

More choices for all

Portland voters ✓

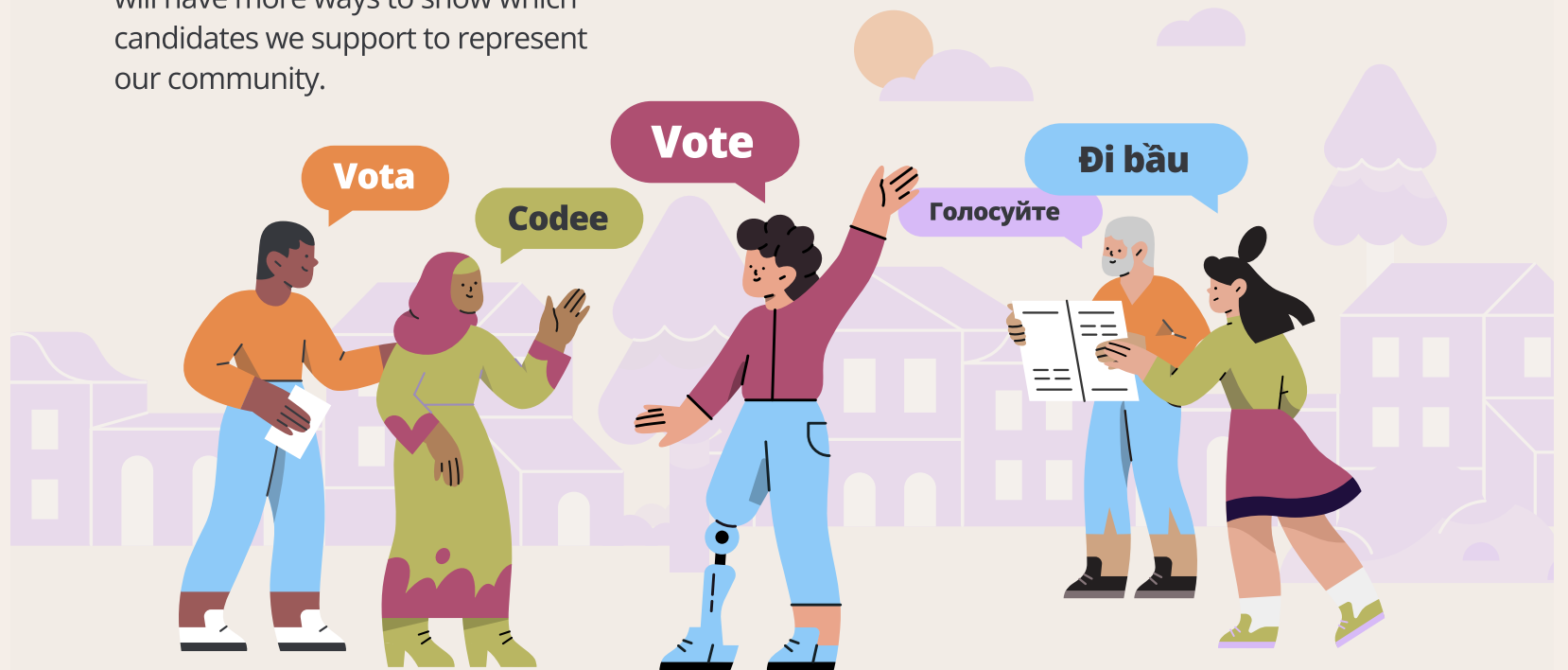
Learn how to use your ranked-choice ballot in November's election.

Ranked-choice voting is a simple but powerful change to the way we elect our mayor, city auditor, and city councilors. Instead of choosing only one candidate in each race, you'll be able to rank up to six candidates based on what's most important to you.

You'll still receive your ballot by mail and can return it by mail or in a drop box. But now, Portland voters will have more ways to show which candidates we support to represent our community.

SAMPLE BALLOT

City of Portland Contests						
City of Portland, Mayor Rank as many candidates as you wish, up to 6						
	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Rank 4	Rank 5	Rank 6
Candidate A	●	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate B	○	○	●	○	○	○
Candidate C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Candidate D	○	○	○	●	○	○
Candidate E	○	○	○	○	○	●
Candidate F	○	○	○	○	●	○
Candidate G	○	○	○	○	○	○
OR Write-in on the above line	○	○	○	○	○	○



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Here's how it works

Your ballot will include a grid that lists the names of all candidates, with columns labeled Rank 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

You'll select candidates the way you always have, but instead of choosing just one person for an elected position, you now have the option to rank up to six candidates in order of your preference.

You can rank up to six choices to use the full power of your vote, but it's OK to rank fewer. **You should only rank candidates you support and would feel comfortable electing.**

You can choose only one candidate for each ranking. For example, only one candidate for your 1st choice, one candidate for your 2nd choice, and so on. And, you can rank each candidate only once. There is no benefit to ranking the same candidate as your 1st and 2nd choice.

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Candidate A	●	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate B	○	○	●	○	○	○
Candidate C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Candidate D	○	○	○	●	○	○
Candidate E	○	○	○	○	○	●
Candidate F	○	○	○	○	●	○
Candidate G	○	○	○	○	○	○
<small>OTV Write-in on the above line</small>						

✓ Correct, ranking the maximum of 6 choices

	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Rank 4	Rank 5	Rank 6
Candidate A	●	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate B	○	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate C	○	○	●	○	○	○
Candidate D	○	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate E	○	●	○	○	○	○
Candidate F	○	○	○	○	○	○

✓ Correct, ranking only three choices

	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Rank 4	Rank 5	Rank 6
Candidate A	●	●	●	○	○	○
Candidate B	○	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate C	○	○	○	○	○	○
Candidate D	○	○	○	●	○	○
Candidate E	○	○	○	○	●	○
Candidate F	○	○	○	○	○	●

✗ Incorrect, multiple rankings for the same candidate

What ranked-choice voting means for voters

When you can rank your choices, you can choose your true favorite candidate without worrying that your vote may be wasted if they don't win. Your rankings for 2nd choice, 3rd choice, etc., can still have an impact.

Ranked-choice voting also means that every candidate needs to earn support from as many voters as possible. Even if they aren't your first choice, they want to be one of your backup choices. This gives candidates a reason to listen to all voters, not just the ones that already support them.

