



## DSRSD Board of Directors Election 2024

# How to Become a DSRSD Director

### DSRSD Board of Directors

DSRSD Directors are elected in November of even-numbered years. The office is non-partisan, and there are five seats with staggered four-year terms. Each seat represents a portion of the District's service area. **The Divisions 1, 3, and 5 seats will be up for election in the General Election in 2024.**

Directors receive \$195 in compensation for each day of service, up to 10 days per month, per the [DSRSD Director Compensable Activities policy](#).

Visit the [DSRSD Board of Directors page](#) for more information regarding roles and responsibilities, and visit the [DSRSD Elections page](#) for more election information.

### Eligibility

To be eligible to run for the DSRSD Board of Directors, you must be a US citizen, at least 18 years of age, and a registered voter residing within the boundaries of the division that you are running to represent. See the [election division map](#).

### Become a Candidate

**To become a candidate, you must file a declaration of candidacy with the county in which the division is located.**

The District is a multi-county agency with its service area in portions of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties:

- Divisions 1 and 2 are located in Contra Costa County.
- Divisions 3, 4, and 5 are located in Alameda County.

The District consolidates its Board of Directors elections with the statewide general election and authorizes Alameda and Contra Costa Counties to officiate and run its elections.

**The candidate nomination period for the November 5, 2024, election opens July 15 and closes August 9.** If no incumbent files nomination papers by the end of the filing period, the filing period is extended to **August 14** for non-incumbents only.

Candidates who wish to have a statement of their qualifications published in the sample ballot that goes to registered voters must pay \$250 to cover publishing and printing costs. Refer to the [DSRSD Candidate's Statement Cost policy](#).

### Campaign Finance Disclosure

Candidates are required to file a Candidate Intention Statement before soliciting or receiving any contributions or loans from others or before making any expenditure from personal funds on behalf of their candidacy, excluding personal funds used to pay filing fees and/or fees for candidates' statements. If they raise or spend \$2,000 or more, they must also set up a campaign bank account and file a Statement of Organization and applicable campaign statements. Refer to the Campaign Rules and Campaign Finance links above for details.

### Important Contacts and Links

**Alameda County Registrar of Voters**  
1225 Fallon Street, Room G-1  
Oakland, CA 94612-4283  
(510) 267-8683  
[www.acvote.org](http://www.acvote.org)

Refer to [How to Run page](#)

**Contra Costa County Election Division**  
555 Escobar Street  
Martinez, CA 94553  
(925) 335-7800  
[www.cocovote.us](http://www.cocovote.us)  
Refer to [Run for Office page](#)

**Fair Political Practices Commission**  
1102 Q Street, Suite 3000  
Sacramento, CA 95811  
(866) 275-3772  
[www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)  
Refer to [Campaign Rules page](#)

**Secretary of State  
Political Reform Division**  
1500 11th Street, Room 495  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
(916) 653-6814  
[www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov)  
Refer to [Campaign Finance page](#)

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## Appointment Instead of Election

Should the number of candidates not exceed the number of offices to be filled, the supervising authority (Alameda County Board of Supervisors) appoints the candidates to the offices, per California Elections Code Section 10515.

## DSRSD Election History

DSRSD has been consolidating its general District election with the statewide general election for greater voter participation and lower election costs. After an election, DSRSD receives certified election results from Alameda County and Contra Costa County, and reimburses them for their election costs, which mainly consist of a per-registered-voter charge. See the table below for a 10-year overview of DSRSD elections, which transitioned from at-large to division-based elections beginning with the 2020 election:

Year	Number of Candidates and Seats	Registered Voters for Alameda	Registered Voters for Contra Costa	DSRSD Costs
2014	2 candidates for 2 seats	No election was held; all candidates were appointed		\$397
2016	4 candidates for 4 seats	No election was held; all candidates were appointed		\$300
2018	5 candidates for 2 seats	28,879	21,893	\$122,000
2020	1 candidate for Division 1 1 candidate for Division 3 0 candidates for Division 5	No election was held; all candidates were appointed		\$300
2022	2 candidates for Division 2 1 candidate for Division 4 2 candidates for Division 5	11,100 for Division 5	14,506 for Division 2	\$56,435

## About DSRSD

DSRSD is an independent, community services special district founded in 1953. To learn more about DSRSD's history and governance, visit the [DSRSD website](#). The following pages are good starting points:

- [General Information page](#) provides overview and history about DSRSD.
- [Finding Information page](#) provides commonly requested materials.
- [Library page](#) provides links to other DSRSD pages regarding financial information, environmental permits and monitoring reports, plans and studies, diagrams and maps, District Code (consists of rules and regulations on how the District does business), and District policies.

