

El Dorado leads coalition to make overseas absentee voting easier

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A \$1.8 million grant to enhance the absentee voting process for military personnel and other U.S. citizens living overseas has been awarded to a coalition of 13 California counties led by El Dorado County.

The California coalition was among the first six recipients of the Electronic Absentee Systems for Elections grants awarded by the Federal Voting Assistance Program. The coalition will begin transmitting ballots electronically to up to 20,000 American voters stationed or living overseas in time for the June 2012 primary election, according to a news release from El Dorado County Registrar of Voters William Schultz.

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