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WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - NOVEMBER 6TH ELECTION

This is the second in a series of pre-election status reports to inform your Board and the public of our preparation for the November 6th General Election. The information and data included connect to the County's goals of "Operational Effectiveness" and "Community Support and Responsiveness." Additionally, the reports support the Department's ongoing commitment to fair, accessible and transparent election services for the citizens of Los Angeles County.

The reports include updates on important activities related to administering the election and provide statistics related to those activities. The reports focus on key areas of the election process: status of Vote by Mail (VBM) Ballot mailing; Sample Ballot mailing; poll worker recruitment/training and polling place recruitment; and 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

Weekend Early Voting begins this weekend at 10 locations throughout the County. These locations provide an option for any Los Angeles County voter to cast their ballot in person during the two weekends prior to Election Day: October 27th - 28th and November 3rd - 4th. All locations will also serve as a Vote by Mail Drop-Off for voters who already have their VBM ballot completed and ready for return. The addresses and hours of operation are found on our website.

Outreach – Voting While Incarcerated Program / L.A. Free the Vote Program

The Department's Voting While Incarcerated Program is one of our outreach programs designed to ensure that those persons incarcerated in Los Angeles County jails who are eligible to vote, can still exercise their right to vote. We are currently working with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, ACLU, A New Way of Life, and Shields for Families, to register eligible inmates to vote and provide them with applications to receive VBM ballots. Since January 1, 2018, we have received 3,069 voter registration affidavits from and delivered 1,952 VBM ballots to voters in LA County Jails.

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The Department also continues to work as a co-lead with the Office of Diversion and Reentry (ODR) on the L.A. Free the Vote program partnering with County Departments (Alternate Public Defender, Probation and Public Defender) as well as key community organizations. Community stakeholders include a number of CBO's such as ACLU, LARRP, A New Way of Life and Shields for Families.

The role of the Department is to provide subject matter expertise, oversee issuing and receipt of voter registration cards, process requests for ballots, track by individual field office, training, logistics and best practices. In addition, we have created branding and materials that serve as both promotion and resources for County and community partners. Although this program began during the voter registration push ahead of the November 6th General Election, the program will continue to improve and grow as a permanent program during the coming months and years.

Outreach - High School/College Registration

The Department partnered with Power California, LA Promise Fund, When We All Vote, League of Women Voters, Pasadena College, Cal State LA, and USC to increase voter registration opportunities and distribute election information to high school students. Collectively, 3,486 students and individuals that attended events at schools throughout the County registered to vote. Our outreach team also continues to work with the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Probation Department to register youth housed at various camps in the County.

On Wednesday, October 24th, we are hosting an Early Voting event for high school students with Power California. Students from twelve schools throughout the County will be transported to our headquarters in Norwalk. Eligible students will have the opportunity vote or pre-register to vote and participate in a mock election. In addition to election related activities, students will be provided with lunch, entertainment by LA radio station Power 106, photo booth, and a silk screening station where students can help make posters and a variety of other activities promoting voter participation.

Outreach - Homeless Voters

The Department has dedicated outreach efforts toward increasing partnerships with community organizations to promote election-related messages and services to the homeless population throughout the County. Through our network of partnerships, we have leveraged opportunities to disseminate key information to the public about registering persons experiencing homelessness to vote.

We also continue to regularly attend events such as health fairs, forums where homeless and other individuals interact with government, community events, and similar activities to provide elections information, voter registration opportunities, and disseminate significant election material and information on how to obtain a free birth certificate. Currently, the Department has 16,667 active voters, who are in some state of homelessness in our voter database.

Chat Function

The Department's Chatbot went live on May 21st and Elections Livechat started on October 10th for the November 6th Election to help and educate the public on all the tools and information needed to navigate our website. Through this function, constituents can communicate with our online operators and receive step by step instructions to complete tasks online, such as voter registration verification, sample ballot look-up and VBM tracking. On Election Day, poll workers can utilize the feature to resolve or report issues at voting locations. We have had 1,194 chats related to the November 6th election.

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Media

The Department has implemented a full-scale media campaign with various media partners throughout LA County to promote the newly redesigned Vote by Mail ballot, key election deadlines for November 6th and other information. The campaign includes public service announcements on all major LA County radio stations, bus ads, movie theater ads, multilingual ads and social media messaging. The Department is also engaging local newspapers and radio stations to help promote the election and disseminate valuable information to voters. The following is a summary of recent earned media opportunities and press releases that have been issued regarding the upcoming election:

News Releases

October 19, 2018

• Close of Registration

Press Mentions

October 18, 2018

- Metro should give free Election Day rides, say LA and Long Beach mayors, county supervisor LA
 Daily News
- Motion calls for Metro to provide free rides on Election Day The Source
- Rides on Election Day KABC7
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October 19, 2018

- LA County Registrar Reminds Residents About Voter Registration Ahead Of Deadline KHTS
- 1M people in Los Angeles County still not registered to vote, registrar shows ABC7
- Don't Forget! Deadline to Register to Vote is Monday NBC4
- Midterms: Security officials warn of foreign attempts to influence U.S. election CBS8

October 21, 2018

Voter registration deadline approaching in L.A. County – FOX

October 22, 2018

- Monday Marks Last Day to Register to Vote in California for 2018 Election KTLA
- Today is last day to register to vote in California ABC7
- Last day for California voter registration is Oct. 22 The Signal
- c: Board Deputies Celia Zavala, Executive Officer County Counsel

Election Activity Statistics November 6, 2018 Statewide Direct Primary Election							
Vote By Mail							
Ballots Issued	2,468,243	2,586,091					
Ballots Received Back	12,002	143,417					
Military and Overseas							
Ballots Issued	26,846	27,381					
Ballots Received	916	2,185					
Sample Ballots							
Mailed (continuous through date)	5,158,182						
Number of Polling Places by Supervisoria	Districts						
District 1	875,837	879,123					
District 2	1,017,632	1,020,948					
District 3	1,131,722	1,135,786					
District 4	1,093,688	1,096,447					
District 5	1,109,633	1,114,557					
Countywide Total	5,228,512	5,246,861					
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018			
Incoming Voter Registration Totals by Age (since January 1, 2018)							
18-29	307,114	330,206					
30-39	194,683	205,763					
40-49	130,705	137,207					
50-59	119,559	125,429					
60-69	91,748	96,356					
70-79	47,307	49,356					
Over 80	21,006	24,945					
No Data	282	325					
Total	912,404	969,727					

Incoming Voter Registration Total (since January 1, 2018)						
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018		
New Online Registrations	250,921	273,236				
Online Re-registrations	457,327	488,687				
Paper Registrations	163,075	173,097				
Total Recruited (includes all regular and specialty recruitments, as well as inspectors and coordinators)	24,200	26,050				
Details (part of total from above)						
Precinct Coordinators	350	350				
Multilingual Pollworkers	9,390	10,260				
County Employees Recruited	3,569	3,809				
Legal Permanent Residents	230	245				
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018		
Number of Polling Places by Supervisorial District						
District 1	727	727				
District 2	852	852				
District 3	845	845				
District 4	916	916				
District 5	825	825				
Total	4,165	4165				
Number of Trainings for Inspectors and Clerks	142	234				
Outreach Activity Statistics						
Total people registered at outreach events (since January 1, 2018)	2810	2810				
Total number of outreach events	263	263				
Deputy Registrar Training Sessions Hosted	41	41				
New Citizens Registered	18,963	18,963				