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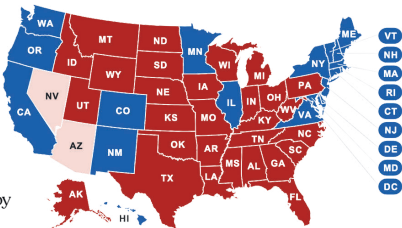
ELECTORAL VOTES:

226

HARRIS/WALZ POPULAR VOTES: 67,957,895

Electoral map:

270 needed to win
17 undetermined




Results as of 5:15 AM PT.

This race has been called by
The Associated Press

ELECTORAL VOTES:

295



TRUMP/VANCE POPULAR VOTES: 72,641,564

IT'S TRUMP, AGAIN

Republicans take the Senate, could make gains in House



President Donald Trump's official portrait (File) and JD Vance's official portrait (File) in front of the White House (File).
Graphic by Daniel Diaz/The Santanero.

Harris concedes, commits to peaceful transition as Trump drafts his Day 1 plans.

BY DANIEL DIAZ

Donald J. Trump, once the 45th President of the United States and recently, a convicted felon, has won over 270 votes to make him the 47th President-elect after the Associated Press called Wisconsin for Trump around 2:30 AM our time Wednesday.

The race came down to the swing states in which all seven—including Pennsylvania, Georgia, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Michigan, and two others leaning Trump, Nevada and Arizona—secured Trump's second term overnight.

Vice President Kamala Harris (D), conceded without questioning the validity of the election results and instead called Trump to offer her congratulations and invited him to the White House to begin the transition.

Trump will be sworn in January 20, 2025 at 12:00 PM Eastern.

Results as of 2:00 AM / The Associated Press

THE HOUSE

191

38

206

218 for control

Correa reelected to Congress; Republicans take control of the House of Representatives

BY DANIEL DIAZ

He's done it again. Congressman Lou Correa (D), first elected in 2016, is projected to be reelected to represent California's 46th district in the House of Representatives.

According to election filings, Correa has thrown his hat for the 2026 Attorney General race, leaving the door open for the 46th district to have a special election in one of the last Democratic strongholds in Orange County.

The data from the Orange County Registrar of Voters at time of print shows a large amount of newly registered Republicans countywide, dusting Democratic registrations and overtaking voter turnout as well.

Among the handful of seats left in the House, Republicans are on their way to secure a few more despite a tough battle in surrounding Congressional districts in Orange County. The GOP leads 206 to 191, to perhaps take the majority 218.



Lou Correa portrait (File)

If the Republicans take the majority in the House of Representatives, the GOP will achieve a red sweep taking all three branches of government: the White House, the Congress, and the Supreme Court. In some instances, the lack of a supermajority will stall some bills.

Results as of 2:00 AM / The Associated Press

U.S. SENATE

44

4

52

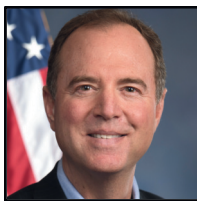
50 for control

Adam Schiff wins U.S. Senatorial race

BY DANIEL DIAZ

Adam Schiff (D) is projected to win the U.S. Senator race seat for California, a seat that used to be held by the late Dianne Feinstein, who passed last year.

Schiff beat Republican and former MLB player Steve Harvey, who conceded Tuesday.



Adam Schiff portrait (File)

While Schiff was projected to win right when the polls closed Tuesday, Garvey's vote totals were estimated to be higher than in

previous general elections.

This may be a sign that the security of a deeply blue state could be on the brink of becoming purple (aka swing state) in the coming years that would be a political earthquake.

According to Garvey, the movement is growing.

MAYORAL

Amezcu leads in early returns, on path to 2nd term.

A2

COUNCIL

See who is leading as of Wednesday.

A2

MEASURES

The Santanero has called a five of seven measures.

A2

Amezcua projected to win reelection as Mayor

After a turbulent first term, voters opt to give Amezcua a second try.

BY DANIEL DIAZ

Valerie Amezcua, Santa Ana's first female mayor, elected first in 2022, is projected to win a second term based on preliminary returns

indicated a wide 24-point lead against ward two Council Member Benjamin Vazquez.

Amezcua's reelection comes days after the City released final investigative reports that suggestively cleared the Mayor of any wrongdoing based on the accusations filed by former City Manager Kristine Ridge in 2023 shortly before resigning.

In regard to the investigation, the report revealed that the Mayor faced death



Valerie Amezcua

Benjamin Vazquez

29,535 Votes 62.0%
18,088 Votes 38.0%

Called by The Santano.
Results as of 11/06/2024 4:59 PM.

threats early on during her first term.

Additionally, she opened up on social media about her chronic pain and how a great support system allows her to find pride in her job as Mayor.

During her term, the City had its former police chief David Valentin retire early and former police union president Gerry Serrano break away.

Early in her term, she disclosed on the dais her dislike of the word 'Santano,' adding

she gets, including emails or texts, it would be ignored.

Nevertheless, the Mayor has initiated coffee time, a clear stance on drug needles, and voted to invest in homelessness prevention and intervention.

How the Mayor will take the next two years to address persistent issues not solved in her first term—is for time to tell. Her projected second term begins in early December, along with the winners of the councilmember seats.

Council seats too close to call

BY DANIEL DIAZ

In all three city council races, vote differences are less than 1,000, therefore The Santano characterized the races as 'too close to call.' Outstanding votes have yet

to be tallied by the Orange County Registrar of Voters as their website dictated Wednesday that over 350,000 ballot remain to be counted.

It would only take one of these races to change the balance of

power despite all these positions being non-partisan.

Of all things, the new Council will have to grapple with declining revenue and budget cuts to balance it as Measure X sees its sunset soon.

SAUSD board races tighten

BY DANIEL DIAZ

As of press time, there is a big chunk of ballots that have yet to be counted towards returns seen on the Registrar's website, which is affecting solidifying results for

the Santa Ana Unified School District's board member races.

Brenda Lesback, a P.E. adaptive teacher within SAUSD and campaigned primarily on book bans and anti-trans rhetoric, leads 353 votes against

Dr. Rigo Rodriguez.

The Santano called the Area 2 race for Valerie Magdaleno as returns indicated a 3-to-1 blowout. The race in Area 3 is too early to call given the outstanding votes left to be counted.

Santa Ana says no to raises

BY DANIEL DIAZ

The Council asked Santa Ana voters for a raise. In midst of how budget projections are going, the people declined to authorize their request with Measure FF failing to

pass.

During debates and forums held earlier this election season, candidates in favor of the measure encouraged their constituents that most members on the council have to work a

second job to stay above rising living costs. The measure would've jacked the council's pay from a about \$12,000 per year to over \$78,000, one-third of what an Orange County judge receives in pay.

Noncitizen voting measure fails

BY DANIEL DIAZ

The city was put on the national map after more news outlets reported on Measure DD, which would have allowed noncitizen Santa Ana residents to vote in local elections.

A majority of voters, 62.2% as of last count, said no to the measure therefore The Santano projects Measure DD to fail.

If passed, Santa Ana would have initiated a study to give them options on how to

move forward, meaning the City could've needed to establish its own Registrar of Voters department to run these type of elections. With limited monies available in the budget, the plan for it could've been stalled.

Calendar

- 7

Resumé Building Wksp.
S.A. Work Center
10-11 AM
State Hiring Overview Workshop
Online (regist. required)
11AM-12 PM
Historic Res. Com. Mtg.
City Council Chambers
4:30-7:30 PM
Artesia Pilar N.A. Mtg.
El Salvador Comm. Ctr.
6-7 PM
Dtn/Flwr Park N.A. Mtg.
S.A. Senior Center
6-7 PM
Down Pymt. Asst. Wkp.
SW Senior Center
6-7:30 PM
- 8

Tone & Strength
S.A. Senior Center
8:30-9:30 AM
- 11

Planning Comm. Mtg.
City Council Chambers
5:30-8:00 PM
- 12

Pacific Park N.A. Mtg.
Roosevelt-Walker Ctr.
6-7 PM
- 13

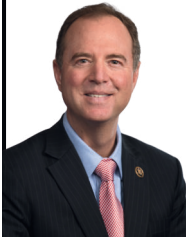
Thanksgiving Celebration
S.A. Senior Center
10 AM-1 PM
Thanksgiving Celebration
SW Senior Center
6:30-7:30 PM
- 14

Labor Mkt. Info Wrkshp.
Online (regist. required)
11 AM-12 PM
Police Oversight Com. Mtg.
City Council Chambers
5-7 PM
- 16

Native American Heritage Festival
Thornton Park
11 AM-4 PM

ElectionNite 2024 - Returns

U.S. SENATOR



Lead:

Adam Schiff (D)

Votes: 5,601,440

% Margin: 57.3%

2nd:

Steve Garvey (R)


Votes: 4,177,830

% Margin: 42.7%

Called by The Associated Press.

Results as of 11/07/2024 2:30 AM

WARD 3



Lead:

Jeffery Katz (NP)

Votes: 6,166

% Margin: 51.3%

2nd:

Jessie Lopez (NP)*

Votes: 4,552

% Margin: 48.7%

Race is too close to call by The Santano.

Results as of 11/06/2024 4:59 PM

LEAD

MEASURE G

NO

63,411 votes

51.1%

YES

60,517 votes

48.8%

Not called.

LEAD

MEASURE I

YES

24,544 votes

67%

NO

12,315 votes

33%

The Santano projects I to pass.

LEAD

MEASURE CC

YES

26,659 votes

55.5%

NO

21,418 votes

44.5%

Not called.

LEAD

MEASURE DD

NO

30,034 votes

62.2%

YES

18,210 votes

37.8%

The Santano projects DD to fail.

LEAD

MEASURE EE

YES

34,092 votes

72.8%

NO

12,733 votes

27.2%

The Santano projects EE to pass.

LEAD

MEASURE FF

NO

30,813 votes

65.7%


NO

16,091 votes

34.3%

The Santano projects FF to fail.

HOUSE REP. - 46



Lead:

Lou Correa (D)*

Votes: 86,810

% Margin: 60.5%

2nd:

David Pan (R)


Votes: 56,683

% Margin: 39.5%

Called by The Associated Press.

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WARD 5



Lead:

Johnathan Hernandez (NP)*

Votes: 3,071

% Margin: 55.6%

2nd:

Mario Alvarado (NP)

Votes: 2,449

% Margin: 44.4%

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ASSEMBLY - 68



Lead:

Avelino Valencia (D)*

Votes: 52,702

% Margin: 60.5%

2nd:

Mike Tardif (R)


Votes: 34,462

% Margin: 39.5%

Called by The Associated Press.

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SAUSD - AREA 1



Lead:

Brenda Lesback (NP)

Votes: 4,213

% Margin: 52.2%

2nd:

Rigo Rodriguez (NP)*


Votes: 3,864

% Margin: 44.4%

Race is too close to call by The Santano.

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MAYORAL



Lead:

Valerie Amezcua (NP)*

Votes: 29,535

% Margin: 62.0%

2nd:

Benjamin Vazquez (NP)


Votes: 18,088

% Margin: 38.0%

Called by The Santano.

Results as of 11/06/2024 4:59 PM

SAUSD - AREA 2



Lead:

Valerie Magdaleno (NP)

Votes: 3,891

% Margin: 75.2%

2nd:

Lloyd Boucher-Reyes (NP)


Votes: 1,280

% Margin: 25.8%

Called by The Santano.

Results as of 11/06/2024 4:59 PM

WARD 1



Lead:

Thai Viet Phan (NP)*

Votes: 4,978

% Margin: 52.2%

2nd:

Julie Tran (NP)


Votes: 4,552

% Margin: 47.8%

Race is too close to call by The Santano.

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SAUSD - AREA 3



Lead:

Alfonso Alvarez (NP)

Votes: 2,731

% Margin: 59%

2nd:

Dana Suarez (NP)


Votes: 1,280

% Margin: 26.3%

Race not called. 3rd place: Anderson/14.6%.

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VOTER TURNOUT



Registered:


22,595,659*

Ballots Rec.:

10,187,323**

Turnout:

45.1%



Registered:


1,861,450*

Ballots Rec.:

1,052,969**

Turnout:

56.6%



Registered:

133,477*

Ballots Rec.:

17,043**

Turnout:

12.8%

* = Newly registered are not counted.

** = Not all ballot have been counted yet.

All data published herein are not the final results of the election(s) and is only unofficial returns relayed by the Orange County Registrar of Voters intermittently. Stay close to our Instagram stories where we'll publish returns updates and make calls of certain contests. Instagram.com/TheSantano or @TheSantano.

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Weather

Source: Nat'l Weather Service

HIGH WIND WARNING until 2:30p
RED FLAG WARNING until 2p
AIR QUALITY - POOR TODAY

FRI	SAT	SUN
		
73° F 47° F	75° F 48° F	74° F 50° F