

YOU ARE

able to participate in your county's elections without having to maintain the voter registration rolls, test the equipment, train the poll workers or set up the voting site because that's

why we're HERE!



PRIMARY ELECTION: MAY 24, 2016

HERE ARE SOME OF THE WHO'S AND WHAT'S OF

COUNTY ELECTIONS BY THE NUMBERS

Put your county name here

WHO'S WHO

Election Supervisor: _____

Registrar: _____

of Poll Workers: _____

COUNTY COSTS

Cost of Ballots: _____

Poll Worker Costs: _____

Total Cost for a General Election: _____

COUNTY ELECITON SITES

of Polling Sites: _____

of Voting Machines: _____

BY THE NUMBERS

Georgia Population (2015): 10,214,860

of Georgia Registered Voters: 6,036,491
(as of Nov. 2014)

Your County's Population: _____

Registered Voters in your County: _____

TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN GEORGIA, YOU MUST

- Be a legal county resident
- Be age 17 ½ to register and 18 to vote
- Not be serving a sentence for the conviction of a felony
- Be mentally competent

WANT TO LEARN MORE? Visit the Secretary of State's website at www.mvp.sos.ga.gov



www.YouAreWhyWereHere.com

HELP PEOPLE UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING INVOLVED WITH AN ELECTION IN YOUR COUNTY



EXPLAIN WHO DOES WHAT WHEN IT COMES TO ELECTIONS

Elections are a good example of state and county governments working closely together. The Secretary of State's Office handles some responsibilities, while others are delegated to the county. Look for opportunities to explain who does what so your county's residents start to appreciate your county's role (and costs) in this important democratic process.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE:

- Oversees all election activities for school board, municipal, county, state and federal elections
- Maintains the statewide voter registration database
- Certifies the qualification of state candidates
- Certifies elections results
- Investigates voter fraud
- Enforces state laws

GEORGIA COUNTIES:

- Register qualified voters at the county level
- Process applications and issue precinct cards after received from Secretary of State
- Maintain voter registration rolls and voting equipment
- Select, prepare and equip polling places
- Recruit and train poll workers
- Conduct the elections
- Maintain campaign disclosure reports

GIVE A BEHIND THE SCENES LOOK AT POLLING SITE SET UP

Help people stop to think of everything that goes in to setting up their polling location. Work with the media to give an insider's look, with facts and figures like:

- How many times setting up a polling location is repeated in your county
- Give a sneak peak into what it takes to inventory, transport and set up the polling machines and other necessities.
- Explain the time and expense involved to train poll workers.
- Compute the total cost for the county to oversee a general election.

MAKE THE MOST OF ELECTION DAY

One of the obvious signs that someone has voted on Election Day is the sticker they get from the poll worker on their way out. Why not give them something else to talk about when they head back to the office or read as they sit in the school carpool line? This November, have your poll workers also give them a "County Voting Card" that gives them a mental checklist for all of the different county functions that contribute to their elections experience. Consider placing "You Are Why We're Here" Election Day signs at each polling site and give buttons to poll workers that reinforce the campaign message.

Preventing fires is the top goal of those who dedicate their lives to fighting them. Look for opportunities for community engagement to amplify fire safety and education efforts. Schedule a visit with your firefighters at local schools or reach out to other community groups to explain steps families can take to prevent fires and how to respond in the event of an emergency. Talk about fire alarms and family escape plans and other safety measures.

