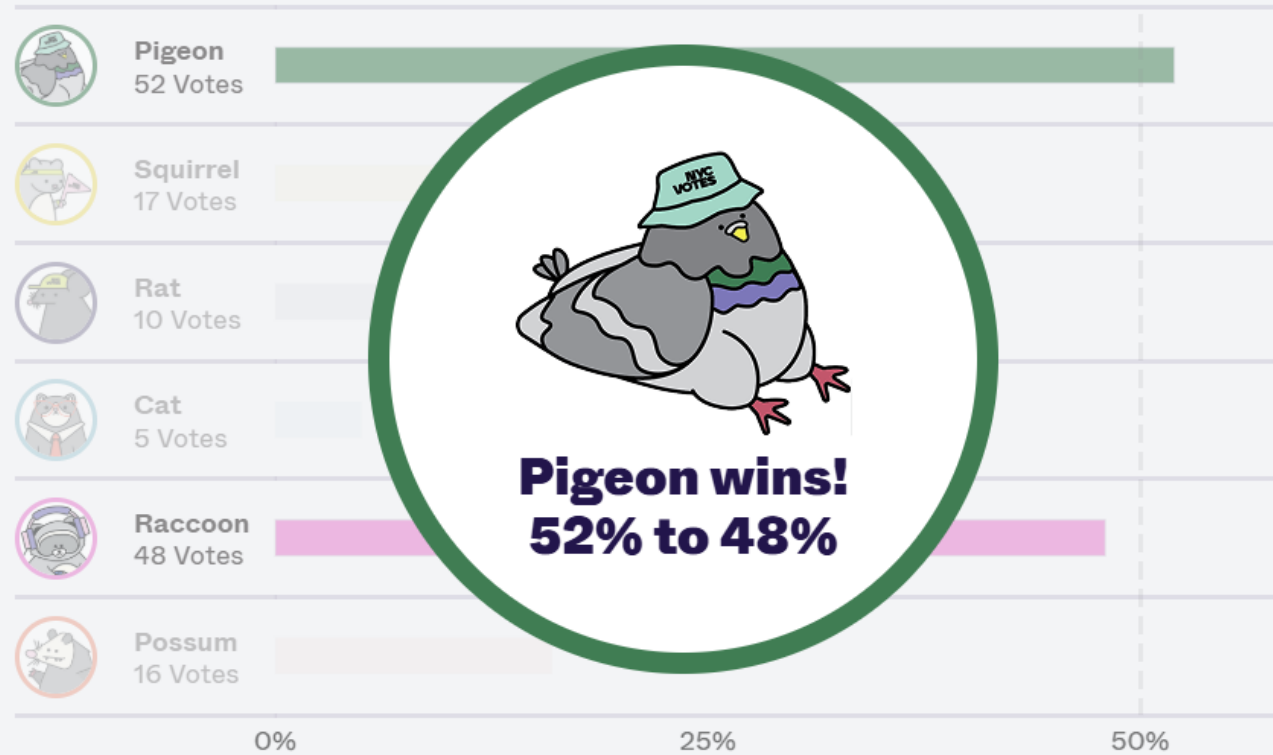
- Since there's still no majority, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated in this round: the Possum.
- Those ballots are counted for the voter's next choice.
- Still no winner. Move to Round 5.

*\*If your 2nd choice candidate has been eliminated, your 3rd choice vote is counted.*

*\*If your 3rd choice has also been eliminated, your 4th choice vote is now counted*

# Final round

## Final round



- The candidate with the fewest votes in this round is eliminated: the Squirrel.
- Pigeon and Raccoon are the final 2 candidates that remain.
- Votes from the Squirrel ballot are counted for the voter's next choice.
- A majority is reached!
- Pigeon now has a majority of votes and defeats Raccoon.

Pigeon is declared the winner with 52 votes!

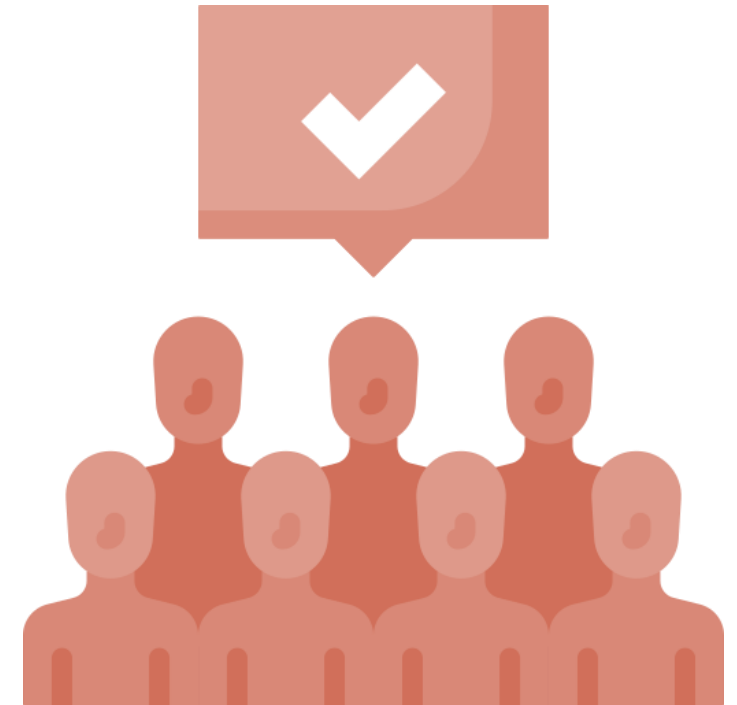
# Why use RCV

# Single-Choice Voting vs. Ranked Choice Voting

In typical elections, voters choose only one candidate for each office, and the candidate with the highest number of votes wins.

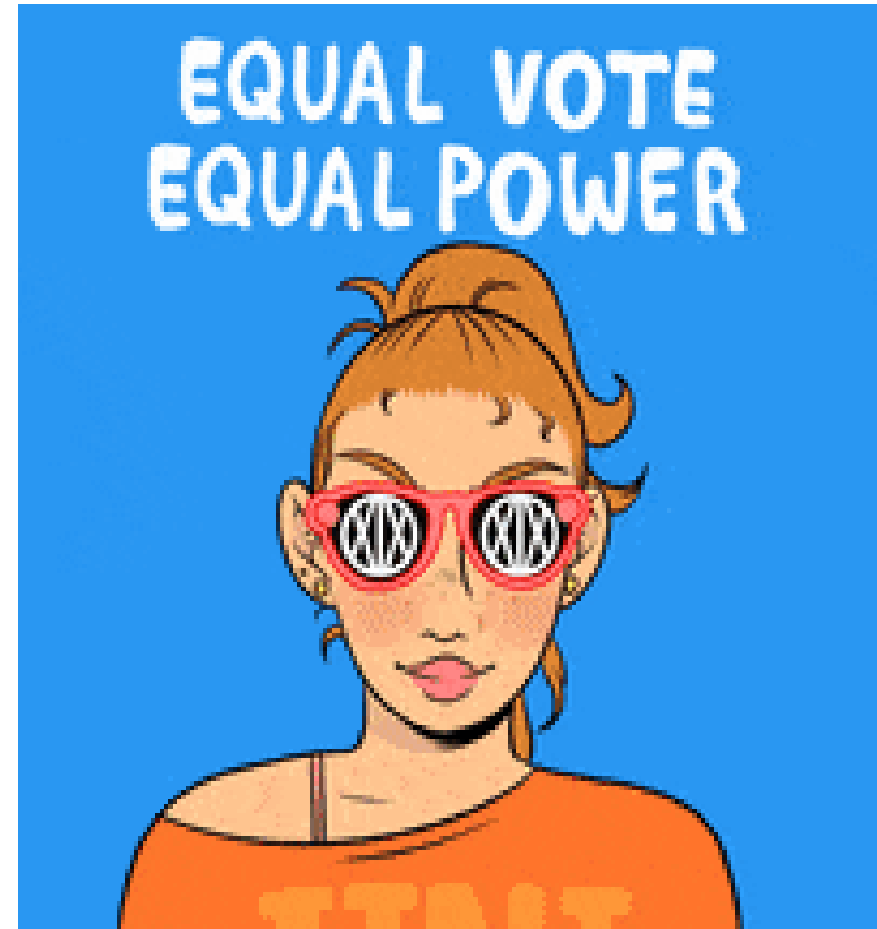
However, the winner doesn't always receive a majority of the vote.

Ranked Choice voting provides a more equitable way to select who represents us in office. The candidate with the majority of votes is declared the winner.



# How did RCV get to New York City?

- New Yorkers voted to use RCV in a 2019 ballot measure. It passed with 73.5% support.
- RCV is here because **voters chose it**, not candidates or special interests.
- NYC first used RCV in the 2021 primary and special elections. This is the second citywide election using RCV.



# How does RCV benefit voters

1. Voters get more say in who gets elected
2. Candidates are more likely to appeal to voters, not attack each other
3. Voters elect candidates who look more like our city



# 1. Voters get more say in who gets elected

**Even if your top choice doesn't win, you can still help choose who does**

- Voters can choose their favorite candidate first, second-favorite candidate second, etc.
- Ranking other candidates does not harm your first choice. Your second choice will only count if your first choice is eliminated.

**You can vote for your top choice first, without worrying about who is likely to win.**

- Voters don't have to vote strategically or decide between voting for their favorite candidate and the one most "electable."

## **2. Candidates are more likely to appeal to voters, not attack each other**

**Candidates who are not your top choice still need your 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th choice vote, leading them to appeal to you instead of attacking each other.**

- Voters hear from more candidates, who are not only campaigning for 1st choice votes, but also 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th
- Candidates can't win only with the support of their base

## **2. Candidates are more likely to appeal to voters, not attack each other**

### **There's more respect between candidates and less negativity**

- Negative campaigning between candidates can have a chilling effect on voter turnout, making voters less interested in the race
- Voters perceived a reduction in negative campaigning in RCV cities
- In some instances, like-minded candidates for the same office can work together and encourage voters to rank themselves and similar candidates. This can make it easier for voters.

# 3. Voters elect candidates who look more like our city

Elected officials are more representative of the communities they serve

In NYC, voters elected the most diverse City Council ever in 2021:

- A majority of women serving – 29 of 51 which is the highest number of women in the history of the NYC City Council. Of these 29 women: 26 are people of color, and 18 were under 40 years old then.
- More than two-thirds of people of color serving. 25% Hispanic City Council members which is a closer reflection of the city's population



# Quiz


# QUIZ QUESTION

What is a benefit of Ranked Choice Voting?

- A. Voters elect more diverse and representative candidates.
- B. Voters get more say in who they elect.
- C. Candidates tend not to attack each other.
- D. All of the above

# QUIZ ANSWER

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# Frequency Asked Questions (FAQs)

# FAQs

## **Can I still vote for just one candidate?**

Yes. You can still vote for just your 1<sup>st</sup> choice candidate. However, ranking other candidates does not harm your first choice.

## **Do I have to rank a total of 5 candidates?**

No. You can rank up to 5 candidates, but you do not need to rank a total of 5.

## **Does ranking five candidates mean I have five votes?**

No. Your vote only counts for the highest active candidate on your ballot. Your vote will only count for your 2nd choice if your 1st choice is eliminated, and so on.

# FAQs

## Where can I find the official election results?

The NYC Board of Elections will share unofficial election results after polls close on Election Day. After they receive all absentee ballots, they will finish counting and release certified final results. You can find election results at the NYC Board of Elections website: <https://vote.nyc/>

## Will the voting machine tell me if I make a mistake on my ballot?

If you vote in person, the voting machine will let you know if you give multiple candidates the same ranking. If you make a mistake, you can ask a poll worker for a new ballot. However, the voting machine will not let you know if you skip rankings or rank the same candidate multiple times, since your top-choice vote will still count in those cases.

# Takeaways

- You can **rank up to five** candidates, but ***you do not need to*** rank a total of five.
- Rank only one candidate in each numbered column.
- Do not rank the same candidate more than once.
- Your ballot may have contests on **both sides** so remember to **flip over** your ballot! RCV will appear on one side of the ballot and single-choice contests will appear on the other side.
- Remember you can always ask a poll worker for another ballot!



# Quiz

# QUIZ QUESTION

Is it required for you to rank all 5 candidates on a ballot?

A. Yes

B. No

# QUIZ ANSWER

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# Voting



# Types of Elections

## Primary Election

You decide which candidate will be your party's nominee for the general election. In New York, these elections usually take place in June.

## General Election

Candidates from different parties compete to win elected office. Winners of primary elections represent their party in the general election. These are held on the first Tuesday in November.

## Special Elections

Are held when an elected official leaves office before the end of their term.

# Casting your ballot

# How to Cast Your Ballot

There are **three** ways to cast your vote in New York State:

- 1) Election Day
- 2) Early Voting
- 3) Absentee Voting/Voting by Mail

# 1. Election Day

## Tuesday, June 24

- Polls are open on Election Day from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm. You must vote at your assigned poll site.
- Poll site locations can change, so be sure to check before you go [findmypollsite.vote.nyc](https://www.vote.nyc.gov/findmypollsite).



## **2. Early Voting**

**Saturday, June 14 to Sunday, June 22**

- Early voting poll sites and Election Day poll sites are usually different.
- Hours vary daily, so check your poll site and confirm their hours before you go.
- There is no early voting on Monday, June 23.

# 3. Voting by Mail



There are two vote-by-mail options: 'absentee' and 'early mail'.

**Option 1:** If you have a reason, then you can request an absentee ballot.

**Option 2:** If you do not have a reason, then you can request an early mail ballot.



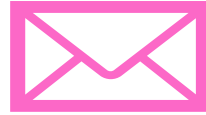
**June 14** is the deadline to request your ballot online, or for the Board of Elections to receive your request by mail.

Only request a mail ballot if you plan to use it. Due to a new State law, if you choose to vote in person after requesting a mail ballot, you'll have to vote with an affidavit ballot at your poll site.

# Complete your Ballot



- Follow the instructions.
- Fill it out with blue or black ink.
- Make your choices for each office and circle them on the ballot.
- Place the ballot in the provided security envelope.
- Sign and date the outside of the security envelope.
- Seal the security envelope.



- Place the security envelope in the larger return envelope which has the return address of your Board of Elections along with a logo on its front that reads: "Official Election Mail".
- Seal the return envelope.
- Find a mailbox and post office to drop it in there. No postage is needed!
- Or drop off your mail ballot at your poll site or local Board of Election office ([www.vote.nyc](http://www.vote.nyc)) until 9pm on Election Day

# Primary Elections in New York City

- New York has a closed primary system which means voters must be a registered member of a political party to participate.
- If you are not registered with a party or if there are no candidates running from your party, you won't have anyone to vote for. Therefore, you won't vote because you are not registered within that party.
- Whoever wins the primary election becomes that party's nominee in the General Election which is held in November.

# Quiz

# QUIZ QUESTION

How many vote-by-mail options are available?

A. 2

B. 1

C. 4

D. 3

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# What's on the Ballot

# Upcoming Elections

March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
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## Primary Election



**June 24**



**June 14–  
June 22**



**Mayor,  
Public Advocate,  
City Comptroller,  
Borough Presidents,  
City Council,  
District Attorneys,  
Judges**

## General Election



**November 4**



**October 25–  
November 2**



**Mayor,  
Public Advocate,  
City Comptroller,  
Borough Presidents,  
City Council,  
District Attorneys,  
Judges**

# What are we voting for in June 2025?

- Mayor
- Public Advocate
- City Comptroller
- Borough Presidents
- City Council
- District Attorney (Manhattan, Brooklyn)
- Judges



# Voters

**NYC has a \$110+ billion budget!**

**Comptroller**

Monitors the city's finances

**5 Borough Presidents**

Serves as primary advocate for their borough

**Mayor**

Oversees city budget and 40+ city agencies

**Public Advocate**

Monitors the city's agencies on behalf of the public

**51 City Council Members**

Introduce and vote on local laws and policies

**5 District Attorneys**

Prosecutes criminal charges on behalf of the city

**Community Boards**

Connect community members to city officials

Elected at County Level

City Offices

County Office

# Quiz

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Which office does **NOT** use Ranked Choice Voting?

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B. Public Advocate

C. Mayor

D. Borough President

E. District Attorney

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# Remember the Candidates



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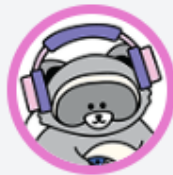
## Rat

NYC needs a leader who can get dirty.



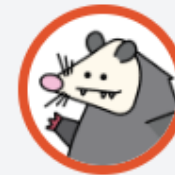
## Cat

A vote for me is a vote for a rat-free city.



## Raccoon






The city that never sleeps deserves a nocturnal leader.



## Possum

Bringing NYC together one garbage bag at a time.

# Practice Ballot

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# Voting Rights

# Voting Accessibility

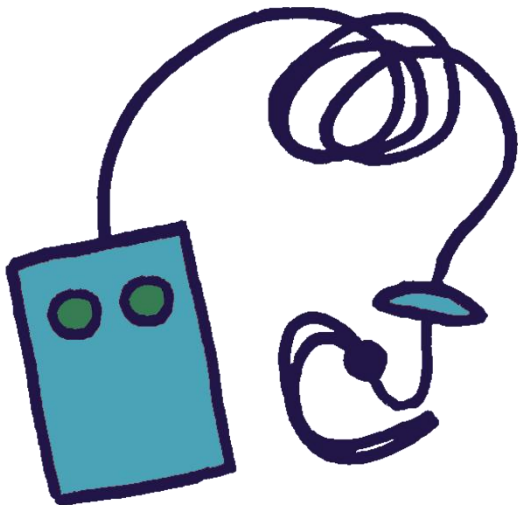
## Accessible Ballot

- If you are on the blindness spectrum or have a disability that requires you to fill out an accessible ballot that can be read by a screen reader, you may request an accessible ballot. Visit [nycabsentee.com](https://nycabsentee.com) or call **1-866-VOTE-NYC / 866-868-3692**.

# Voting Accessibility

## Ballot Marking Device (BMD)

- Audio, braille keypads, high-contrast screens, rocker paddles, and sip-and-puff devices are available.
- The audio will be read in the language of your ballot



# You have the right to vote in your language

- You may bring an interpreter to the voting booth. It can be a friend, family member or poll worker. It can't be your employer or union representative.
- NYC Civic Engagement Commission provides language assistance in Arabic, Bangla, Chinese (Cantonese, Mandarin), French, Haitian Creole, Hindi, Italian, Korean, Polish, Punjabi, Russian, Urdu, and Yiddish **at select poll sites:**  
<https://www.participate.nyc.gov/processes/vote>
- You can also request to use a Ballot Marking Device (BMD), with audio that can help you in Chinese, Bengali, Spanish, and Korean.

# **You have the right to vote regardless of your history within the criminal legal system**

- Those in pre-trial detention can vote through the absentee process working with the program staff at the facility they are being detained in.
- Those in jail for a misdemeanor can vote through the absentee process working with the program staff at the facility they are being detained in.
- People who are incarcerated for a felony cannot vote, but immediately have their voting rights restored upon release. Just be sure to re-register.
- If someone is on parole or probation, they can vote.

**If you are not currently incarcerated for a felony, you have the right to register and vote in all city, state, and federal elections.**

# Election Protection

File a complaint documenting an issue at a poll site:

<https://electionhotline.ag.ny.gov/>

Election Protection Hotlines:

 **English: 866-OUR-VOTE / 866-687-8683**

 **Spanish: 888-VE-Y-VOTA / 888-839-8682**

 **Arabic: 844-YALLA-US / 844-925-5287**

 **Asian Languages: 888-API-VOTE / 888-274-8683**

*(Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Urdu, Hindi, Punjabi & Bangla )*

# Election Accountability

If you feel that your right to vote privately and independently was not realized, you can file a Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Complaint.

**HAVA:** The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 is a package of reforms that will ensure meaningful access to the democratic process for all New Yorkers.

Any person who believes that there is a violation of any provision of Title III of HAVA, which has occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur, may file a Formal Complaint with the State Board of Elections. HAVA Formal Complaints may only be filed with the State Board of Elections.

Forms and more information can be found at the New York State Board of Elections Website.

<https://elections.ny.gov/help-america-vote-act-hava>

# Voting Confidentially

Confidential registration - <https://elections.ny.gov/confidential-registration>

Go to a Supreme or Family Court in your borough or a court order that will require the NYC Board of Elections to keep your voter registration record separate from other records. If you need assistance requesting the court order, go to the court's help center (see [www.nycourts.gov/courthelp/goingtocourt/helpcenters.shtml](http://www.nycourts.gov/courthelp/goingtocourt/helpcenters.shtml) for more info).

Take a copy of the court order to your local Board of Elections office ([www.vote.nyc](http://www.vote.nyc)) to register to vote.

If you're already registered to vote, present the order to election officials to make sure your personal information, such as your home address, is kept separate and confidential.

On **Election Day**, you can go to your polling place to vote as usual, but if you are concerned about voting in person, you can contact your local BOE office and request a "Special Absentee Ballot," which will allow you to vote without having to go to a public polling place

# Voting Tips

It's never your fault if someone chooses to make you feel unsafe or afraid for exercising your right to vote. Some domestic violence survivors may find it helpful to create a safety plan around voting if they suspect an abuser may choose to do this. A voting safety plan might include some of the following elements, depending on what you decide is best:

- **Vote during a time when an abuser is busy.** If you're worried about being joined by, or running into, an abuser at your polling place, you can think about the abuser's schedule and try to pick a time when they may be busy.
- **Ask a friend for support.** Bring a friend, neighbor, or family member to support you at the poll site. If they are unavailable, keep in touch with them by phone.
- **Do research beforehand and vote quickly.** Planning how to vote can save time at the polling place, especially if you're worried about seeing an abuser.
- **Practice self-care before and after voting.** Planning a fun or relaxing activity around voting can help minimize stress. Do you have a favorite grounding activity? Practice it while waiting in line.
- **Ask a poll worker about confidential voting.** If you're voting with an abuser and worry they may force your vote, ask a poll worker about guiding you to a private voting booth if it's safe to do so.

# Quiz


# QUIZ QUESTION

Which of the following can serve as your interpreter at the voting booth?

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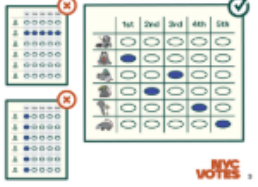
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# Resources

# Resources on [nycvotes.org](https://nycvotes.org)

## 2025 Ranked Choice Voting

<p>RCV video</p> 	<p>RCV Fact Sheet (one-page flyer)</p> 	<p>RCV Fact Sheet (large print)</p> 
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## Candidates on your ballot

Enter your address to find the candidates on your ballot.

Enter your home address 

See a list of the races on the ballot this June.

### 2025 PRIMARY ELECTION

## About the Voter Guide

This is the digital version of NYC's official June 2025 primary election Voter Guide. The profiles and photos in this Guide were submitted to the Campaign Finance Board by the candidates, all of whom have affirmed that the information provided is true to the best of their knowledge. The views expressed in the candidate statements do not represent those of the Campaign Finance Board. This Guide lists all the candidates who are expected to be on the ballot at the time of publication.

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# Survey

Scan the QR or use the link to join,  
which is dropped in the chat:

<https://forms.office.com/g/yLtV0J3CFy>



**thank you!**

