

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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FINAL WEEKLY STATUS REPORT: JUNE 8, 2010 STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTE: EARLY VOTING HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH THE WEEKEND AT NORWALK HEADQUARTERS. VOTERS MAY VOTE OR DROP OFF THEIR VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS OR VOTE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 5 THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 6 FROM 8:00 AM TO 4:00 PM.

The following report is the fourth in a series of weekly election status reports published in order to inform your Board and the public of our preparation for the June 8 Statewide Direct Primary Election. The information and data included here link to the County's goal of "service excellence". Additionally, these reports support the Department's ongoing commitment to open and transparent elections for the citizens of Los Angeles County.

The report contains various updates pertaining to recent election-related activities, sample ballot mailing, Vote by Mail ballots, web site developments, notifications and poll worker recruitment efforts. The report is organized into five sections. These are:

- 1. New Webcam Feature
- 2. Status of Vote by Mail and Ballot Mailing
- 3. Sample Ballot Mailings
- 4. Poll Worker Recruitment and Training/Polling Place Recruitment
- 5. Notifications: Public Information Operations and Statistics

#### 1. New Webcam Feature

In a continuing effort to enhance transparency in elections, the RR/CC implemented a new webcam feature for the upcoming election.

Cameras are being installed in three locations throughout RR/CC Headquarters so the public can view ballots being scanned, processed and tallied on Election Night. The feature can be viewed real time over the internet. (See Appendix #1 for a sample screen shot of the Tally Room.)

#### 2. Status of Vote by Mail and Ballot Mailing

To date, we have mailed 800,553 ballots to voters and have received 152,426 returned ballots for processing.

Voters can no longer request a Vote by Mail ballot. The legal deadline for doing so was June 1, 2010. In-person voting is being conducted daily at Norwalk Headquarters leading up to Election Day.

#### 3. Sample Ballot Mailings

Mailing of the Official Sample Ballot booklet began on April 29<sup>th</sup> and continued through May 29<sup>th</sup>. Mailings for this election are complete. We have mailed **4,103,160** Sample Ballot booklets to voters across Los Angeles County and abroad. Sample ballots are also available online through our poll look up feature on <a href="https://www.lavote.net">www.lavote.net</a>.

#### 4. Poll Worker Recruitment and Training/Polling Place Recruitment

#### Training:

Poll worker training for both Inspectors and Clerks commenced three weeks ago. Training sessions will be held throughout the County until June 6, 2010. During this period the RR/CC Poll Worker Training Unit conducts approximately **700 training classes**. We have conducted approximately 90 percent of all the planned training classes to date.

#### **Polling Places:**

Polling place recruitment for the June 8 election is complete. A total of 4,822 polling places are scheduled for use in the June 8 State Primary Election. 98 percent of polling locations for this election meet accessibility standards for voters with specific needs.

Voters in the 67 precincts where accessible locations are not secured have been directed to the closest accessible location available.

#### **Poll Workers:**

We require approximately 20,000 clerks, Inspectors and Coordinators to staff our 4,822 polling places. Our recruitment efforts began on March 10, 2010 and we are nearly finished with the process.

Poll Worker Recruitment Report  June 8, 2010 Statewide Direct Primary Election					
	14-May	21-May	28-May	5-June	
Inspectors					
Required	4,822	4,822	4,822	4,822	
Recruited	4,783	4,822	4,822	4,811	
Outstanding	39	0	0	16 <sup>1</sup>	
Clerks					
Required	14,466	14,466	14,446	14,446	
Recruited	12,131	13,507	14,116	14,368	
Outstanding	2,335	959	330	98	
Special Recruitment Poll Workers					
County Employees	3,317	3,809	3,849	3,981	
Bilingual	3,773	3,907	4,041	4,240	
Students		2,275	2,278	2,358	

### 5. Notifications

**Public Information Operations:** The RR/CC is actively involved in projects aimed at informing the public about Election Day and Night services. Some of these are as follows:

- During Election Day and Night, the Department Head will be active on Twitter, Facebook and via video blog.
- Simulation Saturday takes place this Saturday, June 5, beginning at 10:00 AM.
   Tally operations will conduct a full ballot run-through for public viewing in preparation for Election Night.

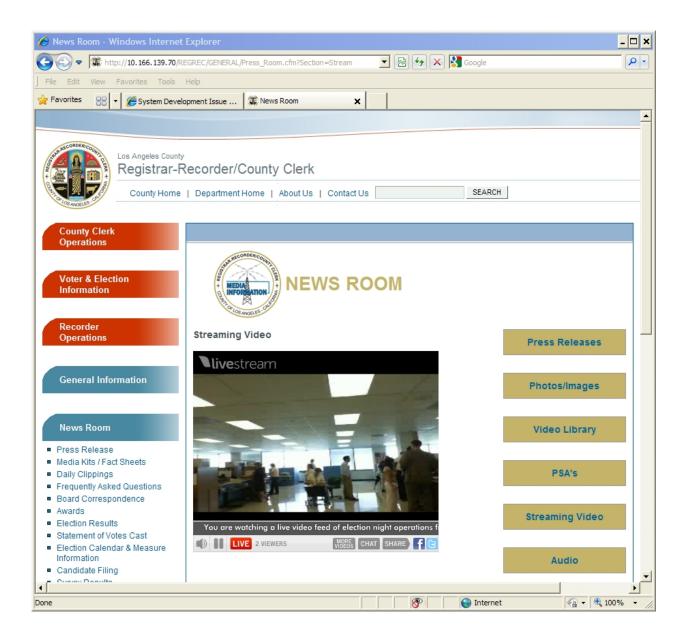
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A small amount of Inspectors drop from the program each election. Recruitment, training and placing new Inspectors is an ongoing process.

- The Department Head will conduct a press conference at 9:15 AM Saturday, June 5, before the simulation exercise to discuss voting options and to answer questions about voting procedures.
- The Media Information team conducted a Election Webinar Training Session for Board Offices on Thursday, June 3 from 1:00 until 4:00 PM. The webinar covered Election Day topics such as voter registration status and polling place location inquiries. (See Appendix #2 for Webinar Announcement.)

**Statistics:** Our website and social media functions have continued to gain popularity since their inception a few years ago. Some interesting statistics include the following:

- To date, the RR/CC has 462 followers on Twitter and 500 friends on Facebook.
- Our visitors and page views on our web site have grown from 230,000 and 438,000 in 2008 to 253,000 and 1.2 million so far this year.
- Activity on our web site Voter Registration Look-up Function has grown steadily over the past few years and is currently second only to the November, 2008 Presidential Election.
- Regarding Vote by Mail statistics, the State of California issued 6.8 million Vote by Mail ballots for this election. This represents 40 percent of all registered voters in the state – an all time record.

## Appendix #1: Webcam Shot of the Tally Room



# Appendix #2 Webinar Training Session



### WEBINAR TRAINING FOR BOARD OFFICES THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2010

#### "Election Day Resources"

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk will be hosting a series of webinar trainings on Thursday, June 3, 2010. The trainings are intended to provide Board staff a working knowledge of basic information and resources available for the upcoming June 8, 2010 Statewide Direct Primary Elections. The training will cover:

- · Online resources available for voters
- . Frequently Asked Questions concerning the Primary
- · Potential Election Day calls

Board Staff who interact with constituents are strongly encouraged to join us for this training! The trainings will be conducted online. Log-In information will be provided.

#### Webinar Trainings Thursday, June 3, 2010

Session 1 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm

Session 2 2:00 pm to 2:45 pm

Session 3 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm

Sessions are limited to 15 individuals per session so please be sure to RSVP for one of the three sessions listed above. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:ihunter@rrcc.lacounty.gov">ihunter@rrcc.lacounty.gov</a> or via telephone at (562) 462-2720, no later than Wednesday, June 2, 2010.