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Missoula County Elections Office to Mail Absentee Ballots Oct. 12

Preparations for this November's general election are underway in Missoula County, as the Elections Office gets ready to mail around 48,000 absentee ballots on Friday, Oct. 12.

Voters who have previously requested absentee ballots should receive them sometime the following week, according to Dayna Causby, Missoula County elections administrator. Though the exact number of absentee ballots won't be known until the office generates its official reports for the mailing, Causby said around 60 percent of the county's 80,000 registered voters opt to cast their ballots by mail.

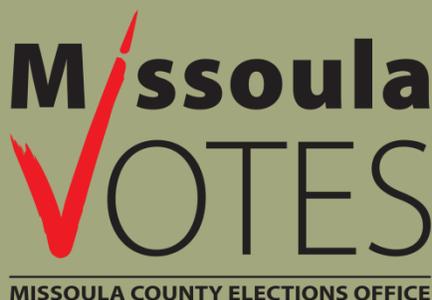
Registered voters who have not previously requested an absentee ballot can do so by completing the Application for Absentee Ballot, which is available [online](#) or at the Elections Office, which will be located in Building 15 at the Missoula County Fairgrounds as of Monday, Sept. 17. The deadline to request an absentee ballot for the general election is noon on Monday, Nov. 5.

Absentee ballots must be received, not postmarked, by Election Day, so the Elections Office urges voters to mail their ballots no later than Thursday, Nov. 1, and include sufficient postage (71 cents, or two Forever stamps). Voters also can drop off their ballots at the Fairgrounds during drive-thru ballot drop-off events from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 1-3, and Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 5-6.

Voters planning to cast their ballots on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6, can find their polling place on the Secretary of State's [My Voter Page](#). Polling places and addresses also are listed on the voter confirmation cards mailed before each election. Voters should always double-check their confirmation cards in case their polling places have changed.

For more details, call Causby at 406-258-4911 or email dcausby@missoulacounty.us. More election information, including voter registration details, sample ballots and frequently asked questions, is available online at www.missoulavotes.com.

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The Missoula County Elections Office is under the leadership of the elections administrator. The office is responsible for conducting fair and honest elections and works to meet the needs of 80,000 Missoula County voters. The Election Advisory Committee is made up of citizen volunteers advocating for fair, robust and trustworthy elections. The Elections Office is located on the first floor of the courthouse.