

Poll:



Does your P&A currently partner with self advocates?



The Voter Experience: 2018 Data and 2020 Projects

2020 NDRN Conference

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AGENDA

1. Expertise of the SABE GoVoter Project
2. Two Major Activities:
 - GoVoter Distance Training
 - SABE GoVoter Experience Survey
3. What can SABE do for P&As?

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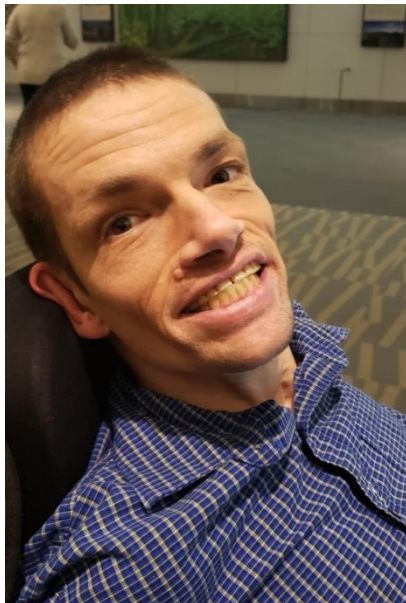
Have you worked with the SABE GoVoter Project?

The Purpose SABE GoVoter Project

- To educate people with disabilities about their voting rights and responsibilities – SABE GoVoter Toolkit Distance Training Webinars
- To provide technical assistance to improve voting experiences - Survey Findings
- To support the partnerships of P&As and Self Advocacy Groups – T/TA

The Ultimate Goal of the SABE GoVoter Project

“Increase the number of informed voters by improving education and accessibility.”



SABE GoVoter Toolkit Training

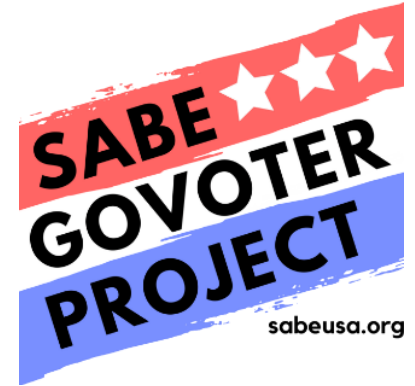
- Since 2014, 20 webinar trainings on the GoVoter Toolkit
- P&As and Self Advocacy groups must submit a joint letter to participate in this training
- Maximum of 5 states selected for training at any one time



States that have participated in the Distance Training as of 2020

- Alabama
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois*
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Maine
- Maryland
- Michigan*
- Mississippi
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina*
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- South Carolina
- Wisconsin

SABE GoVoter Distance Training



States complete:

- Three Webinars to learn how to use the GoVoter Toolkit
 - includes “home work” and helpful hints for trainers
 - activities to increase voter confidence
- One Evaluation Webinar after state trainings are completed

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Distance Training Structure



- **Partnership required:**
 - 1 Self Advocacy organization
 - 1 P&A must train and present together
- **Evaluations:**
 - from participants at their state training
 - from Training Teams about the preparation received from GoVoter

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Which of these activities have you partnered with self advocates on? (Check all that apply.)

2019 Ohio GoVoter Training Take Aways



Ohio SABE GoVoter Recruitment and Training Partners



- Adams County DD Services
- Disability Rights Ohio
- Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley
- Hamilton County DD Services
- Ohio Self Determination Association's Council of Leaders

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Train the Trainers Webinars

- Hosted at Disability Rights Ohio with lunch provided
- **8** trainers: **3** DRO staff and **5** self advocates
- **4** webinars



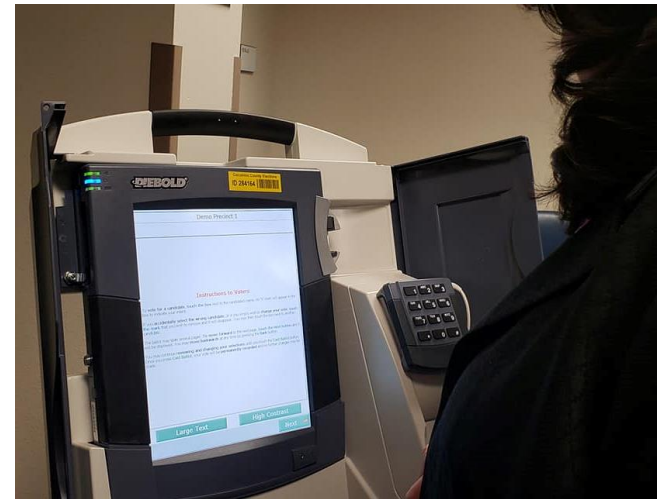
Ohio SABE GoVoter Training Logistics

- Statewide Invitation using electronic registration
- Training held at the **Linden Branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library**
- 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Topics Selected: 2, 5 and 7



Ohio SABE GoVoter Training Logistics (Continued)

- Additional information, over lunch a presentation on Disability Rights Ohio
- Participants were encouraged to go to their county board of elections to practice on the voting machines (each county uses different machines)



Ohio SABE GoVoter Training Participants

- **7 Trainers**
 - 4 People with DD
 - 3 P&A Staff
- **17 People with DD**
- **11 Support Staff**



Ohio SABE GoVoter Training

What Went Well

- Candy Voting Activity



- Candidate Role Play Debate on issues like: marriage penalty, Medicaid waiver funds, minimum wage, improving voting accessibility

Ohio SABE GoVoter Training

What Went Well (Continued)

- Voting problems and solutions
- Added a quiz:
 - Who is the governor?
 - Who is the Lieutenant governor?
 - Who is in charge of voting in the state?
 - Who is running for president of the U.S.?



Ohio's SABE GoVoter Training Recommendations

- DRO will partner with self advocates in planning and implementing future vote trainings
- Use the Candidates Debate and Quiz (very interactive and fun)
- Produce a state specific video on partnering

Ohio's SABE GoVoter Training Recommendations (Continued)

- Increased civic engagement by participants after the training:
 - visited local boards of election
 - practiced voting equipment
 - served as poll workers

Ohio's SABE GoVoter Training Recommendations (Continued)

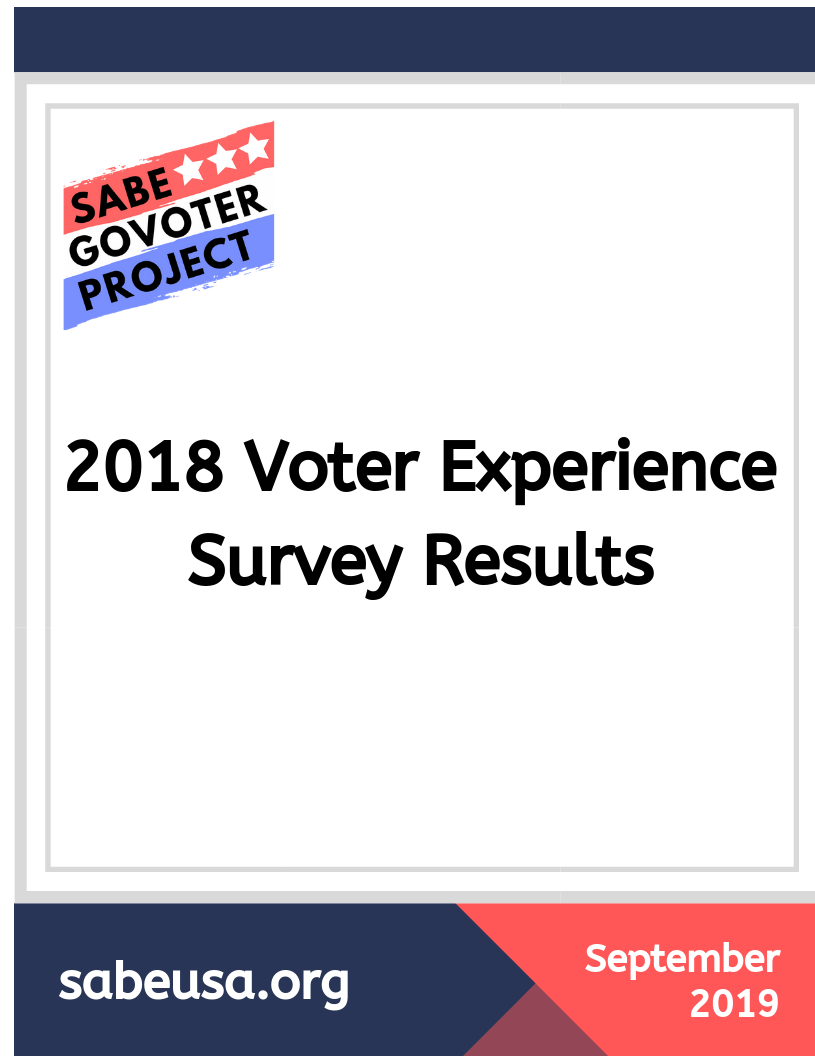
- The importance of self advocates completing the SABE GoVoter Experience survey to increase the number collected
- 2018 survey Ohio collected the second highest number of surveys (389)

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What do you think will be the primary way people with Developmental Disabilities will vote in the fall?

2018 SABE GoVoter Experience Survey



Survey Says



SABE GoVoter Project Voter Experience Results for 2018 Election



#1 problem, was
not enough
accessible parking

9 out of 10 voters
felt that they voted
the way they wanted

4 out of 10
voters voted at
their polling
location

6 out of 10
voters voted by
themselves

9 out of 10
voters had no
problem voting

1 out of 10
voters live in an
institution

2 out of 10 voters
have court appointed
guardians

6 out of 10
voters did not
know who to call
if voting problem

2018 SABE GoVoter Experience

Survey Improvements

- Hard copy was made available for group meetings and mailed to key stakeholders
- Advertised on various types social media sites
- **NEW** Survey available in Spanish
- **NEW** Questions on Guardianship
- 1171 surveys collected (3 in Spanish)

Plans for 2020 Survey

SABE GoVoter Advisory Committee Activities

- Looking closely at questions in 2018 Survey
- Suggesting New questions for 2020 Survey
- For example: “Does your state have Supported Decision-Making as an option to Guardianship?”
___Yes ___No ___State working on legislation
- Translating survey into other languages beside Spanish?

A copy of the 2018 SABE GoVoter Report (includes the survey) is in your handouts, please take time to review and submit recommendations

Timelines for 2020 Survey

May 15, 2020: Review and revise the 2018 SABE GoVoter Experience Survey

May 30, 2020: Recommendations added to create the 2020 Survey

June 15, 2020: Final review by SABE GoVoter Team and Advisory Committee

Timelines for 2020 Survey

July 30, 2020: Translate the Survey into Spanish and other recommended languages

September 30, 2020: 2020 Survey goes live (in Survey Monkey or by hard copy)

January 15, 2021: Close 2020 survey collection

February 15, 2021: Analysis 2020 survey results

Timelines for 2020 Survey

March 31, 2021: Draft 2020 findings report

April 15, 2021: Final review of report by SABE GoVoter team

May 1, 2021: Disseminate preliminary findings in a press release and summary handout

May 31, 2021: SABE 2020 GoVoter Experience Survey Final report available

Timelines for 2020 Survey

June 1, 2021: Share the SABE 2020 GoVoter Experience Survey Final Report on social media

June 2021: Present findings at the NDRN Conference

**Outcome will be as good
as we all make it!**

Questions and Answers





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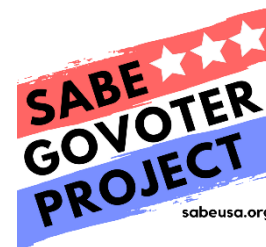
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