

## **Absentee Voting Begins for November 2, 2010 General Election on September 21, 2010**

Absentee ballots for the November 2, 2010 General Election will be available, beginning September 21, 2010. Missouri election law allows that registered voters may apply for an absentee ballot for the following reasons: (1) absence from the county on election day; (2) incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability; (3) acting as a caregiver for a person who is confined due to illness or physical disability; (4) religious belief or practice; (5) employment as an election official; (6) incarceration, though must have retained all necessary qualifications for voting.

Eligible voters may cast an absentee ballot at the Platte County Board of Election Commissioners office in Platte City, 2600 NW Prairie View Rd. The office will be open for absentee voting Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. through November 1<sup>st</sup>. In addition, the Election Board office will offer extended hours for absentee voting on Saturday, October 23 and Saturday, October 30, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.(noon).

Absentee Ballots may also be mailed to eligible voters, after submitting a signed request stating the reason for voting by absentee ballot. The last day to request an absentee ballot to be mailed to the voter is October 27, 2010. Voters may download the absentee voting application from this website and fax the completed request to the Board of Elections at (816) 858-3387 or mail to Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City MO 64079.