Panel 2:
What do we consider when expanding voting by mail in a state as diverse as California?
Moderator: Kim Alexander, President & Founder
2014 CVF Study:

Improving California’s Vote-by-Mail Process:
A Three-County Study
www.calvoter.org/votebymail
Most of CVF’s 2014 recommendations have been implemented, but ballot rejection still persists…

... on average, 1.7 percent of vote-by-mail ballots cast in statewide elections between 2010-2018 have been rejected, primarily due to late arrival and missing or mismatched voters’ signatures on ballot envelopes.
CVF is conducting a study with Dr. Mindy Romero examining mail ballot rejection in Sacramento, Santa Clara and San Mateo counties…

... funded through grants from the Silicon Valley Community Foundation and the County of Sacramento.
For the March Primary, CVF developed social media graphics to help more voters successfully cast vote-by-mail ballots...

... Voter outreach groups can use and customize these graphics to help reach more voters.
What do you do with that ballot you got in the mail?

Fill it in (as best you can)
You don't have to vote on every contest. It's OK to skip some and just vote on the ones you care about.

Sign the envelope
Your signature will be compared to the one you provided when you registered. If you don't recall what it looks like, make it look like the one on your license or ID. Remember to date it.

Get it in on time
Ballots postmarked after Election Day or received more than 3 days after Election Day won't be counted. Make sure your votes count by returning your ballot in person to a voting site or ballot drop box by 8 pm on Election Day.

Learn more at www.calvoter.org
VOTING QUESTIONS?

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY ELECTION OFFICE
DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN CHECK YOUR VOTING STATUS ONLINE?

- ✔ Registration Status
- ✔ Ballot Status

Find out more about California Secretary of State online tools for voters at our website: www.calvoter.org/votertools
And now, our esteemed panel:

- Mindy S. Romero, Director of the USC California Civic Engagement Project

- Courtney Bailey-Kanelos, Registrar of Voters, Sacramento County

- James Woodson, Senior Policy Manager, California Calls