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"It is the mission of the Supervisor of Elections office to ensure the integrity of the electoral process and empower each voter through continuous education."



SUPERVISOR'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring!

Many of you probably think that the Elections office has little to do during an off year. That couldn't be further from the truth.

The new year began with continued filing and packing from the 2020 General Election. This year we have been researching and getting quotes on several new projects that will be implemented for the next election cycle. These projects include purchasing an independent auditing system. This new system will do a 100% audit on all ballots cast. This will provide complete and verifiable information on the accuracy of our tabulation system. We are also researching a service that would provide a text messaging service informing vote-by-mail voters when their ballot has been mailed, received back in the office and counted.

We are also busy planning and preparing for redistricting. Redistricting happens every ten years immediately following the U.S. Census. The State Legislature will approve new lines for congressional, state house and senate seats. The information will then be sent to the Supervisor of Elections. We will work with the County Commission and School Board to redraw precinct lines. The plan will then be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. These changes will need to be implemented in time for the August 23rd, 2022 Primary.

In addition, we are closely monitoring federal and state legislation and will be responsible for implementing any changes in election law. So stay tuned!- lots will be transpiring before the next election.

Shirley Anderson
Supervisor of Elections

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION



Joseph Henschke

Precinct Supply Coordinator

7 Years of Service!

***"Be prepared and always
have a back up plan."***

For the last 7 years Joseph has been the foundation for many aspects of the elections office. During each election cycle, he meticulously stages out each polling location's supplies and is responsible for delivering them to each precinct. His detailed thinking combined with his organizational skills are essential to the work we do at the elections office. We are proud to have Joseph on our team. Thank you Joseph for all you do!

OFF-YEAR PROJECTS



Signature Updates

Earlier this year, we embarked on a task that would help us and voters tremendously in the upcoming elections. In January, our office mailed out over 50,000 signature update letters to all who had requested a Vote-by-Mail ballot in the 2020 Election cycle. 23,100 signature updates were returned and have all been processed and updated for the next election cycle. This ensures our office continues to have the most accurate information possible for the upcoming elections. If you would like to update your signature visit HernandoVotes.gov

List Maintenance

In February, we conducted our biennial list maintenance of our voter registration database. Through NCOA (National Change of Address) processing with the USPS we were able to send out over 2,800 Final Notices, 800 Address Confirmation Requests and 2600 Address Change Notices. The responses we got back from voters who had moved out of county allowed for us to remove those voters and to provide a clean and more accurate database for the next Election Cycle. List maintenance will continue throughout 2021.



ELECTION'S SECURITY

HernandoVotes.gov

In an effort to continue enhancing our elections cyber security, we have acquired an official .gov domain. HernandoVotes.gov is a more safe and secure website domain for all who visit the site. This domain is registered under DotGov, which is an official website registrar under the U.S. Government. Only US-based government organizations can obtain a .Gov domain. The CISA (Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency) is a division within Homeland Security, who advocates for this registrar. The director of CISA's Election Security Initiative Geoff Hale says, "The public turns to election officials as the trusted source of information for their elections. The .Gov top level domain perfectly supports that trusted role, and increasing the public's expectation that government information is at .Gov will make it harder for malicious actors to succeed when they attempt to impersonate government entities."

Our .Gov domain is equipped with DNSSEC (Domain Name System Security Extensions) which is a set of specifications that extend our protocols by adding cryptographic authentication for our Domain Name Servers. In other words, our website is very safe and secure for everyone who visits HernandoVotes.gov.



VOTER REGISTRATION INFO

As of 4/28/2021

Active Registered Voters	Democrats	Republicans	Others	Total
	42,150	63,467	40,735	146,352

Updating your voter record is a ...

Signature

Signature identification is required to vote. Over the years, our signatures may change. So be sure to update your signature with our office to ensure you do not run in to issues on Election Day or when you return your ballot by mail.

Name

If you have had a name change recently we need to know about it! Simply update your voter registration with us today.

Address

Have you moved lately? If so, we need to know about it! We do our best to update our database using a National Change of Address (NCOA) process, but we still need your assistance in ensuring your address we have on file is correct.

Party

Make sure your Party Affiliation is correct on your voter registration! Since Florida is a Closed Primary state you will need to make sure you have a major party affiliation chosen in order to vote for those party's candidates. If you are affiliated with a minor party or have no party affiliation you will be issued a No Party Affiliation Ballot.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS



Save the dates!

- **Primary Election: August 23, 2022**
- Book Closing for the Primary Election: July 25, 2022
- **General Election: November 8, 2022**
- Book Closing for the General Election: October 11, 2022

WE NEED YOU IN '22 !



Many of you know about the Adopt-A-Precinct program offered by the Hernando County Supervisor of Elections. This program creates a partnership between the SOE and various 501(c)(3) “non-profit” organizations to recruit and train Election Workers who work at polling locations throughout Hernando County on Election Day and during Early Voting. Instead of the Election Workers being paid directly for their services, their wages are paid directly to the non-profit entity that they are working for.

Did you know, however, that you can form your own team of Election Workers even if you are not part of a non-profit? Teams of family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors can work together on Election Day. The only difference between this and the Adopt-A-Precinct program is that you will each be paid directly for working as an Election Worker.

Please consider serving your fellow citizens by forming a team to staff one of our 30+ election sites and Early Voting centers.

Contact the Election Worker Coordinator today at 352-754-4125 or kurt.glacy@hernandovotes.com



BECOME A CANDIDATE !

If you are interested in running for office, the first step is to submit paperwork that officially declares your candidacy. This can be done at any time but must be done before you start campaigning. After filing, you are required to submit monthly financial reports detailing campaign contributions and expenditures.

Qualifying takes place during a scheduled time period and is the process by which you assure your name will be on the ballot. Additional paperwork along with any required fees or petitions will be due at qualifying.

For more information visit our website www.HernandoVotes.gov/candidates or call (352) 754-4125