

Election Judge News

Montgomery County Board of Elections
March 2014

Dates to Remember (Primary)

Hands-On Training Begins
March 6, 2014

Deadline to Sign up to Work Primary
May 26, 2014

Voter Registration & Party Affiliation Deadline
June 3, 2014

Early Voting
June 12 – 19, 2014

Chief Judge Briefings
June 20 or 21, 2014

Chief Judge Supply Pickup
June 21, 2014

Pre-Election Meeting at Your Precinct
June 23, 2014

Primary Election Day !
June 24, 2014

Our recruiting efforts for the June 24, 2014 Primary Election are picking up steam. We want to thank those who have completed the application and encourage everyone else to sign up TODAY!

Over 1200 judges have completed the training quiz and scheduled their hands-on training class. **Classes are filling up quickly, especially at the offsite locations. Don't wait – sign up today!** Complete your training as soon as possible, especially if you would like to work in your own voting precinct.

Please let us know if you need help logging in, completing the application or scheduling training by calling 240-777-8533; we are here for YOU.

Help! More Judges Needed

Do you have family, friends, or neighbors that might be interested in serving as an Election Judge? Spread the word about what you do or refer them to us for more information on this unique volunteer opportunity. New applicants can sign up online by visiting our website at www.777vote.org.

Registration Changes

If you made changes to your voter registration (name, address, or party affiliation) when you completed your application and were notified to print, sign and submit the Confirmation Form, we **must** receive your signed form to process your application. Please fax the form to us at 240-777-8578.

If you forgot to print the form, you can log into the **EJ Connection** to print. It will be listed under "Actions" on the Election Judge dashboard.

Did you know that we are available to speak to groups and clubs about the **Election Judge Program** and voting in Montgomery County? What about your group? Contact us at 240-777-8533 to request an Election Judge Recruiter for your next meeting.

Making a Difference

The Election Judge Program was highlighted on Montgomery County's "Make a Difference" cable show. To view the interview click here: "**What It Takes to Be an Election Judge**", or search on YouTube for "The Bottom Line #26".

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Training

Training consists of two stages - the training quiz and in-person, hands-on training.

- **All judges** will need to complete the training quiz before being able to schedule their hands-on training. Once you have passed the training quiz, your recruiter will provide you with information to schedule your hands-on training.
- **Are we waiting for your training quiz?** We have hundreds of judges that are eligible to complete their online training quiz. Please don't wait to take it. Contact your recruiter today to have your Stage I login information resent to you.
- **Don't have a computer?** Call 240-777-8533 to make an appointment to take the training quiz in-person at our Gaithersburg office.

Stage I - Online Election Judge Training Quiz

This portion of the training has been designed to complement the hands-on training and to enhance your preparation for Election Day. Follow these steps:

Go to our Website

Click on this hyperlink www.777vote.org

Click on "*Election Judges*" to expand the list of selections. Click on "*EJ Connection*". Enter your Username and Password (as provided by BOE).

Once you are logged in, follow these steps

- 1) Click on "*Training Materials*" to open the Election Judge Handbook
- 2) Click on and read **Chapters 1 & 2 only**
- 3) Click on and view the video "*Assisting Voters with Disabilities*"

When you feel ready to take the quiz

- 1) Log back into the Election Judge Program
- 2) Click on "*Training Materials*"
- 3) Click on "*2014 Election Judge Training Quiz*" to open the quiz
- 4) Follow the instructions for taking the quiz
- 5) We recommend that you keep a copy of your answers, so print the quiz before you hit Submit
- 6) When finished, click "*Submit*" to send the quiz to the Board of Elections. Only press the Submit button once.

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Stage II - Hands-On Training

Hands-on training for the Primary Election begins **March 6, 2014**. We will use our online scheduling feature for the hands-on training, allowing judges to select and schedule a class and location that best matches their schedule. Most classes will be held at our Gaithersburg office. However, a limited number of classes will be held at three offsite locations:

- Jane Lawton Community Recreation Center, March 10 – 15, 2014
- Potomac Community Recreation Center, March 17 – 22, 2014
- White Oak Community Recreation Center, May 12 – 17, 2014

Class Formats

- **Returning Judges**
This course is a full hands-on training which includes practice exercises at each station and on the voting equipment. It provides an opportunity for judges who have worked previous elections to demonstrate their ability to correctly perform the tasks for their assigned position. This course is for returning judges who have a thorough understanding of the duties of their position and the voting equipment.
- **New Judges**
This course is a combination of lecture and hands-on training to prepare new judges and returning judges who did not serve in the 2012 General. Students will receive instruction on the procedures and responsibilities of the precinct team and their specific position. Students will work individually and in pairs to complete practice exercises, forms and assembly/disassembly of the voting equipment.

We strongly encourage you to review each chapter of the Election Judge Handbook prior to attending class.

Election Day Assignments

State law requires all judges to be trained to be eligible to serve. In order to ensure that we have enough judges assigned to every precinct, we ask that you complete your training as soon as possible, especially if you would like to work in your own voting precinct.

You will receive an email with your precinct assignment 7 to 10 days after you have completed training. Note that each precinct has a limited number of positions -- extra judges will be assigned to a nearby precinct or asked to serve as a Standby Judge.

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Working Early Voting

We are actively recruiting Election Judges for the Primary Early Voting Days. Please consider serving one or more days as an Early Voting Election Judge during June 12 – June 19, 2014. We need your help!

You may be eligible if you:

- 1) Served as a judge in the 2010 and/or 2012 Election(s)
- 2) Are able to complete Election Day hands-on training by **April 5**
- 3) Are able to attend an Early Voting training class between **April 28 and May 3**

Meet the above criteria? Please notify your recruiter by email stating your preferred site(s) and dates. Your recruiter would love to hear from you!

Contact Information

General Questions – call us on 240-777-8533 or email us at election.judge@montgomerycountymd.gov, fax 240-777-8578

Website: www.777vote.org

Mailing Address

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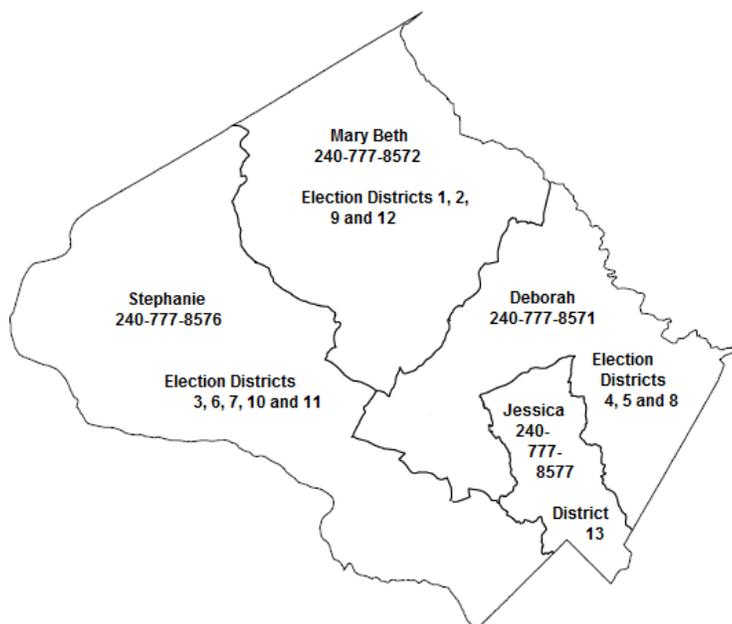
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Contact your Recruiter Directly

Do you need to reach your recruiter? Here are their email addresses and telephone numbers. Please call the person for your **Election District**-Precinct (eg. **01**-01 or **13**-44).

- **MaryBeth Habel** - Districts 1, 2, 9, and 12, Early Voting Centers 3 and 7
240-777-8572 Mary.habel@montgomerycountymd.gov
- **Stephanie Milliner** - Districts 3, 6, 7, 10, and 11, Early Voting Centers 6 and 8
240-777-8576 Stephanie.milliner@montgomerycountymd.gov
- **Jessica Jones** - District 13, Early Voting Centers 1, 5, and 9
240-777-8577 Jessica.jones@montgomerycountymd.gov
- **Deborah Hamer** - Districts 4, 5, and 8, Early Voting Centers 2 and 4
240-777-8571 Deborah.hamer@montgomerycountymd.gov

Montgomery County Board of Elections Election Judge Recruiter Regions



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Important Information

- **Food Donations** – Manna Food Center is struggling to keep up with the demand to end hunger in Montgomery County. To help meet the pressing need, please bring non-perishable food donations to your “Hands-on” training. Check out the [Manna Food Wish List](#).
- **Keeping Us Informed** – Please keep your voter registration and contact information current. Phone numbers and email addresses will only be released to the Chief Judges for election related use. Notify us of any information changes by completing an [Election Judge Personal Information Update Form](#), available on our website (login, click on “Resources”, then select “Update Contact Information”). Send your form by mail, email or fax.
- **Future Vote Student Aides** - School-age students, grades 6-12, can serve as Election Day student aides for the 2014 elections. The program’s intent is to educate, strengthen and increase ties related to civic participation. Interested parents/guardians can register their student(s) [online](#) by visiting the Montgomery County Board of Elections’ website. For additional information, email future.vote@montgomerycountymd.gov. Note that students over 17 years old are eligible to work either as an Election Judge and receive payment or in the Future Vote Program to earn SSL credits.
- **Election Judges with Spanish Speaking Fluency are Needed** as mandated by Section 203 of the *1975 Voting Rights Act*. Call Gilberto Zelaya on 240-777-8532 for information or email gilberto.zelaya@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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Montgomery County's Nursing Home and Assisted Living Program needs your help!

The Nursing Home and Assisted Living Program is a Maryland statewide initiative mandated by State law which affords residents of assisted living or nursing facilities the opportunity to access the voting process without fear of outside influences or intimidation.

As part of absentee voting, local boards of elections are required to offer voting assistance to all nursing homes and assisted living facilities within their jurisdiction that have at least 50 residents. In Montgomery County, approximately 50 organizations participate in this absentee program.

The Montgomery County Board of Elections has a coordinator/manager for the program and bi-partisan teams are hired to act as Election Judges at the participating facilities. Team members are recruited from the current pool of Election Judges to participate in the nursing home project. The goal is to field 14 teams to assist throughout the absentee voting period.

Training is provided to the volunteer Election Judges and after the training, team members also have the ability to act as Voter Registrars to nursing home residents who are not currently registered voters.

Visits are scheduled with facility administrators and teams are assigned facility visits where temporary polling places are setup. Administrators reach out to all their residents and encourage them to take advantage of the convenience of voting at the facility. The program is especially helpful to residents who do not have the ability to travel to their designated precinct. Once voting at the center is completed, all ballots are returned to the Board of Elections and are counted along with other absentee ballots during the canvassing period.

We are asking you to consider serving with the nursing home team and assist in this valuable program. For additional information, contact Bobbie Payne by e-mail at bobbie.payne@montgomerycountymd.gov or by phone at 240-777-8551.

Make a difference – help your fellow Montgomery County residents participate in our most treasured right – the right to select a representative government.

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Your Vote

All Election Judges are asked to vote by mail (Absentee Ballot) or during the Early Voting period. Judges **not** working in their own voting precinct must vote using one of these options.

- **Vote by Mail** – Complete, sign and submit an [Absentee Ballot Application](#) as soon as possible. The Absentee office will send you the appropriate ballot to vote. Your ballot must be returned to the office or postmarked (by the Postal Service) by Election Day. **Absentee ballots cannot be left at the polls for return to BOE, this is prohibited by Maryland law.**
- **Early Voting** - Vote at one of the nine (9) Early Voting Centers located in Montgomery County from Thursday, June 12 through Thursday, June 19, 2014. Voting hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 - **The Early Voting Centers are:**
 - **Mid-County Community Recreation Center (EV-1)**
2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring, MD 20906
 - **Executive Office Building (EV-2)**
101 Monroe Street, Rockville, MD 20850
 - **Germantown Community Recreation Center (EV-3)**
18905 Kingsview Road, Germantown, MD 20874
 - **Marilyn J. Praisner Community Center (EV-4)**
14906 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20866
 - **Silver Spring Civic Building (EV-5)**
One Veteran's Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910
 - **Activity Center at Bohrer Park (EV-6)**
506 S. Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg, MD 20877
 - **Damascus Community Recreation Center (EV-7)**
25520 Oak Drive, Damascus, MD 20872
 - **Jane Lawton Community Recreation Center (EV-8)**
4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase, MD 20815
 - **Wheaton Community Recreation Center (EV-9)**
11711 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD 20902

Vote Early

Your Time ♦ Your Voice ♦ Your Vote