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- Accessible Voting Technology Grant
- $4.5 million over 3 years
- Demonstration projects/elections
- Innovations in voting technologies with our partners …

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Center for Accessible Information

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TENNESSEE DISABILITY COALITION

Election Data Services

PARAQUAD
discover ability!

NIST
National Institute of Standards and Technology
U.S. Department of Commerce

ATAP
Association of Assistive Technology Act Programs

ELECTION CENTER
National Association of Election Officials

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Accessible Voting Technologies

Voter - Multimodal

- Multimodal Interactions
  - Voters can speak and touch interchangeably

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Voter - Visual

- Touch screen tablets
  - Large fonts
  - Images or No Images
  - Touchable Names
- Voter touches the screen to make selection
  - Confirmation is visual
- Ballot layout
  - One race per screen
  - Voter confirms ballot twice before it is recorded

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Voter - Haptic

- Rocker Switch
  - Large texture on buttons
  - Select and Next

- Voter presses the button to make a selection
  - Confirmation is verbal and visual

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Voter - Verbal

- Headset
  - The system speaks to the voter through the headset
  - Conversation is confidential – no one can hear the machine's speech, but the voter
  - System's speech can be pre-recorded or computer generated or both.
- Embedded microphone in the headset
  - Voter speaks words like "vote", "continue", etc. or blows into the microphone
  - Confirmation is verbal

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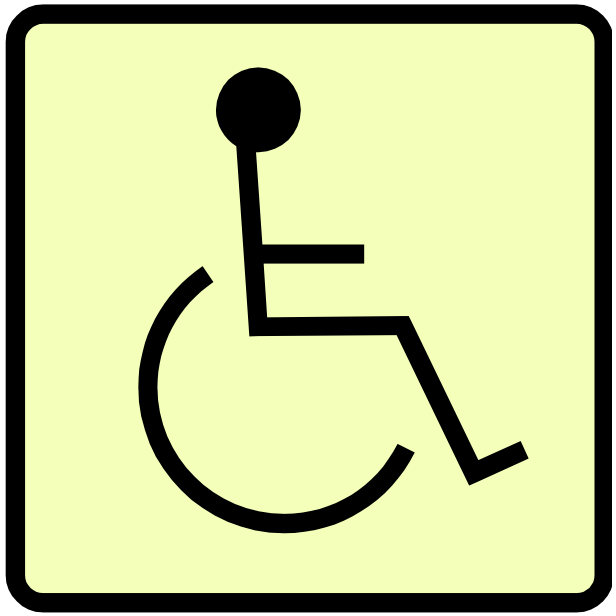
The World's Most Accessible Voting Technology



- Sighted
- Blind
- Deaf
- Illiteracy
  - Sighted and Blind
- Physical Disabilities
  - Limited or no use of hands
  - For example, military wounded in Iraq, elderly, etc.
- All of these voters can privately and independently vote!

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Prime III

Security

Security - VVGB

- Voter-Verified Ballot (VVB)
  - Printed ballots will contain only the selections for each race
  - May be printed on paper with a watermark
  - Green approach to voting
    - All paper is used and recycled

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NIST Standard Ballot

1. President and Vice-President ==> Joseph Barchi and Joseph Hallaren (B)

2. US Senate ==> Dennis Weiford (B)

3. US Representative ==> Brad Plunkard (B)

4. Governor ==> Charlene Franz (B)

5. Lieutenant-Governor ==> Chris Norberg (B)

6. County Commissioners ==> Clayton Bainbridge (B)
6. County Commissioners (write-in) ==> Julian R. Gilbert ; Jackson R. Gilbert

7. Proposition #1 ==> Yes

8. Amendment #1 ==> Accept

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Pilots

- NSBE Election (2008 - 2014)
- National Council on Independent Living (NCIL)
- Presidential Mock Election at Auburn University
- State of Oregon (May 2012)

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Pilots

- Self Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE 2012)
  - Ballot contained photos of the candidates

- Clemson Elementary School (2012)

Pilot Election

- Wisconsin
  - April 1, 2014

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Pilot Challenges

- Election Officials
  - In many cases, unwilling to participate
  - It takes a lot of work to convince some of them
- Vendors
  - It took a lot of time to communicate that we are not vendors
- Participants
  - Getting a diverse group to participate

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RAAV

Research Alliance for Accessible Voting

Questions???

http://www.AccessibleVoting.org

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