Los Angeles County Receives Election Center Awards

E-Sample Ballot and VSAP Open Design Search awarded for best practice and innovation.

LOS ANGELES--Los Angeles County took home two awards from the Election Center’s 28th Annual National Conference today. These national awards recognized the County’s innovative election practices. The Election Center’s Professional Practices Program recognized the County’s E-Sample Ballot program and Voting Systems Assessment Project’s (VSAP) Open Design Challenge.

L.A. County’s E-Sample Ballot program received the Democracy Award for Best Practice in 2012. Launched in March 2012, E-Sample Ballot is a program that allows registered voters in L.A. County to subscribe to receive their Official Sample Ballot via email. The subscription makes the Sample Ballot available on the go and eliminates the need to mail a paper Sample Ballot to the voter’s home, helping reduce printing and shipping costs. Registered voters can subscribe to E-Sample Ballot here https://lavote.net/secured/e_sb/.

The Freedom Award for Innovation was given to the VSAP’s Open Design Search: Re-imagining Voting Systems. The VSAP project envisions implementing a new voting system through a transparent and participatory process that takes into account the needs and expectations of current and future L.A. County voters. The Open Design Search is an innovative initiative that seeks to engage a broad range of experts, designers, and the general public to design a voting system that will meet the unique needs of Los Angeles County’s large and diverse electorate.

For more information about E-Sample ballot and the VSAP project, visit lavote.net.

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