

# Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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# WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - NOVEMBER 6TH ELECTION

This is the third in a series of pre-election status reports to inform your Board and the public of our preparation for the November 6<sup>th</sup> 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**

### Outreach - Close of Voter Registration

The final day to register to vote for the November 8<sup>th</sup> General Election was Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Voter registration participation was remarkably high and the Department received 300,016 new online voter registration affidavits. Additionally, through the Department's outreach efforts and partnerships with community organizations, 191,618 people completed paper registration forms. Eligible Los Angeles County residents who missed the voter registration deadline still have the option to participate. Under California Election Law, Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) allows a prospective voter to conditionally register and cast a provisional ballot. Conditional Voter Registration must be completed in person at our Headquarters in Norwalk or at one of our Weekend Early Voting sites this weekend. CVR is **not** available at polling places on Election Day or online. More information on CVR can be found on our website.

# **Vote by Mail Drop-Off**

The Department's VBM Drop-Off Program will continue through Election Day. It provides a convenient, accessible and transparent option for voters to securely and easily return their VBM ballot. The program

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continues to have successful voter participation. To date we have received 644 VBM ballots from the 150 sites located throughout the County that are serving as drop-off locations. A list of participating sites, with their addresses and hours of operation, can be found on our website.

# Early Voting / Weekend Early Voting

There was a successful turnout in the opening weekend of Early Voting. A total of 3,485 early votes were cast this past weekend for the November 6<sup>th</sup> General Election. The expanded ten locations saw 1,758 ballots issued on Saturday and 1,727 issued on Sunday. Of the ten additional locations the highest turnout was in West Los Angeles with over 337 votes Saturday and 364 on Sunday.

	Saturday (October 27 <sup>th</sup> )	Sunday (October 28 <sup>th</sup> )	Total
East Los Angeles Library	88	89	177
Jackie Robinson Community Center	237	222	459
Lake View Terrace Library (East San Fernando Valley)	99	95	194
Lancaster Public Library	85	106	191
Long Beach City College	151	128	279
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk	129	135	264
West Covina Library	121	104	225
West Valley Regional Library	211	175	386
West Los Angeles College	337	364	701
Willowbrook Library	27	33	60
Total:	1,758	1,727	3,485

Early Voting continues during the week at the Norwalk Headquarters from 8am-5pm. Weekend Early Voting continues Saturday and Sunday (Nov. 3-4) in the ten expanded locations, including in Norwalk. Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) also continues at our Headquarters in Norwalk and at Weekend Early Voting locations. To date, 217 CVRs have been received during Early Voting. For more details on the program or to find the nearest Weekend Early Voting location please visit our website.

### Language Accessibility

The Department provides language assistance to voters in 12 languages in addition to English. The Los Angeles County Multilingual Voter Services program was established to provide services to voters who need language assistance. These services include:

#### Translated Election Materials

A translated sample ballot booklet is mailed to voters who requested language materials. The sample ballot booklet contains a list of candidates, candidate information and measures, information on where to vote, how to request a vote-by-mail ballot, and instructions on how to use the voting equipment.

### Bilingual Assistance at Polling Locations

Voters with limited English Proficiency can receive bilingual assistance in their language, on Election Day, at specific polling places throughout the County based on census location data for each language. Bilingual printed materials are available in all languages at polling places.

### Bilingual Assistance Hotline: 1-800-815-2666, option 3

Voters may call a toll-free number to request that translated election materials are mailed to them every election. They can also receive information about or request polling place locations, bilingual voter registration cards, translated VBM application and sample ballot booklets. A list of the mandated languages and other languages that we support can be found on our website.

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# **Polling Place Changes**

At this time, 96 polling places for the November 6<sup>th</sup> Election have changed since Sample Ballots were printed and mailed. The changes are primarily because of cancellations by the polling place owner. All affected voters were mailed a polling place change postcard that includes the new polling location. A robocall is scheduled this weekend to voters informing them that their voting location changed and that they will receive a postcard with new polling place information. The robocall also refers voters to our website where they can locate and confirm their new polling place. Additionally, signs are posted at each canceled polling location on Election Day morning that provides voters with the new voting location and address.

#### 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 24, 2018

• Ten Early Voting Sites Open this Weekend for the November 6th General Election

### October 29,2018

Last Day to Request a Vote by Mail Ballot for the November 6th General Election

c: Board Deputies Celia Zavala, Executive Officer County Counsel

Election Activity Statistics							
November 6, 2018 General Election							
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018			
Vote By Mail							
Ballots Issued	2,468,243	2,586,091	2,694,571				
Ballots Received Back	12,002	143,417	405,024				
Military and Overseas							
Ballots Issued	26,846	27,381	28,046				
Ballots Received	916	2,185	4,157				
Sample Ballots							
Mailed (continuous through date)	2,223,019	4,735,542	4,889,636				
Incoming Voter Registration Totals by Sup	ervisorial Districts	(since January 1, 2	2018)				
District 1	875,837	879,123	885,849				
District 2	1,017,632	1,020,948	1,026,730				
District 3	1,131,722	1,135,786	1,142,391				
District 4	1,093,688	1,096,447	1,102,573				
District 5	1,109,633	1,114,557	1,123,554				
Countywide Total	5,228,512	5,246,861	5,281,097				
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018			
Incoming Voter Registration Totals by Age	Incoming Voter Registration Totals by Age (since January 1, 2018)						
18-29	307,114	330,206	362,652				
30-39	194,683	205,763	220,649				
40-49	130,705	137,207	145,903				
50-59	119,559	125,429	132,664				
60-69	91,748	96,356	101,229				
70-79	47,307	49,356	51,830				
Over 80	21,006	24,945	22,775				
No Data	282	325	333				
Total	912,404	969,727	1,038,035				

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	300,016			
Online Re-registrations	457,327	488,687	527,139			
Paper Registrations	163,075	173,097	191,618			
<b>Total Recruited</b> (includes all regular and specialty recruitments, as well as inspectors and coordinators)	24,200	26,050	26,559			
Details (part of total from above)						
Precinct Coordinators	350	350	665			
Multilingual Pollworkers	9,390	10,260	10,813			
County Employees Recruited	3,569	3,809	26,917			
Legal Permanent Residents	230	245	303			
	10/15/2018	10/22/2018	10/29/2018	11/5/2018		
Number of Polling Places by Supervisorial	District					
District 1	727	727	729			
District 2	852	852	856			
District 3	845	845	842			
District 4	916	916	920			
District 5	825	825	818			
Total	4,165	4,165	4,165			
Number of Trainings for Inspectors and Clerks	142	234	324			
Outreach Activity Statistics						
Total people registered at outreach events (since January 1, 2018)	2810	2810	2864			
Total number of outreach events	263	263	274			
Deputy Registrar Training Sessions Hosted	41	41	41			
New Citizens Registered	18,963	18,963	22,213			