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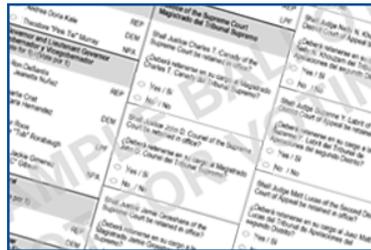
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## Getting Election Ready for November 8

*By Supervisor of Elections Ron Turner*

It is hard to believe that we are just a few short weeks from the November 8 General Election. It has been a busy time at the elections office, with the March 8 Referendums and the August 23 Primary Election occurring earlier in the year. The November 8 General Election represents the third and final countywide election for 2022, and it will have many important races and questions on the ballot.



For some, the November 8 ballot will contain more than 45 contests and questions. The City of Venice alone is asking its voters to weigh in on 15 questions. And all voters will see important federal, state and county contests, as well as three Florida Constitutional Amendments and four county questions. Additionally, the cities of North Port, Sarasota and Venice have their own respective candidates and questions on the ballot.

I want to stress that the November 8 General Election ballot is complex. Regardless of where you reside in the county, it will be a long ballot. Be sure to allow sufficient time to research the races and questions—and don't wait until the last minute to cast your ballot!

A good way to prepare is to review your sample ballot early and often. All registered Sarasota County voters who do not have a vote-by-mail request on file with our office should have received their sample ballot in the mail. Voters are also able to access their ballot on our website, [SarasotaVotes.gov](http://SarasotaVotes.gov), by clicking on the Sample Ballot icon.

As always, please contact our office with any questions you may have regarding the November 8 ballot or voting in Sarasota County.

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Respectfully,



## ELECTION CALENDAR

Election	Election Date	Last Day to Register
General Election	Tuesday, November 8, 2022	Tuesday, October 11, 2022
Municipal & Special District Elections	Scheduled March 2023	29 days prior to election



## Human Resources & Poll Worker Services Update

There is no rest for the weary ... at least not in a busy mid-term election year! With the successful completion of the August 23 Primary Election, the Poll Worker Services team quickly turned its attention to the November 8 General Election. Our recruiting efforts have paid dividends as we expect to have approximately 750 temporary employees and poll workers for the November election. That's no small feat given some of the challenges we had to overcome thanks to Hurricane Ian.

Although it's too late to sign up to be a poll worker for November 8, we are always recruiting for the next election. Visit [SarasotaVotes.gov](http://SarasotaVotes.gov) to learn more and apply or call our Poll Worker Services team at **941.861.8640**.

## Voter Information Cards



All Sarasota County registered voters received updated Voter Information Cards over the summer. The cards were mailed to voters following redistricting by the Florida Legislature

earlier in the year. The cards list important information like voter registration number, precinct and polling location.

For many voters, their precincts and polling locations may have changed following redistricting and it's important that they review their Voter Information Cards to confirm where to vote if they plan to vote in person on Election Day.

## Vote-By-Mail Requests



Recent changes in Florida law now require vote-by-mail voters to submit a request each election cycle, or every two years. Prior to the change in law, vote-by-mail requests were valid for two elections cycles, or four years.

Voters can submit vote-by-mail requests by phone, in writing or in person at any of our three locations in Sarasota, Venice or North Port. More information on submitting a vote-by-mail request can be found at [SarasotaVotes.gov/VoteByMail](http://SarasotaVotes.gov/VoteByMail) or by calling our office at **941.861.8618**.

The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot for the coming election is 5 p.m., Saturday, October 29.

## Hurricane Ian: Make Your Plan to Vote

It has been a harrowing few weeks for many of our neighbors in areas like North Port and Englewood following Hurricane Ian. Our hearts go out to them. As the November 8 General Election approaches, we are reaching out to affected voters in those areas with a simple message: You have options when it comes to voting. If you traditionally vote by mail but are having issues receiving mail service due to Ian, consider in-person early voting. Beginning October 24 and continuing through November 6, voters can vote early at nine locations. Learn more at [SarasotaVotes.gov](http://SarasotaVotes.gov).

## Voter Registration Statistics

**Republican:** 154,299

**Democrat:** 101,621

**Other:** 98,300

**Total:** 354,220

*As of 10/25/2022*

## Three Locations to Serve You

### SARASOTA

Terrace Building  
101 S Washington Blvd  
Sarasota 34236  
941.861.8600

### VENICE

R.L. Anderson Admin. Center  
4000 Tamiami Trail S  
Venice 34293  
941.861.3760

### NORTH PORT

Biscayne Plaza  
13640 Tamiami Trail  
North Port 34287  
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