

Broward County Supervisor of Elections

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VOICE OF THE ELECTIONS

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Message from Dr. Brenda C. Snipes

Dear Voter:

Elections are everybody's business and are open to all registered voters. The next voting opportunity is fast approaching with the Primary Election on August 26, 2014 and the General Election shortly thereafter on November 4, 2014. There is an early voting period for each of these elections. Dates, times and locations can be found in this newsletter.

As a reminder, there are three ways to vote: vote by mail (absentee), vote during the early voting period, or on the traditional election day. Details for each of these voting methods are included within this publication.

Our goal is to provide voters with as much pre-information as possible to ensure that the voter is vote-ready with information about voting process, voting eligibility, voting locations, and required documentation to be presented at the early voting or precinct day locations.

This election cycle is often referred to as the mid-term election, and traditionally characterized by a low voter turn-out. The elections staff is committed to implementing procedures that will create a successful voting experience and we encourage our voters to take full advantage of this opportunity to review and vote for the candidates who best represent the voters' vision of an elected official. Over the past several presidential election cycles, we have counted votes from more than 700,000 voters each election. We encourage voters to once again step forward and actively participate in this fundamental democratic process.

We are finalizing procedures for voters to request an email sample ballot. This feature will be available on July 24, 2014. Instructions will be posted. The regular sample ballot brochure will be mailed to voters who do not request e-mail sample ballots.

Please visit us on our website at www.browardsoe.org and follow us on Facebook to remain current on any additional changes or updates in the election process.



CONGRATULATIONS 2014 HSVR WINNERS!!



The High School Voter Registration Drive took place from March 17 through March 21, 2014. A total of 10,290 students got the opportunity to register to vote that week.

- Class 6A—Taravella High School
- Class 5A—Nova High School
- Class 4A—Hallandale High School
- Class 3A—Pompano Beach High School
- Class 2A—Hallandale Adult Center
- Class 1A—Broward College Academy

Election Day Worker

The Supervisor of Elections conducted a Pollworker Training Roundtable Meeting on Tuesday, April 29, 2014.

This was a great opportunity for the Supervisor and staff to welcome all trainers that will be assisting in the upcoming elections. The following topics were covered in the meeting: what is new in the election day procedures, training calendar and steps for success.

Broward County will begin training pollworkers on June 9th and Voting System Technicians (VSTs) on June 13th for the Primary Election.

Registered voters are welcome to assist on election day by working any of the available positions:

- * Pollworker
- * Voting System Technician
- * EViD Operator

- * Early Voting Pollworker
- * Call Center Operator
- * Poll Deputy

For more information on how to become an election day worker in Broward County, you may contact us at 954-459-9911.



The Neighborhood Partnership Committee (NPC)

The Broward County Supervisor of Elections conducted the Neighborhood Partnership Committee (NPC) Meeting on June 11, 2014 at the Voting Equipment Center.

The Neighborhood Partnership Committee Meetings are organized by the Broward Supervisor of Elections' Voter Education/ Outreach Department.

This is a great opportunity for the members of the community, parties and private sectors to ask election related questions and take information back to the public.

If you would like to attend future meetings or for more information, please call: 954-712-1980.

Learning About the Candidates

As a non-partisan office the Supervisor of Elections is only responsible for listing the candidates and/ or amendments of any upcoming election on her website. The office does not have candidates' backgrounds or information on their candidacy. Here are some thoughts that our office can share with you in regards to becoming more informed on candidates or amendments.

- Media—Many newspapers, radio stations, and news stations interview the candidates and report information on them. Media may also announce upcoming forums in your area or debates that will take place on television.
- Contact the party the candidate is affiliated with— You can call and ask for more information: Broward Democratic Headquarters 954-423-2200 and Broward Republican Headquarters 954-941-7775.
- You can use an internet search engine such as Google or Yahoo to look up the candidate. Many of the candidates have a website that gives you more information on them. You can also place in the search box: "2014 Florida Amendments" and various websites that have more information will appear such as the Division of Elections and The Pew Charitable Trusts.

I hope this information is helpful and thank you for wanting to take part in the electoral process.

Absentee Ballots in 2014

ELECTOR'S ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST CARD

NAME: _____ PHONE #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REGISTRATION #: _____ OR DATE OF BIRTH: _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE # (if available): _____

Email Address: _____

ONLY CHECK ELECTION(S) NEEDED b

If the boxes are left blank, you will receive ballots for all elections included and until November, 2014.

11/08/11 West Park Municipal Election

All 2011 Elections

All 2012 Elections

All thru 2016 Elections

VOTER'S MAILING ADDRESS: _____

If this mailing address is an overseas address, please check this box

VOTER'S SIGNATURE: _____

Votes Must Acknowledge by Signature

**If you desire to make a change in your request, please contact our office at (954) 357-7055.

The Supervisor of Elections wants to remind the Broward County voters that absentee ballot requests will only be valid for two election cycles and after that, another request must be submitted to our office.

Feel Free to call the office to verify the status of your request to ensure that it has not expired.

Requests made this year will be automatic through the 2016 election cycle. The check-your-status number to call is 954-357-7050.

REGISTERED VOTERS

As of June 30, 2014

Total: 1,049,765

Democrat: 538,088

Republican: 234,070

Other: 277,607



ABSENTEE BALLOT AFFIDAVIT AND INSTRUCTIONS

(The affidavit is for use by a voter when the voter returns an absentee ballot without signing the Voter's Certificate)

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

- In order to ensure that your absentee ballot will be counted, your affidavit should be completed and returned as soon as possible so that it can reach the Supervisor of Elections office no later than 5 p.m. on the day before the election.
- You must sign your name on the line above (Signature of Voter) on the affidavit.
- You must make a copy of one of the following forms of identification:
 - Identification that includes your name and photograph: United States passport; debit or credit card; military identification; student identification; retirement center identification; neighborhood association identification; or public assistance identification; **or**
 - Identification that shows your name and current residence address: current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding voter identification card).
- Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a mailing envelope addressed to the Supervisor of Elections. Insert a copy of your identification in the mailing envelope. Mail, deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit along with the copy of your identification to the Supervisor of Elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed and that the Supervisor's address is correct.
- Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed affidavit and a copy of your identification to the Supervisor of Elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as attachments.

BY MAIL - Broward Supervisor of Elections, PO BOX 029026, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33302-9026
 FAX - Fax No. 954-321-0310 EMAIL - absenteeballot@browardsoe.org
 IN PERSON - You may hand deliver these documents to the Broward County Supervisor of Elections Voting
 Equipment Center at: 1501 NW 40th Ave, Lauderdale, FL 33313 (Phone No. 954-357-7050)

ABSENTEE BALLOT AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ do solemnly swear or affirm that I am a qualified and registered voter of Broward County, Florida, that I requested and returned the absentee ballot and that I have not and will not vote more than one ballot in this election. I understand that if I commit or attempt any fraud in connection with voting, vote a fraudulent ballot, or vote more than once in an election, I may be convicted of a felony of the third degree and fined up to \$5,000 and imprisoned for up to 5 years. I understand that my failure to sign this affidavit means that my absentee ballot will be invalidated.

(Signature of Voter)

(Address of Voter)

Form DS-DE 139 (eff. 01-2014)

Section 101.68(4), Florida Statutes

For a copy of the Absentee Ballot Affidavit form, please go to our website at: www.browardsoe.org

Absentee Ballot Affidavit

The new 2014 Election Law allows the voter to cure the missing signature if he or she completes an absentee ballot affidavit.

In order to ensure that the voter's absentee ballot will be counted, an affidavit should be completed and returned as soon as possible so that it can reach the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which the voter's precinct is located no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 2nd day before the election.

A copy of one of the following forms of identification must be provided together with the affidavit:

Identification that includes your name and photograph: United States passport; debit or credit card; military identification; student identification, retirement center identification; neighborhood association identification; or public assistance identification; or

Identification that shows name and current residence address: current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document (excluding voter identification card).



WITH CONFIDENCE

Offices to be Elected in 2014



Please visit our website at www.browardsoe.org. and click on "Candidate Information," then click on "Candidates for 2014 Election Cycle" for information on the offices that will be on the Primary Election ballot.

For information on federal or state announced candidates that will appear on the Broward ballot, please click on the embedded link found in the "Candidates For 2014 Election Cycle" page.

The City of Margate is scheduled to conduct an election on the Primary Election, August 26, 2014

Please contact your municipal clerk's office for information on when the next election in your city will take place.

**ATTENTION
VOTERS!**

2014 Election Cycle

Primary Election

August 26, 2014

General Election

November 4, 2014



- Have you moved recently?
- Have you changed your name?
- Would you like to change your party?

*Party changes must be done at least 29 days prior to the Primary Election.

To update your voter status,
please call 954-357-7050.

The polls are open
from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00
p.m. on election day.

Book closing is 29
days before the
election.

About Early Voting



A new law passed by the Florida Legislature and signed by Governor Rick Scott has been implemented for early voting throughout the state. Early voting is defined as "casting a ballot prior to Election Day at a location designated by the Supervisor of Elections and depositing the voted ballot in the tabulation system."

The following are new provisions pertaining to early voting:

- o *Early Voting Times*: expands minimum hours per day from 6 to 8 hours (maximum hours remain at 12 hours per day). The hours are up to the discretion of the Supervisor of Elections.
- o *Early Voting Day*: increases possible days – early voting as a minimum must begin on the 10th day and end on the 3rd day before an election that contains federal or state races on ballot; however, in addition, the SOE may offer EV on the 15th, 14th, 13th, 12th, 11th or 2nd day before such an election.
- o *Early Voting Sites*:
 - ◇ Expands existing permissible sites to also include fairground, civic center, courthouse, county commission building, stadium, convention center, government-owned senior center, or government-owned community center.
 - ◇ Allows SOE to designate one additional site per election in an area of the county that does not have an eligible early voting location. This site must be geographically located to provide all voters in that area with an equal opportunity to cast a ballot.
 - ◇ Requires each county to maintain at a minimum the same number of early voting sites for a general election it operated for the 2012 General Election.

Voters who want to vote early should remember to bring a photo and signature identification with them.



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PRIMARY ELECTION

EARLY VOTING BEGINS FRIDAY AUGUST 15, 2014 11:00 a.m.

August 15, 2014 -August 24, 2014

Monday – Friday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

*** - SOE BRANCH OFFICE**

2014 EARLY VOTING SITES

African-American Research Library 2650 Sistrunk Boulevard (NW 6 th St.) Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311	Northwest Regional Library 3151 University Drive Coral Springs, FL 33065
Coral Ridge Mall (North or NorthWest Entrance) 3200 N. Federal Highway Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33306	Parkland YMCA 10559 Trails End Parkland, FL. 33076
Davie/Cooper City Branch Library 4600 SW 82 nd Avenue Davie, FL 33328	SOE at Lauderhill Mall * 1445 N. State Road 7 Lauderhill, FL 33313
Deerfield Beach Westside Park 445 S.W. 2 nd Street Deerfield Beach, FL 33441	SOE at E Pat Larkins * 520 Martin Luther King Boulevard Pompano Beach, FL 33060
Emma Lou Olson Civic Center 1801 NE 6th St. Pompano Beach, FL 33060	Southwest Regional Library 16835 Sheridan Street Pembroke Pines, FL 33331
Ft. Lauderdale Branch Library/Art Serve 1350 E. Sunrise Boulevard Room 130 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304	Sunrise Senior Center 10650 W. Oakland Park Blvd. Sunrise, FL 33351
Hallandale Beach Cultural Community Center 410 SE 3 rd Street Hallandale Beach, FL 33009	Tamarac Branch Library 8701 W. Commercial Boulevard Tamarac, FL 33321
Hollywood Branch Library 2600 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood, FL 33020	Weston Branch Library 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard Weston, FL 33332
Miramar Library 2050 Civic Center Place Miramar, FL 33025	West Regional Library 8601 W. Broward Boulevard Plantation, FL 33324
North Regional Library/BC 1100 Coconut Creek Boulevard Coconut Creek, FL 33066	Wilton Manors City Hall 2020 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors, FL 33305



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GENERAL ELECTION

October 20, 2014 - November 2, 2014

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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