

## **News Release**

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## Voter registration deadline approaching for voters of November election

Citizens must register to vote no later than Oct. 4 in order to vote in November's general election

The <u>Charleston County Board of Elections and Voter Registration (BEVR)</u> wants to remind citizens that individuals who would like to vote in the Nov. 4 general election must register by Oct. 4, 2014. The BEVR office will be open on **Sat. Oct. 4 between 9 a.m. and noon** to register citizens to vote. The office is located at <u>4367 Headquarters Road in North</u> Charleston.

Citizens who wish to register to vote must bring a valid photo ID or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck or other government document that shows the prospect voter's name and address in Charleston County. The following individuals are exempt from this requirement: voters 65 years of age and older, voters with disabilities, members of the U.S. Uniformed Services or Merchant Marines and their families, and U.S. citizens residing outside the U.S.

It's important to note that citizens who have changed their address since they last voted must update their voter registration address before heading to the polls.

In-person absentee voting will begin on Oct. 6 and can be done between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Church of Christ on Azalea Drive, which is located at 3950 Azalea Drive in North Charleston.

Where and how do you register to vote? Where do you vote? Who are the candidates? What are the issues? What if you are not available to vote on Election Day? These are a few of the questions citizens who are eligible to vote should know the answers to before Nov. 4.

"Knowing the answers should make voting a pleasant and efficient process," said BEVR Director Joe Debney. "The website www.scvotes.org can answer many of the questions. It is an excellent resource."

The website will allow citizens to:

- Register to vote or update existing registration.
- Check current registration.
- Identify voting locations.
- See sample ballots.
- Identify the candidates.
- Learn about the statewide constitutional questions that will be on the ballot.
- Request an absentee application.

Citizens who do not have computer access can call 843-744-8683 for assistance.

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