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**FROM:** Dean C. Logan, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

**WEEKLY STATUS REPORT – JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> ELECTION**

This is the first in a series of pre-election status reports to inform your Board and the public of our preparation for the June 5<sup>th</sup> Statewide Direct Primary Election. The information and data included connect to the County’s goals of “Operational Effectiveness” and “Community Support and Responsiveness.” Additionally, these reports support the Department’s ongoing commitment to fair, accessible and transparent election services for the citizens of Los Angeles County.

The report includes updates on important activities related to the conduct of the election and provides statistics related to those activities. The report focuses on key areas of the election process: status of Vote by Mail (VBM) mailing, sample ballot mailing; poll worker recruitment/ training and polling place recruitment; voter registration; and voter education/community outreach. In addition, the following *Highlights* section references special projects or significant issues to call to your attention.

Highlights

**Early Voting / Weekend Early Voting**

Early voting began at our Norwalk headquarters on May 7<sup>th</sup> and will continue through Election Day. Early voting provides a convenient option for voters to cast a ballot before Election Day. We are focused on meeting the needs of voters who want to vote prior to Election Day.

In addition to Early Voting at our headquarters, the Department is once again offering weekend Early Voting at nine additional locations throughout the County where any Los Angeles County voter can cast a ballot the weekend of June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. All locations will also serve as a Vote by Mail drop-off location for voters who already have their Vote by Mail ballot ready. The dates, addresses and hours of operation for Early Voting and Weekend Early Voting can be found on our [website](#).

## **Vote by Mail Drop-Off**

The Department has established a VBM Ballot Drop-Off program to provide convenient, accessible and transparent options for voters to securely and easily cast their VBM ballot before Election Day. The VBM Drop-Off locations have been available since May 7<sup>th</sup> and will remain available through June 5<sup>th</sup>. There are 108 total sites located throughout the County where VBM voters can simply drop off their voted ballot. To ensure that the public is aware of the program, flyers have been distributed at outreach events and posted on our social media sites. We are also working with our media partners and other organizations to communicate information about the program. A list of participating sites, with their addresses and hours of operation, can be found on our [website](#).

## **Poll Monitoring**

The Department will conduct a poll monitor orientation on May 26<sup>th</sup> to inform the public on options for observing activities at voting locations. The attendees will be provided our poll monitor hotline number to report polling place issues directly to our office on Election Day. Poll monitors are people interested in election proceedings and may represent campaigns, political parties or advocacy organizations. Observers can watch the set-up and the closing of polling places. However, poll monitors may not disrupt the election process or interfere with a voter's right to cast a secret ballot.

## **Outreach - Close of Voter Registration**

The close of voter registration for the June 5<sup>th</sup> election was Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The Department received 53,110 new online voter registration affidavits and 59,465 re-registrations from January 1<sup>st</sup> through May 18<sup>th</sup>. Through the Department's outreach efforts and partnerships with community organizations, 757 people completed paper registration forms.

## **Media**

The Department has generated many earned media opportunities to help promote the election and disseminate important information of interest to voters for this election. The following is a summary of recent earned media opportunities and press releases that have been issued regarding the upcoming election.

### *News Releases*

#### **April 26, 2018**

- [http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018\\_SBB-Mailing.pdf](http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018_SBB-Mailing.pdf)

#### **May 2, 2018**

- [http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018\\_pollworker-recruitment.pdf](http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018_pollworker-recruitment.pdf)

#### **May 7, 2018**

- [http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018\\_VBM-Mailing-EV.pdf](http://lavote.net/docs/rrcc/news-releases/06052018_VBM-Mailing-EV.pdf)

### *Press Mentions*

#### **April 3, 2018**

- [Los Angeles County Voters Head to Polls Tuesday in Special Election](#) – NBC News
- [Three California Assembly seats up in special election](#) – The Sacramento Bee
- [Assembly candidates face the voters in special elections forced by #MeToo scandals](#) – LA Daily News
- [Special election: LA County voters must pick new reps in State Assembly district 39, 45 and 54](#) – KPCC
- [Voters Casting Ballots in 3 Los Angeles-Area Assembly Races](#) – US News
- [Attorney Leads Special Election to Replace Dababneh](#) – myNewsLA

**April 4, 2018**

- [North Hollywood Assembly Race Heads to Runoff](#) – North Hollywood Patch
- [Sydney Kamlager Wins 54<sup>th</sup> Assembly Race to Represent Westwood](#) – Westwood Patch
- [Race to Rep Northridge Goes to Runoff Between Teen and Lawyer](#) – Northridge Patch
- [So you didn't vote in LA County's special election. Here are 6 places more people go to than the polls](#) – KPCC

**April 5, 2018**

- [Confusion over 'independent' voters in California prompts redesign of voter registration card](#) – LA Times
- [California updates voter registration card to reduce errors](#) – KPCC
- [Trump Accuses California of Voter Fraud](#) – CBS LA
- [Voter registration cards revamped to be less confusing, California officials say](#) – FOX News

**April 9, 2018**

- [L.A County unveils new budget, emphasizing homeless services and other safety-net programs](#) – LA Times
- [April 10: County Panel on 'Voting in America'](#) – SCV News

**April 11, 2018**

- [Observations on Voting Equipment Use and Replacement](#) – U.S. Government Accountability Office

**April 18, 2018**

- [Saugus Union School District election details are finalized](#) – The Signal SCV
- [Voter turnout was abysmal in the Long Beach election. Why? Lots of theories, few solutions](#) – Press Telegram

**April 24, 2018**

- [New voting plan apt but may disenfranchise students if poorly executed](#) – Daily Bruin

**May 1, 2018**

- [John Cox begins California barnstorm with the delivery of gas tax repeal signatures](#) – LA Times
- [California teens are pre-registering in droves. But will they actually vote?](#) – OC Register
- [Signatures submitted for state gas tax repeal](#) – ABC 7 Eyewitness News
- [California GOP gubernatorial candidate delivers signatures for initiative to repeal gas tax hike](#) – KTLA

**May 2, 2018**

- ['Send it to the county registrar,' says Arcadia City Council of info on potential voter fraud](#) – The Hub LA

**May 4, 2018**

- [Pollworkers needed for the June 5<sup>th</sup> Statewide Direct Primary Election](#) – Santa Monica Daily Press

**May 7, 2018**

- [Early Voting in California's Primary Election Has Begun](#) – KTLA
- [Branden Williams Authorizes Inspection of Petition Signatures in Basement Ordinance Referendum](#) – BH Courier

**May 8, 2018**

- [Pollworkers Needed for the June 5th Statewide Direct Primary Election](#) – Santa Monica Daily Press
- [Russians will hack again in '18. Here's how So Cal elections will answer](#) – OC Register
- [County Seeks Public Input on Future Vote Centers](#) – SCV News

- [Why it takes so long to get election night results](#) – VOX
- [Easy Access Vote Centers Planned for 2020 in LA County](#) – mynewsLA
- [Easy access vote centers planned for 2020 in Los Angeles County](#) – Fox News

**May 9, 2018**

- [California Counties Hardening Defenses Against Vote Hacking](#) – Techwire
- [Easy Access Vote Centers Planned for 2020 in LA County](#) – LA West Media
- [Vote Centers are coming to Los Angeles County](#) – ABC 7
- [Election officials in LA County are planning to phase out your local polling place](#) - KPCC

**May 10, 2018**

- [Initial Error by County Leaves Some Fifth District Voters with No Choice for City Council](#) – Long Beach Post

**May 14, 2018**

- [No Explanation Needed](#) – Courthouse News Service
- [AAVREP Launches Massive “WokeVote18” Voter Registration Drive for 2018 Election](#) – Black Voice News
- 05/17
- [#BlackVotesMatter: Sebastian Ridley-Thomas Spearheads Massive Voter Registration Push](#) – LA Sentinel

**May 18, 2018**

- [News Brief: LA County seeks voter center feedback](#) – Malibu Surfside News

c: Board Deputies  
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<b>Election Activity Statistics</b>	
<i>June 5, 2018 Statewide Direct Primary Election</i>	
	<b>05/21/2018</b>
<b>Vote By Mail</b>	
Ballots Issued	2,242,675
Ballots Received Back	85,326    3.8%
<b>Military and Overseas</b>	
Ballots Issued	27,599
Ballots Received	792    2.9%
<b>Sample Ballots</b>	
Mailed (continuous through date)	4,851,060
<b>Registered Voters Totals by Supervisorial District</b>	
District 1	855,542
District 2	996,753
District 3	1,113,016
District 4	1,084,199
District 5	1,093,928
<b>Countywide Total</b>	<b>5,143,438</b>
	<b>05/21/2018</b>
<b>Registered Voters by Age</b>	
18-29	1,005,471
30-39	979,141
40-49	813,849
50-59	855,228
60-69	748,330
70-79	451,924
Over 80	287,970
No Data	1,525
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,143,438</b>

<b>Incoming Voter Registration Total (since January 1, 2018)</b>	
New Online Registrations	53,110
Online Re-registrations	59,465
Paper Registrations	86,041
<b>Volunteers (Pollworkers and Inspectors)</b>	
<b>Total Recruited</b> (includes all regular and specialty recruitments, as well as inspectors and coordinators)	21,707
<b>Details (part of total from above)</b>	
Precinct Coordinators	350
Multilingual Pollworkers	8,316
County Employees Recruited	3,331
Legal Permanent Residents	229
	<b>05/21/2018</b>
<b>Number of Polling Places by Supervisorial District</b>	
District 1	721
District 2	855
District 3	848
District 4	920
District 5	803
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,147</b>
Number of Trainings for Inspectors and Clerks	176
<b>Outreach Activity Statistics</b>	
<b>Total people registered at outreach events</b> (since January 1, 2018 )	757
<b>Total number of outreach events</b>	111
Deputy Registrar Training Sessions Hosted	26
New Citizens Registered	7,371