



Dear Registered Voter,

Thank you for your interest in serving as a precinct election official.

Your participation in the process of democracy is essential as our nation seeks to fulfill its pledge of "one nation under God with liberty and justice for all."

Election days can sometimes be demanding, but at the end of the day you can be proud of a job well done. You will know that your service has helped to advance the cause of democracy, a right that sometimes can be over looked or taken for granted.

JOIN US!

Supervisor of Elections, Bay County
Mark Andersen

How Important is One Vote?

- ☆ In 1649, one vote caused Charles I of England to be executed.
- ☆ In 1845, one vote brought Texas into the union.
- ☆ In 1876, one vote gave Rutherford B. Hayes the Presidency of the U.S.
- ☆ In 1923, one vote gave Adolph Hitler leadership of the Nazi Party.
- ☆ In 1988, Carlos Valdes defeated Miguel De Grandy by a single vote in Florida's second primary and went on to win a seat in the State House of Representatives.
- ☆ In 2000 the presidential election was decided by less than 600 votes.
- ☆ In 2000 the Mayor for Panama City Beach was decided by 7 votes.
- ☆ In 2004 a Springfield Commissioner race was decided by one vote.
- ☆ In 2006, a Bay County School Board race was decided by two votes.

ELECTION INFORMATION

For current election information, please call our office or visit our web site.

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(850) 784-6101

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www.bayvotesfl.gov

Become A Precinct Election Official



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What is Required of a Precinct Election Official?

- ☆ Be a registered voter in Bay County.
- ☆ Be available for the entire election day. (6:00 a.m. to approximately 8:30 p.m.)
- ☆ **New precinct election officials must successfully complete an orientation packet available in our office or online.**
- ☆ Attend precinct election official training classes before elections. Variable schedules are provided.
- ☆ **Retirees**, under the Florida Retirement system, must allow a full year's lapse prior to precinct election official employment.

When Am I Needed?

We need you on our list every year for state, county, federal, and municipal elections.

Is There Training?

The Supervisor of Elections will train all Precinct Election Officials which includes Clerks, Assistant Clerks, Inspectors, and Deputies prior to each election. You will be trained in the operation of the election voting equipment, plus your duties and responsibilities as a member of the election board of your polling place. The training is mandatory and will vary from two to four hours. There is also a one-time

certification process that the Clerks and Assistant Clerks must complete.

What Will My Responsibilities Be?

- ☆ Report no later than 6:00 a.m. on Election Day to your assigned precinct.
- ☆ Prepare the polling place for voting.
- ☆ Set up voting equipment.
- ☆ Greet the voters. Verify their registration and provide them with the appropriate ballot.
- ☆ At the end of the day, close the polling place and prepare election materials for delivery to the Bay County Supervisor of Elections Office.

How Much Will I be Paid?

Clerk	\$ 225.00
Asst. Clerk	\$ 210.00
Inspector	\$ 195.00
Deputy	\$ 195.00
Training	\$ 15.00/hr

How Do I Apply?

Stop by our office located at 830 W. 11th Street, Panama City, FL to pick up an orientation packet or apply online at www.bayvotesfl.gov.

Adopt- A-Precinct

Do you belong to an organization that is looking for ways to raise money? If so, talk to your members about adopting a precinct.

Just let us know that you wish to adopt a precinct and your group's total earnings will be paid on one check directly to the organization or charity of your choice.

You could earn approximately \$1,800 or more per election, depending on the size of the precinct you adopt.

Some past and present participants have been the:

Junior Achievement

GFWC Women's Club

Kiwanis Club of Panama City

Kiwanis Club of Panama City Beach

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Emerald Coast Junior Women's Club