

Election Worker News
Montgomery County Board of Elections
May 2022



New Election Date: July 19, 2022, Primary Gubernatorial Election

The 2022 Gubernatorial Primary Election date is now Tuesday, July 19, 2022. Early Voting will be conducted July 7, 2022 through July 14, 2022. Election Worker recruiting is in full swing. Election Workers serve a vital role in the electoral process by ensuring the integrity of the election. We appreciate your continued support and service.

Important! In-person training sessions are happening now. Please know that due to the election date change from June 28th to July 19th it is possible that the training locations will not be available for use as we get closer to the election, so you are encouraged to take a class now. Election Worker training is required to participate, and all three parts of training must be completed to receive an assignment and serve. Parts I and II are both completed online.

Training includes:

1. Part I-Quiz
2. Part II-Online Election Worker Training
3. Part III-In-Person training

Reminder, under Maryland law a new election application is required for each election cycle. You may log into EJ Connection to **renew** your application, confirm your availability, and update your contact information. If you need assistance renewing your application or gaining access to your account, please contact the recruitment office. 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.

Do you have a friend who might be interested in the Election Worker program? The Pick-a-Pal Promotion is back for the 2022 election cycle. Read below on how to enter.

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Pick-A-Pal Promotion- Enter to win a Prize!!!!



The Pick-A-Pal Promotion is a chance for you and your “Pal” to win a fantastic prize after your service during Early Voting and Election Day. The winner(s) will receive a pair of tickets to an event at Strathmore and a photo opportunity with the Director of the Board of Elections and the Recruitment team. Tickets collected during the Primary Election will be included in this drawing.

Official Promotion Rules:

1. Complete an entry ticket with your name and the name, phone number and email of a “Pal” you would like to refer to the Election Worker Program who has never served before. Entry tickets are available in training classes, or you can contact your Recruiter. Drop the entry ticket into the “Promotion Box” located in your training class. There is no limit to the number of referrals you may submit.
2. This promotion will be held from March 28, 2022 until training classes end.
3. To qualify to win, both “Pals” listed on the entry ticket must serve as Election Workers for the Gubernatorial Primary Election on July 19, 2022 or the General Election on November 8, 2022. The “Pal” who is referred must be new to the Election Worker Program and has never served as an Election Worker. Both “Pals” must be in good standing with the Program.
4. The drawing will be held after the Primary and General Elections in December 2022 at the Board of Elections. The first entry ticket drawn for which both “Pals” qualify will be the winners!!
5. Each “Pal” will receive the prize for their Election Day service.
6. Good Luck!

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New Dates to Remember

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| February 11, 2022: | Election Worker Kickoff |
| March 28, 2022: | In-Person Training Begins |
| June 28, 2022: | Deadline for Worker Applications (to serve in 2022 Primary) |
| June 28, 2022: | Voter Registration Deadline |
| June 28, 2022: | Election Day Assignments available |
| July 6, 2022: | Early Voting Center Set-up Meetings |
| July 7, 2022: | Early Voting Begins |
| July 14, 2022: | Early Voting Ends |
| July 14 -16, 2022: | Chief Judge Briefings |
| July 18, 2022: | Election Day Precinct Set-up Meetings |
| July 19, 2022: | Gubernatorial Primary Election Day |
| November 8, 2022: | Gubernatorial General Election Day |

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Recruitment Office

The recruitment team is available Monday – Friday from 8:30am to 5pm. Your recruiter is here to assist you through the application, training, and service assignment process. Please contact your recruiter with any questions.



Recruiter Spotlight

Meet Maria Rodriguez

Early Voting Recruiter (EV Sites 1, 5, 8, 9, and 14)

Maria has been an Early Voting Recruiter with the Board of Elections since 2018. We are thrilled to have her back for the 2022 Election cycle.

A few things about Maria:

What is one thing, Election related, you have learned since being here?

"The level of commitment that everyone has in the office. It doesn't matter if you are a volunteer, a Chief, an Election judge or an Employee. Everyone has a vocation to service others and to service our country."

What is something about you few people know about you?

"I am a Systemic Therapist, with a consolidated audience in over 80 countries on my podcast."

Recruitment Staff

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

Election Day Recruiters

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

Early Voting Recruiters

- Maria Rodriguez (EV Sites 1, 5, 8, 9 and 14) 240-777-8577
- Deborah Edwards-Stanback (EV Sites 3, 6, 2, 10 and 13) 240-777-8573
- Zahara Sani (EV Sites 11, 12, 4, and 7) 240-777-8659

Administrative Support

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Training

Training consists of three parts – Part I-Online Quiz, Part II-Online Training Module, 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, 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 *immediately* take the Online Training Module. 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 In-Person Training Classes

Most Election Workers, regardless of prior service, will attend a new In-Person 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. Training will be offered weekdays, evenings and weekends and will be posted in EJ Connection. 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 14 Early Voting Centers, you will be **required** to serve on Election Day and a minimum of two Early Voting days. There is no additional training required to serve during Early Voting unless the position requires it. Montgomery County will have three new Early Voting centers for the 2022 elections. The new locations are White Oak Community Center (EV-12), Nancy H. Dacek North Potomac Community Recreation Center (EV-13), and Bauer Drive Community Recreation Center (EV-14). Location addresses can be found at www.777vote.org To receive additional information about Early Voting training and service, please contact Maria Rodriguez at Maria.Rodriguez@montgomerycountymd.gov , Deborah Edwards-Stanback at Deborah.Edwards-Stanback@montgomerycountymd.gov or Zahara Sani at Zahara.Sani@montgomerycountymd.gov .

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 are being mailed by the State Board of Election 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 dated 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 and still wish to vote 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.

Future Vote High School Engagement Campaign



Each election cycle, the recruitment and outreach team visit local high schools to educate and recruit eligible students to become election judges. Maryland Election law allows minors who are 16 years old to register to vote and serve as an election judge. These students are energetic, tech savvy and many possess bilingual capabilities.

Since January, the team has visited Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blake, Churchill, Damascus, Don Bosco Cristo Rey, Einstein, Gaithersburg, Kennedy, Magruder, Northwest, Paint Branch, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, Springbrook, Walter Johnson, Watkins Mill and Whitman.

Permission Slip Requirement

Election Workers under 18 years old must submit a Permission Slip signed by their parent or guardian to serve. (Signature must be handwritten, no electronic signatures accepted) 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:

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- **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).

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.

Contacting Us

- **General Questions:** Call 240-777-8533
- **Email:** election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov
- **Fax:** 240-777-8578; **Website:** www.777vote.org
- **Mailing Address for office:**

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We look forward to working with you!