

Spring 2022

# FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Charleston County Board of Elections  
and Voter Registration Newsletter

## A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

This April marks the one-year anniversary of my appointment to Executive Director. Over the past 12 months, I have led the election staff in developing policies and programming that both ensure the security, efficiency, and integrity of the voting process and improve access among all registered voters. In the coming year, I intend to maintain that trajectory to provide the voters of Charleston County with services that are continually improving and innovative.

Detailed in this issue are two new initiatives that we hope will allow us to deliver an improved voter experience. Our Adopt a Polling Place program will be an opportunity for organizations to serve as partners in bettering our services and our community. The pay raise for poll workers will increase retention rates and help us recruit new workers to support our efforts.

Our staff have been working diligently to prepare for the June primaries. As part of our efforts to make sure that voters are informed before heading to the polls, we have sent postcards to all registered voters in the County regarding the recent redistricting decision from the South Carolina State Legislature.

As always, we are grateful for the continued partnership of our friends: the South Carolina Stingrays and the Charleston County Public Library.

Make sure to follow us on social media to stay informed about all election updates.

Isaac Cramer  
Executive Director



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>May 13th</b>	Last day to register to vote in person for the Primary
<b>May 16th</b>	Absentee voting opens at our office
<b>June 14th</b>	Statewide Primary



# NEW INITIATIVES

## ADOPT A POLLING PLACE

Adopt a Polling Place is a new Charleston County Board of Elections initiative where non-profit organizations can partner with us to “adopt” a polling location. An organization or business provides staff for one (or multiple) of our polling locations. Rather than paying each volunteer individually, we will write a single check to the organization. The organization can use the funds toward projects and programs that further their mission.

Our voters benefit from professional poll managers and improved services while organizations benefit from additional funds, team building, and goodwill. In similar programs, the money earned from supporting polling locations has been used to fund scholarships, food bank donations, and outreach projects.

This program has seen great success in states across the nation and we are excited to pilot it in Charleston County.

## INCREASED POLL WORKER PAY

We are excited to announce that compensation for our poll workers has increased by \$65. Poll workers will now receive \$200, and clerks will jump from \$195 to \$260. The pay increase allows us to show our appreciation to our poll workers for their hard work and dedication.

Serving as a poll worker gives you the opportunity to get out in your community, meet your neighbors, and become involved in the elections process.

If you are interested in working as poll worker in an upcoming election, fill out the [Poll Worker Online Application](#).

For more information about serving as a poll worker, visit the [Poll Worker's Corner](#).

Follow us on social media!



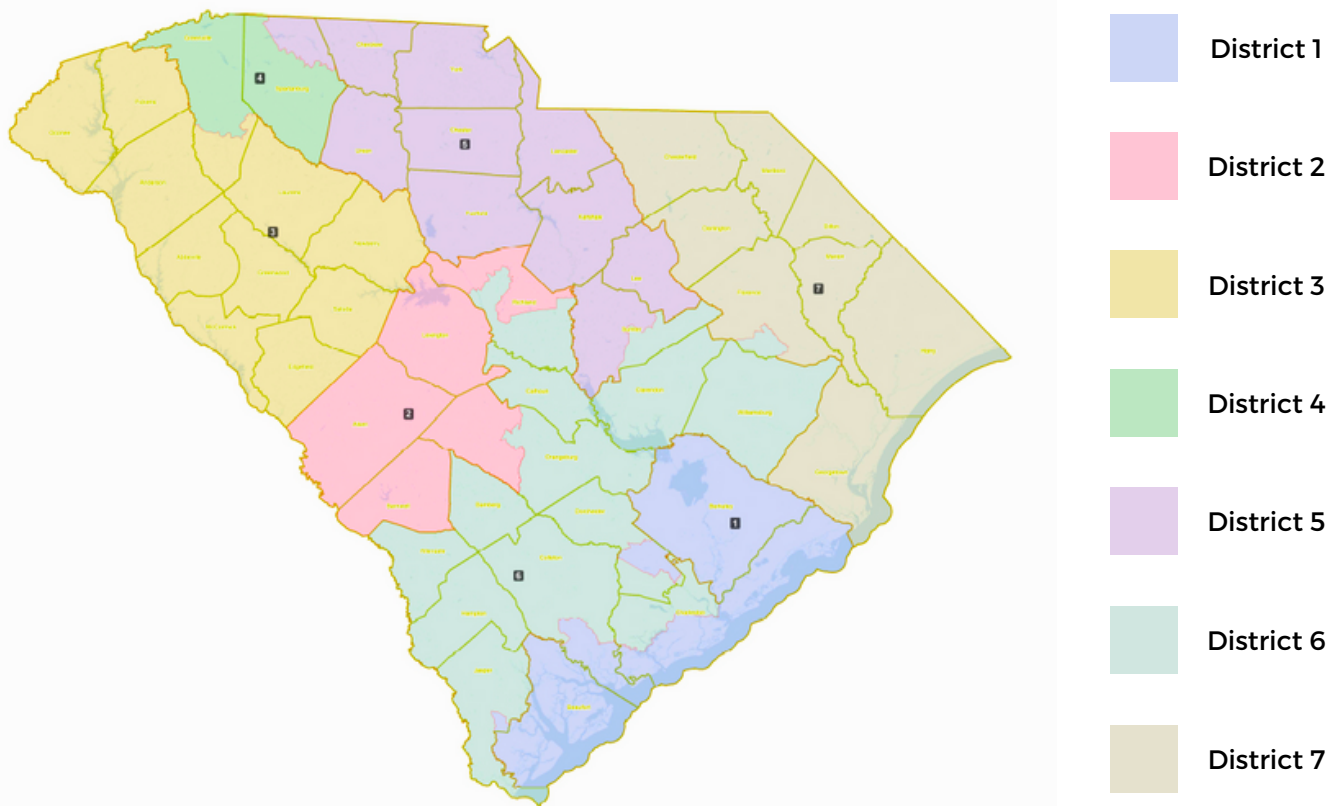
# REDISTRICTING UPDATE

The South Carolina State Legislature has finalized the new representative districts for South Carolina and Charleston County voters have been affected by the recent changes. All registered voters within Charleston County will receive a postcard detailing their districts.

Any change made is also visible in your voter profile on [scvotes.gov](https://scvotes.gov). You can use your voter profile to see your district, polling location and ensure that your address is up to date in the voter registration system.

Make sure to check your voter profile in advance of the June primaries. We want everyone to be #voteready!

## NEW SC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT MAP



### DID YOU KNOW?

South Carolina is among the 19 states in the US that do not register by party. Voters can vote in any party's primary regardless of their party affiliation but cannot vote in more than one party's primary.



# JUNE PRIMARIES

The June primary will be held on June 14th, 2022. A majority vote determines the winners in primary elections. If no clear candidate wins a majority vote, a runoff election will be held two weeks later, on June 28th, 2022.

In-person absentee voting will begin on May 16th at our office located at 4367 Headquarters Road, North Charleston, South Carolina 29405.

We will also provide in-person absentee voting opportunities at Charleston County Library branches through our Satellite Voting Unit (SVU).

To be eligible to vote in the primary election, you must register online at [scvotes.gov](https://scvotes.gov) by May 15th or register via mail with an application postmarked no later than May 16th.

Follow us on social media to keep updated on all election news in Charleston County!

## DEADLINES FOR THE PRIMARIES

<b>May 13th</b>	Deadline to register to vote in person for the primaries
<b>May 15th</b>	Deadline to register to vote online/fax/email for the primaries
<b>May 16th</b>	Deadline for postmark date to register to vote in the primaries

## SATELLITE VOTING UNIT

### IN-PERSON ABSENTEE EVENTS

<b>June 1st</b>	Otranto Library	9AM-2PM
<b>June 3rd</b>	Wando Library	9AM-2PM
<b>June 6th</b>	James Island Library	9AM-2PM
<b>June 8th</b>	John's Island Library	9AM-2PM
<b>June 10th</b>	St. Paul's/Hollywood Library	9AM-2PM

## 2022 STATEWIDE ELECTIONS

<b>June 14th</b>	Party Primaries
<b>June 28th</b>	Party Primaries Runoff Election
<b>November 8th</b>	Midterm General Election

Register to vote  
with our QR code!



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