

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ABSENTEE VOTING

Absentee voting is a simple, safe, and secure alternative to casting your ballot at the polls on Election Day:

- Absentee voting is an option for all Michigan voters and is protected in the Michigan Constitution
- Absentee voting is a 2-step process where voters must complete a signed application requesting an absentee ballot in order for an absentee ballot to be sent
- Absentee ballots are counted on Election Day by an independent Absent Voter Counting Board

Absentee voting is an easy process

- Request your absentee ballot online at Michigan.gov/vote before October 30, by mail through Friday, October 30 at 4 p.m., or in person until 4 p.m. Friday, November 2nd. Call (248) 451-4848 for details.
- Return your absentee ballot to the Clerk's Office by 8 p.m. on Election Day
- Only the voter, member of the voter's family or household who the voter has asked to return the ballot, a mail carrier, or an election official may be in possession of an absent voter ballot.

What is different this year?

- The number of absentee ballots will be historic
- We will process more than double the largest number of absentee ballots we have ever processed!
 - USPS mail service has experienced delays, sometimes with ballots taking 10 to 13 days to reach the Clerk's Office. Please plan accordingly!
- The State of Michigan will reimburse local governments for return postage for November absent voter ballots so voters **will not** need to affix postage

Absentee ballots will go in the mail approximately September 25, 2020. If you don't receive your absentee ballot by mid-October, please contact the West Bloomfield Clerk's Office at (248) 451-4848.

Be Prepared and Don't Delay- if you must rely on the mail, please allow a minimum of two weeks for your ballot to return to the Clerk's Office

If possible, we recommend returning your application and/or ballot to one of the drop boxes on either side of Town Hall, or directly to the Clerk's Office. **IMPORTANT: You must use your own jurisdiction's drop box!**

The ballot envelope MUST be signed by the voter in order to count!

WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT BY 8 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY

**TRACK YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION AND/OR
THE STATUS OF YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT AT MICHIGAN.GOV/VOTE**

Work an election and SEE the checkpoints involved! You are certain to be reassured!

We are here to serve you! Please contact the Clerk's Office if you have any questions!

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#DoNotDelay

#ReturnYourBallotToday