

AGC Arkansas 2026 Voter Guide

General election November 3, 2026

Four statewide measures appear on the ballot: three proposed constitutional amendments and one bond question.

Issue 1: Citizens Only Voting Amendment

Adds explicit language that only U.S. citizens meeting Arkansas voter qualifications may vote, and that people who do not qualify may not vote in state or local elections. Citizenship, residency, minimum age and registration requirements already exist and would remain in place. [Read the complete text of Issue 1.](#)

Issue 2: Right to Keep and Bear Arms

Expands the state constitutional text to expressly cover lawful hunting, recreation and other lawful purposes, along with ammunition, firearm accessories and components. It identifies the right as “natural, fundamental and individual,” and specifies that it shall not be infringed. [Read the complete text of Issue 2.](#)

Issue 3: Economic Development

Authorizes legislation to allow local governments to create economic development programs, public loans and grants, and economic development districts. Locally created districts would have the ability to finance projects with bonds (subject to the approval of local voters) or levy taxes. Property within a district would be exempt from other property taxes, including school, city and county levies; existing tax-exempt property would retain its status.

Implementing laws would set operating details; the amendment itself does not create a district or approve a particular project. [Read the complete text of Issue 3.](#)

Issue 4: Water Infrastructure Bonds

Authorizes up to \$500 million in state general obligation bonds for financing or refinancing water, wastewater, pollution control, drainage, irrigation, flood control, wetlands and aquatic resources projects. Irrigation facility financing is capped at \$165 million. The state could not issue more than \$60 million of bonds in any two-year period without legislative approval.

The bonds are backed by the state's “full faith and credit,” with repayment obligations. Approval authorizes financing; it does not guarantee a particular local project. [Read the complete text of Issue 4.](#)

If passed, Issues 1, 2, 3 and 4 would take effect January 1, 2027.