

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Mail Ballot Requests Surpass 300,000 in Pinellas County

The Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections announces that mail ballot requests have now exceeded 300,000 – the second straight Presidential General Election the county has surpassed the mark. Pinellas County had a record 308,842 mail ballot requests in the 2012 General Election.

"Pinellas County voters continue to embrace the convenience of mail ballots, with nearly 50% of our registered voters choosing to request a mail ballot for the 2016 General Election," Supervisor of Elections Deborah Clark said. "Time is running out, but voters still have the opportunity to request a mail ballot."

Voters have until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 2 to request that a ballot be mailed to them. To request a mail ballot, visit <u>VotePinellas.com</u>, call 727-464-VOTE (8683) or email <u>MailBallot@VotePinellas.com</u>.

- All voters will receive a 2-sided ballot with 11 ballot questions.
- Voters are advised to allow at least ONE WEEK for their ballot to be mailed back to the Supervisor of Elections Office.
- Voted ballots may be dropped off at any of the 12 remote ballot drop-off sites conveniently located throughout Pinellas County through November 7 or at one of the three Supervisor of Elections Offices through Election Day. Check <u>VotePinellas.com</u> for hours and locations.
- All ballots must be received by 7:00 p.m. Election Day in order to be counted.
- Voted mail ballots cannot be accepted at polling places.

Elections Offices will be open each day from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. through Election Day.

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