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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Important Information about Requesting Ballot by Mail for the Upcoming  
November 3, 2020 General/Joint (Presidential) Election**

**DALLAS, Texas** – On July 27, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued an emergency proclamation extending the early voting period for the November 3, 2020 General/Joint Election by an extra week and allowing a voter to deliver a marked ballot in person prior to and on Election Day. To assist voters with this change in process, we are providing the below information. Additionally, the information can be retrieved by calling the **Dallas County Elections Hotline** at **469-627-VOTE (8683)** or by visiting our website: [www.DallasCountyVotes.org](http://www.DallasCountyVotes.org).

Please note that Monday, October 5, 2020 is the deadline for an individual to register to vote or update their voter registration information such as name or address. Before an individual may apply for ballot by mail, they must be registered to vote.

**1.) Requirements to Apply for Ballot by Mail**

A voter may apply for a ballot by mail if the individual falls into one of the categories listed below:

- 65 years of age or older
- Disability
- Expected absence from the county
- Confined in jail, but eligible to vote

**2.) How to Apply for Ballot by Mail**

An individual wanting to apply for ballot by mail can visit our [website](#) and download the Application for Ballot by Mail that's available in both English and Spanish. The application period is open now and runs through Friday, October 23, 2020; however, for those wishing to apply for a ballot by mail in person, the deadline is Monday, October 12, 2020.

Applications can be hand-delivered, mailed, e-mailed or faxed back to the Dallas County Elections Department (DCED). Regular business hours are 8:00am-4:30pm Monday-Friday. One important note, if an individual chooses to fax or email their application, they must still mail the hard copy to DCED **within four (4) business days**. Application for Ballot by Mail, related instructions and eligibility requirements are on our website at [www.dallascountyvotes.org/absentee-voting](http://www.dallascountyvotes.org/absentee-voting).

Dallas County Elections Department  
Attn: Early Voting  
1520 Round Table Drive  
Dallas, TX 75247  
214.819.6301 (FAX)  
[evapplications@dallascounty.org](mailto:evapplications@dallascounty.org)



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3.) Returning Your Ballot

Once a voter has filled out their ballot, they can deliver by mail, postage paid; common contract carrier or hand delivered to the address listed below:

Toni Pippins-Poole - Early Voting Clerk
Dallas County Elections Department
1520 Round Table Drive
Dallas, Texas 75247

Under the Governor’s emergency proclamation, voters may also hand-deliver their ballot in person to DCED any time after ballot is received and voted before or on Election Day. During regular business hours from 8:00am-4:30pm Monday-Friday. Any time during the extended hours listed on the chart below and on Election Day from 7am-7pm. If delivering in person, a voter must provide an acceptable form of ID upon delivery. For a list of acceptable IDs, please review the “Voter ID FAQs” at http://www.dallascountyvotes.org/election-day-voting/what-do-i-need-in-order-to-vote.

Table with 3 columns: Dates, Day of the Week, Times. Rows include extended hours for October 13-16, 17, 18, 19-23, 24, 25, 26-30, and November 2-3.

4.) What Happens After I Return My Ballot?

All voted ballots that are returned on or before Election Day will be counted. Voted ballots received on the next business day after Election Day will also be counted if they have been postmarked by Election Day. Ballots arriving after Wednesday, November 4th will be considered too late to count. Voted ballots mailed from U.S. citizens residing outside the United States may be counted if clearly postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Elections Administrator not later than the fifth day after Election Day.

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