



## News Release

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### **Listen Up! Virginia Elections Need You!** ~Online Officer of Election Recruitment in Progress~

**RICHMOND, VA** – Citizens wishing to serve as officers of election in this November's General Election may now volunteer online at [www.sbe.virginia.gov/officers](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/officers). Local election officials will be automatically notified of volunteer offers through this online submission. The State Board of Elections' website also allows interested persons to choose to receive information on the volunteer process via text message.

Polling places will be busy on Election Day, and general registrars throughout the Commonwealth are seeking reliable and friendly individuals to serve both on, and in the days leading up to, election day. Those who serve as officers of election are an integral part of the elections process and assist citizens in a successful and pleasant voting experience.

The only qualification to serve as an officer of election is that the applicant be registered to vote in Virginia. While officers of election are typically paid for their services, state law allows those serving to volunteer their time, which should eliminate conflicts with employers who do not permit their employees to engage in outside employment, and increase participation throughout the Commonwealth.

Individuals interested in serving as officers of election, should visit [www.sbe.virginia.gov/officers](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/officers) and complete the short form. After submitting the form online, individuals should allow their local general registrar's office approximately two weeks to make contact. Individuals having questions may contact the State Board of Elections at 804.864.8901 or [info@sbe.virginia.gov](mailto:info@sbe.virginia.gov).

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