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Maryland State Board of Elections Encourages Marylanders to Serve Their Community as Election Judges

ANNAPOLIS (July 31, 2024) – In recognition of National Poll Worker Recruitment Day on August 1, the Maryland State Board of Elections (SBE) encourages Marylanders to serve as Election Judges in the 2024 Presidential General Election this fall.

Eligible Marylanders can earn money and help other residents cast their votes by serving as Election Judges. Election Judges check in voters, provide instructions and answer questions, and generally contribute to a smooth and secure voting experience in the polling place. To apply to be an Election Judge, use SBE's online form or contact your local Board of Elections.

Additionally, eligible 14-15 year-olds can serve as Election Day Pages. Pages are student volunteers who, under the direction of Chief Election Judges, assist Election Judges and voters on Election Day. To become an Election Day Page, <u>apply using our online form</u> or contact your <u>local Board of Elections</u>.

"Election Judges are vital to our democracy and conducting election," said State Administrator Jared DeMarinis. "Serving as an Election Judge is an opportunity to actively participate in the democratic process, ensure its integrity, and help your fellow Marylanders exercise their right to vote. I encourage every eligible Marylander to consider joining us this November as an Election Judge and help safeguard the voice of every voter."

This year, Election Day is Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Early Voting will run from Thursday, October 24, 2024 to Thursday, October 31, 2024

National Poll Worker Recruitment Day is a national day of action established by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to inspire civic engagement and encourage people to sign up to become poll workers. The initiative aims to address the continued need for poll workers to sign up ahead of the general election in November to Help America Vote and strengthen our democracy.

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