Know Your Rights! Voting in Arizona for People with Felony Convictions

Who can vote?
Under Arizona law, you have a right to vote if: You are a United States Citizen; you reside in Arizona; you will be at least 18 years old at the time of the next regular General Election; you have not been convicted of a felony - unless you have had your rights restored.

Have I lost my right to vote?
Under Arizona law, any felony conviction temporarily takes away your right to vote BUT some people will have their rights automatically restored and others can get apply to get it back. Misdemeanors and traffic violations never take away your right to vote.

This was my first felony conviction, how do I get my voting rights back?
If you only have a single felony conviction, you can register to vote IF:
- You have paid off any fines, fees, or restitution from the conviction
  AND
- You have completed your sentence, including parole and probation.
If you meet these conditions you can register to vote.

I have multiple felony convictions, can I get the right to vote back?
Maybe. If you have multiple convictions, you can apply for restoration of your rights IF:
- You have paid off any fines, fees, or restitution from the conviction
  AND, IF YOU SERVED TIME IN PRISON,
- It has been two years since you have completed your sentence, including parole and probation.

If you were only sentenced to probation, you may apply to have your rights restored immediately upon completing your sentence.

If you meet these conditions, you can apply for rights restoration.
You will need certificates of absolute discharge for each sentence with prison time, which can be obtained by calling (602) 542-3277 or by mailing a request, found here: https://corrections.az.gov/sites/default/files/absolute_discharge_form_082114.pdf

How to apply?
There is no fee to apply. You can apply at the appropriate county clerk's office:
- For Arizona convictions, apply in the county where you were convicted.
- For Federal convictions, apply in the county where you reside.
- For convictions in other states, apply for restoration in that state. You can find information on other state's processes at Restoreyourvote.org.

What if I have more questions?
If you have additional questions or want help registering to vote or applying for rights restoration, call Danielle Lang or Blair Bowie at (202) 736-2204 or visit Restoreyourvote.org