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Looking for More Election Workers in Hillsborough County

Hillsborough County, FL – After a higher than average Primary Election turnout, Supervisor of Elections Craig Latimer is actively recruiting more election workers to help with the 2018 General Election.

“We only have 42 full-time staff members, so every election we rely on a huge community of temporary workers who join us for days or weeks at a time to help with all the logistics of putting on our election,” said Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Craig Latimer.

Voter turnout for a General Election is always higher than the turnout for a Primary, but that’s not the only reason Supervisor Latimer is looking for extra help.

“We’re really excited to be adding a new Early Voting site at USF’s Yuengling Center,” said Latimer. “Based on the enthusiasm we’ve heard from students and faculty, we expect that site to be busy.”

The elections office is looking for people in three areas:

- Early Voting Poll Workers to staff 20 voting sites open from October 22 through November 4
- Election Day Poll Workers to staff 271 polling places around the county on November 6
- Election Prep Workers to work for several weeks at the Elections Service Center, getting election supplies and equipment ready for voters

“Our election workers work long days, but it’s really gratifying work because they get to go behind-the-scenes of a huge operation and be part of something that impacts the whole community,” said Latimer. “And it’s a chance to earn a little extra money for holiday shopping or a vacation. We have a lot of people who come back every election cycle to be part of what we’re doing.”

Latimer hopes to add about 250 people to his election team, for a total of more than 3,000 election workers. He’s urging anyone who’s interested to visit VoteHillsborough.org to read about and apply for these temporary positions.

ABOUT THE HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

The Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections is a recognized role model for conducting elections in Florida and is the first elections office to earn the Governor’s Sterling Award, a Malcolm Baldrige-based award for performance excellence in Florida. Hillsborough County is the fourth largest county in Florida and has more than 837,000 registered voters. For more, visit VoteHillsborough.org.

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