

Missoula County Elections Advisory Committee

June 3, 2016 Federal Primary

Election Statistics Presentation

Agenda

- ▶ Voter Turnout
- ▶ Late & Same Day Registration
- ▶ Satellite Office Events
- ▶ Election Day Observations/Issues
- ▶ Primary Costs
- ▶ PPM Feedback
- ▶ November 8 Prep



Overall Statistics

- ▶ Registered Voters: 77,670
- ▶ Overall Voter Turnout: 43%

- ▶ 25,341 Absentee Ballots Cast
- ▶ 8,051 Ballots Cast at Polling Places

- ▶ Democrat Ballots Cast: 23,030 (68%)
- ▶ Republican Ballots Cast: 10,777 (31%)



Absentee Statistics

- ▶ # of Issued Absentees: 33,455
- ▶ # Not Returned: 6,964
- ▶ # Accepted: 25,341
- ▶ # Rejected: 111
- ▶ # Undeliverable: 424



Absentee Statistics

- ▶ Average Age: 56
- ▶ Oldest Voter: 105 (Target Range)
- ▶ 10 Centennials voted in the Primary
- ▶ 73% of absentee voters voted and returned their ballot



Polling Place Statistics

- ▶ Out of 77,670 voters, 26,093 are eligible to vote at their polling place.
- ▶ 8,051 Voters cast their ballot at their polling place.



Polling Place Statistics

- ▶ Average Age: 49
- ▶ Oldest Voter: 97 (Potomac)
- ▶ Of all of the ballots cast on Election Day, 23% were cast at the polls.



Late & Same Day Registration

- ▶ **On Election Day:**
 - ▶ 622 Same Day Registrants on Election Day
 - ▶ 254 were new
 - ▶ 229 moved from one precinct to another
 - ▶ 139 moved from another county to Missoula
 - ▶ 366 Late Registrants the 29 days before Election Day
 - ▶ 148 were new
 - ▶ 134 moved from one precinct to another
 - ▶ 84 moved from another county to Missoula
- ▶ Yellowstone - 340 Same Day, Gallatin – 308 Same Day



Late & Same Day Registration Stats

- ▶ Oldest Late Registrant: 93 years old
- ▶ Late registrants 70 years or older: 33 (3%)
- ▶ 69 – 55: 89 (9%)
- ▶ 54 – 38: 119 (12%)
- ▶ 37 – 28: 275 (28%)
- ▶ 27 – 18: 482 (48%)



Provisional Ballots

▶ 879 Provisional Ballots Cast

▶ Reasons

- ▶ 437 Voters claim they never received their absentee ballot
- ▶ 4 Provisional registration was resolved
- ▶ 229 Precinct move
- ▶ 139 County move
- ▶ 70 Other (i.e. Voted @ Fairgrounds [31], training issues, birthdate entered incorrectly, absentee team ballots, etc.)

▶ 16 Rejected Provisionals from Election Day

▶ Reasons

- ▶ 7 Due to Absentee Ballot Accepted
 - ▶ 3 Due appearing at Polling Place on E.D. and not a registered voter
 - ▶ 6 Other
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Satellite Office Events

- ▶ **Tuesday, May 17: Frenchtown 26 Voters**

- ▶ 4 New Registrants
- ▶ 0 County Moves
- ▶ 5 Precinct Moves
- ▶ 17 Absentee Requests

- ▶ **Tuesday, May 24: Seeley Lake 21 Voters**

- ▶ 5 New Registrants
 - ▶ 1 County Move
 - ▶ 2 Precinct Moves
 - ▶ 13 Absentee Requests
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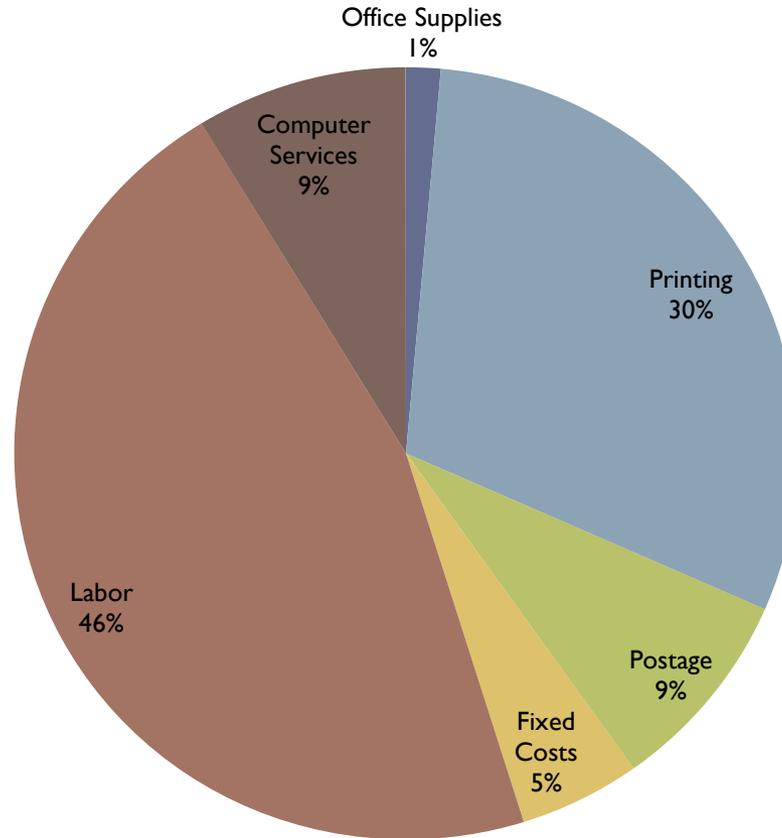
Election Day Observations/Issues

- ▶ Received a direct complaint from a voter regarding being asked only for a drivers license at his polling location.
- ▶ At Burns Street Bistro, a resident protested a presidential candidate from his property and it raised electioneering/free speech questions.
- ▶ Many calls from voters regarding where they need to vote on Election Day.
- ▶ Fairgrounds operations went well. Wait times are estimated at 30 mins at peak times.



Election Costs - \$258,671.80

Cost Breakdown



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- ▶ Labor - \$108,637.40
 - ▶ Election Workers
 - ▶ Temp – Ballot Stuffing – Ballot Reconciliation – Same Day Reg.
 - \$51,277.85
 - ▶ Election Judges
 - \$57,359.55
- ▶ Election Judge Training - \$23,194.09
 - ▶ 1/2 of total training costs



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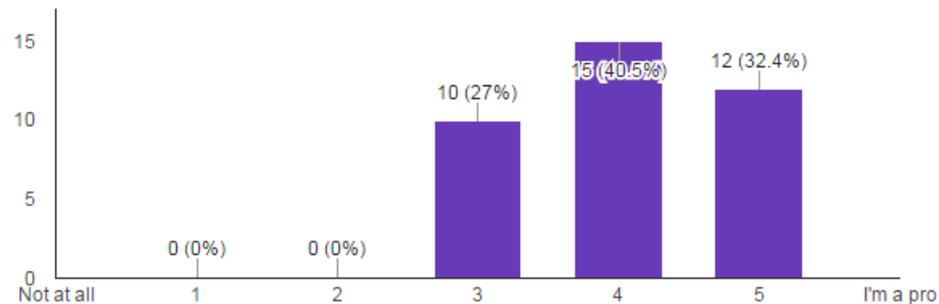
- ▶ **Printing - \$71,092.02**
 - ▶ Ballots – Instructions – Envelopes – Election Judge – Polling Place Materials and Signage
- ▶ **Computer Services - \$20,551.21**
 - ▶ Programming and Coding from ESS
- ▶ **Postage - \$20,132.74**
- ▶ **Fixed Costs – \$11,743.22**
 - ▶ Building Rental – Phone Charges – Advertising - Meals
- ▶ **Office Supplies - \$3,321.13**



Polling Place Manager's Survey

- ▶ Sent Survey to PPM's and PPM's in Training following the election
- ▶ Received 37 responses

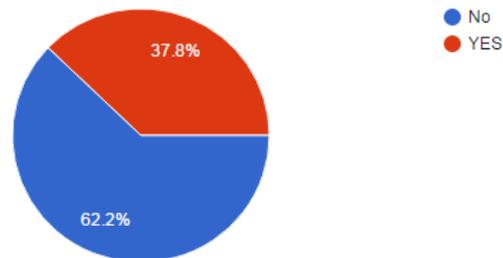
I felt prepared for service on Election Day (37 responses)



PPM's Survey

- ▶ Our two main areas to improve
 - ▶ Location of Supplies
 - ▶ Reviewing the Supply List Sheets in PPM Meeting
 - ▶ Set-up and Break Down of M-100 machines
 - ▶ Created new Cheat Sheets with Pictures and Labels
- ▶ We had some issues
 - ▶ 14 listed issues but said that all were successfully resolved

Did you have any major issues at your polling place? (37 responses)



PPM Survey

▶ What we learned:

- ▶ Some issues were with locating supplies to set up
 - ▶ Delivery Crews will get contact info and location supplies will be stored
- ▶ We need name badges!
- ▶ There are lists of supply locations in the bins / bags
 - ▶ We will spend some time going over them during PPM meeting to ensure that everyone knows where supplies are located
- ▶ People were unfamiliar with M100 set-up and closing
 - ▶ We have online guides, and M100 available at PPM meeting
 - ▶ Updating M100 cheat sheets and closing procedures
- ▶ We will always work to make things better!



November 8 Preparation

▶ Outreach

- ▶ Bear Necessities article regarding Registering to Vote
- ▶ Ad in Bear Necessities
- ▶ Two bus ads running in September & October
- ▶ MCAT PSA's
- ▶ Radio ads
- ▶ Saturday Farmers Market
- ▶ Missoulian Ads
- ▶ Tabling Independent & Assisted Living Centers

▶ Satellite Events

- ▶ October 18, Frenchtown
- ▶ October 25, Seeley
- ▶ November 1, UM

▶ Fairgrounds

- ▶ Currently recruiting 20+ Election Aides
- ▶ Increasing # of stations from 12 to 20 (anticipating 1900 same day registrants)
- ▶ Early Voting Event week before Election
- ▶ Extended hours: Oct 17 – Nov 4 open until 6pm. Open two Saturdays before E.D.



Questions

