## How Do I Register to Vote?

- » Register by asking your municipal clerk for a voter registration form or printing one out at www.michigan.gov/vote. To register to vote, you must be: a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old at the time of the next election, a resident of Michigan for at least 30 days and your township, city or village on or before the 30th day before the election and not a convicted felon or, if convicted of a felony, you have been released from prison or jail.
- » You can't use a P.O. Box or business address as your residence address but you can put it down as your mailing address. If you do not have a street number or address, just describe the location of your residence by cross streets, section, township, range, or other physical description. Be as specific as you can. Homeless voters can do the same.
- » Make sure you are registered to vote at: www.michigan.gov/vote.

# Find Your Polling Place

» You can look up your correct polling place at: www.michigan.gov/vote.

# Tips for Avoiding Problems

- » Check your voter registration status and polling place at www.michigan. gov/vote as early as possible.
- » Vote before Election Day, using early in-person or mail-in voting.
- » If you vote on Election Day, the polls will be busiest before and after work hours.
- » Bring some form of identification if you have it, even if it's not required for most people.
  - » Ask for help if you need it.
  - » Take your time—it's your vote!

# VOTING IN MICHIGAN

Register by October 11, 2016 to vote in the General Election on November 8, 2016.

Go to www.michigan.gov/vote for Voter Information.

Problem at the polls? Call 866-OUR-VOTE or visit 866OURVOTE.org



#### How Do I Vote?

First-time registrants who pre-registered by No ID is required. You will be asked to present a photo ID but if you don't have one, just sign a Personal Identification Affidavit. Any of the following forms of photo ID will work:

- » Driver's license or ID cards issued by Michigan or another state
  - » U.S. Passport
- » Photo ID issued by a federal or state government
  - » Military photo ID
  - » A high school or college photo ID
  - » A tribal photo ID.

If you registered before the deadline but the poll worker tells you you're not on the list, ask them to double-check and, if they still can't find you, say: "Please give me a provisional ballot."

If you have difficulty reading, writing or understanding English, the poll workers may provide you an interpreter, if you request it. If you cannot mark your ballot, two poll workers will assist you, but if you cannot mark your ballot due to blindness, then you may have an immediate family member or other person at least 18 years old assist you.

You have the right to vote if you're in line or inside your polling place when the polls close. On Election Day, all polls will remain open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

# You can vote before Election Day by mail or in person.

By Mail: First-time Michigan voters who registered by mail may not be able to vote absentee by mail so – if you fit that description – ask your municipal clerk. To vote an absentee mail-in ballot, a voter must have one of the following excuses: aged 60 years old or older; unable to vote without assistance at the polls; expecting to be out of town on election day; in jail awaiting arraignment or trial; unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons; or appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence.

Applications for mail-in ballots are available at www.michigan.gov/vote or can be mailed to you if you call your municipal clerk. These applications must be received by no later than 2 p.m. on the Saturday before Election Day (November 5th). Completed mail-in ballots themselves must be returned to the municipal clerk's office by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

In Person Absentee: Any registered Michigan voter may vote an absentee ballot at their municipal clerk's office, through November 7th, the day before Election Day, if they have one of the above excuses. Contact your municipal clerk for hours.

## Language Assistance

- » You can have anyone assist you in casting your vote including a translator, except for your employer or labor union or any officer or agent of them.
- » You have a right to Spanish language assistance in the Clyde township and Hartford city as well as Bangladesh language assistance in Hamtramck city (http://bit.ly/29sC3NI)

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