The links below are provided for activists, researchers, journalists and others who need quick access to reference material on the topic of Vote at Home. (click on these links to jump to: Research, Best Practices & handouts, Media Coverage and Articles – both electronic and print)

Research from NVAHI and others

- Policy and Research Guide – a 30 page, organized, in-depth set of much of the content below for those working to improve access to mailed out ballots in their state
- America Goes to the Polls 2018 – this report from Nonprofit Vote shows which voting reforms had the most impact. VAH, Same Day, and Automatic Registration led the way
- Webinar from America Goes to the Polls 2018 – as well as the Powerpoint slides used
- The Colorado Model (coming soon) – a joint effort by NVAHI and Common Cause outlining the innovations that make Colorado the “gold standard” for VAH
- NVAHI 50 State compilation of mailed ballot rules and practices
- Comprehensive Connecticut report – NVAHI-authored 38 pages in response to Executive Order 64 looking at why and how CT should consider improved VAH policies
- Vote For US – Inspiring book on how people are changing our elections. Chapter 4: VAH
- NVAHI 2018 younger voters - tracking turnout by age cohort shows how VAH engages
- NVAHI turnout increases in MN & ND in 2018 primaries – driven by VAH jurisdictions
- Pantheon: Utah 2016 - shows 5%-7% lift in turnout from VAH (10% for millennials)
- Pantheon: Utah 2016 down ballot - shows 5.5% increase in down ballot voting with VAH
- Pantheon: Colorado 2014 - shows triple the expected low-propensity turnout with VAH
- PEW: Colorado 2014 – shows VAH saves $6 per voter per election
- Voice of San Diego – Registrar estimates saving $2 - $3 million every election with VAH
- PRRI: National 2018 – shows 5 of 6 major barriers to minority turnout addressed by VAH
- PEW: National 2018 – shows 69% of ballots cast in the West from VAH, 27% nationally
- Northern Illinois U - “Cost” of voting by state in 2016. 100% VAH OR and CO rank #1-2
- Oregon Public Broadcasting 2016 - survey showing 87% support for VAH in Oregon
- Emory University – Researcher confirms positive down ballot impact of VAH
- GAO 2016 report – See page 93 for discussion of VAH turnout benefits
- Center for American Progress 2018 – Increasing Voter Participation (see pgs. 28-31)
- Bipartisan Research Center: New Realities of Voting by Mail Report 2016
- Survey of New Hampshire voters – they favor no excuse absentee 2:1
- Election Project (Univ. FL) turnout data blog: A great source for turnout data
- MIT Election Lab
- The Heritage Foundation – On election fraud, shows no higher rate in VAH states
- US County data map – age, income, education, etc. by county
- Oregon 2008 study – Research showing a 10% increase in turnout from VAH

Best practices, handy guides, handouts, charts, graphs and maps
• NVAHI webinar conducted for the Secure Elections Network – a wonderful primer on the topic, as taught by NVAHI Chair Phil Keisling and Executive Dir. Amber McReynolds
• NVAHI Circle of Advisors announced
• Vote at Home primary logo (rectangle)
• Vote at Home circular logo
• NVAHI PowerPoint slide template
• NVAHI PowerPoint basic presentation – from Feb. 19, 2019
• NVAHI talking points – 1 pager (2 sides)
• NVAHI FAQ & best practices
• NVAHI 5-steps to VAH graphic – from absentee excuse-required to full VAH
• NVAHI guide: ballot return choices – optimizing drop box, vote center, USPS
• NVAHI guide: permanent absentee list – best practices to set up and manage
• Trends in voting method 1990s-2018 – VAH growing, polling place use shrinking
• Minority voting issues that VAH solves – graphic from PRRI research
• NVAHI 2018 Primary turnout by state graph – shows mailed ballot states lead
• NVAHI 2018 Midterm turnout map – shows mail ballot friendly states lead
• NVAHI 50 State mailed ballot policy map – shows the 5 steps vs. state
• Northern Illinois Univ. 50 state voting cost map 2016
• Governing – NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds named a Public Official of the Year
• Governing – What voter surge? NVAHI Chair discusses low primary turnout
• Colorado’s bill HB 13-303 – creating their 100% VAH system in 2013
• Georgia lawsuit amicus curiae testimony by NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds
• Utah County Clerks – Outline what they do to ensure VAH election security
• NVAHI OpEd on avoiding the NC-09 issues
• Oregon’s Vote by Mail procedures manual
• Colorado’s signature verification training guide
• Center for Civic Design – Best practices for mail ballot envelope design
• Ballot Tracking tools: Ballot TRACE and Ballot Scout
• Electionmail.org: to report any problems with mailed ballots
• Rock the Vote: Understanding voting rights, and tools/links to act

Media coverage, interviews, editorials and articles

Electronic Media
• NPR – Audio: Miles Parks interviews Amber McReynolds regarding ballot harvesting. She describes that rather than over-regulating, simply removing the conditions that led to the fraud is the way to solve the problem. (transcript is here)
• Miami Herald – Video: Why mail ballots have been a problem, but can also be a solution. Interviews with experts including NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds
• NBC Nightly News – Video: Bipartisan interview with OR SoS’s – former Phil Keisling (D) and (the late) Dennis Richardson (R) voicing their support for VAH
• **Comcast Newsmakers** – Video: NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds interviewed on VAH revolution
• **NPR** – Audio: NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds interviewed on free & fair elections
• **KRLD (Dallas)** – Audio: Amber interviewed on how VAH works well vs. Texas’ reluctance
• **Oregon Senator Ron Wyden** – Video: showing how easy VAH is in practice
• **NVAHI ED, Amber McReynolds, 2017 video presentation to the Indiana Legislature**
• **NVAHI Chair Phil Keisling addresses the 2018 Unrig Summit video**
• **NVAHI Chair Phil Keisling interviewed on Radio Café** – Audio: Jump to 19:40 runtime
• **National Association of Letter Carriers convention** – Video: NVAHI Counsel Mike Pfeifer speaks

**Print Media**

• **Route 50** – This article on the topic by Amber McReynolds is a great place to start
• **Lincoln (NE) Journal Star Editorial** – Support bill allowing counties to opt for VBM
• **Native American Voting Rights Act** – for mailed ballots, passed in Washington State
• **Santa Fe New Mexican** – City’s first all-mail election triples turnout (and passes levy)
• **Tampa Bay Times** – Best way forward for Florida: Institute VAH
• **The Hill** – How North Carolina can prevent election fraud. This Op-ed describes the 5 problems in NC that opened the door, the ways to be sure it doesn’t happen again
• **Orange County Register** – County of 3.2M people (>20 states) to go 100% VAH in 2020, targeting higher turnout and savings of up to $29 million
• **NY Times** – Bipartisan Op-ed by former SoS’s Phil Keisling, Oregon (D) and Sam Green, Washington (R) on how voting at home can help save our democracy
• **NY Times** – David Leonhardt column: Let the People Vote – highlights VAH
• **NY Times** – David Leonhardt column: VAH brings back voting rights for all
• **NY Times** – The myth of the hacker-proof voting machine
• **LA Times** – Activists are helping fix America’s elections, VAH a key part of that solution
• **The Washington Post** – Low voter turnout is no accident
• **The Washington Post** – Proof that letting people vote at home raises turnout
• **The Washington Post** – Cybersecurity 202: How CO became the safest place to vote
• **Vox** – David Roberts: A simple voting reform that works wherever it’s tried
• **Philadelphia Inquirer Editorial** – It’s time for Pennsylvania to go to all Vote by Mail
• **Albany Times Union Editorial** – Make voting easier in New York State with VAH
• **Seattle Times Editorial** – More states should follow Washington’s lead and vote by mail
• **Omaha World Herald Editorial** – Nebraska should consider more vote by mail options
• **Wyoming Tribune Eagle Editorial** – Three reasons why Wyoming should adopt VAH
• **Hawaii Civil Beat Editorial** – Hawaii should skip Kauai 2020 pilot and go VAH statewide
• **Common Cause** – Hawaii HB 1401 establishes Kauai to be VAH pilot in 2020
• **Hawaii News Now** – Kauai preparing for VAH pilot in 2020
• **Chicago Tribune** – A big surge in requests for mailed ballots
• **Block Club Chicago** – Elections officials explore VAH to improve security & turnout
• **New York Magazine** – The Joy of Voting by Mail in California
• **California rolling out SB 450** – 100% mailed-ballot voting, county by county
• **NBC-2** – SW Florida considers all mail balloting as only 20%-25% vote on Election Day
• **Ripon Society** – Election security, an ongoing responsibility where VAH helps
• **Washington Monthly** – To increase turnout, make it easier to Vote at Home
• **American Prospect** – Good news from the voting wars, VAH is winning
• **The Denver Post** – Colorado empowers its citizens to vote – with VAH
• **The Denver Post** – Colorado midterm turnout very high. NAV’s exceed R’s & D’s
• **Colorado Public Radio** – How Colorado became one of the safest states in which to vote
• **Colorado Politics** – Q&A with NVAHI ED Amber McReynolds
• **The Oregonian** – Oregon is on the cutting edge of secure, modern elections – per OR SoS
• **Sightline** – Oregon tops 2018 turnout, both in registration and ballots cast
• **Salt Lake Tribune** – Vote at Home increases Millennial turnout
• **Deseret (UT) News** – County clerks describe the steps taken to secure election security
• **Lincoln Journal Star** – More Nebraska counties look at Vote by mail after successful test
• **Yankton Daily Press** – More Nebraska counties go 100% VAH
• **Delaware online** – Paper ballots would make voting in Delaware safer & cheaper
• **Patch** – New Jersey makes voting at home easier with permanent absentee list
• **Chippewa (WI) Herald** – Let’s allow voting by mail
• **Anchorage Daily News** – First all-mail election shatters turnout records
• **Las Cruces (NM) Sun News** – First all-mail election shatters turnout records
• **WTOP** – Rockville, Maryland will be first city to go 100% VAH in 2019
• **USA Today** – article on making Election Day a holiday calls out VAH’s benefits
• **Slate** – Why Automatic Voter Registration (AVR) and VAH are made for each other
• **State Innovation Exchange** – Lists VAH as one of its core election reforms
• **The Commons** – Voter apathy is not a given. VAH can help
• **The Parallax** – CO saved over $10 million with VAH by avoiding polling machine upgrades
• **Politico** – more cases for paper ballots, and against vulnerable barcode output machines
• **CBS News** – Senate Intelligence Committee says paper is safer
• **UPI** – Dozens of states tighten election security by going back to paper
• **Governing** – Virginia’s move to paper ballots avoids recount nightmare
• **Kokomo (IN) Tribune** – Paper ballots are preferable
• **PEW:** - Problems recruiting poll workers, that VAH solves
• **American Prospect 2006** – How Oregon’s voting revolution happened
• **From 1996 – the first coverage of VAH**, from esteemed columnist Carl Rowan