

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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Riverside County

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## Registrar urges Riverside County voters to drop off vote-by-mail ballots by Monday

Registrar of Voters Rebecca Spencer urged Riverside County voters today to drop off vote-by-mail ballots before Tuesday (11/4) so that their votes can be among the first results posted right after the polls close.

Voter registration is 891,575, and 522,000 vote-by-mail ballots have been issued. Voters who turn in ballots by Monday can be part of the Election Night excitement because results from their ballots are among the first released after the polls close. Spencer said approximately 136,000 voters already have cast ballots for the election.

Vote-by-mail ballots dropped off at polling places on Tuesday will be counted in the days following the election. An estimated 80,000 ballots will remain to be counted after Election Day as a result of vote-by-mail ballots dropped off on Tuesday and provisional ballots cast at the polling places.

Voters may drop off vote-by-mail ballots at the Registrar of Voters office and city clerks offices in Riverside County. The location of all drop-off sites is available at <u>www.voteinfo.net</u>. Vote-by-Mail ballots should not be mailed to the registrar between now and election day in order to ensure that they are in the registrar's possession when polls close at 8 p.m. on Tuesday. Under state law, ballots arriving after that deadline cannot be counted, regardless of the date on the postmark.

Tentative schedule for ballot results on Election Night and beyond:

Polls close Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Approximately 8:30 p.m., vote-by-mail results will be released.

Approximately 9 p.m. early voting results will be released. This will result only in minimal change to vote totals.

Approximately 10 p.m., first polling place results will be released as workers continue transporting ballots from around the county to Riverside for counting. This update will include polling place ballots arriving to the registrar's office for tabulation prior to 9:30 p.m.

Hourly polling place results will be updated until 1 a.m.

After 1 a.m. updated polling place results will be released every 90 minutes.

Depending on voter turnout, polling place ballot counts will likely continue until 5 a.m. on Wednesday. For election results, check <u>www.voteinfo.net</u> after the polls close and keep track of other Election Day information on Facebook and Twitter.

Registrar of Voters Rebecca Spencer encourages every eligible voter to cast a ballot in the election.