

HealthRIGHT 360 Staff Ballot Guide

HealthRIGHT 360 has taken positions on propositions that directly impact the organization, clients, or staff, or on propositions that align with our mission. This election, HealthRIGHT 360 takes positions on 16 measures. Our top priorities are **No on Prop 44**, **Yes on Prop 40** (with **No on Props 41 and 42**, which would cancel it), and **Yes on Prop 3**. Direct positions change our funding, regulation, contracts, or facilities, while Mission positions affect what our clients need to stay well, including housing, transit, access to voting, and stable state finances.

Election Day is November 3, 2026. Mail ballots must be postmarked by that day.

Positions at a Glance

Measure	Jurisdiction	What it does	Position	Impact
Prop 44	Statewide	Forces nonprofit FQHCs to spend 90% of revenue on "program services," with penalties.	VOTE NO (TOP PRIORITY)	Direct
Prop 40	Statewide	One-time 5% tax on billionaires' wealth; 90% to health care.	VOTE YES	Direct
Prop 41	Statewide	Audits and spending-limit rules for new special taxes; cancels Prop 40 if it gets more votes.	VOTE NO	Direct
Prop 42	Statewide	Bans new wealth and personal-property taxes; cancels Prop 40 if it gets more votes.	VOTE NO	Direct
Prop 3	Statewide	Makes current top income-tax rates permanent; funds schools and health care.	VOTE YES	Direct
Prop 43	Statewide	Two-thirds vote for all future local special taxes, including citizen initiatives.	VOTE NO	Direct
Prop 45	Statewide	CEQA fast track for essential projects, including clinics and health facilities.	VOTE YES	Direct
Measure E	LA County	Restores Measure J's 10% set-aside for community investment and alternatives to incarceration.	VOTE YES	Direct
Measure B	San Diego	Half-cent sales tax; 60% to health care, child care, and food security.	VOTE YES	Direct
Prop 1	Statewide	\$11.25B veterans and affordable housing bond.	VOTE YES	Mission
Prop 2	Statewide	Doubles the state rainy-day fund cap from 10% to 20%.	VOTE YES	Mission
Prop 39	Statewide	Voter ID and citizenship verification requirements.	VOTE NO	Mission
Prop C	San Francisco	Grows the Housing Trust Fund toward \$125M a year.	VOTE YES	Mission
Prop H	San Francisco	15-year parcel tax for Muni operations.	VOTE YES	Mission
Prop I	San Francisco	Dedicates about \$120M a year in transfer tax to affordable housing.	VOTE YES	Mission
Measure RTM	Bay Area	Regional transit sales tax supporting Muni and Bay Area public transit operations.	VOTE YES	Mission

Statewide Propositions (Direct Impact)

TOP PRIORITY: VOTE NO ON PROP 44

DIRECT IMPACT

Prop 44 - Clinic Spending Requirement: **VOTE NO**

Prop 44 is the measure on this ballot most directly aimed at organizations like HealthRIGHT 360. It would penalize nonprofit Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) that spend less than 90% of revenue on "program services," with Attorney General enforcement and fines. HealthRIGHT 360's SF Integrated Care Center is an HRSA-funded FQHC and our San Mateo clinic is an FQHC look-alike, so our clinics are directly impacted.

WHY WE STRONGLY OPPOSE PROP 44: A study commissioned by the California Primary Care Association projects about **\$1.7 billion in first-year penalties statewide**, and estimates that **nearly half of community clinics could be forced to close**. Spending on patient navigators, translators, food pantries, capital projects, and reserves may not count toward the rigid 90% threshold, putting our integrated, wraparound model and our new Prop 1 facility builds at extreme risk.

Compliance Uncertainty & Broad Coalition Opposition: Much depends on how the Attorney General later defines qualifying expenses, which adds major compliance uncertainty. While supporters argue clinics receiving public funds should show more money reaching patients rather than overhead, Prop 44's rigid formula threatens essential wraparound services. Sponsored by SEIU-UHW, Prop 44 is opposed by the California Primary Care Association (CPCA), California Medical Association, Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California, California Hospital Association, and both the California Democratic and Republican parties.

Prop 3 - Make Top Income-Tax Rates Permanent

VOTE YES (Direct Impact)

Prop 3 deletes the 2030 expiration date on the 10.3-12.3% top income-tax rates first created by Prop 30 and extended by Prop 55. It raises no new taxes and brings in \$5-15 billion a year, part of which funds children's health care and the General Fund that pays the state share of Medi-Cal.

Why we support: Medi-Cal is HealthRIGHT 360's largest payer. Losing this revenue in 2030, just as federal Medicaid cuts take hold, would severely increase pressure to cut Medi-Cal rates and benefits. The California Medical Association also supports Prop 3. Opponents argue California's top tax rates are already the highest in the nation and that only part of the revenue reaches schools.

Prop 40 - One-Time Billionaire Wealth Tax

VOTE YES (Direct Impact)

Prop 40 levies a one-time 5% tax in 2027 on Californians worth \$1 billion or more; 90% of proceeds must go to health care services and the rest to education, food assistance, and administration. It is designed to offset federal Medi-Cal cuts that the California Budget & Policy Center estimates could cause 1.3 million Californians to lose coverage by 2029-30.

Why we support: Prop 40 could bring tens of billions of one-time dollars into health care just as federal cuts reduce Medi-Cal funding, helping stabilize community clinics and behavioral health providers. We pair our Yes position with a call to the Legislature to add this money to Medi-Cal rather than backfill existing state spending. Our message is consistent: fund care (Yes on 40) and do not penalize the clinics that deliver it (No on 44).

Props 41 and 42 - Measures That Would Cancel Prop 40

VOTE NO ON BOTH (Direct Impact)

Props 41 and 42 were written to defeat Prop 40: if either receives more yes votes than Prop 40, the wealth tax does not take effect. **Prop 41** subjects new special-tax proposals to state auditor review and counts them toward the state spending limit, which could trigger refunds that reduce funding for other programs. **Prop 42** is a constitutional amendment barring new state taxes on wealth and personal property.

Why we oppose: Either measure passing with more votes than Prop 40 would wipe out critical health funding. Prop 41 also makes every future dedicated health tax harder to pass and riskier to keep, while Prop 42 permanently removes a revenue option the state may need as federal Medicaid support shrinks.

Prop 43 - Two-Thirds Vote for Local Special Taxes

VOTE NO (Direct Impact)

Prop 43 requires two-thirds voter approval for every new local special tax, including citizen initiatives (which currently pass with a simple majority). **Why we oppose:** Citizen initiatives have become a primary way communities fund local health and behavioral health services, such as San Diego County's Measure B on this ballot. Raising the threshold to two-thirds would take away a vital local funding tool as federal and state funding shrinks.

Prop 45 - CEQA Fast Track for Essential Projects

VOTE YES (Direct Impact)

Prop 45 sets binding deadlines for environmental review, permits, and court challenges for "essential projects," explicitly including health facilities, clinics, and medical office buildings. **Why we support:** HealthRIGHT 360 is building new behavioral health capacity with Prop 1 (2024) infrastructure grants, including a \$16.4 million facility at our Pomona Family Campus and projects in Santa Clara and Ventura counties. Grant timelines are tight, and fast-tracking helps protect these builds from costly delays.

Statewide Propositions (Mission Impact)

Prop 1 - Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond

VOTE YES (Mission Impact)

Authorizes \$11.25 billion in bonds (\$10 billion for affordable housing and \$1.25 billion for CalVet home loans). **Why we support:** Stable housing is one of the strongest predictors of whether clients stay in recovery after residential treatment or succeed after leaving custody. Refilling state housing programs expands discharge options for our clients.

Prop 2 - Larger State Rainy-Day Fund

VOTE YES (Mission Impact)

Doubles the state rainy-day fund cap from 10% to 20% of the General Fund and requires larger deposits in boom years. **Why we support:** When the state budget falls short, Medi-Cal optional benefits, provider rates, and behavioral health grants are among the first items cut. A larger reserve protects essential care during economic downturns.

Prop 39 - Voter ID and Citizenship Verification

VOTE NO (Mission Impact)

Requires photo ID to vote in person, an ID number on mail ballots, and citizenship verification for registration. **Why we oppose:** Many HealthRIGHT 360 clients, including people experiencing homelessness or reentering from custody, do not have a current photo ID. New ID rules would create barriers that keep many of the people we serve from voting.

San Francisco & Bay Area Measures (Mission Impact)

San Francisco Prop C - Housing Trust Fund Expansion

VOTE YES (Mission Impact)

Grows the city's annual Housing Trust Fund contribution from about \$52 million toward \$125 million starting in 2028-29. **Why we support:** San Francisco is where we serve the most clients, and the shortage of affordable and supportive housing is the main bottleneck when clients leave residential treatment or custody.

San Francisco Prop H - Muni Parcel Tax

VOTE YES (Mission Impact)

Creates a 15-year parcel tax raising about \$177 million a year for Muni to prevent major bus line cuts. **Why we support:** Most of our clients and many frontline staff rely on Muni to reach outpatient treatment, primary care appointments, court dates, and jobs.

San Francisco Prop I - Transfer Tax Dedicated to Affordable Housing

Regional & County Measures

Bay Area: Measure RTM - Regional Transit Sales Tax

VOTE YES (Mission Impact)

Measure RTM establishes a regional transit sales tax across the Bay Area to sustain public transportation systems, supporting Muni alongside San Francisco's Prop H as well as regional transit connections. **Why we support:** Reliable regional public transit is essential for our clients and staff across the Bay Area to access clinic sites, treatment programs, court appointments, and employment.

Los Angeles County: Measure E - Community Investment Set-Aside

VOTE YES (Direct Impact)

Measure E writes LA County's Ethics Commission into the charter and permanently restores Measure J's requirement that at least 10% of the county's unrestricted General Fund go to community investment and alternatives to incarceration (fixing an accidental 2028 repeal date created by 2024's Measure G).

Why we support: Measure J funds the county's *Care First, Jails Last* programs, including community treatment, reentry, and diversion services of the kind HealthRIGHT 360 delivers in LA through our PRCS reentry outreach and Prototypes programs. Losing this set-aside would remove one of the few dedicated local revenue streams for alternatives to incarceration.

San Diego County: Measure B - Health & Safety Act

VOTE YES (Direct Impact)

Measure B is a citizen-initiated half-cent countywide sales tax raising an estimated \$400-450 million a year. It allocates 60% to health care, child care, food security, and family services; 22.5% to Tijuana River sewage fixes; and 17.5% to public safety and wildfire prevention. It comes as the county faces an estimated \$300 million shortfall tied to federal cuts.

Why we support: HealthRIGHT 360 operates North County Serenity House and other critical treatment services in San Diego County that depend on county behavioral health contracts. A dedicated local health revenue stream will help the county protect safety-net services as federal Medi-Cal funding declines.

Monitored & No-Position Jurisdictions

- **Santa Clara, Orange, San Mateo, Solano, Contra Costa, and Ventura Counties:** HealthRIGHT 360 takes **no position** on countywide measures in Santa Clara, Orange, San Mateo, Solano, Contra Costa, or Ventura Counties, as no countywide health or behavioral health measure on the November ballot in these jurisdictions directly affects our services.
- **San Francisco Monitored & Other Measures:** We are taking no position on and actively monitoring **SF Prop E** (which centralizes city procurement and raises Board approval thresholds to \$25M). We also take no position on SF Props A, B, D, F, G, and J.
- **Other Statewide & County Measures:** We take no position on Statewide **Props 37 and 38**, **LA County Measure A**, or the **San Diego County Ethics Commission** charter amendment, as none directly affect

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Southern California County Measures (Direct Impact)

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San Francisco Monitored & Other Local Measures

NO POSITION / MONITOR

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Other Statewide & Southern California Local Measures

NO POSITION

We take no position on Statewide **Props 37 and 38** (middle-income homebuyer loan bonds and immunology research bonds), **Los Angeles County Measure A** (public safety union arbitration), or the **San Diego County Ethics Commission** charter amendment, as none directly affect HealthRIGHT 360's operations or the services our clients rely on.