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# IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR

FAMILY CHALLENGE TOOLKIT • 2026

## EVERY NAME. EVERY VOICE. EVERY VOTE.

ROLL CALL ✓ PLAN MADE ✓ RIDES HANDLED ✓ FAMILY READY ✓

**OUR FAMILY HAS A PLAN. NOBODY GETS LEFT BEHIND. ✓**

A simple, family-centered way to get organized, help one another, and be ready to vote.

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# WELCOME TO THE FAMILY AFFAIR CHALLENGE

Families already know how to organize. We have group chats, Sunday dinners, carpools, reunions, family historians, planners, problem-solvers, and the people who always know who needs a little boost.

**It's A Family Affair** uses what families already have to help every eligible family member receive reminders about the election, make a plan, handle rides when needed, and show up to vote. The system is designed to be simple enough to start in one family conversation and flexible enough to work across generations.

**WE'RE THE _____ FAMILY.**

## THE FAMILY SYSTEM

### FAMILY CAPTAIN

One person keeps the family moving and makes sure the details do not fall through the cracks.

### FAMILY CREW

Family members pitch in where their strengths, connections, and resources can help.



### ROLL CALL ✓

Know who is on the list and who still needs a follow-up or push.



### PLAN MADE ✓

Each eligible family member knows when, where, and how they plan to vote.



### RIDES HANDLED ✓

Everyone who needs transportation has a ride plan.



### FAMILY READY ✓

The details are handled. The family is ready to show up.

**KEEP IT SIMPLE. HELP EACH OTHER. FOLLOW THROUGH.**

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# FAMILY CAPTAIN + FAMILY CREW

## Choose Your Family Captain

**Every family needs one person to keep the plan moving.** The Family Captain does not have to do everything. The Captain keeps track of the list, checks in with relatives, notices where help is needed, and taps in the Family Crew.

**Family Captain:** _____

## Build Your Family Crew

Everybody brings something to the table. Family members simply pitch in where their strengths, connections, and resources can help get everyone active and engaged.

*Somebody knows the details. Somebody keeps the family chat going. Somebody can coordinate the rides. Somebody knows who still needs a call. Somebody can make the flyer, take the photos, or record the reels.*

| IF YOUR FAMILY NEEDS HELP WITH… | SOMEONE IN THE FAMILY CREW CAN… | WHO'S ON IT |
|---|---|---|
| **Information** | Help family members find reliable registration and election information. (reachthe619.org/neighbors) | |
| **Making a Plan** | Help family members work through when, where, and how they plan to vote on Election Day or in-person absentee. | |
| **Rides** | Coordinate transportation for anyone who needs it. | |
| **Reminders** | Keep the family chat active, make calls, send texts, and follow up. | |
| **Getting the Word Out** | Make the family memes, take photos, record the Family Roll Call, or share the family challenge. | |
| **Staying Connected** | Check on family members, bring generations together, and make sure nobody gets overlooked. | |

**The goal isn't for one person to do everything. It's for the family to work together so nobody gets left behind.**

**Our Family Crew:** _____

**What we're helping with:** _____

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# FUTURE VOTERS WELCOME ✓

## Every generation. Every voice. One family.

You don't have to be voting age to be part of the Family Affair Challenge. Kids can be part of the Family Crew, too. Simple, age-appropriate activities can help them understand how families and communities stay informed, help one another, and participate in civic life.

The goal is not to tell kids what to think. It is to give them opportunities to ask questions, learn how the voting process works, and see civic engagement modeled in real time.

- [ ] **CALL THE ROLL.**
  Let kids check names off the Family Roll Call as family members complete their steps.
- [ ] **BE THE CHECKMARK KEEPER. ✓**
  Put them in charge of adding checkmarks for Roll Call, Plan Made, Rides Handled, and Family Ready.
- [ ] **ASK THE FAMILY.**
  Invite kids to interview relatives: What is the first election you remember? Who taught you about voting? What does showing up for your community mean to you?
- [ ] **CREATE SOMETHING TOGETHER.**
  Make a family sign, decorate the Roll Call board, take the family photo, draw a picture of the community, or help record a Family Affair video.
- [ ] **LEARN THE BASICS.**
  Use age-appropriate, neutral explanations to explore what elections are, what different levels of government do, and ways people participate in their communities.
- [ ] **LOOK BEYOND ELECTION DAY.**
  Notice volunteering, neighborhood projects, community meetings, school and local decisions, and other ways people contribute to civic life.

**TRY THIS: Ask every generation in your family, "What does showing up for your community mean to you?"**

Some family members can vote. Some aren't eligible yet. Everyone can learn, help, ask questions, stay connected, and find age-appropriate ways to participate in their community.



CHECK 1 OF 4

# ROLL CALL ✓

**KNOW WHO'S ON THE LIST.**

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Start simple. List every eligible family member, including relatives away at school, older family members who may need assistance, and relatives living in other cities or states. Check who is ready and who needs a follow-up.

| | FAMILY MEMBER | CHECKED? ✓ | PLAN MADE? ✓ | NEEDS HELP? |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 6 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 7 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 8 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 9 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 10 | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

## FAMILY TRACKER

| # eligible voters | # check-ins | # plans made | # need rides/help |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | |

**Who still needs a follow-up?** _____

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# PLAN MADE ✓

**EVERY ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER HAS A PLAN.**

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Once the Roll Call is complete, help each eligible family member work through the details they need to be ready. The quick Roll Call is enough to start; use this page when your family needs more detail.

| NAME | REGISTRATION CHECKED? | VOTING PLAN | DATE / TIME | NEEDS HELP? |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | ☐ | | | ☐ |
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## Know the Dates That Apply

For Alabama's November 3, 2026 General Election:
**Voter Registration Deadline is October 19.**
**Mail-In Absentee Ballot Applications Must Be Received (by absentee election officials) by October 27.**
**In-Person Application Deadline is October 29**.

**Hand-delivered absentee ballots are due by close of business November 2, and absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by noon November 3.**

*All dates are subject to the applicable state and county rules, operational hours, and exceptions.*

*Confirm current election information and individual eligibility through official election resources before making a plan.*

***Note:** Each voter must fill out, sign, and turn in their own absentee application and ballot. Family can explain the steps and drive them to the office, but the voter hands it in or mails it back.*

## Our Family's Important Dates

**Registration deadline:**

**Absentee application deadline:**

**Absentee ballot return deadline:**

**Other important date / detail:**

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# RIDES HANDLED ✓

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**IF SOMEONE NEEDS A RIDE, HANDLE IT BEFORE THEY NEED IT.**

Not everyone needs transportation help. For the people who do, make the plan ahead of time. The Family Captain identifies the need; the Family Crew helps make the connection.

| FAMILY MEMBER | NEEDS A RIDE? | DRIVER / HELPER | PICKUP TIME | HANDLED? ✓ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | ☐ | | | ☐ |
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## Ride Check

- ☐ Confirm everyone has contact information.
- ☐ Confirm the pickup time and location.
- ☐ Have a backup plan when possible.
- ☐ Reconfirm before the planned voting time.

**RIDES HANDLED SCORE**

RIDES NEEDED _____

RIDES HANDLED _____

*Polls are open in Alabama from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. If you're in line by 7, you can vote.*

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# FAMILY READY ✓ 07

**THE DETAILS ARE HANDLED. NOW WE SHOW UP.**

Family Ready means the family has completed the Roll Call, made individual plans, and handled rides for everyone who needs one. The Family Captain does the final check-in; the Family Crew helps close any remaining gaps.

| FINAL FAMILY CHECK | STATUS |
|---|---|
| **ROLL CALL** - We know who is on our family roll. | ☐ |
| **PLAN MADE** - Each eligible family member has a plan. | ☐ |
| **RIDES HANDLED** - Everyone who needs transportation has a ride plan. | ☐ |
| **FAMILY READY** - We handled the details and are ready to show up. | ☐ |

### Family Plan Sunday November 1, 2026

Use the final Sunday before Election Day for one last family check. Confirm plans, rides, needed information, and who still needs a call or text.

### Election Day: November 3 Live Family Tracker

Keep the family thread active. Check in, help one another follow through, share photos, and celebrate the family showing up together.

**FAMILY SCORE: _____ of _____**

**family members voted and completed their plan.**

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# THE FAMILY COUNTDOWN

**KEEP THE MOMENTUM MOVING.** *Remind. Check in. Stay committed.*

**Sun., Oct. 4**
**FAMILY ROLL CALL SUNDAY** - Gather the family, choose the Captain, and start the Roll Call.

**Early to mid-October**
**ROLL CALL** - Follow up with anyone who still needs to check or update registration before the applicable deadline.

**Mid-October**
**PLAN MADE** - Help family members who may use absentee voting understand the applicable process and deadlines.

**Late October**
**PLAN MADE + RIDES HANDLED** - Confirm plans and transportation needs.

**Sun., Nov. 1**
**FAMILY PLAN SUNDAY** - Do the final family check: plan, ride, reminders, help.

**Tue., Nov. 3**
**FAMILY READY** - Follow through, check in with the family, and celebrate participation together.

**Alabama's 2026 General Election is Tuesday, November 3.** Use official election information to confirm the dates, procedures, eligibility, and requirements that apply to each family member.

**ROLL CALL ✓ • PLAN MADE ✓ • RIDES HANDLED ✓ • FAMILY READY ✓**

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# EXTEND THE FAMILY

## WHEN YOUR FAMILY IS READY, HELP ANOTHER FAMILY GET STARTED.

Once your own family has a plan, you can help a neighbor, church member, coworker, friend, or another family use the same simple system: choose a Family Captain, build the Family Crew, call the Roll, make the plans, handle rides, and get Family Ready.

## Family Affair Hubs

Community spaces can help families start the system, find reliable information, identify a Family Captain, and connect people with practical support.

- ✓ **Family gatherings and reunions:** call the Roll and choose a Family Captain.
- ✓ **Churches and faith communities:** create a Family Affair moment and help connect people with information or transportation resources.
- ✓ **Alumni, Greek-letter, civic, and service organizations:** help families move through the four checks.
- ✓ **Barbershops, salons, and community businesses:** display the Roll Call, QR resources, and Family Captain materials.
- ✓ **Local partners:** amplify trusted organizations already doing the work rather than creating a parallel system.

### Make It Social

Gather the family. Call the Roll. Share the family score. Challenge another family.

**"We're the family. We've got on our Roll, checked, and plans made. Nobody gets left behind. family, y'all are next."**

**#ItsA619FamilyAffair #619FamilyRollCall #ReachThe619**

When your family reaches **FAMILY READY ✓**, make it visible: **THIS FAMILY SHOWS UP. ✓** Use it as the family recognition badge in photos, Stories, Reels, hub displays, and family graphics.

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A REACH THE 619 FAMILY CHALLENGE

# THIS FAMILY SHOWS UP TO VOTE. ✓

We are the _____ Family.

**We call the roll.**
**We make the plan.**
**We handle the rides.**
**We look out for one another.**
**We VOTE.**
**And nobody gets left behind.**

On or before Tuesday, November 3, 2026, we're working together so every eligible member of our family has the information, support, and plan they need to be ready to vote.

**____ names on our Family Roll.**

**Reliable Information**

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reachthe619.org

**Alabama election information**
AlabamaVotes.gov / Alabama Secretary of State