



# MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **VOTE BY MAIL APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

Any registered voter who wants to vote by mail may now request an application for the Presidential Primary Election. If you request a vote by mail ballot, it will be your official ballot and you will not be able to vote on the paper based, digital image scan voting system at the polls on Election Day, Tuesday, April 28, or during Early Voting, Thursday, April 16 through Thursday, April 23.

You may apply for a vote by mail ballot in one of four ways:

1. **Text** the letters VBM to 77788;
2. **Visit our website** – [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org) – **and select Vote by Mail.** Follow the instructions for completing the application which may be mailed, faxed (240-777-8560) or e-mailed [absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov) to the Board of Elections;
3. **Visit** <https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/InstructionsStep1> to complete an online application. You must have a valid Maryland Driver's License or Motor Vehicle Administration issued ID and enter your name and date of birth exactly as reflected in the voter registration database in order to use this method. Follow the prompts to complete and submit your application.
4. **You may apply in person** at the Montgomery County Board of Elections – 18753 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, MD 20879 – between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

To obtain an application for another person, please call **240-777-8550** for detailed information.

The deadlines for receipt of your completed application are as follows:

- If you want your ballot mailed to you, your deadline is Tuesday, April 21, 2020. If you mail or deliver this form, your election office must have it by 8 pm. If you fax or email it, they must have it by 11:59 pm.
- If you want to print your on-line delivery ballot from the State Board of Elections' website, your deadline is Friday, April 24, 2020. If you mail or deliver this form, your election office must have it by 5 pm. If you fax or email it, they must have it by 11:59 pm.

After the aforementioned dates, absentee ballot applications need to be requested in person at our office – 18753 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 210, in Gaithersburg. The office is open:

- From 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday
- During Early Voting, Thursday, April 16 through Thursday, April 23, from 10 a.m. through 8 p.m.
- Saturday, April 25, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Sunday, April 26, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Montgomery County Board of Elections wishes to remind voters that impersonating another voter or casting a ballot on behalf of another person is a crime. If you see or hear of any attempted vote fraud, contact the State Attorney's Office at 410-576-6300 or 1-888-743-0023 toll free in Maryland or via TDD at 410-576-6372.

For more information on voting by mail call 240-777-VOTE, visit [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org), our mobile app at [m.montgomerycountymd.gov/elections](http://m.montgomerycountymd.gov/elections), the Maryland State Board of Elections' website at <https://elections.maryland.gov>, or follow the Montgomery County Board of Elections on Facebook or Twitter.

Your Time, Your Voice, Your Vote!

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