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Kansas City Election Board Readies Voters for November Election

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (November 2, 2012) – The Kansas City Election Board (KCEB) announces details for the upcoming November 6 election. Following are the specifics to ensure that voters have the information needed to participate.

Special Note: Voters should check their Election Notice Card mailed to all voters last Friday, October 26, and be aware of the special note calling attention to polling location changes. The note is in large blue and red type and reads: DUE TO RECENT REDISTRICTING, YOUR POLLING PLACE MAY HAVE CHANGED-READ CAREFULLY.

Date, Time, Place: The election will be held Tuesday, November 6. Poll hours are 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

What's on the Ballot?

President/Vice President, State and County Candidates, City and State Issues, and Kansas City School Sub-District 2 Board Seat

A sample ballot is available online at www.kceb.org.

Absentee Voting: In-person absentee voting ends on Monday, November 5, at 5:00 p.m. All mail-in absentee voting ballots must be received, by mail or dropped off, no later than 7:00 p.m. on November 6.

In Missouri, one of five reasons qualifies one to vote absentee: 1) out of town on Election Day; 2) religious restrictions; 3) incapacitated, hospitalized or homebound, or caring for a person who is confined; 4) election authority employee; 5) incarcerated but eligible to vote.

Absentee Satellite Locations: In-person absentee polls are open until 5 p.m. Monday, November 5 at the following locations:

Brush Creek Community Center, 3801 Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard
Center High School, 8715 Holmes Road
Hillcrest Community Center, 10401 Hillcrest Road
North-East Library, 6000 Wilson Road
Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W. Meyer Boulevard

Absentee Satellite Hours of Operation:

Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fridays 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, 11/3 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Election Board Office only; other locations will be open from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Polls: Voters may find their polling location online at www.kceb.org by entering a last name and birth date in the Check Your Voter Status box.

Provisional Voting: Provisional Voting occurs in federal elections. It allows voters whose names are not found in the precinct rosters to vote a provisional ballot. The voter fills out the top section of the yellow provisional ballot envelope. Fourteen days after the election, the voter can call the number on the tear-off flap to find out if the ballot counted. For a provisional ballot to count, the voter must be registered and must vote at his/her correct polling location.

New Voter ID Cards: New red, white and blue voter ID cards were mailed to all registered voters in Kansas City in July. The card contains the voter’s name and address, voter ID number, polling location, voting districts, ward and precinct number, and registration date. The card is one of the acceptable forms of ID at the polls.

Election Notice Cards: Two weeks prior to Election Day, notices are mailed to all registered voters. The polling location and address are printed on each election notice card. Voters whose polls have changed will be reminded on their card.

Voter Identification: Voters may present several forms of identification including:

1) Missouri or out of state driver's license
2) Local, State or Federal government issued I.D. (employee, passport, social security card, military, etc.)
3) Missouri higher education I.D. (college or university)
4) Local election authority issued I.D.
5) Current bank statement, utility bill, government paycheck, regular paycheck or government document containing the voter’s name and current address

Photo identification is not required to vote in Missouri.

Poll Staffing and Equipment:

Many polls with large numbers of registered voters will be equipped with an additional Touch screen voting machine, a Greeter/Locator to assist voters before they enter the poll, and a Voter Assistance Specialist. Additional teams of Deputy Commissioners have also been hired to monitor and assist the polls.

Additional Facts:

Number of Polls: 154
Number of Precincts: 374
Total Registered Voters: 223,804
Estimated Election Cost: $1,151,295

For additional information or assistance, please contact kceb@kceb.org or call (816) 842-4820.

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