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Absentee Voting Begins for the April 4, 2023 Municipal Primary Election

KANSAS CITY, MO (February 21, 2023) – In-Person Absentee voting for the April 4, 2023 Municipal Primary Election opens today, Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

Voters who qualify may cast an absentee ballot in-person until 5 p.m., Monday, April 3, or by mail. Ballots cast by mail must be received by the Election Board no later than 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 4.

Absentee voting is available at the Kansas City Election Board Poll Worker Training Center, located in Union Station, Suite 610 (30 W. Pershing Road), lower level B, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. -5 p.m. until Monday, April 3. The office will also be open for absentee voting on Saturday, April 1, 8 a.m. to noon. Please park in the Union Station West garage when visiting KCEB, as limited time parking validation will be provided for absentee voters. Any person with a physical disability may park in the Union Station front South lot for a short time while absentee voting.

For mail-in absentee voting, an application form must be submitted to KCEB by mail or by fax by March 22. The form is available at www.kceb.org, or by calling KCEB's absentee voting office at 816-842-4820 ext. 225.

The last day to submit an absentee by mail ballot application for the April 4th Municipal Primary Election is Wednesday, March 22, 2023. It is not necessary to submit an absentee ballot application to vote absentee in person.

Missouri election laws allow registered voters to vote absentee if they meet one of the following six requirements:

- 1) Will be absent from their voting jurisdiction on Election Day;
- 2) Are incapacitated or confined due to illness or physical disability, or caring for an incapacitated person and reside at the same address*:
- 3) Are restricted by religious belief or practice;
- 4) Are employed as:
 - a. An election authority, as a member of an election authority, or by an election authority at a location other than such voter's polling place
 - b. A first responder;
 - c. A health care worker; or
 - d. A member of law enforcement;
- 5) Are incarcerated, but have retained all voting qualifications;
- 6) Certified participation in the address confidentiality (SAFE at Home) program established under sections 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns.

*Voters who are voting absentee by mail due to reason 2 are not required to notarize their ballot envelope. All other categories must be notarized.

No excuse in-person absentee voting ("Early voting") will begin Tuesday, March 21st and will continue through April 3. More details will be announced as that date nears.

Voters are encouraged to visit www.kceb.org to check their voter status and print the sample ballot prior to voting absentee or voting in person on Election Day. Voters may bring a sample ballot to the absentee polling location or to the polls on Election Day to aid in voting. Making selections ahead of time will speed up the voting process for everyone.

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

New residents, or those not registered, must register by March 8, 2023 in order to be eligible to vote in the April 4 election. Voters who have moved since they last voted should submit a change of address form by mail to (30 W. Pershing Road, Suite 2800, Kansas City, MO 64108), fax (816-221-3348) or in person at KCEB to be assured of receiving a new voter ID card and their new polling location. You may now register or update your address online at https://si.sos.mo.gov/votemissouri/request.

Kansas City (within Jackson County) has 212,903 registered voters.

The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners services Jackson County voters within the city limits of Kansas City.

Voters residing inside Jackson County, but outside Kansas City must contact...

• Jackson County Election Board, 215 N Liberty St., Independence, MO 64050, (816)325-4600

Voters residing inside Kansas City, but outside Jackson County, should contact either...

 Platte County Board of Elections, 2600 NW Prairie View Rd., or PO Box 560, Platte City, MO 64079, (816)588-3387

Or

• Clay County Board of Election Commissioners, 100 W Mississippi St., Liberty, MO 64068, (816)415-8683

Or

• Cass County Clerk's office, 102 E. Wall St., #A, Harrisonville, MO 64701, (816)380-8102

For additional information or assistance, please contact us at kceb@kceb.org, call us (816) 842-4820, or fax us (816)472-4960, or (816)221-3348 (absentee)

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