



How to become a member of Your Local Party Committee

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Republicans

The most local level of organization for the **Republican party** in California is the **County Central Committee**.

Members of this committee are called **County Central Committee members**, and are elected to **2-year terms**. **NOTE:** Within a given County, elections of Committee members take place in alternate years.

In counties with 20 or more assembly districts (incl. Los Angeles County), each assembly district elects 7 members to the County Central Committee. In counties with between 5 and 19 assembly districts (incl. Orange, San Bernadino and San Diego Counties), each assembly district elects 6 members of the County Central Committee. In counties with 4 or fewer assembly districts (incl. Santa Clara County), membership is based on supervisory districts and voter turnout. San Francisco, being both a City and a County is a special case – currently 13 members are elected to the SFRCCC from the 12th Assembly District, and 12 from the 13th.

Depending on your area, it alternates every year:

The next election will be: **June 6, 2006**.

The filing deadline to run for this position during that election is: **March 10, 2006**.

To become a member of this committee through the regular election process:

1. You must be registered to vote as a member of the Republican Party in your county and assembly district.
2. You must declare your interest in becoming a member by filing nomination papers with 20 to 30 local signatures. You may obtain these forms from, and submit them to, your County Registrar. Remember to pick them up in plenty of time to gather the signatures and return the form by the deadline listed above.
3. You must receive sufficient votes on the ballot in the March election

It is often possible to join the committee between regular elections:

- **Mid-term vacancies** on the County Central Committee are filled by appointment, with approval by a vote of the remaining members of the committee from your assembly district.
- Each member of the County Central Committee may appoint their own **Alternate** to vote in the absence of the elected member. You may wish to approach an elected member who does not currently have an alternate to ask if they would consider appointing you as their alternate.
- **There are often other opportunities** to get involved without yet being a formal member of the committee – volunteer to help, people will come to know you, and you will increase your chances of becoming a member through the next regular election.

Find contact information for your Republican County Central Committee by visiting

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