

Vote by Mail Registration Ad Test Report

August 2020



CAMPAIGN OVERVIEW

This test, run in partnership between SEIU and Equis Labs, consisted of multivariate ads in Florida including one of two messages, with and without a messenger, and tested in both English and Spanish languages. The ads were targeted an audience of Latinx people who had not voted early or had already been mailed a ballot in Florida. We drove the audience to the floridawill.vote landing page where they filled out their contact information and were then directed to their county site to register to vote by mail.



TOPLINE RESULTS

6.4M 43K 5,386 1,377

IMPRESSIONS

LINK CLICKS

LEADS

BALLOTS REQUESTED

BALLOTS SUBMITTED BY MAIL

5,988 0.67% 13%

26%

37%

COMMENTS

CTR

LEAD RATE

BALLOT REQUEST RATE

VOTE BY MAIL RATE



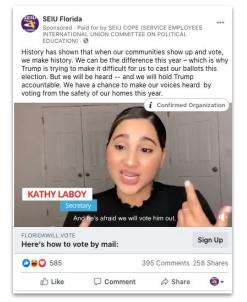
MESSAGING & MESSENGERS

We tested two messages:

- Power of the Internet/Process With the spread of the coronavirus, voting looks different this year, but it is more critical than ever to ensure that our voices are heard. Everything we need to know about candidates, issues, and the voting process in our communities is easy to find, thanks to the internet. But most importantly, we all have the power and capability to decide who will lead us.
- Trump Makes it Hard to Vote History has shown that when our communities show up and vote, we make history. We can be the difference this year which is why Trump is trying to make it difficult for us to cast our ballots this election. But we will be heard and we will hold Trump accountable. We have a chance to make our voices heard by voting from the safety of our homes this year.



Process Message No Messenger



Trump Message Messenger



ENGLISH CREATIVE: Power of the Internet







ENGLISH CREATIVE: Trump Accountability







SPANISH CREATIVE: Power of the Internet







SPANISH CREATIVE: Trump Accountability





LEAD GENERATION





MESSAGES

Across English and Spanish speaking audiences, Trump messaging outperformed process messaging.

Language / Message	Impressions	Clicks	CTR	Leads	Lead Rate	Cost per Lead	Comments
English	3,891,089	23,505	0.60%	3,124	13.29%	\$35.50	2,223
Process	1,475,186	9,584	0.65%	1,057	11.03%	\$52.47	849
Trump	2,415,903	13,921	0.58%	2,067	14.85%	\$26.83	1,374
Spanish	2,553,879	19,736	0.77%	2,633	13.34%	\$18.05	3,765
Process	1,107,816	8,612	0.78%	885	10.28%	\$26.86	1,566
Trump	1,446,063	11,124	0.77%	1,748	15.71%	\$13.60	2,199
TOTAL	6,444,968	43,241	0.67%	5,757*	13.31%	\$27.52	5,988

^{*}includes duplicate and incomplete submissions (people submitted multiple times or did not fill in the contact information correctly)



MESSENGERS

- → For English-speakers, ads featuring a messenger outperformed those without.
- → For Spanish-speakers, ads without a messenger outperformed those with.

Language / Messenger	Impressions	Clicks	CTR	Leads	Lead Rate	Cost per Lead	Comments
English	3,891,089	23,505	0.60%	3,124	13.29%	\$35.50	2,223
No Messenger	1,740,211	13,913	0.80%	1,783	12.82%	\$31.10	1,217
Messenger	2,150,878	9,592	0.45%	1,341	13.98%	\$41.36	1,006
Spanish	2,553,879	19,736	0.77%	2,633	13.34%	\$18.05	3,765
No Messenger	1,402,655	11,268	0.80%	1,767	15.68%	\$13.45	2,321
Messenger	1,151,224	8,468	0.74%	866	10.23%	\$27.45	1,444
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GENDER BREAKDOWN

- → Ads without messengers drove higher lead rates across genders
- → Process messaging outperformed Trump messaging for Females and users who have not identified their gender
- → Trump messaging drove higher lead rates among male users

Gender	Impressions	Clicks	CTR	Leads	Lead Rate	Cost per Lead
Female	4,382,785	28,284	0.65%	4020	14.21%	\$28.12
No Msgr	1,960,736	15,466	0.79%	2350	15.19%	\$22.56
Messenger	2,422,049	12,818	0.53%	1670	13.03%	\$35.95
Male	2,014,273	14,609	0.73%	1701	11.64%	\$26.07
No Msgr	1,159,269	9,509	0.82%	1178	12.39%	\$21.81
Messenger	855,004	5,100	0.60%	523	10.25%	\$35.67
Unknown	47,910	348	0.73%	36	10.34%	\$29.17
No Msgr	22,861	206	0.90%	22	10.68%	\$23.74
Messenger	25,049	142	0.57%	14	9.86%	\$37.71
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Female	4,382,785	28,284	0.65%	4020	14.21%	\$28.12
Process	1,893,460	13,274	0.70%	1500	11.30%	\$40.07
Trump	2,489,325	15,010	0.60%	2520	16.79%	\$21.01
Male	2,014,273	14,609	0.73%	1701	11.64%	\$26.07
Process	666,357	4,748	0.71%	428	9.01%	\$43.29
Trump	1,347,916	9,861	0.73%	1273	12.91%	\$20.28
Unknown	47,910	348	0.73%	36	10.34%	\$29.17
Process	23,185	174	0.75%	14	8.05%	\$41.80
Trump	24,725	174	0.70%	22	12.64%	\$21.14
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AGE BREAKDOWN

- → Ads without a messenger outperformed for all age brackets with the exception of the 18-24 age bracket that was the only group for which ads featuring a messenger outperformed.
- → Trump messaging significantly outperformed Process messaging across all ages.

Age	Impressions	Clicks	CTR	Leads	Lead Rate	Cost per Lead
18-24	371422	1524	0.41%	146	9.58%	\$37.25
No Messenger	104211	466	0.45%	44	9.44%	\$35.00
Messenger	267211	1058	0.40%	102	9.64%	\$38.22
25-34	1056139	4116	0.39%	440	10.69%	\$38.17
No Messenger	384316	1721	0.45%	192	11.16%	\$29.78
Messenger	671823	2395	0.36%	248	10.35%	\$44.66
35-44	1406823	5997	0.43%	929	15.49%	\$27.78
No Messenger	658789	3292	0.50%	533	16.19%	\$20.77
Messenger	748034	2705	0.36%	396	14.64%	\$37.20
45-54	1542558	9705	0.63%	1501	15.47%	\$25.08
No Messenger	826273	5887	0.71%	959	16.29%	\$19.68
Messenger	716285	3818	0.53%	542	14.20%	\$34.62
55-64	1287569	11360	0.88%	1574	13.86%	\$25.88
No Messenger	719652	7104	0.99%	1038	14.61%	\$21.54
Messenger	567917	4256	0.75%	536	12.59%	\$34.27
65+	780456	10539	1.35%	1167	11.07%	\$27.46
No Messenger	449625	6711	1.49%	784	11.68%	\$25.08
Messenger	330831	3828	1.16%	383	10.01%	\$32.33
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Trump	266926	850	0.32%	119	14.00%	\$32.36
25-34	1056139	4116	0.39%	440	10.69%	\$38.17
Process	299678	1340	0.45%	59	4.40%	\$90.61
Trump	756461	2776	0.37%	381	13.72%	\$30.05
35-44	1406823	5997	0.43%	929	15.49%	\$27.78
Process	441966	1556	0.35%	198	12.72%	\$47.05
Trump	964857	4441	0.46%	731	16.46%	\$22.55
45-54	1542558	9705	0.63%	1501	15.47%	\$25.08
Process	603859	3161	0.52%	403	12.75%	\$42.15
Trump	938699	6544	0.70%	1098	16.78%	\$18.81
55-64	1287569	11360	0.88%	1574	13.86%	\$25.88
Process	645253	5055	0.78%	627	12.40%	\$37.06
Trump	642316	6305	0.98%	947	15.02%	\$18.47
65+	780456	10539	1.35%	1167	11.07%	\$27.46
Process	487750	6410	1.31%	628	9.80%	\$36.23
Trump	292706	4129	1.41%	539	13.05%	\$17.25
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GEOGRAPHY

We saw the largest % of campaign impressions and leads from the more highly populated areas of the state.

DMA	Impressions	% of total impressions	Leads	% of total leads
Ft. Myers-Naples	340,508	5.28%	291	5.05%
Gainesville	27,064	0.42%	40	0.69%
Jacksonville	208,394	3.23%	255	4.43%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale	2,298,334	35.66%	2,256	39.19%
Mobile-Pensacola (Ft Walt)	26,493	0.41%	32	0.56%
Non-DMA Region	6,383	0.10%	11	0.19%
Orlando-Daytona Bch-Melbrn	1,786,450	27.72%	1,128	19.59%
Panama City	11,858	0.18%	16	0.28%
Tallahassee-Thomasville	21,215	0.33%	21	0.36%
Tampa-St. Pete (Sarasota)	1,264,364	19.62%	1,321	22.95%
West Palm Beach-Ft. Pierce	453,903	7.04%	386	6.70%
TOTAL	6,444,966		5,757	



GEOGRAPHY

- → English ads drove the highest lead rate in Miami-Ft. Lauderdale and Mobile-Pensacola
- → **Spanish ads** drove the highest lead rate in Ft. Meyers, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Orlando-Daytona Beach, Panama City, Tallahassee-Thomasville, Tampa, and West Palm Beach
- → **Process messaging** drove the highest lead rate in Mobile-Pensacola and Panama City
- Trump messaging drove the highest lead rate in Ft. Myers-Naples, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, Orlando-Daytona, Tallahassee-Thomasville, Tampa, and West Palm Beach
- → No messenger ads drove the highest lead rate in Ft. Myers, Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando-Daytona, Panama City, Tallahassee-Thomasville, and Tampa
- → Ads featuring a messenger drove the highest lead rate in Gainesville, Mobile-Pensacola, and West Palm Beach

VBM REGISTRATION AND VOTING





BALLOT REQUEST + RETURN

Of the 5,386 individuals who submitted their information on the floridawill.vote site, **26% went on to request their ballot** from the county board of elections website. Of the group that requested their ballot, **37% returned their ballot by mail to vote in the primary.**

	Unique Leads	Ballots		Ballots	
Language	Collected	Requested	% requested	Returned	% Returned
English	3116	1019	33%	356	35%
Spanish	2270	358	16%	155	43%
TOTAL	5386	1377	26%	511	37%



BALLOT REQUEST AND RETURN: MESSAGE + MESSENGER

- → For both Spanish and English speaking audiences, we saw similar ballot request rates for ads with and without messengers.
- → Content with and without messengers drove a similar return rate for our Spanish-speaking audience but we saw a significantly greater rate of return from our English-speaking audience from content without a messenger
- → Process and Trump messaging performed similarly with our English-speaking audience, driving almost equal request rates, with Process messaging outperforming Trump messaging slightly for ballot return rates though Trump messaging saw a greater quantity of ballots returned
- → Process messaging slightly outperformed Trump messaging with our Spanish-speaking audience driving a higher ballot request and return rate

Language / Messenger	Unique Leads Collected	Ballots Requested	% requested	Ballots Returned	% Returned
English	3116	1019	33%	356	35%
No Messenger	1687	544	32%	218	40%
Messenger	1429	475	33%	138	29%
Spanish	2270	358	16%	155	43%
No Messenger	1475	217	15%	92	42%
Messenger	795	141	18%	63	45%
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Process	953	309	32%	113	37%
Trump	2163	710	33%	243	34%
Spanish	2270	358	16%	155	43%
Process	720	132	18%	58	44%
Trump	1550	226	15%	97	43%
TOTAL	5386	1377	26%	511	37%



BALLOT REQUEST AND RETURN: AGE AND GENDER

- → Men and women requested ballots at about the same rate but Men returned their ballots at a higher rate.
- → While people within the 18-24 age bracket requested their ballots at the highest rate, the 55-64 group drove the largest volume of ballots requested.
- → People 65+ drove the highest rate of returned ballots as well as the largest volume.

Gender	Unique Leads Collected	Ballots Requested	% requested	Ballots Returned	% Returned
Female	1708	949	56%	329	35%
Male	799	428	54%	182	43%
Undefined	2879				

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18-24	146	74	51%	17	23%
25-34	440	182	41%	20	11%
35-44	929	343	37%	49	14%
45-54	1501	322	21%	114	35%
55-64	1574	369	23%	144	39%
65+	1167	312	27%	167	54%

COMMENT ANALYSIS





COMMENT ANALYTICS METHODOLOGY

Data collection and clean up

- In order to understand the nature of the comments on our ads, SEIU manually categorized each comment on a Positive-Neutral-Negative Scale.
- Focus was to classify sentiment based on response to ad message.
- ~2400 comments were analyzed.
- All comments were copied and pasted from facebook into a spreadsheet.
- The data collection process ended weeks ago; the comment counts you may see in screenshots will not reflect the current count.
- All English comments were coded by a single member of the SEIU Team
- All Spanish comments were coded by a single member of the Precision Strategies team
- Comments were coded for sentiment, count of reactions, the post they appeared on, and language.

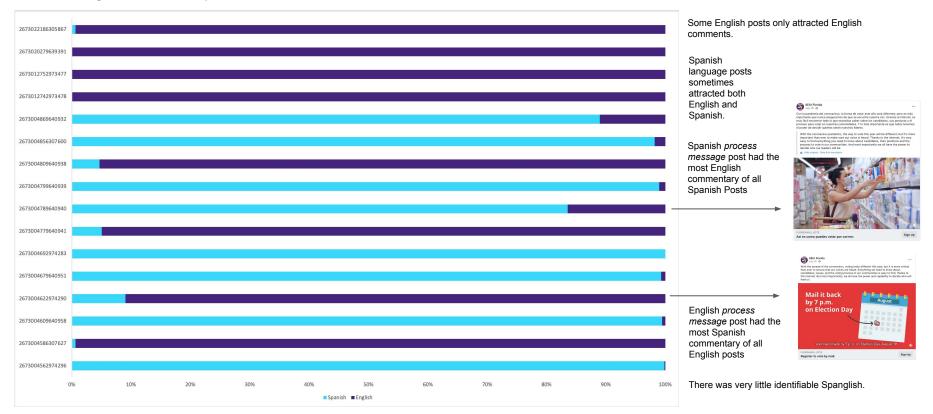
Analysis and Reporting

- The database was first pivoted to learn cross post insights.
- An index of posts, categorized by language, was created for the Appendix of this deck.
- Term frequency analysis identifies the top keywords used, per language.
- Topic cluster analysis groups conversation into themes based on language similarity.

LANGUAGE OF COMMENT, BY POST



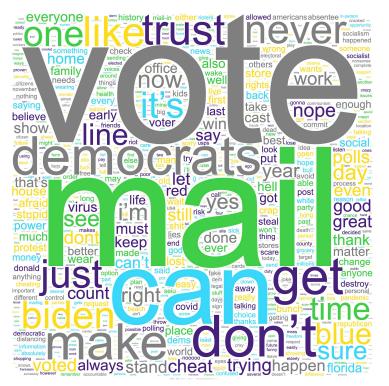
As expected, Spanish language posts attracted the most spanish comments, but both languages appeared to some degree on each post.



TOP KEYWORDS, BY LANGUAGE



In both languages, Trump far exceeded mentions of Biden. The conversation was very topical, focused on whether or not vote by mail was legitimate or desirable.



Top Spanish Keywords: Correo (removed due to size) Voto Votar Trump Fraude

creo alguien ningún inventar lugar sera sigan sido loca esos social botar

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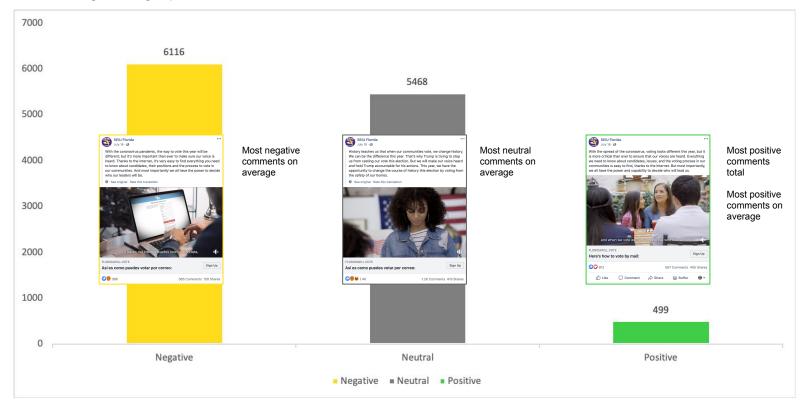
Top English Keywords:

Vote Mail Person Trump Voting

REACTIONS BY SENTIMENT



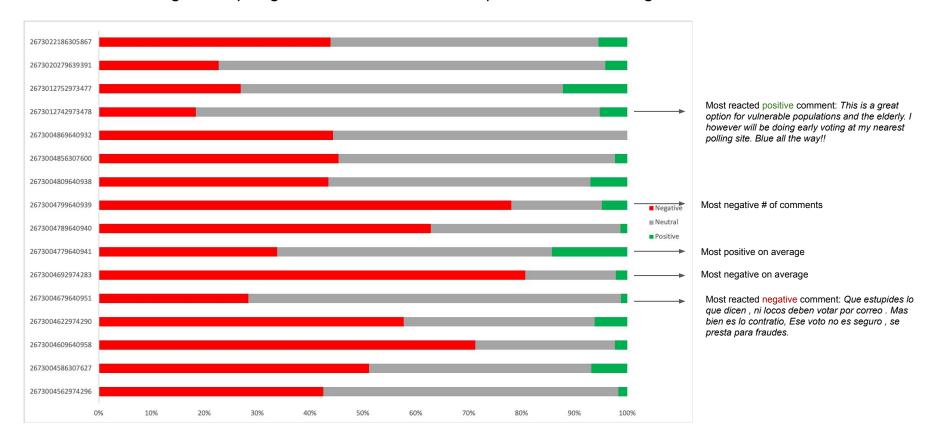
Overall, the comments on these posts were negative, either attacking democrats, attacking republicans, or attacking voting by mail as fraud.



SENTIMENT, BY POST



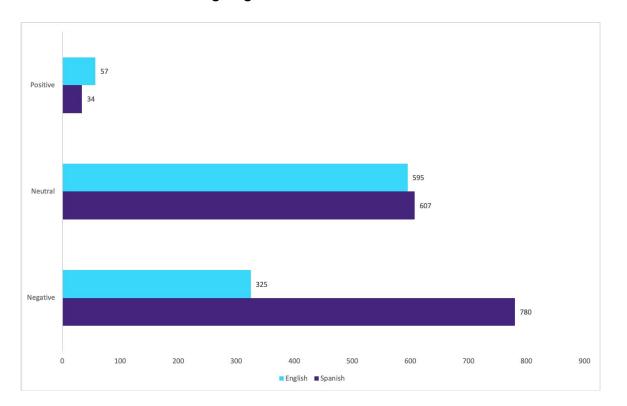
Comments were generally negative to neutral across all posts, but there is significant variation.

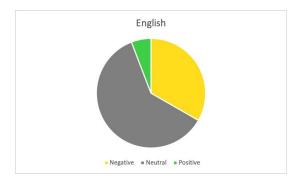


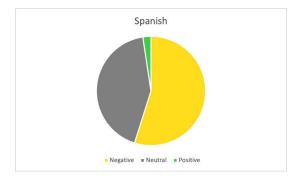
COMMENTS, BY LANGUAGE + SENTIMENT



More negative comments were found in Spanish, and more positive comments were found in English. Below, this is visualized in two ways, the bar showing total count of comments and the pie charts showing relative sentiment for each language.



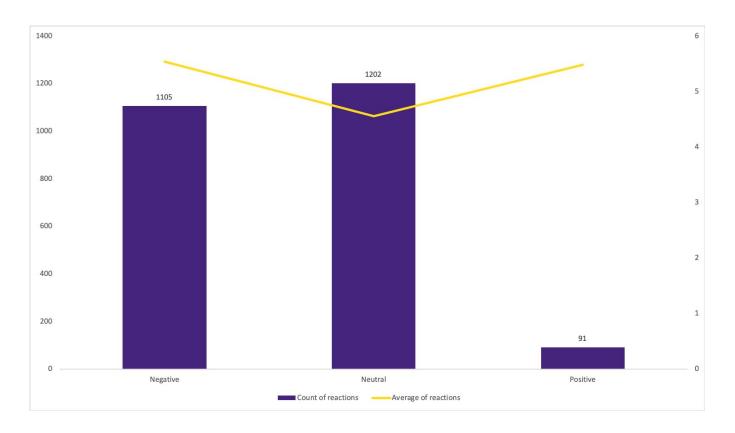




COMMENTS + AVE REACTIONS, BY SENTIMENT



Polarizing posts (positive or negative) received more reactions on average than neutral, informational posts.



Neutral comment with the most reactions was the most reacted-to comment overall:

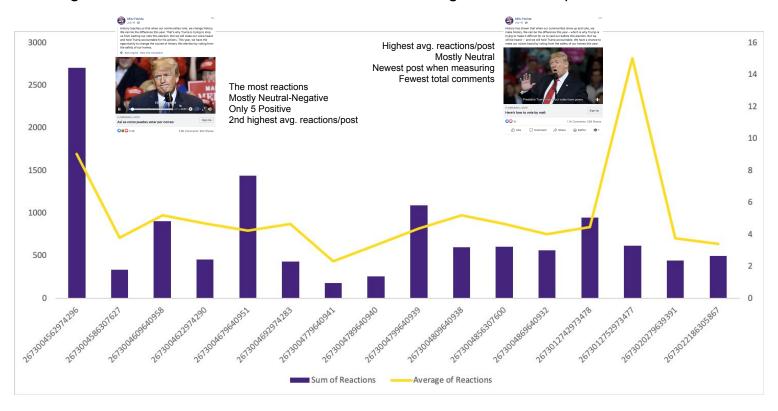
"Trump es el único presidente en estos tiempos que a defendido el evangelio. Si cres en Dios y tienes razon de pensar vota Trump".

Trump is the only president these days who has defended the gospel. If you believe in God and have reason to think vote Trump

TOTAL AND AVERAGE REACTIONS, BY POST



There was no consistency or correlation between the number of reactions to comments per post and the average reactions each comment received, indicating a diverse response to these ads.



INSIGHTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS





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- → Continue targeting audience with similar parameters 26% of leads collected were from people registered as Democrats, 6% are Republicans, 13% No Party, and 56% were not identified because they did not request a ballot. We were able to reach an audience more likely to vote favorably for our preferred candidates.
- → **Expand message testing** The messages we ran with this campaign did not drive significantly different results for ballot requests and returns. Trump messaging drove more efficient leads and we recommend considering Biden Harris-forward message testing in addition to Trump-focused messaging.
- → Combat misinformation Many of the negative comments on these ads focused on voting by mail as unsafe and fraudulent. These tropes reinforced by the Trump administration will need combating and we recommend running messaging that specifically speaks to the safety and security of voting by mail.
- → Continue with Facebook advertising for older audiences The campaign effectively drove lead generation, ballot requests, and ballot returns for audiences 45+ and we recommend continuing to target this audience on Facebook.
- → **Test static creative** Especially for younger audiences, we recommend running static creatives with Trump messaging to drive leads and ballot requests. This will likely drive lower cost leads and potentially more efficient ballot request and return rates.
- → **Simplify user journey** The drop-off between lead generation and ballot requests indicates users were not driven to continue to the second and important step of requesting their ballot on the county sites. Users potentially believed they didn't need to fill out their information on both sites or didn't want to fill in their information multiple times. Limiting the number of steps between clicking on an ad and registering for a ballot will likely improve the rates of request.



FULL TABLES LINKED HERE

THANK YOU



APPENDIX OF ADS



English - Process Messaging - No Messenger: Ad 2673004779640941





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<u>English - Process Message - Messenger:</u> Ad 2673004622974290



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<u>English - Trump Message - No Messenger:</u> Ad 2673012742973478





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Here's how to vote by mail:

Sign Up

English - Trump Message - Messenger: Ad 2673022186305867





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<u>Spanish - Process Message - No Messenger:</u> Ad 2673004799640939





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<u>Spanish - Process Message - Messenger:</u> Ad 2673004789640940





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Así es como puedes votar por correo:

Sign Up

<u>Spanish - Trump Message - No Messenger:</u> Ad 2673004856307600





La historia nos enseña que cuando nuestras comunidades votan, cambiamos la historia. Nosotros podemos ser la diferencia este año. Por eso, Trump está intentando impedirnos emitir nuestro voto estas elecciones. Pero haremos oír nuestra voz y haremos a Trump responsable de sus actos. Este año, tenemos la oportunidad de cambiar el rumbo de la historia estas elecciones votando desde la seguridad de nuestros hogares.

History teaches us that when our communities vote, we change history. We can be the difference this year. That's why Trump is trying to stop us from casting our vote this election. But we will make our voice heard and hold Trump accountable for his actions. This year, we have the opportunity to change the course of history this election by voting from the safety of our homes.

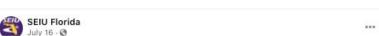


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Así es como puedes votar por correo:

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<u>Spanish - Trump Message - Messenger:</u> Ad 2673004679640951



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