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Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office Recognized for Excellence in Election Administration with National Clearinghouse Award

Hillsborough, FL – Today, the Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office announced they were recognized for excellence in election administration with a national Clearinghouse Award for "Outstanding Innovations in Elections – Large Jurisdiction." Also known as the "Clearies," the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) presents the awards program annually to celebrate the hard work of election offices across the country. Now in its seventh year, the Clearie Awards honored programs that took place during the 2022 midterms.

During the 2022 election cycle, the Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office developed an application that contributed to a very quick turnaround when reporting election night results, with 100% of precinct-level results reported by 8:40 p.m. election night for the 2022 General Election.

"We're very proud to be recognized for this achievement," said Supervisor of Elections Craig Latimer. "Managing 247 Election Day polling places and serving the fourth largest electorate in Florida is a challenge, so we are constantly working to be innovative and improve our processes."

The Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office's outstanding innovation in elections was one of 24 programs that were recognized with a Clearie Award. The Clearies play an essential role in fulfilling the EAC's mission to serve as a clearinghouse for election administration information under the Help America Vote Act. The EAC is an independent, bipartisan federal agency solely focused on election administration. Submissions were judged on innovation, sustainability, outreach, cost-effectiveness, replicability, and the generation of positive results.

More information on the Clearies and each awardee is available on eac.gov.

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