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## Vote Early; Vote by Mail

Early voting is now available!

FREEHOLD, NJ –Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon is reminding residents that early voting is possible in Monmouth County!

Voting by Mail is an available option for all registered voters.

"Any registered voter can vote by mail for any reason," said Clerk Hanlon. "There is no reason to forget, get too busy or have to deal with inclement weather. And most importantly, voters can cast their ballots early!"

Vote by Mail ballots for the Nov. 5 General Election commenced distribution to voters on Sept. 21.

In order to vote by mail, voters must first complete a Vote by Mail application. This application can be obtained from the County Clerk's Elections Website at <a href="https://www.MonmouthCountyVotes.com">www.MonmouthCountyVotes.com</a>, or by visiting the County Clerk's Elections Office or Municipal Clerk of their municipality.

Due to the Statewide Vote by Mail Law signed by the Governor in 2018, there are now two options for voting by mail. Voters can either choose to receive a ballot for just one election, or for all future elections.

Applications to Vote by Mail that are sent by U.S. Mail must be received by the County Clerk's Elections Office seven days before an election. For the Nov. 5 general election, the date is Tues., Oct. 29.

Voters may also apply in person at the County Clerk's Elections Office located at 300 Halls Mill Road in Freehold up until 3 p.m. the day before the election.

Simple instructions for completing and returning Vote by Mail ballots are included in the ballot package.

"The right to vote is the foundation of our freedom that has been hard-fought for, by our military veterans and citizens throughout our history," said Clerk Hanlon. "In Monmouth County, we want to make sure that all of our citizens have the ability to vote, even if they are unable to go to the polls on Election Day."

Voters with additional questions about Voting by Mail should call the County Clerk's Election Division at 732-431-7790 or email ClerkofElections@co.monmouth.nj.us.

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