



# California Asian Pacific Islander **Voter Guide**

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*Your VOTE Counts!*  
**Vote November 6, 2012**

**Election Day is Tuesday,  
November 6, 2012**

This November, Asian Pacific Islander voters will play a key role in shaping the future of our country, our state and our communities. California is home to the largest Asian Pacific Islander population nationwide and we believe that an informed Asian Pacific Islander electorate will benefit our entire state.

We want to help you get the information you need to be an informed and engaged voter, so we created a statewide Asian Pacific Islander Voter Guide to educate Asian Pacific Islander voters on a wide range of issues.

A lot of people will be voting this November and it is going to be a close election. Your vote will make the difference. Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 6, 2012!

*Take me with you to vote, November 6, 2012!*



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**YES**  
ON PROP  
**30**

Asks the richest 1% of Californians to pay their fair share to support education, healthcare and other critical services.

**NO**  
ON PROP  
**32**

A deceptive initiative that will increase corporate influence on politics and silence the voices of working California families.

**NO**  
ON PROP  
**33**

Not a discount. Instead allows insurance companies to raise auto insurance prices up to \$1,000 a year for some drivers.

**YES**  
ON PROP  
**34**

Saves millions of taxpayer dollars and guarantees an innocent person will never be executed in California.

**NO**  
ON PROP  
**35**

Expands definitions of human trafficking which may result in infringements on civil liberties and enact unconstitutional penalties.

**YES**  
ON PROP  
**36**

Saves millions of taxpayer dollars and reforms California's three strikes law by focusing on violent and serious offenders.

**YES**  
ON PROP  
**37**

Allows Californians to make educated choices about our food by requiring clear labels if foods are genetically modified.

**YES**  
ON PROP  
**39**

Will generate \$1 billion a year to fund projects that create energy efficiency and renewable energy jobs in California by requiring out-of-state corporations to pay their fair share.

**YES**  
ON PROP  
**40**

Upholds the State Senate districts drawn by the voter created and approved Citizens Redistricting Commission.

**Yes**  
ON PROP  
**30**

**Initiative to Fund Schools**

Proposition 30 asks the richest 1% of Californians to pay their fair share so we can restore previous cuts to education and prevent deeper cuts while investing in our children and our future. It will shrink California's debt, protect funding for K-14 education and restore billions in cuts to higher education, healthcare, childcare, and other critical services.

**Supporting Organizations**

Asian Pacific Environmental Network  
API Equality-LA  
Asian & Pacific Islander California Action Network  
Asian Immigrant Women Advocates  
Asian Law Caucus  
Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (Alameda, Los Angeles and San Diego)  
Asian Pacific American Legal Center  
Asian Pacific Policy & Planning Council  
Chinese for Affirmative Action  
Chinese Progressive Association  
Filipino Advocates for Justice  
Khmer Girls in Action  
Korean Resource Center  
Koreatown Immigrant Workers Alliance  
Little Tokyo Service Center  
Mobilize the Immigrant Vote Action Fund  
Sacramento Housing Alliance  
Services, Immigrant Rights and Education Network  
South Asian Network  
Working Partnerships USA

**No**  
ON PROP  
**32**

**Special Exemptions Act**

A "yes" vote increases corporate influence on elections and a "no" vote allows for a fairer playing field. Prop 32 is masked as a fair approach to limit the political influence of corporations and unions. Although corporations already outspend unions 15-1 in elections, passage of Prop 32 promises to increase corporate influence on politics and silence the voices of working California families.

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**No**  
ON PROP  
**33**

**Increased Cost of Insurance Act**

Prop 33 is not a discount. If it passes, insurance companies can raise auto insurance prices up to \$1000 a year for customers who didn't have auto insurance at some point in the past five years, even if they weren't driving or didn't have a car. It also unfairly punishes people who have stopped driving for legitimate reasons such as dropped coverage while in college, using mass transit, or unemployment.

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**Yes**  
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**34**

**SAFE Act**

Prop 34 will save millions of dollars in taxpayer subsidized appeals and guarantees an innocent person will never be executed in California. Prop 34 will also prioritize resources to allow law enforcement to focus on violent crimes like homicide and rape.

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**No**  
ON PROP  
**35**

### Human Trafficking Act

Human trafficking is immoral but Prop 35 is deceptive. Prop 35's expanded definitions of crimes and overarching new penalties are so broad that it may result in infringements on civil liberties and enact unconstitutional penalties. Every County would have discretion over which pieces of the law to enforce creating uneven implementation across the state and leaving room for abuse.

### Supporting Organizations

Asian Law Caucus  
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**Yes**  
ON PROP  
**36**

### Three Strikes Reform Act

Prop 36 saves taxpayers money. Under current law, third time non-violent offenders are subject to harsh sentences that overcrowd prisons and burden taxpayers. Prop 36 ensures that the punishment will fit the crime and restores the original intent of California's three strikes law by focusing on violent and serious offenders.

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**Yes**  
ON PROP  
**37**

### Right to Know

Californians have a right to make informed choices about the food they eat and how it's grown. Prop 37 would require processed food containing genetically engineered ingredients to be labeled.

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**Yes**  
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**39**

### Clean Energy Jobs Act

Past corporate giveaways have allowed out-of-state corporations to pay lower taxes in California, costing us \$1 billion each year. Prop 39 would close this loophole by forcing these corporations to pay their fair share, generating revenue for education and vital services that support all Californians and create renewable energy jobs.

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**Yes**  
ON PROP  
**40**

### Uphold Citizens Redistricting Plan

In 2010 California voters chose to create and approve an independent Citizens Redistricting Commission to hold politicians accountable. Prop 40 will uphold the will of Californians and protect the commission from attacks by those who do not agree with a fair and transparent process.

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