

DVP UPDATE FOR CAMPAIGNS #5

May 2025




STAY INFORMED

- Campaign Updates contain important information. Please take time to review prior updates [here](#).
- Inform us of changes to your campaign contacts.
- Seattle Municipal Code and Commission Rules are now posted on a single page for your reference:
 - [Rules and Procedures](#) - Scroll down to "Elections Code"

COLLECTING CAMPAIGN REPLACEMENT FORMS

We have been asked to provide clarity on using mobile devices to collect Campaign Replacement Forms (CRF) in the field. Whether collecting CRFs using paper or a mobile device, all existing regulations for in-person CRF collection and documentation apply. An electronic version of the CRF is only allowed to be hosted on the official campaign website, so your mobile device needs to point to the campaign website's CRF. Here is an example of complete collector documentation for in-person CRFs whether collected on paper or a mobile device:

Print Campaign Representative Name:	Jo Smith
Campaign Representative Signature:	
Collection Address or Location:	Ballard Farmers Market
Collection Date / Time:	5/9 1pm

Reminder: If you are processing CRFs that have been passively collected (not collected in person) from the official campaign website, please remind staff to complete the bottom of the form similar to as follows:

Print Campaign Representative Name:	Angie Smith
Campaign Representative Signature:	
Collection Address or Location:	"online" or "office"
Collection Date / Time:	

Take a moment to review Rule 16 I and J to ensure you remain in compliance.

- [I. Authorizing Candidates' Official Campaign Websites to Host Democracy Voucher Replacement Forms](#)
- [J. Regulating the Collection of Democracy Voucher Replacement Forms](#)

FILING IS UNDERWAY

You must file a Declaration of Candidacy with King County Elections. [Running for office - King County, Washington](#)

REQUEST THE SEATTLE VOTER FILE

We have a May file! [Visit here](#) or send us an email to request a Seattle voter file directly from our office.

REQUESTING RELEASE FROM THE MCV AND/OR THE INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION LIMIT

Under certain circumstances the law allows candidates to request to be released from the maximum campaign valuation and/or from the contribution limit. See page 20 of the Candidate Toolkit for more information.

Campaigns can submit requests for release by email to the DVP. The request must include details about the opposing campaign's valuation and/or the spending of an independent expenditure committee. The Executive Director will review the request and determine whether or not to release the campaign or present the request to the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission for their determination.

VIDEO VOTERS GUIDE

Ethics and Elections will contact you in the next week with information about how to participate in the Video Voter Guide.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **May 5 - 9, 2025** - Filing week at King County Elections.
- **May 23, 2025** - Last chance for candidates to enter the Democracy Voucher Program by signing the Pledge.
- **May 26, 2025** - Memorial Day. SEEC office is closed.
- **May 28 – June 4, 2025 (tentative)** Video Voters Guide taping dates
- **June 19, 2025** - Juneteenth Day. SEEC office is closed.
- **July 4, 2025** - Independence Day. SEEC office is closed.
- **August 5, 2025** - Primary Election Day.
- **November 4, 2025** - General Election Day.

OUTREACH MATERIALS

The DVP produces free outreach materials you are welcome to request and share with residents, not just those who give you vouchers. Materials are available upon request and in 20 languages.

Materials available:

- [Brochure](#)
- [One Pager](#)
- ["Looking for your Vouchers?" 8.5 x 11" poster](#)
- Stickers

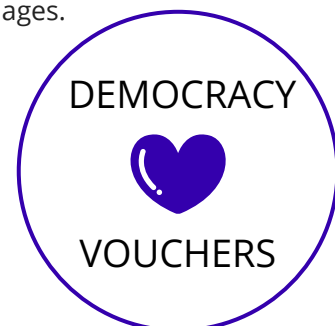


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