



INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections

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RE: **Monthly Operations Report – MARCH 2022**

DATE: April 14, 2022

ELECTIONS DIVISION

During the month of March, the focus of the Election Division activities was on the following tasks:

House District 45 Election:

The April 5th House District 45 Special Election was conducted successfully. No problems were reported during Advance Voting or on Election Day.

Supplies & Logistics - Polling Locations:

Staff is currently conducting inventory and preparing for full usage of the WDS inventory system. T-shirt distribution is being conducting during poll worker training.

Absentee Ballot Drop Boxes:

Absentee Ballot Drop Box locations have been posted on the Fulton County Website for May 24th election. Signage to provide clear guidelines regarding drop box usage are being created as an Advance Voting supply item.

Poll Worker Recruitment & Training:

Poll Worker Recruitment is actively taking place. Poll Worker Training commenced on March 7th. To provide more communication with poll workers and to keep poll workers informed a newsletter is being drafted for monthly or bi-weekly distribution. Following are the recruitment totals to date:

ELECTION DAY				
RECRUITMENT TOTALS AS OF 4.4.2022		Manager	Assistant Managers	Clerks
MAY 24 2022 ELECTION		250	500	1527
01A - 07B	Allocated	59	118	348
	Recruited	59	114	289
	Needed	0	4	59
07C - 12S	Allocated	58	116	345
	Recruited	58	101	274
	Needed	0	15	71
AP01 - RW04	Allocated	66	132	417
	Recruited	58	88	187
	Needed	8	44	230
RW05 - UC031	Allocated	67	134	417
	Recruited	67	134	355
	Needed	0	0	62
Total Allocated		250	500	1527
Total Recruited		242	303	1105
Total Needed		8	197	422

Advance Voting:

Advance Voting recruitment and training is currently taking place. Following are the recruitment totals to date:

RECRUITMENT TOTALS AS OF 4.3.2022	Manager	Assistant Managers	Compliance Officer	Clerk	Line Monitor
MAY 24 2022 ELECTION	30	60	30	180	30
Adams Park Library	1	2	1	5	1
Alpharetta Library	1	2	1	4	1
Buckhead Library	1	2	1	5	1
C. T. Martin Natatorium and Recreation Center	1	2	1	7	1
Chastain Park Gymnasium	1	2	0	4	1
College Park Library	1	2	1	4	1
East Point Library	1	2	1	4	1
East Roswell Library	1	2	1	4	1
Etris-Darnell Community Recreation	1	2	1	5	1
Evelyn G. Lowery Library at Cascade	1	1	1	4	1
Gladys S. Dennard Library at South Fulton	1	2	1	5	1
High Museum of Arts	1	2	1	4	1
Johns Creek Environmental Campus	1	2	1	3	1
Metropolitan Library	1	2	1	5	1
Milton Library	1	2	1	5	1
New Beginnings Senior Center	1	2	1	4	1
North Annex	1	2	1	4	1
Northeast Spruill Oaks Library	1	2	1	4	1
Northside Library	1	2	1	4	1
Northwest Branch at Scotts Crossing Library	1	2	1	5	1
Palmetto Library	1	2	1	4	1
Park Place at Newtown	1	2	1	4	1
Ponce De Leon Library	1	2	1	4	1
Robert E. Fulton Ocee Library	1	2	1	5	1
Roswell Branch Library	1	2	1	4	1
Sandy Springs Branch Library	1	2	1	5	1
South Annex	1	2	1	5	1
Southwest Arts Center	1	2	1	5	1
Welcome All Recreation Center	1	2	1	5	1
Wolf Creek Library	1	2	1	6	1
Total Recruited	30	59	29	136	30
Total Needed	0	1	1	44	0

Election Night Check-In Locations:

Recruitment for check-in workers is actively taking place. Following are the recruitment totals:

CHECK IN			
RECRUITMENT TOTALS AS OF 4.3.2022	Manager	Assistant Manager	Workers
MAY 24 2022 ELECTION	9	9	225
Frederick Douglass High School	1	1	25
Garden Hills Elementary	1	1	22
Holcomb Bridge Middle School	1	1	23
Liberty Point Elementary School	1	1	23
Martin Luther King Middle School	1	1	25
Maynard Jackson High School	1	1	25
North Springs United Methodist Church	1	1	19
Paul D. West Middle School	1	1	25
Vickery Mill Elementary School	1	1	23
Total Recruited	9	9	210
Total Needed	0	0	15

Tasks to Be Performed for Future Reporting Periods:

- Preparation for November 2022 election
- Virtual meeting conducted for election planning, preparation, and processes

REGISTRATION DIVISION

This Monthly Report provides a summary of the critical registration activities, workload levels, and voter registration statistics for the Registration Division of the Fulton County Registration & Elections Department for March 2022. The primary activities the VR staff worked on in March were processing voter registration applications, Redistricting, confirmation notices, researching street issues, municipal street audits, processing registration issues, preparing notices to voter registration applicants, scanning, indexing registration cards, and training.

VOTER REGISTRATION

The total number of voter registration applications we received in 2022 is **25,399**. This number includes voter registration applications received via the Department of Driver Services, the Online Voter Registration portal with the Secretary of State's Office, applications from 3rd party vendors, and applications mailed or dropped off at our office.

As of March 31, 2022, there are **840,532** (**736,764** active and **103,768** inactive) registered voters residing in Fulton County.

The Historic Overview of Registration Applications for February/March are as follows:

(the breakdown covers five years)

Year	February Voter Registration Applications	March Voter Registration Applications
2018	19,573	21,425
2019	21,441	23,952
2020	35,310	19,422
2021	5,695	8,146
2022	13,018	12,381
Total Applications for 2022		25,399

WORKLOAD STATISTICS FOR: Numbers as April 3, 2022

Voter Registration Applications Needed to be Processed		
Total Applications needed to be processed		7,528
DDS Applications		5,528
Online Applications		-
Paper Applications		2,000

Completed Voter Registration Applications Processed for February		
Total Number of Processed Applications		
Total New Registrations to Fulton County		7,685
New Registration (1st Time)		6,139
DDS Applications	4,954	
Online Applications	547	
Paper Applications	638	
Transferred into Fulton		1,546
DDS Applications	1,255	
Online Applications	162	
Paper Applications	129	
Total Number of Changes to Fulton County		14,718
Address Changes Only	11,480	
Name & Address Changes	446	
Duplicate (No Changes)	126	
Name Changes	461	
Duplicate Merges	2,205	
Total Number of Removals of Fulton County		4,091
Felons	10	
Moved out of State	446	
Duplication	10	
Error	-	
Hearing	23	
Not Verified Deletion	-	
Requested	46	
Transfers out of county	2,768	
Vital Records	788	
Mental Incompetent	-	

FRONT DESK OPERATIONS

Our front desk personnel handle a lot of operations for the VR division. When a voter comes into the office, they fill out a yellow desk ticket that states their reason for visiting. Below is a breakdown of January ticket requests:

Reason for Visiting Fulton County Voter Registration	Total Number of Yellow Tickets
Certificate of Registration	8
Temporary Voter ID Card - Applications	99
Register to Vote - Walk-ins	48
Precinct Card Requests	17
Voter Status Issues (Cancellation, Inactive, etc.)	1
3 rd Party/Voter Drives	8
Letter Response	1
Out of County / Out of State Inquiries	-
Voter List/Stats	-
Other	17 *122 Applications Received from VEO
	TOTALS 321

Other – ranges from voters wanting to challenge other voters, dropping off their absentee ballot, or general questions about voter registration.

REGISTRATION REPORTS:

REDISTRICTING UPDATE

We have completed the Redistricting process. Awaiting one last Quality Assurance through The Secretary of State's Office new Redistricting Quality Assurance Tool (ESRI). We will use this tool to identify any final revisions that will be made in GARViS. A Redistricting manual is being prepared displaying all district changes and maps.

PERSONNEL/STAFFING

All Registration Officer positions have been filled. The Registration Manager position will be posted soon. Recruitment for Supplemental staff is ongoing with ARK Staffing Agency, the new Data Entry clerks and Front Office Specialists began on March 16th.

We are now onboarding 32 new Call Center Representatives.

TRAININGS ATTENDED

- GARViS “Ask the Experts”
- GARViS Demo Webinar
- GARViS
- GIS Training
- Quadient Training

CHALLENGES

On March 14th our office held a Challenge Hearing for 23 Deceased electors and 7 electors registered at Post Office Boxes. We did the research and recommended the removal of the 23 Deceased voters, the BRE approved. The 7 electors were notified by mail that their records are being challenge and they should provide a residential address for registering.

TASKS TO BE PERFORMED FOR FUTURE REPORTING PERIODS:

- Continue Municipal Street Audits of all municipalities in Fulton County
- Continue List Maintenance Activities
- Continue Review / Update Voter Registration procedures
- Continue to Perform / Conduct performance counseling sessions
- Respond to State Election Investigations
- Continue Precinct Card Mailings and other Correspondences
- Staff Training – In addition to attending State webinars, the new education initiative has begun.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

This report provides specific administration and election tasks performed during the month of March 2022. Standard operations and activities from the Administrative Division include: personnel, payroll, procurement, finance, legislation, voter education and outreach, travel and training coordination, support to the Board of R&E and the Registration and Elections Divisions.

Zoom Meetings Attended

Department Supervisor’s Meeting - Weekly
County Manager’s Strategy Team - Weekly
Purchasing Meeting – Weekly

Personnel Vacancies

Title	Type Positions	Status of Recruitment
Director	Existing Position	
Registration Manager	Existing Position	Position has been posted for recruitment
Registration Officer (2)	Existing Positions	
Administrative Manager	Existing Position	Start date- 4/27/22
Administrative Specialist	Existing Position	Start date- 4/13/22
Elections Systems Specialist	Existing Position	Interview applicants – made selection and offer

Preparation of 2022 Elections

2022 Qualifying Fees

The qualification period was scheduled for March 7 – 11, 2022. The Board of Commission Chair and Districts 1, 3 & 5 were the only local county offices by party on the ballot this election year. The Republican candidates qualified in our office, instead of the executive committee’s office. In addition, the non-partisan offices: Magistrate Judge, State Court Judge (3 positions) and Board of Education Districts 2, 5, 6, & 7 qualified at our office,

We had one candidate to submit a notarized Affidavit of Withdrawal:
Ms. Linda Arnold, candidate for Board of Education District 7

2022 Elections Budgets

The Financial Systems Manager is managing the 2022 Elections budgets and working with the Purchasing Department with contracts of four personnel agencies for our supplemental staff assigned to all three divisions.

The Operations Budget is \$4,391,024

The Elections approved Budget is \$33,026,729

- General Primary \$10,475,096
- General Primary Run-off \$9,852,568
- General Election \$12,403,864
 - Total \$32,731,528

The additional Elections approved 2022 Budget is for Capital projects

Enterprise Leasing was approved by BOC on March 16, 2022 BOC Item # 22-0189 for \$300,000 spending authority for the May General Primary and the June General Primary Run-off elections for the rental of box trucks, passenger vehicles, and cargo vans.

2022 Special Municipal Elections

Intergovernmental Agreements have been submitted to the following municipalities that have contacted the department to conduct its special election in conjunction with the General Primary Election on May 24, 2022:

- City of Atlanta - Waiting on executed agreement by city clerk
- City of East Point - Received IGA for approval by BRE
- City of Hapeville - Waiting on return of executed agreement by city clerk
- City of South Fulton - Waiting on return of executed agreement by city clerk

VOTER EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

This report provides specific summary information regarding VEO tasks performed during March 2022. Standard Voter Education and Outreach operations include:

- Educational seminars and lectures.
- Comprehensive demos and training.
- Voter registration activities.
- Assisting in Poll Worker Recruitment
- Deputy Registrar Training

In March, the VEO team was able to do the following:

Activity	Total for the Month	Total for the year
Deputy Registrar Training	73	203
Voter Registration	348	418
Poll Worker Recruitment	200	270
Voter Identification Cards Creation	9	9
Voter Education and Outreach Events	36	55
Connections for VEO	569	1,206
Media Inquires	4	6

In March, we continued to host Poll worker Recruitment Fairs across the county with a primary interest in North Fulton as there is a great need for poll workers in that region. We hosted Fairs in Alpharetta, Milton, Roswell, and Sandy Springs and will host one in Johns Creek in April. We continue to work with external affairs and have updated all of the collateral for voter education and outreach to reflect the critical 2022 election information. The VEO team hosted a great VEO Day with the Fulton County Delegation at the state capital. The event was well received and sparked positive news stories on Fox 5, 11alive, CBS, and a video on FGTV.

In March, the VEO team began outreach events within the Fulton County Schools to ensure the students eligible to participate in the May 24 election are equipped with the knowledge of how the voting process works. We hosted events at Langston Hughes High School, Banneker High School, Tri-Cities High School, North Springs, and Milton High. In April, we will continue reaching out to Fulton County and Atlanta Public Schools to set up events.

The Veo manager worked with the IT Manager and is happy to report that both mobile buses are operational and used weekly for voter education and outreach events. Also, the Voter Education and Outreach team has implemented the printing of Voter Identification Cards as an additional resource when conducting outreach events.

The VEO Manager continues to reach out to municipalities to bring voter education out to the masses at events that are already happening in the cities. In April, we will participate in several festivals, farmer markets, and other large-scale outreach events happening across the county. The VEO team has also conducted outreach to all the Fulton County Libraries and will host VEO sessions in each library in preparation for the 2022 election cycle.

The VEO team will continue to contact schools, communities, non-profit organizations, and government officials regarding scheduling future events. We are developing ongoing outreach opportunities with various groups to strengthen our impact in the community. The VEO team will also continue working with external affairs to showcase the excellent outreach work across the county.

March 2022 Events

3/1/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	55 Gilmer St SE, Atlanta, GA 30303
3/2/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	3775 Brookside Pkwy, Alpharetta, GA 30022
3/3/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	disABILITY LINK	1901 Montreal Road, Ste. 102 Tucker, GA 30084
3/4/2022	Deputy Registrar Training	Fulton County VEO	Department of Registration and Elections, 130 Peachtree Street SW, Suite 2186, Atlanta GA 30303
3/5/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education/ Poll Worker Recruitment	City of Alpharetta	2 Park Plaza, Alpharetta, GA 30009

3/9/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	55 Gilmer St SE, Atlanta, GA 30303
3/11/2022	Voter Registration Drive	Fulton County Deputy Registrar	College Park Marta Station, 3800 Main Street, College Park, GA 30337
3/12/2022	Deputy Registrar Training	Fulton County Elections and Registration	Virtual
3/15/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Nurse Care of Buckhead	Nurse Care of Buckhead 2920 Pharr Court South NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30305
3/15/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	GALEO	Entrance of DMV at the South Service Center, 5600 Stonewall Tell Rd # 114, Atlanta, GA 30349
3/16/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education/ Poll Worker Recruitment	City of Milton	Milton City Chambers at City Hall, 2006 Heritage Walk, Milton, GA 30004
3/17/2022	Voter Registration Drive	Fulton County Deputy Registrar	Milton High School, 13025 Birmingham Hwy. Milton, GA, 30004
3/19/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education/ Poll Worker Recruitment	City of Sandy Springs	Heritage Sandy Springs - 6110 Blue Stone Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30328

3/19/2022	Voter Registration Drive/ Mobile Bus Education/ TVIC	Fulton County Deputy Registrar	Providence Baptist Church, 1773 Hawthorne Ave., College Park, GA 30337
3/21/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	State Capitol	55 Trinity Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30303
3/22/2022	Voter Education- District Dialogues - Virtual Town Hall	Commission District 5	Virtual
3/22/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Langston Hughes High School	7510 Hall Road, South Fulton GA 30331
3/22/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	GA PTA District 10	Assembly Hall 141 Pryor Street Atlanta Georgia. 30303
3/22/2022	Voter Education- District Dialogues - Virtual Town Hall	Commission District 5	Virtual
3/23/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	55 Gilmer St SE, Atlanta, GA 30303
3/23/2022	Voter Education	Commissioner Hall's Empowering Young Men to Excel Youth Conference	The Loudermik Conference Center, 40 Courtland Street N.E., Atlanta GA 30303

3/24/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	3775 Brookside Pkwy, Alpharetta, GA 30022
3/24/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	Milton Library Branch Manager	Milton Library 855 Mayfield Road Milton, GA 30009
3/24/2022	Voter Registration Drive	Fulton County Deputy Registrar	North Springs High School, 7447 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, 30328
3/24/2022	Deputy Registrar Training	Fulton County VEO	Morehouse College
3/25/2022	Deputy Registrar Training	Fulton County VEO	Department of Registration and Elections, 130 Peachtree Street SW, Suite 2186, Atlanta GA 30303
3/26/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus , Voter Education	Hunter Hill Missionary Baptist Church	Hunter Hill Baptist Church 166 Edward Street Atlanta, GA, 30314
3/26/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education/ Poll Worker Recruitment	City of Roswell	City of Roswell, City Hall Room 220, 38 Hill Street, Roswell, GA 30075
3/28/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	Commissioner Hall Podcast	Virtual

3/28/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Banneker High School	6015 Feldwood Rd, Atlanta GA 30349
3/29/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Georgia State University	55 Gilmer St SE, Atlanta, GA 30303
3/29/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	GALEO	Entrance of DMV at the South Service Center, 5600 Stonewall Tell Rd # 114, Atlanta, GA 30349
3/30/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	Skyview High School Career Coach	Sky View High School 5134 Old National Hwy, College Park, GA 30349
3/30/2022	Fulton County Mobile Bus Voter Education	Tri Cities High School	2575 Harris Street, East Point, GA 30344
3/31/2022	Voter Education and Outreach	Fulton County Deputy Registrar	Virtual

ABSENTEE DIVISION

May 24, 2022 General Primary/ Special Election:

- Completion of Special Election for House District 45, **April 5, 2022**
- Weekly meetings with IT regarding Departmental needs
- Weekly meetings with the County Manager Executive Team
- Series of Virtual meetings with Bluecrest
- Series of Virtual Meetings with Quadiant
- Series of Meetings with SOS' Personnel on GARViS (New Voter Registration System)
- Bi-Weekly Meetings with the Division's personnel
- Weekly Meetings with Mrs. Brittian, Absentee Supervisor
- Weekly Meetings with Mr. Eskridge, Deputy Director
- Weekly Legislative Updates

APRIL'S HD 45 SPECIAL ELECTION, ABSENTEE BY MAIL STATISTICS:

TOTAL APPS RECEIVED	4
APPS PROCESSED	3
APPS REJECTED	1
DUPLICATIONS	0

MAY'S GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION ABSENTEE BY MAIL STATISTICS:

TOTAL APPS RECEIVED	1857
APPS PROCESSED	1604
APPS REJECTED	187
DUPLICATIONS	66
OTHER (BLANK APPS)	52
UNPROCESSED APPS (DUE TO GARVIS)	674

RECRUITMENT & TRAINING

- ✚ Tentatively recruitment completed
 - ✚ (10) Supplemental personnel onboarded
 - Task to include:
 - Training material provided
 - Processing Absentee Applications
 - Verifying All Processed Applications
 - ✚ Completion of the Special Election for House District 45, **April 5, 2022** is underway
Impacted Precincts:
 - **SS19A and SS22**
 - Sherwood Event Hall 8610 Roswell Road #200
 - ✚ First day to Mailout Absentee Ballots: **March 7, 2022** for Special Election
- GARViS Update:**
- ✚ **4/5/2022 SOS** Statewide Call notified Election Officials of GARViS delays
 - ✚ ElectioNet will be restored for all **159** Counties in Georgia on 4/6/2022

MARCH - APRIL 2022

✚ March 7, 2022

O.C.G.A. 21-2- 381(a)(1)(A)

Earliest day to apply for an absentee ballot for the May General Primary Election

✚ April 5, 2022

O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384(a)

Earliest day for UOCAVA registrar to mail an absentee ballot for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election

*Rank choice runoff ballots will be included in the UOCAVA ballot packets

✚ April 25, 2022

O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384(a)(2)

Earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election

TASKS TO BE PERFORMED FOR FUTURE REPORTING PERIODS:

- Virtual meeting conducted for election planning, preparation, and processes
- Continue Q&As on updated election code