

PALM BEACH COUNTY **ELECTIONS REPORT** A monthly newsletter to keep you informed about elections and your elections office.

FROM THE DESK OF SUPERVISOR WENDY SARTORY LINK

Welcome to the July 2021 edition of our monthly Elections Report Newsletter. As we prepare for the upcoming Special Election, we are urging those in Congressional District 20 to check their voter registration status and make sure they are prepared to make their vote count. Thank you to the organizations and groups who joined us this month for our Elections Experience Tour and for all those who are scheduling to join us in the coming weeks. We look forward to hosting you.

Please never hesitate to contact our office to ask a question or learn more! Call us at (561) 656-6200, visit <u>www.VotePalmBeach.gov</u>, or email <u>info@VotePalmBeach.gov</u>.

IMPORTANT VOTER INFORMATION

U.S. Congressional District 20 Special Election Important Dates

The Special Election to fill the Congressional District 20 vacancy is quickly approaching, and there are several important dates and deadlines to mark on your calendars.

Dates and Deadlines

Special Primary Election: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 Special General Election: Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Candidate qualification period: 8:00 a.m., August 9, 2021, through Noon, August 10, 2021

Special Primary Voter Registration Deadline: October 4, 2021

Special Primary Vote-by-Mail ballots mailed: September 18, 2021 Deadline to return your Vote-by-Mail ballot: 7:00 p.m., November 2, 2021

NOTE: In order to be counted, Vote-by-Mail ballots must be received by the SOE by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Special Primary Election Early Voting Hours & Locations

Saturday, October 23 – Sunday, October 31, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

SOE West County Branch Office 2976 State Road #15, 2nd Floor, Belle Glade, FL 33430

> Belle Glade Branch Library 725 NW 4th Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Loxahatchee Groves – Palm Beach State College 15845 Southern Boulevard, Loxahatchee Groves, FL 33470

Summit Main Library

3650 Summit Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Wells Recreation Community Center 2409 Avenue H West, Riviera Beach, FL 33404

NOTE: Vote-by-Mail ballots may be returned at any Early Voting location during Early Voting hours.

Make sure your voter registration information is up to date and, if you are not sure whether you live within Congressional District 20, please visit the "My Status" page of our <u>website</u>, enter your information, and then select "Upcoming Elections" or "View Office Holders" under the voter information tab.

The deadline for candidates running who are currently in office to submit their resign-to-run paperwork was this week. Palm Beach County had one current elected official submit resign-to-run paperwork.

Florida State House District 88 will now require a special election to fill that seat due to Florida's resign-to-run laws. The date for that election will be set by the Governor's office. Look for future updates from our office in the coming weeks as that information becomes available.

New Branch Office Hours

Please note our branch office's hours of operation will be Monday - Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until further notice (with the exception of Early Voting hours at our West County Branch Office).



Supervisor of Elections Launches Internship Program

The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Internship Program is open to high school and undergraduate students interested in engaging in their local elections and participating in the electoral process. To be considered, you must be committed to public service, demonstrate leadership in your community, and be committed to integrity, accountability, and service.

In addition to normal office duties, interns will attend weekly voter education and outreach events, volunteer at special events, participate in scheduled open houses, guided tours, and contribute to a lead project in Palm Beach County. Those interested in participating as an intern may email <u>info@votepalmbeach.gov</u> indicating their desire to participate in the internship program.

More Palm Beach County Organizations Participate in our Elections Experience Tour

This month, our Voting Equipment Service Center hosted multiple organizations and groups for our Elections Experience Tour.

We were excited to have the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches Trustees, the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation and the Golden Lakes Village Association participate in our tour. All those in attendance received an update on the Senate Bill 90 Election Law changes and participated in our Elections Experience Tour where they learned how elections are conducted in Palm Beach County.



We welcome your organization or community group to utilize meeting space at our Voting Equipment Service Center or participate in our Elections Experience Tour over the coming months. To check availability, please email <u>info@votepalmbeach.gov</u>.

Volunteer Task Force Partners with Local Non-Profits to Help Students and Teachers with Back-to-School Needs

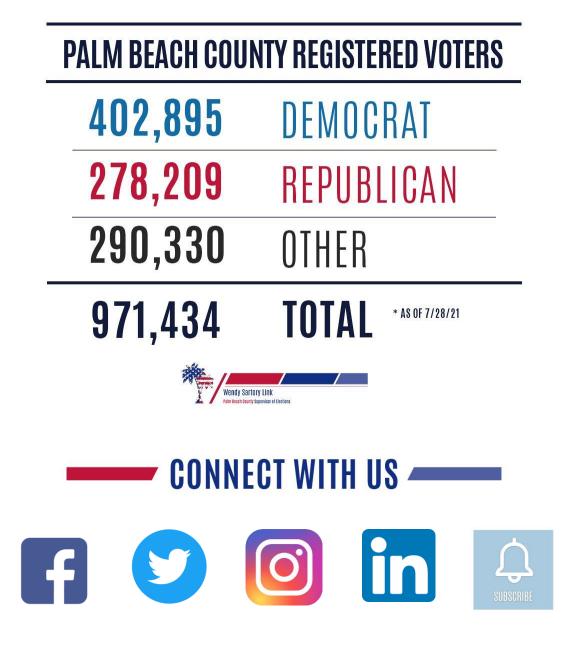
Our Elections Team and Volunteer Task Force was excited to join with Red Apple Supplies to support local Palm Beach County teachers.

In addition, our offices served as collection points for the Back-To-School Supplies Drive hosted by GL Homes and the Boys and Girls Club. Over the last month, we collected hundreds of donated school supplies that went to support deserving children and students throughout Palm Beach County.



Our Task Force is always looking to partner with local non-profit organizations as we work to give back to our community and support those in need.







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