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County Needs 400 Poll Managers for 2012 Presidential Election

Charleston County Board of Elections and Voter Registration hiring for multiple poll manager positions

The <u>Charleston County Board of Elections and Voter Registration (BEVR)</u> is in need of 400 additional <u>poll managers</u> in order to adequately staff precincts throughout Charleston County for 2012 Presidential Election Day, which will be held on November 6, 2012.

The precincts where poll managers are needed are located in Edisto Beach, Isle of Palms, James Island, Johns Island, McClellanville, Kiawah Island, Mt. Pleasant, Ravenel, West Ashley (St. Andrews Precinct) and Wadmalaw Island.

"Poll managers have a unique opportunity to serve the community, meet their neighbors and become involved in the democratic process," said Joseph Debney, BEVR's Executive Director.

Poll managers are compensated \$120 (\$60 for training and \$60 for working on Election Day) for each election they work. The poll manager <u>must</u> work Election Day to be paid for the training session.

Election Day duties include processing of voters, ballot distribution, activation of the voting system machines, compliance with election law and procedures, and general voter assistance.

Applicants must be:

- A registered voter in Charleston County or an adjoining county (Dorchester, Berkeley, Georgetown or Colleton County). Students ages 16 and 17 may apply even though they cannot be registered voters.
- Willing and able to attend a Poll Manager Training Session (two to three hours in length) and pass a written certification test.
- Prepared to work the entire Election Day on Nov. 6, from 6 a.m. until approximately 7:30 p.m.
- Non-partisan and neutral when working an election.

To apply for a poll manager position:

Visit http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/BEVR/D-Vote_PollMgr.htm to download an application and employment verification form.

For questions, please contact pmcarthur@charlestoncounty.org or by phone at (843) 974-6421.

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