



REV UP MA September 2026 Meeting

Thursday, September 24, 2026

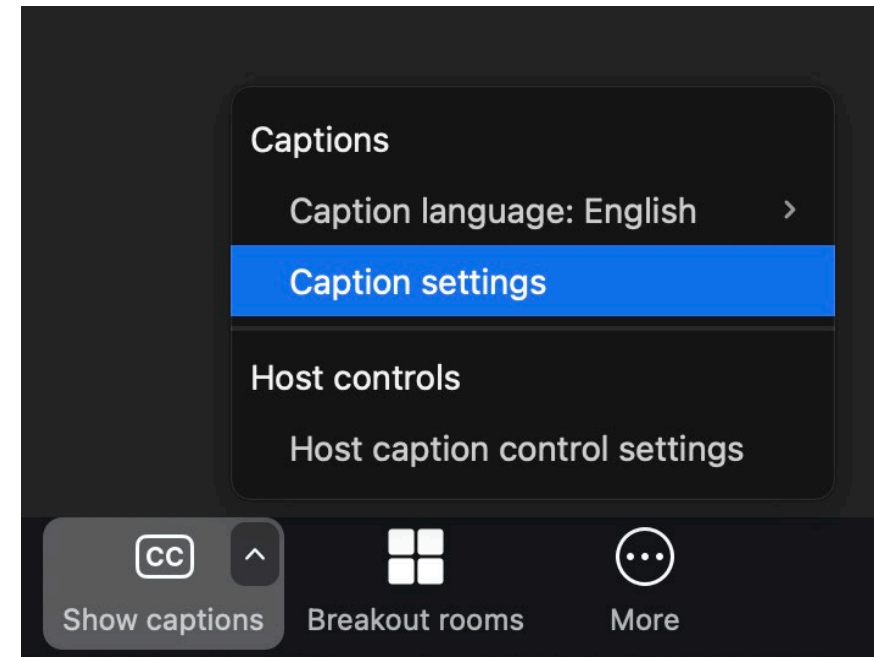
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Accessibility

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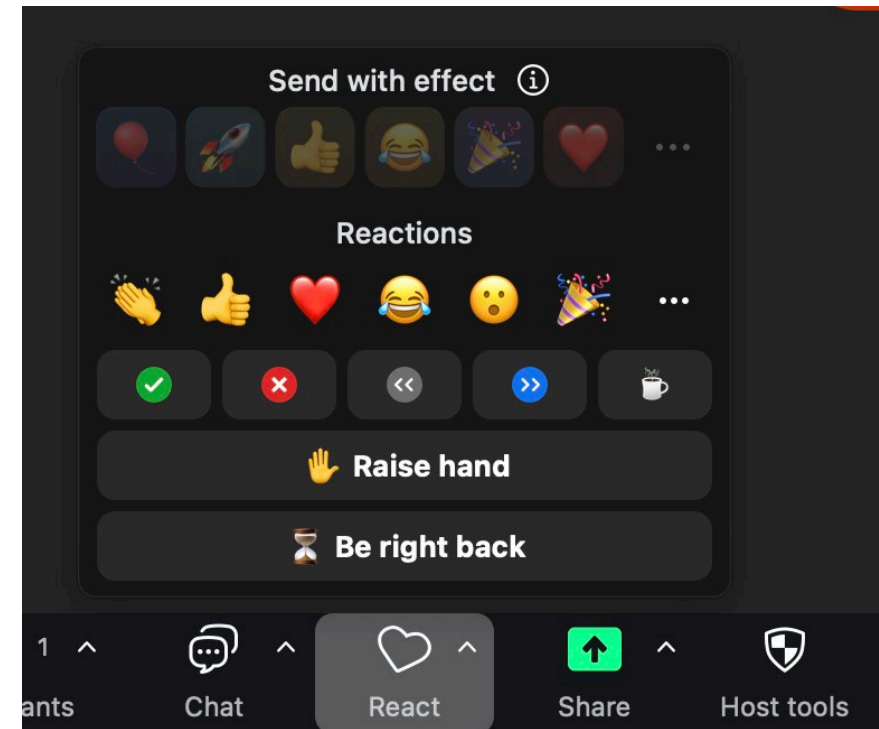
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Any other access needs?

Feel free to speak up or message Brianna in the chat!

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- **Say your name before you speak.**
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Skipping Introductions – say your name and organization when you speak or in the chat

- **Intro to REV UP MA** (if new members) (2 minutes)
- **Debrief on Primary Election:** Voting Experiences, Accessibility Issues, etc. (10 – 15 minutes)
- **Debrief on Disability Voting Rights Week Events** (10 – 15 minutes)
- **Accessible Voting Equipment Fair Feedback** (10 – 15 minutes)
- **Important Dates** (2 minutes)
- **Planning Ahead: Future events and advocacy** (last 5 – 10 minutes)

Introduction to REV UP MA

- **REV UP** stands for “Register, Educate, Vote, Use your power!”
- REV UP MA is a statewide coalition of organizations and individuals. We:
 - Educate people with disabilities about voting rights
 - Advocate for accessible voting processes
 - Help people with disabilities to register to vote
 - Encourage civic engagement of people with disabilities
- **Learn more:** visit [REV UP MA's website](#) and [sign up for our email list!](#)



Primary Election Debrief

- Disability Law Center learned about:
 - Parking issues
 - Locked accessible entrances
 - Heavy doors
 - AutoMARK not being set up, lack of awareness of the AutoMARK
 - Lack of signage directing people to accessible entrances
- **What were your voting experiences like? Did you encounter any issues?**
 - You can share your experiences by filling out [DLC's short survey](#)

Polling Place Accessibility Surveys

- Are you interested in conducting polling place accessibility survey? If so, do you know where you want to survey and if you are interested in teaming up with other members?
 - **Contact bzimmerman@dlc-ma.org to let us know!**
- [Check out the full polling place accessibility survey](#)
- [Watch the recorded polling place accessibility survey training](#)

Disability Voting Rights Week Events

- Empowering Every Voter event with Massachusetts West Region Self-Advocacy in Chicopee (9/8)
- REV UP the Disability Vote webinar with the Arc of Massachusetts (9/17)
 - [Recorded and posted to YouTube](#)
- The Caring Force Western MA Disability Voting Rights Week and Direct-Support Professionals Recognition Week Celebration in Westfield (9/18)
- Get Out the Vote Table at Danehy Park Family Day in Cambridge (9/19)

Any other events or ways that you celebrated Disability Voting Rights Week?

Accessible Voting Equipment Vendor Fairs (August 10 – 14)

- Fairs took place in Middleton, Northampton, Brockton, Watertown, and Worcester
- Four vendors participated: DemocracyLive with OmniBallot Tablet, ES&S with AutoMARK 2, LHS with Dominion ImageCast X BMD, and Smartmatic
- Over 200 attendees

Secretary of State's Office Seeking Feedback on Accessible Voting Equipment

From the Secretary of State's office: Here are questions that we would like to learn more from you about the accessible voting options presented at the fairs.

1. Which vendor fair did you attend?
2. What brought you to the vendor fair? How did you hear about us?
3. Have you used accessible election equipment prior attending the 2026 vendor fair?
4. After reviewing the options at the fair, which equipment did you like best and why?
5. Which equipment did you least like and why?
6. Any additional comments?

Send Feedback to the Secretary of State's Office

- Send your feedback to the Secretary of State's office Project Manager Bridget Simmons Murphy
 - Email: bridget.murphy@sec.state.ma.us
- Let us know if you share feedback (email info@revupma.org)

Important Dates

- Voter Registration Deadline:
Saturday, October 24
- Vote by Mail Application Deadline:
Tuesday, October 27 by 5 PM
- Early Voting Period:
Saturday, October 17 – Friday, October 30
- Election Day:
Tuesday, November 3 (polls open 7 AM – 8 PM)

Wrapping Up

Planning Ahead

Discussion of next steps/action items

- Continued advocacy on accessible voting machines
 - Advocate for accessible voting equipment to be rolled out soon: ideally for 2028 elections. (All)
 - Op-ed on the importance of accessible voting equipment (Commonwealth Beacon?)
 - Submit your feedback on equipment to Bridget Simmons Murphy (all)
 - Invite Secretary's office to upcoming meetings (BZ can invite)

Planning Ahead, Continued

- Polling Place Accessibility
 - Draft materials for contacting local election office with issues (Brianna, Kay)
 - Let Brianna (bzimmerman@dlc-ma.org) know if you want to get involved in polling place accessibility surveys (all)
- Sharing future events
 - If you are holding future events such as voter registration drives, candidate forums, trainings, etc. share information with info@revupma.org or bzimmerman@dlc-ma.org. We can share with our email list/social media.
 - Can share info to the national dashboard: <https://www.mobilize.us/rev-up-aapd/c/dvrw-2026/event/create/>

Upcoming Meetings

- [Sign up for our next meetings](#) (if you didn't already!)
 - Thursday October 15 at 11 AM

Sign up for REV UP MA emails & check out our website!

For upcoming meeting/event information, voting advocacy updates, and resources...

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