

Voter Registration Deadline for April 3, 2012 General Municipal Election

The close of voter registration for the April 3rd General Municipal Election is Wednesday, March 7, 2012. Missouri Revised Statutes 115.135 requires that a person must be registered in the jurisdiction in which they reside no later than the fourth Wednesday prior to an election. Voter registration does not transfer between counties or states, therefore, new Platte County residents must register to vote by the deadline to be eligible to participate in the election. First time voters are reminded that Missouri election statutes allow residents to register to vote as soon as reaching 17 ½ years of age, but must be 18 years of age by election day to cast a ballot.

Voter registration is available at the Platte County Board of Elections office at 2600 NW Prairie View Rd., Platte City, Mo.; at Mid-Continent Public Library locations in Platte County; the Division of Motor Vehicle offices; some city halls and area schools. One may also access a voter registration application at the Missouri Secretary of State's website at sos.mo.gov/elections/register2vote. Complete the application on-line, then print and mail to Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City MO 64079. Mailed voter registration applications must be postmarked by March 7, 2012 to be in time for the April 3, 2012 election.

Current Platte County registered voters who have recently moved within the county may also update their address at the above locations. Missouri election law requires that registered voters must vote at the polling place serving their current residential address. Save time on election day by updating your Platte County voter registration before going to the polls.

For additional information, call the Board of Elections office at 858-4400.