I'm not comfortable voting by myself. Can I bring someone with me to help me vote?

Yes. You have the right to bring someone with you to help you vote. This person can be a relative, friend, caregiver or someone else you trust. It cannot be your boss or a representative of your labor union.

What law gives me this right?

Section 208 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA) gives every voter the right to bring someone of their choice with them into the poll site if they need help voting.

What do I need to do on Election Day to have someone help me vote?

Take the person who will help you to your poll site. Tell the election officials that you have chosen this person to help you with voting. You may be required to complete and sign a form that says you have difficulty voting on your own and have asked this person to help you. The person helping you may also be required to sign a form swearing that he or she did not tell you how to vote.

What should I do if they do not allow me to bring someone with me to help me vote?

Some election officials do not know about Section 208 of the VRA. If you bring someone to help you and an election official does not let them help you, show the election official this flyer. If the election official still does not let that person help you vote, talk to the highest ranking official at the polling place and call our Voting Rights Advocate at (205) 348-0123.