## AMERICAN INTERGOVERNMENTAL LANDSCAPE

- EA doesn’t exist in a vacuum
- US system is extraordinarily complicated

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<th>Federal Level</th>
<th>State Level</th>
<th>Local Level</th>
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<td>3 branches of government</td>
<td>50 states + DC and territories</td>
<td>3,000+ counties</td>
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<td>100+ federal courts</td>
<td>50+ Governors, legislatures, judicial systems</td>
<td>19,400+ municipalities</td>
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<td>150+ departments, agencies, regulatory and advisory commissions</td>
<td>5,500+ administrative agencies</td>
<td>16,500+ town and townships</td>
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<td>540 elected officials</td>
<td>1,150+ state-created types of special districts and authorities</td>
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<td>20,000 elected officials</td>
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<td>506,000 locally elected officials</td>
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SECTORS INVOLVED

- Congress
- Federal courts
- Federal agencies
- State election offices
- State agencies
- State associations
- Local election offices
- Local agencies
- Nongovernmental organizations
- Vendors
- Media
- Other governments
FEDERAL INVOLVEMENT

US Congress
- EAC
  - TGDC
- Boards

Agencies & Offices
- DOJ
- USPS
- DOD/ FVAP
- NIST
- GAO

Supreme Court
- DHS
- CISA
- EI-ISAC
- GCC
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CEOs ACROSS THE STATES

Titles
• Secretary of State – 37
• Director / Commissioner / Administrator - 11
• Lieutenant Governor - 2
• Co-Director – 1

Methods of selection
Direct election – 29
Appointed by and service to board - 9
Appointed by state official - 5
Mixed - 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE OF LOCAL ELECTION OFFICES

Local Election Administration Structure

LEO Types

LEGEND
- Single individual (elected or appointed)
- Board
- Divided Duties

SINGLE LEADER
BOARD
MULTIPLE OFFICES
LOCAL ELECTION OFFICIALS

- ~8,000 jurisdictions
  - ~line staff ½ - 500
  - ~176,933 precincts
  - ~132,566 polling places
  - ~775,101 poll workers

- Officials
  - Female
  - Majority > 50 yrs old
  - Salaries vary (depends on survey parameters)

- Significant differences by jurisdiction size

Sources: EC/AU- Cost Study 2019; EAVS 2020, 2022; EVIC 2023

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Looking for Common Ground:
Timing and Methods of Voting

- Registration
- Rules
  - Top down/bottom up
  - Mail only
  - In person excuse-based absentee
  - In person no excuse
  - Vote centers
  - Early voting
  - Certification periods
  - Audits
  - Languages
  - Felons
- Types of elections
- Equipment

Source: Ballotpedia 2024 Primary Schedule
LOOKING FOR COMMON GROUND:
STATE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEMS

How We Vote: Innovation in American Elections, Hale and Brown, Georgetown University Press (2020)
LOOKING FOR COMMON GROUND: LOCAL REVENUE STREAMS

NGO DONATIONS
- In-kind
- Grant funds
- Other donations

LEO

COORDINATING JURISDICTIONS

LEGISLATIVE POLICY STATE DISCRETION

FORMULA

HAVA FEDERAL FUNDS

MODEL OF LOCAL ELECTION JURISDICTION FUNDING STREAMS / Kathleen Hale and Mitchell Brown

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