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**Last Chance to Register to Vote or Update an Address and Vote**

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Annapolis, Maryland (April 11, 2016): For the first time, eligible Maryland residents can register to vote and registered voters can make address changes during early voting. If all of the requirements are met, the voter can complete or update the registration, mark, and tabulate his or her ballot at the early voting center.

To register and vote during early voting, an individual must be eligible to vote in Maryland, go to an early voting center in the county where he or she lives, and bring a document proving residency. The documents that prove residency are a Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) issued driver's license, ID card, or change of address card, or a paycheck, bank statement, utility bill, or other government document with individual's name and current address.

If a voter is registered but has moved, election officials can process this change at an early voting center. This voter must go to an early voting center in the county where he or she lives and bring a document proving residency. The documents that prove residency are an MVA-issued driver's license, MVA ID card, or MVA change of address card, or a paycheck, bank statement, utility bill, or other government document with his or her name and current address

There are 67 early voting centers in Maryland, and each center will be open from 10 am to 8 pm Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> (including Saturday and Sunday). There is at least one early voting center in every county, and 11 counties have more than one center. Centers are located at accessible facilities with adequate parking and within a convenient driving distance for most voters in the county. A list of the early voting centers is available at [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early\\_voting.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early_voting.html).

The same day registration or address change process is only available during early voting. It will **not** be available on election day. Party or name changes cannot be processed during early voting or election day.

Early voting for the 2016 Presidential Primary Election will start Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> and continue through Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. According to prior voting patterns, the best days to avoid delays will be Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. For more information about early voting, visit [www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early\\_voting.html](http://www.elections.maryland.gov/voting/early_voting.html). Election day is Tuesday, April 26, 2016.

For more information, voters may contact the State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-VOTE (8683) or visit [www.elections.maryland.gov](http://www.elections.maryland.gov).

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