Hello To All!

The Department of Elections is preparing for a very active 2014. What’s on the ballot in 2014? We have the potential of having elections in:

2 Congressional Seats,
Governor/Lt. Governor,
Chief Financial Officer, Agriculture Commissioner,
3 State Senate Seats, 4 State Representative Seats,
15 Circuit Judges, 4 County Judges,
4 County Council Seats, 3 School Board Seats,
2 Hospital Authority Seats, 4 Soil & Water Seats,
9 Mayor seats, 40 City Commissioner Seats,
2 State Constitutional Initiatives,
School Board Referendum and
an unknown number of city charter changes (4 of the 16 cities have indicated there will be charter changes).

The Department of Elections planning calendar is 67 pages, mostly made up of deadline dates. If a task is not completed by the deadline, an election cannot be held. I know that Volusia County can be proud of the professional full time staff in the department, the temporary employees hired and the wonderful list of poll workers; all needed to conduct a successful election.

Words cannot express how grateful I am to all of the dedicated people who make Elections work, not only in the cities but the County and State as well.

Thanks so much for your past dedication. I hope and pray I can count on everyone to step up for 2014!

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2014 Election Dates
Primary Election: August 26, 2014
Voter Registration Deadline: July 28, 2014
General Election: November 4, 2014
Voter Registration Deadline: October 6, 2014
2014 Florida Legislative Changes (Effective 1/1/14)

Address Changes:
- County to County address changes at the polls are acceptable.

Vote-By-Mail (Absentee Voting):
- Now a crime for anyone, who is paid by a campaign, to have in their possession more than 2 absentee ballots per election in addition to his or her own ballot or a ballot belonging to an immediate family member.
- Requires a written request signed by the voter, if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to an address other than the one on file.
- Allows voter to “cure” a missing signature on an absentee ballot if he or she completes an absentee affidavit.
- Limits Election Day delivery of absentee ballot unless voter executes an affidavit as to an emergency that precludes the voter from going to the voter’s polling place.
- Extends the No-Solicitation Zone to include the SOE’s office where absentee ballots are requested and printed on demand.

Campaign Finance:
- Contribution limits for county/city candidates are increased to a maximum of $1,000 per election.

Interesting Facts - Volusia County

Governatorial Turnout:

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<th>Election</th>
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<th>Absentee Ballot</th>
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<th>Turnout</th>
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<td>Primary 9/5/06</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>83%</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>General 11/7/06</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>73%</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<td>Primary 8/24/10</td>
<td>13%</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>65%</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>General 11/2/10</td>
<td>18%</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>62%</td>
<td>50%</td>
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Absentee Statistics 2012:

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<th>Absentee Ballot Statistics - 2012 General Election</th>
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<tr>
<td>Returned: 64,379</td>
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<td>Accepted: 63,769</td>
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<td>Rejected: 610</td>
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Rejection Breakdown:
339 No Signature; 241 Signatures were Different; 30 Other

Medical Marijuana Petition:

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<td>Received: 39,148</td>
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<td>Accepted: 29,050</td>
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<td>Rejected: 10,098</td>
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Rejection Breakdown:
5,635 Misfiled/Not Registered; 1,352 Duplicate Signatures; 1,255 Ineligible Voter; 772 Invalid Signatures; 542 Registration #:Date of Birth Missing; 318 Illegal Signatures; 224 Other
Frequently Asked Questions

Below are some of the most commonly asked questions of our staff.

- Why is the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles involved in voter registration?
  The National Voter Registration Act of 1993 permits persons conducting business with a driver license office to apply at the same time to register to vote or to update their voter registration information.

- If I have citizenship in the U.S. and another country, can I still register to vote?
  Yes, as long as you are a U.S. citizen and satisfy the other requirements for registration.

- Can I still vote if I do not bring identification?
  Yes. You should not be turned away from the polls because you do not bring identification. If you do not have the proper identification, you will be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.

- Is it acceptable to use an out of state driver’s license or identification card?
  No. If using a driver’s license or state identification card; it must be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in the State of Florida.

- How can I find out about my absentee ballot request or absentee ballot?
  You can now track your absentee ballot request and absentee ballot online. Simply go to the Supervisor of Elections’ website, www.volusiaelections.org.

- What is a Poll Watcher?
  A poll watcher is a person designated by a candidate, political party or political committee to watch and observe the conduct of elections. Poll watchers are not paid for their services by the Department of Elections or, in municipal elections, the City Clerk.

- Must a Poll Watcher be a registered voter?
  Yes. Each poll watcher must be a registered voter of the county in which he or she serves.

- May a candidate serve as a poll watcher?
  No candidate, sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer or other law enforcement officer may serve as a poll watcher.

- What is a Solicitation Boundary?
  Per F.S. 102.031(4)(a) No person, political committee, committee of continuous existence, or other group or organization may solicit voters inside the polling place or within 100 feet of the entrance to any polling place, or polling room where the polling place is also a polling room, or early voting site.

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY ON ELECTION DAY. SIGN UP TO BE A POLL WORKER!

- Persons interested in working the polls will be invited to attend an orientation session.
- Orientation sessions are a way to become familiar with the election process and Poll Worker responsibilities.
- For more information on becoming a Poll Worker, contact the Training Team.
  Email: VCElectionteam@volusia.org          Phone: (386) 736-5930

Interested in working the Polls?
**Polling Place Changes**

New Voter Information Cards will be mailed out within the coming months to reflect these changes.

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<tr>
<td>224</td>
<td>The Sanctuary Church of God</td>
<td>401 E Taylor Rd</td>
<td>DeLand</td>
<td>Chisolm Center</td>
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<td>503</td>
<td>Ormond Lakes Clubhouse</td>
<td>70 Ormond Lakes Blvd</td>
<td>Ormond Beach</td>
<td>Ormond Beach Senior Center</td>
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<td>703*</td>
<td>Piggotte Community Center</td>
<td>504 Big Tree Rd</td>
<td>South Daytona</td>
<td>South Daytona Christian Church</td>
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<td>728</td>
<td>Parkwood Mobile Home Comm South</td>
<td>601 Azalea Cir</td>
<td>Port Orange</td>
<td>Riverwood Clubhouse</td>
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<td>808</td>
<td>United Church of Christ</td>
<td>203 Washington St</td>
<td>New Smyrna Beach</td>
<td>Alonzo “Babe” James Comm Center</td>
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* A portion of voters from Precinct 701 were moved into Precinct 703.

**Update Voter Information**

Did you know? If the signature on your Absentee Ballot does not match the signature on your voter record, your ballot will not count. Update your signature by submitting a Florida Voter Registration Application.

Did you know? It is just as important to maintain your voter information up to date as it is to register to vote. Notify the Department of Elections by one of the following means:

- **Address Change** - Phone, fax, mail, email, in person or by submitting a Florida Voter Registration Application.
- **Name Change** - Signed written notice by fax, mail, in person or by submitting a Florida Voter Registration Application.
- **Party Change** - Signed written notice by fax, mail, in person or by submitting a Florida Voter Registration Application. Must be received 29 days prior to an election to take effect.

**Three Methods to Cast a Ballot -**

**MAKE YOUR VOICE COUNT...VOTE 2014!**

1. **Absentee Ballot** - Request an absentee ballot in person, by mail, phone, fax, email. The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is 5:00 pm on the 6th day before an election.

2. **Early Voting** - Begins on the 10th day before an election.
   - Primary Election: August 16 - August 23
   - General Election: October 25 - November 1

3. **Election Day** - Only at your assigned polling place of record.