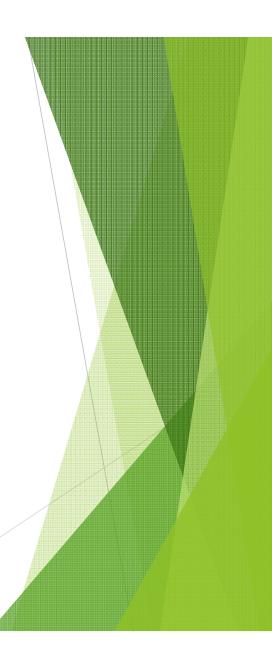


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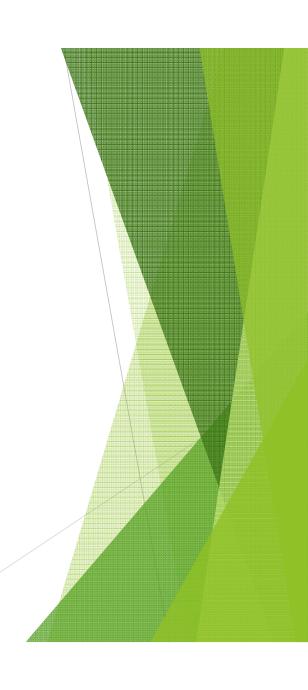
Harris County, Texas

- Second Largest election entity in the nation
- ▶ 2.29 million registered voters
- ► Ballot by Mail for over 65, disabled and those out of county during the election season
- ► Early Voting for approximately two weeks at 46 locations
- ► Election Day 750 800 polls
- ► Four languages: English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese



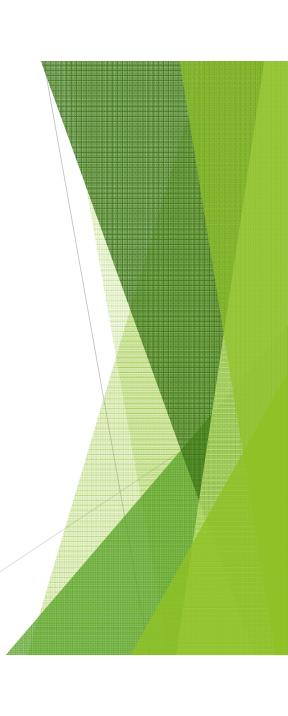
Advisory Groups

- ► Community Participation/Buy in
- ► Decision on Dialect
- ► Free translation
- ► Recruitment



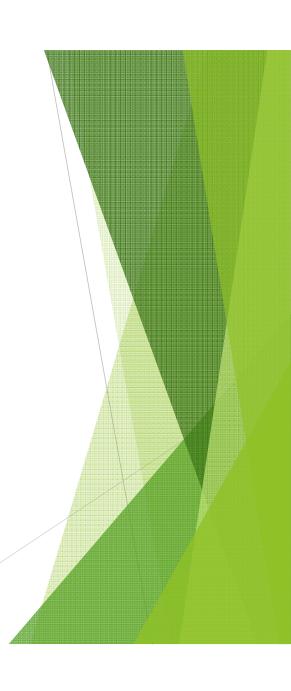
Foreign Language Media

- Conduct advisory meetings at Media headquarters
- ► Donation of PSA and/or phone bank
- ► Billboard donation



In-House Activities

- ▶ Glossary
- Outreach group attend foreign language activities
- Hire foreign language speakers/translators - other county department employees to assist
 - Have Advisory group vet the first employees



In-House Activities

- ► Website with multiple languages
- ► Contact other jurisdictions and ask for their documents
- Legislation to require state to pay for state generated documents
- www.bing.com/translator is helpful

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