

Note: This survey is solely for discussion purposes.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND OF HAWAII
ELECTION ACCESS SURVEY
Hawaii 2020 primary

Please respond to the questions below to improve voting access for people with print disabilities in Hawaii. As used in this survey the term "print disability" means a condition which limits the ability to read and complete forms prepared with print of standard size; 12 point type or smaller. All responses will remain anonymous.

How to respond: For questions asking for "yes," "no," or "I don't know," please place an asterisk (*) to the right of "yes," "no," or "I don't know," to indicate your response. For the question asking you to score your preferred voting method, please enter from 1 to 5 asterisks (*'s) to the right of each method listed.

1. Where You Live: Please check the name of the county where you live:

City and County of Honolulu:

Hawaii county:

Kauai county:

Maui county:

2. Voter Registration:

I am currently registered to vote, check yes or no:

yes:

no:

If registered, please indicate barriers you encountered during the registration process (if any) related to your print disability and how you overcame them. Respond in your own words in the space below:

response:

If not registered, please give reasons (if any) related to your print disability. Respond in your own words in the space below:

response:

3. Voter Participation:

I voted in the 2020 primary, check yes or no.

yes:

no:

If you voted, please indicate barriers you encountered (if any) related to your print disability and how you overcame them. Respond in your own words in the space below:
response:

If you did not vote, please give reasons (if any) related to your print disability. Respond in your own words in the space below:
response:

4. Voting Methods:

Vote with Assistance: If you voted in the 2020 primary, please check yes if you used assistance of another person to cast your vote or check no if you did not.

yes:

no:

Ballot Formats:

Please place an asterisk (*) to the right of any of the alternate ballot formats the state or county election office told you you could request:

large type

Braille

audio

alternate electronic file

not told of any alternate format available

Regardless of whether you were told about alternate ballot formats available, please place an asterisk (*) to the right of any of the alternate ballot formats you requested:

large type

Braille

audio

alternate electronic file

got standard print ballot and did not request an alternate format

Method Used: Please check the statement below which best describes the method you used to vote in the 2020 primary election:

marked and returned the standard print ballot

used a computer to mark an electronic alternate format ballot, printed, signed and scanned the secrecy waver, then returned both electronic documents attached to an email to the elections office or sent by fax

used a computer to mark an electronic alternate format ballot, printed the completed ballot, printed and signed the secrecy waver, then returned both printed documents by mail or other means

used a computer to mark an electronic alternate format ballot, printed out the ballot and returned by mail or other means after signing the return envelope

used a voting machine with accessible audio output at a voter service center

If you used an accessible machine at a voter service center, please check yes or no if the equipment was set up and operating at the time you needed to use it:

yes

no

If you used an accessible machine at a voter service center, please check yes, no, or don't know if the personnel at the center were able to help you to operate the equipment if needed:

yes

no

I don't know

Preferred Voting Method: Regardless of whether you voted in the 2020 primary, please place one or more asterisks (*'s) to the right of each voting method below to score each method using a five point scale, where 1 asterisk (*) is "not preferred, and 5 asterisks (*'s) are strongly preferred. Ignore any methods you can't use due to your print disability (ok to score two or more methods the same):

marking a standard print ballot myself

having assistance of another person to read and mark my standard print ballot

marking a large type ballot myself if the print is 14 point type or larger

using a computer to mark an electronic alternate format ballot to return to the elections office by email, fax, or other electronic means

using a computer to mark and print out an electronic alternate format ballot to return to the elections office by mail or other means

going to a voter service center to use a voting machine with an assistant of my choice

going to a voter service center to use an accessible machine myself

5. Voter Education: Regardless of whether you voted in the 2020 primary, did you receive information from the state or local election office about voting with disability access, check yes or no?

yes

no

6. Transportation: Since neighborhood polling places are gone beginning with the 2020 election, do you know where you can now go to vote at a voter service center on or before election day, check yes or no?

yes
no

if yes, please indicate the distance from your home and the means of most convenient transportation you can use; include estimated round-trip cost. Respond in your own words in the space below:

response:

7. Remarks: Regardless of whether you are registered to vote or whether you voted in the 2020 primary, please list any factors, such as communications, transportation, cost or other barriers related to your print disability that may discourage you from voting in upcoming or future elections. Respond in your own words in the space below:

response: