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General Information

[Free.ed.gov](#) All information about the U.S. government. You can also find U.S. History information here (as well as help for other school subjects).

[Ben's Guide](#) simplified information about the U.S. Government for high school students. Find general info on the U.S. Government as well as how a law is made, citizenship, national vs state government, and the election process.

[CIA World Factbook](#) The CIA isn't always secretive! Here they share all the information they know about the U.S. and other countries. Well, it's probably not all the information they know. This is a great first stop for researching other countries.

[GovSpot](#) Many links to both international and domestic government information.

[NationMaster](#) Compilation of facts and statistics from government organizations such as the CIA and the United Nations. You can compare countries and/or look up statistics on all kinds of topics. Not only can you find data, but you can use the site to generate maps and graphs of statistics.

California

[CA.gov](#) This is the official state of California website. Here you can find information about CA government and agencies as well as general information, such as how to deal with a parking ticket or what financial aid and scholarships are available to CA residents.

[UCSB Library CA Government Information page](#) has many links to various government and agency websites for the state of California. You might find this easier to browse than the official state website.

[Alameda County's official website](#) has a wealth of information—pay for your traffic ticket online, check on jury duty, order a copy of your birth certificate to name a few things you can do here. You can also learn about the various agencies and programs Alameda County has for its residents (and there is a lot!). Need help finding housing or affordable daycare? Want to find out if a business is licensed correctly? Want to start a business? Need affordable healthcare? You can find all that info here.

[City of Fremont](#) website has information specifically for Fremont residents (if you don't find information about local agencies and/or programs here, try the Alameda County website above). Find out about what's going on at Lake Elizabeth or the Library. Look into volunteer opportunities to help complete your Service Learning hours. Check out the Police Explorer program for teens or locate a lost pet at the animal shelter. Find out just how long that road construction on Stevenson is going to last and from where the funding for it came.

For Fun

[U.S. Citizenship Test](#) Can you pass the test to become a citizen of the U.S.A.? History.com has a short version and a long version of the actual U.S. Citizenship exam for your testing pleasure.

Civil Rights

[ProCon.org](#) This organization, which is similar to Opposing Viewpoints, provides arguments both for and against key controversial issues. It also provides background information and quotes on the issues. Also see [Opposing Viewpoints](#) in Alameda County Library's databases.

[American Civil Liberties Union \(ACLU\)](#) This often controversial organization aims to protect and fight for the civil rights of everyone. This is a good starting point to research modern day civil rights issues.

[Getting Uncle Sam To Enforce Your Civil Rights](#) This publication from the U.S. Commission On Civil Rights guides you through the process of notifying the government of a civil right violation. The contents page is on page 9 of this .pdf file.

Primary Documents

[Library of Congress: American Memory](#) This link will take you to key documents in U.S. History, such as the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. To see hundreds of key documents from U.S. History, click on the link [Guide to American Historical Documents Online](#).

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