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## County elections officials encourage citizens to get Vote Ready on National Voter Registration Day

Voters can visit <u>oregonvotes.gov</u> to register to vote or update their voter registration information in advance of the November 5, 2024 General Election.

Join local election officials in Clackamas, Marion, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties as we celebrate National Voter Registration Day. Today, we're encouraging Oregonians to take a few moments to get Vote Ready for the 2024 November General Election. First celebrated in 2012, <u>National Voter Registration Day</u> has grown into a nationwide, nonpartisan holiday where election officials, organizations, and volunteers join forces to ensure that our family, friends and neighbors are prepared to make their voices heard by making a plan to VOTE!

Your county elections officials are encouraging voters to take these three steps:

- Check your voter registration status and make sure your information is up to date at <u>oregonvotes.gov</u>. Voters should update their voter registration any time they move, change their residence or mailing address, change their name, or want to change their party affiliation. <u>The voter registration deadline for online</u> registration is Tuesday, October 15 at 11:59 p.m.
- 2. Sign up for a ballot tracking service. As a voter in these five counties, you can sign up to receive Track Your Ballot alerts via text, phone, or email, so you know when your ballot has been mailed to you. After you vote and return your ballot, you will be notified when it has been received and accepted for counting by your county elections office. Voters can sign up for this FREE service at <u>ballottrax.net/voter</u> or learn more by visiting your county elections website listed below.
- 3. Make a plan to VOTE! Elections officials will begin to mail ballots to voters on Wednesday, October 16. Get prepared and make a plan that includes when you will receive your ballot, when and where you will vote, and how you will be returning your ballot. Ballots can be mailed or returned to any Official Ballot Drop Site in the state. To find the closest drop site near you visit <u>oregonvotes.gov</u>. Voted ballots must be mailed with a valid postmark or returned to an Official Ballot Drop Site by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

For every election, County elections officials go to great lengths to ensure the integrity, accuracy, transparency, and security of the election process ensuring that all the federal, state, and local elections we administer are accessible and secure for all voters in our counties.

Did you know when every ballot return envelope arrives to one of our offices it is inspected for a voter signature? The signature on the ballot return envelope is compared to the voter's signature on file in the state's centralized voter registration system and the signature must match before the ballot is opened and counted. If the signature does not match or is missing, you will receive a letter in the mail with directions on next steps so we can verify your signature and count your ballot. Voters who have signed up for status updates through Track Your Ballot will also be notified via text, phone, or email if your local elections officials are unable to be accept your signature, alerting you to get in contact with your local elections office.

Your county elections official is a reliable source for trusted and accurate information about elections processes and voter information. We are prepared and ready to conduct November's General Election. We are ready to count your vote! Are you prepared?

To learn more about voting in your county and for more information about the November 5, 2024 General Election please visit your local county elections website listed below.

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