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| **Ranked Choice**  **Voting**  **R.C.V. is a Key to**  `  Description: Cvr50wide**Accurate Democracy**  **for Schools, Clubs, Towns & More**  **Steer Schools, Clubs, Towns and More** |
| “ This is *the* site for learning about democracy.” — Zoe Weil, author of *Most Good, Least Harm*,  president of the Institute for Humane Education.  “...a huge contribution to the democracy cause.  — John M. Richardson Jr., former Chairman of  the National Endowment for Democracy.  “ Congratulations on a brilliant piece of work.”  Robert Fuller, former President of Oberlin College,  author of *Somebodies and Nobodies* and *All Rise*.  **Tools for democracy** impact our levels of liberty, social trust, health and happiness.1  The best voting tools are fast, easy and fair.  They help groups from classrooms to countries.  They raise the rewards for consensus builders. so  They reduce polarizing fear, anger and gridlock.2  One tool gathers in supporters for each **proposed** policy. Other tools give out  fair shares of seats **or** $.  $ $ $  $ $ $  $ $ $  **Accurate Democracy**  **is strongly centered**  **yet inclusive and fair.**  **1**  [Get your eBook for FREE now*!*](https://accuratedemocracy.com/eBook.pdf)  [**AccurateDemocracy.com/eBook.pdf**](https://accuratedemocracy.com/eBook.pdf) |
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| 1. A goal of **Ranked Choice Voting** is this:   **A majority winner,**  **from a single election**.  Voting is easy. Rank **your favorite** as first choice,  **and backup choices**: second, third, etc. as you like. Your civic duty to vote is done.  Now your vote counts for your top-rank candidate.    If no candidate gets a majority, the one with fewest    votes loses. So we eliminate that one from the tally.  Your vote stays with your favorite if she advances.   If she has lost then your vote counts for your backup.    This repeats until one candidate gets a majority.  Why support Ranked Choice Voting, RCV  **Backups give you more power and freedom** to  express opinions with less risk of wasting a vote.  No hurting your first choice by ranking a backup, that does not count unless your first choice has lost.  No **worry about vote** **splitting** in a faction as votes for its loser(s) can count for each supporter's backup.  A majority winner from one election, so no winner  with a weak mandate and **no costly runoff** election.  High voter turnout also creates **a strong mandate**.  The turnout for an election runoff often goes down.1  More civility and consensus2 arise as candidatesask a rival’s fans for their backup votes.3 🡭  14 [**www.fairvote.org/get\_involved**](http://www.fairvote.org/get_involved) |
| Overview and Index of Benefits  **Ranked Choice Voting has proven to** Page  1, 2, 3, 4. **Make voting easy**, more often effective **14**, 57  Give you power to rank a backup choice; so∴ 33, 46  Reduce your risk of wasting your vote; so ∴ 12, 16  Vote worry free for your true first choice. ∵ 14  **Boost mandates as more voters count.**  **11**-17, 57  1, 2. **Reduce** **attack ads** that scare, anger, polarize. 14  🡪 **Weaken** **gerrymanders** and spoilers. 14, 16, 32  2. **Give** **fair shares** of reps to the rival groups; so **18** Diverse candidates have real chances to win; so 20 Voters have real choices and effective votes; so 17 **Voter** turnout **is stronger.**  61  2. **Elect women** twice as often as pluraity does; so **20** Accurate majorities win, also due to more choices 17 turnout, effective votes, equal votes per rep; so 21 **Policies match public opinion better.**  21, 60  Even then, old decision tools push policy pendulums 4  ★★An RCV toolboxcan do more★★  4. **Elect a few central reps** to be swing votes; so **31** Gather in other reps **to moderate policies**. 8, 54  3. **Use** Fair Share Voting for projects, savings, etc **24** Let all voters see each rep’s **spending**. 27  3, 4. **Reduce** **agenda effects** and scams. 27, 30, **33**, 36 **Streamline group decision-making.**  27, 33, 36  [**AccurateDemocracy.com/eBook.pdf**](https://accuratedemocracy.com/eBook.pdf) |
| ★★  Social Effects  ★★  These Are Tools Between People  A group’s decision rules pull its **culture** toward fair shares *or* toward winner takes all. They spread power wide and balanced, *or* narrow and lopsided. Other relations among members may follow their models.  Fair rules make **cooperation** safer, faster and easier. This favors people and groups who tend to cooperate. It may lead others to cooperate more often.  Earthball Rect_2  Politics are more **principled** and peaceful when all the rules help us find fair shares and central majorities. This might reduce political fears within our community; which helps us to be more receptive, creative and free.  So better rules can help us build better decisions, plus better **relationships**. Both please most people. Fair rules won’t please some who get money or self-esteem from war-like politics. But countries with fair rules tend to rank higher in social trust and happiness.1 Voting is an exemplary tool between people. 35 |
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