

Election Worker News
Montgomery County Board of Elections
February 2022



Preparing for the June 28, 2022, Primary Gubernatorial Election

The official launch of the Election Worker recruitment campaign begins February 11, 2022. Under Maryland law a new election application is required for each election cycle. Starting February 11th, you may log into EJ Connection to renew your application, confirm your availability, and update your contact information. For 2022, we will be returning to most of the 230+ Polling Places used in 2018 and we expect to expand to three more Early Voting Center.

We welcome your participation. To serve, you will need to complete all required training for the position in which you wish to work. For available positions, visit our website and select the Position Description/Payment tab for the current listings. Please consider serving again and let your friends and relatives know the importance of volunteering in your communities to ensure a smooth voting experience at the polls this year. As always, we depend on your support to assist us in this way. Hope to see you soon!

How to Renew your Application for 2022

Although you are listed in our system, you will need to verify your information and electronically confirm your plans to serve during the 2022 Election Cycle. In mid-February, you will receive a Kick-Off email for the 2022 Elections providing you with your Username and Password. Once you receive the Kick-Off email (unavailable prior to receipt of your email) follow the steps below:

1. Visit the Montgomery County Board of Elections website www.777vote.org and select **Election Workers**. Next select **EJ Connection** to open the login page.
2. Enter your Username and Password (from the Kick-off email) to access the Election Worker Dashboard. Avoid login errors by manually typing in the log-in information (**cut and paste does not work**).

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3. Select **Application Renewal** in the **ACTION** box to open the application screen. (If your application renewal button is greyed out, you may go directly to Part I-Quiz and Part II- Online Training). Verify that all your information is correct or update any outdated information. Select NEXT to go to the next page. Review the summary of your information and if everything is correct select NEXT to continue (or PREVIOUS to go back to change your responses). Do not use the back button on your browser.

4. In section F, read the Affirmation statement and select the circle to confirm your agreement. Select **SUBMIT**. Congratulations, you're finished! You will receive a "thank you" message immediately on the screen and an email confirmation within a few minutes. The next steps are to read chapters 1 through 4, take the Quiz and once you have successfully passed, take the Online Training.

NOTE: IF you make changes to your name, address, or party affiliation (which affects your voter registration) you will be asked to print, sign, and submit an update form. **We must receive your signed form to process your application;** fax it to 240-777-8578 or scan and email it to election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov.

When you renew your election worker application, please refer to the **Party Affiliation Box** and ensure that your party affiliation on your application matches your Voter Registration record. Note, Unaffiliated and Other are separate affiliations. The party on your election worker application must match your Voter Registration record. To view your current voter information, select the **Voter Registration** tab on the Board of Elections website (www.777vote.org) then select **Verify your Voter Registration** and follow the prompts.

Party Affiliations

- Democrat
- Republican
- Unaffiliated
- Libertarian
- Green
- Working Class
- Other

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Permission Slip Requirement

Election Workers under 18 years old must submit a Permission Slip signed by their parent or guardian to serve. The Permission Slip is available on the EJ Dashboard. The permission slip must be received in the office prior to the scheduling of your training. If you are 16 or 17 years old, you must meet the following requirements to participate by visiting our website www.777vote.org:

- **Register to Vote:** select *Online Voter Registration* tab and follow the prompts.
- **Submit an Election Worker application:** select *Election Workers* tab then *Getting Started*
- **Submit a Permission Slip:** select *Election Workers, Qualifications*, select the *Permission Slip* link, have your parents fill it out. Submit the form by mail, fax, or email (scan and attach to email).

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Training

Training consists of three parts – Part I-Online Quiz, Part II-Online Training, and Part III-In-Person Training Class. Completion of training is required by law to serve as an election worker.

Part I – Quiz

The Quiz includes reading portions of the Election Judge manual (available online in early February 2022), looking at training videos and taking a Quiz. The Quiz provides basic information about serving as an Election Worker.

Part II – Online Training

Once you have completed and passed the Quiz you may take your Online Training. This training prepares you for what Election Workers will need to know when they are serving in a polling place. This training is information that all Election Workers should know.

Part III – In-Person Training Class

The In-Person Training class allows Election Workers to practice with actual election equipment. Workers will receive instruction on the procedures and responsibilities of the precinct team and their specific position. You will complete practice exercises and forms, role play with the voting equipment and simulate setting up and breaking down a polling place. The information from the first two parts of training will be used to enhance the experience of practicing on the equipment in the training class.

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Scheduling Training Class

Once you have completed parts I and II of training your Recruiter will provide instructions on how to schedule your In-Person Training class. You will use our online scheduling feature on EJ Connection to select a class that best matches your schedule. Except for the first week, training will be offered at the training locations listed below. Training will be offered weekdays, evenings and weekends and will be posted in EJ Connection once finalized. In-Person Training will begin at the end of March. Most classes will be held at the following offsite locations:

Training Locations

Fleet Management Services: 16700 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville, MD 20855

Marilyn Praisner Community Recreation Center: 14906 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20866

Silver Spring Civic Center: One Veterans Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910

Nancy Dacek N. Potomac Community Recreation Center: 13850 Travilah Road, Rockville, MD 20850

Wheaton Community Recreation Center: 11701 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20902



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Election Day Assignments

To be eligible to serve you must complete all required training. Please complete your training as soon as possible, especially if you would like to work as close as possible to your home. There are a limited number of positions in each precinct. Your assignments will be available on EJ Connection three weeks prior to Election Day if you have been assigned. Otherwise, once assigned you will receive an email instructing you to log in to EJ Connection to view your assignment.

Working Early Voting

If you wish to serve at one of the Early Voting Centers, you will be required to serve on Election Day and a minimum of two Early Voting days. Additional training is required to serve during Early Voting. Election Day In-Person Training must be completed prior to taking the Early Voting training. You will receive additional information about Early Voting training and service from your Early Voting Recruiter.

Your Vote

Election Workers are asked to vote either by mail-in ballot or during the Early Voting period at a time when you are not assigned to serve. Complete, sign, and submit a mail-in ballot application as soon as possible. Applications will be available at training and will be mailed to every registered voter beginning in February. The Mail-In ballot office will process your application and send you a ballot. Your voted ballot may be returned to the Board of Elections, mailed with a postmark by the Postal Service by Election Day or dropped in one of the designated Drop-Boxes by 8:00 pm on Election Day. Full day election workers who are **not** assigned to work in their voting precinct on Election Day who have not voted must vote a provisional ballot in their work precinct, since they will be unable to leave and go to their voting precinct.

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Future Vote Initiative

Students in grades 6 – 12, can serve as Election Day aides. Students 16 years of age or older can register to vote and serve as an Election Worker to earn a stipend or SSL credits. The program's intent is to increase civic participation and knowledge of the electoral process. For more information visit our website and select the **Future Vote** tab.

Bilingual Election Workers are needed

Due to the requirements of Section 203 of the *1975 Voting Rights Act*, workers with Spanish speaking fluency are needed in every precinct. We are also looking for workers that speak Chinese, French, Korean and Vietnamese. Please list all languages that you speak fluently on your application.

Election Aide II Positions Available

If you are interested in employment at the Board of Elections for the 2022 elections, there are still vacancies to be filled:

- Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov
- Enter "Jobs" in the search box
- Select "Human Resources – Employment Opportunities" link
- Select "Search Jobs" tab
- Enter "IRC51106" in the Keyword box
- Select "IRC51106" in the name column to read the job description

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Dates to Remember

February 11, 2022:	Election Worker Kickoff
March 28, 2022:	In-Person Training Begins
June 7, 2022:	Deadline for Worker Applications (to serve in 2022 Primary)
June 7, 2022:	Voter Registration Deadline
June 15, 2022:	Early Voting Center Set-up Meetings
June 16, 2022:	Early Voting Begins
June 23, 2022:	Early Voting Ends
June 23 - 25, 2022:	Chief Judge Briefings
June 27, 2022:	Election Day Precinct Set-up Meetings
June 28, 2022:	Gubernatorial Primary Election Day
November 8, 2022:	Gubernatorial General Election Day

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Contacting Us

- **General Questions:** Call 240-777-8533
- **Email:** election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov
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- **Mailing Address for office:**

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Recruitment Staff

Our recruiters have arrived. We are so excited to welcome our election worker recruiters to the office.

Election Judge Recruitment Coordinator- Aishah Mills-Pherigo 240-777-8527

Election Day Recruiters

- Deborah Hamer (District 13) 240-777-8571
- Cole Young (Districts 1,2,3,9,6 and 11) 240-777-8657
- Cesar Yambot (Districts 4, 8 and 12) 240-777-8572
- Sam Chim (Districts 5, 7 and 10) 240-777-8656

Early Voting Recruiters

- Maria Rodriguez (EV Sites 2, 5, 8, and 9) 240-777-8577
- Deborah Edwards-Stanback (EV Sites 3, 6, 7, and 11) 240-777-8573

We look forward to working with you!