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I, Shanae Strite, am in heavy opposition of making in-person voting the standard way of voting, effectively discontinuing mail-in voting.

In-person only not only creates huge barriers for folks who would otherwise not be able to vote this way, but would also eliminate one of the most cost effective and secure ways in which we can cast our ballots.

In-person only means folks who are traveling or otherwise not able to get time off of work are not able to vote. I often work on Election Day and am one of those who rely on the convenience and security of mail-in ballots. Folks with disabilities and who are immunocompromised, and those who want to protect the health of those they care for, could face severe risk. I am also one who wishes to protect my health and the health of those I care for.

Mail-in voting makes the process more accessible and therefore ensuring the citizens voted are counted.

I suspect making voting more difficult is exactly the goal and we need to be aware of why and oppose this.