Prepaid Postage Julie Wise, Director of King County Elections

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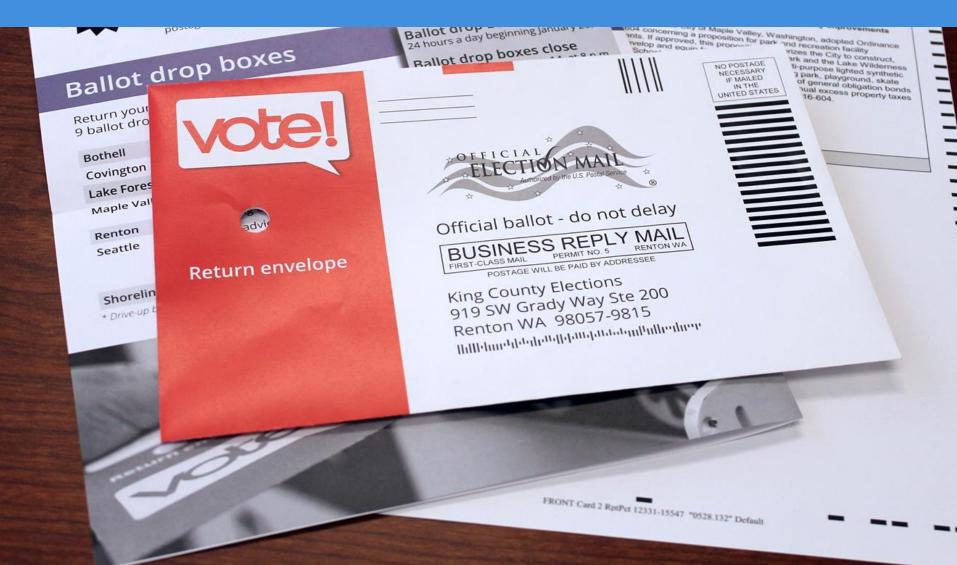


Removing Barriers to Voting

- Increasing drop boxes
- Additional languages
- Partnerships to engage underrepresented communities
- More inclusive state voter registration laws
- Next step is prepaid postage



Pilots: February and April 2017



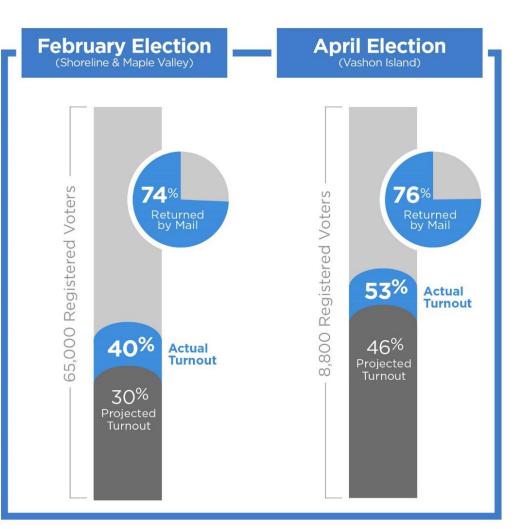
Pilots: Operational Considerations



- No change in the cancellation rate for business reply mail.
 98.7% postmarked, which is consistent with regular first class mail.
- One-day processing time lag eliminated in 2nd pilot.

Pilots: Voter Behavior

- Voters returned their ballot by mail in much higher numbers than previous elections.
- Turnout was higher than projected in both elections.



Prepaid Estimated Cost Countywide

	Low	High
2018	\$340,000	\$475,000
2019	\$245,000	\$342,000
2020	\$434,000	\$608,000





Questions?

