## **Internet Voting**

We are facing a critical threat to the right to vote and our elections, and we need your help to safeguard our democracy.

Throughout the decades of American History, we have found ways to cast our votes and have them counted. We have reliably counted the votes throughout enormous challenges, including wars, and a recent pandemic.

But today, wealthy interests, such as venture capitalists Bradley Tusk and vendors like Voatz and Democracy Live, are currently pressuring state election officials and legislators to institute and expand an untried, untested, and easily hackable voting method: internet voting.

While it may sound appealing in theory, since so much of our work is meant to make voting easier, internet voting poses significant risks that we cannot afford to ignore.

Our votes and our voices are on the line, don't gamble with your vote!

## Objective

Our primary objective is to prevent the further creation or expansion of internet voting programs and legislation in America. By joining forces with partners like you, we aim to educate grassroots groups and the public about the dangers and risks of internet voting.

## The Risks and Vulnerabilities of Internet Voting

- 1. **Malfunction Incidents:** In the state of New South Wales, Australia, 30,000 people were unable to vote due to a malfunction in the internet voting system. Such incidents highlight the unreliability of online voting methods.
- 2. **Lack of Security:** Reputable federal agencies responsible for cybersecurity and elections, including the National Academies, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, EAC, NIST, FBI, and DHS, have all asserted that internet voting cannot be conducted securely at this time. The risk of potential hacking, manipulation, and data breaches is a major concern.
- 3. **Difficulty Correcting Issues**: Unlike traditional voting methods involving paper ballots, internet voting lacks a practical means of correcting issues once they occur. This undermines the transparency and accuracy of the process.
- 4. **Undetectable Errors:** The absence of a reliable means of verifying and recounting votes in internet voting raises the possibility of undetectable errors, further compromising the integrity of the election results.

We recommend for all jurisdictions:

- Curbside voting
- Clear signage directing people where to vote, how to access all in-person voting options
- Proactive and well trained poll workers who are familiar with accessible voting equipment for both people with disabilities and with language access needs
- Allowing all voters to vote by mail and providing domestic postage paid which can make mail-in ballots more user friendly and reduce the cost of returning ballots