



VOTERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Providing all voters the opportunity to vote privately and independently

With the passage of the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) in 2002, Wisconsin State Statutes have since incorporated key provisions of HAVA along with subsequent legislation to ensure the every voter can vote privately and independently at polling locations.

Every polling place in Wisconsin is equipped with an accessible voting system. If you have questions or concerns about the voting process, including polling place accessibility or accessible voting equipment, you should contact you local municipal clerk, or you may contact the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board – Elections Division at:

PHONE:

- Statewide Toll-free: 866-VOTEWIS (866-868-3947)
- Madison Area: (608)-266-0359

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Section 261 of the Help America Vote Act provides funds to Wisconsin to address four accessibility areas:

- **Accessibility** – Make polling places, including path of travel, entrances, exits, and voting areas of each polling facility, accessible to individuals with disabilities.
- **Privacy and Independence** – Provide the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) to individuals with disabilities.
- **Training** – Train election officials, election inspectors and election volunteers on how best to promote the access and participation of individuals with the full range of disabilities in elections.
- **Information** – Provide individuals with disabilities with information about the accessibility of polling places.

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Government Accountability Board

<http://elections.state.wi.us/section.asp?linkid=821&locid=47>



For more information, please visit these sources below courtesy of the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board.

- [Voting in Wisconsin – A guide for Citizens with Disabilities \(from the ADA\)](#)
- [FAQ for Voters with Disabilities](#)
- [Ensuring Accessible Polling Places](#)
- [Election Day Accessibility Checklist \(pdf\)](#)
- [ADA/DOJ Polling Place Accessibility Checklist](#)
- [Ensuring Privacy and Independence](#)
- [Resources for Clerks and Poll Workers](#)

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