A photograph of the Macoupin County Courthouse, a stone building with arched windows and a central door. An American flag is flying in the background. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Macoupin County
**Voter Information
& Election Guide**

**2016 General Election
Tuesday, November 8**

Polls Open 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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A message to voters

If you listen to the pundits, the 2016 General Election is a “historic” election for reasons that are obvious to anyone who watches television news, reads a newspaper or peruses the internet. As your County Clerk, however, I believe all elections are historic. They chart the course for the future according to the wishes of all Americans who take the time to cast a ballot, and they reaffirm that the right to choose our own leaders is among the most precious of our liberties.

The votes that Macoupin County voters cast for President and Vice President are equal to the votes cast by citizens in California, Nebraska and South Carolina. As citizens, we have an equal voice in choosing our political leaders and setting the agenda for the next four years in this country. While the Presidential race gets the media attention and is the topic of conversation in coffee shops around the country, voters participating in this year’s General Election will have other important decisions to make. Macoupin County voters will help decide whether or not to amend the state constitution in regard to the expenditure of tax revenue collected for purposes related to the transportation system, they will have a voice in choosing a state comptroller for a four-year term, and they will help elect a state representative for a full four-year term. At the grassroots level, Macoupin County voters will elect county board members who will have a hand in setting the agenda for the county over the next four years. Some voters will vote on important public propositions ranging from increasing a school district’s ability to levy taxes to creating an ambulance service area. Each of the races and each of the public questions address important public issues that affect the daily lives of citizens throughout Macoupin County and beyond.

The right to vote is among the most precious of our American liberties. It is the thing that distinguishes us from other nations and other forms of government. It is enshrined by law and has been protected for generations by our military men and women.

Given the importance of the electoral process, we consider the administration of elections in Macoupin County as a sort of a sacred duty. We are committed to ensuring that each and every election for each and every office is administered fairly, that each ballot is accurately counted, and that we extend the opportunity to vote to as many eligible voters as possible. As your County Clerk, it has again been my pleasure to work with staff

members, party officials, candidates and elected officials to make sure every aspect of the 2016 General Election runs smoothly. As always, administering this election has been a challenging and rewarding experience.

As your County Clerk, I strive to use the resources of my office to make it as easy and convenient as possible for county voters to cast their ballots. This Voter Information and Election Guide is a part of that effort, bringing together sample ballots along with all the information you might need to ensure you are properly registered to vote and that you have the opportunity to cast your ballot.

We’ve worked hard to include in this Voter Information and Election Guide all the information you will need to cast your ballot in the upcoming election. If you have further questions or need additional information, I encourage you to contact my office at (217) 854-3214, extension 707, or visit our comprehensive election website at www.macoupinvotes.com. The state-of-the-art website allows voters to check the status of their voter registration, find the polling place for their precinct, view sample ballots and obtain other information. On election night, the website will be updated regularly with election results for Macoupin County so voters will know the outcome of local races as soon as ballots are counted.

Once again, it has been my pleasure to administer the 2016 general election in Macoupin County and I deeply appreciate the opportunity to serve the voters of this county.



Pete Duncan

Macoupin County Clerk

ON THE COVER: The imposing Old Macoupin County Jail has the appearance of a small fortress and a colorful history that makes it a prime asset for developing tourism in Macoupin County. Designed by E.E. Meyers, the same architect who designed the county’s majestic (but controversial) courthouse, the Old Jail was completed in 1867. Completed just a few years after the Civil War, one of the jail’s unique features are surplus cannon balls embedded in the stone walls to thwart escape attempts. The jail was actively used to house prisoners until 1988 when a new jail facility was built. Though it continues to draw tourists, the building itself has been closed for several years due to environmental issues. In 2015, a campaign was started to raise money to renovate and restore the Old Jail so it can be reopened to the public. Supporters are about half-way toward their goal of raising \$31,000 for lead paint abatement, after which additional funds will be needed for restoration efforts. Eventually, it is hoped the Old Jail will become a “tourism hub,” not only attracting tourist who want to tour an authentic 19th century jail but also provide information to point visitors toward other tourist attractions the county has to offer. Information on how to make a tax exempt donation can be found at macoupincountyil.gov/tourism.htm.

Election Notice

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that on
Tuesday November 8, 2016

at the usual polling places in the various precincts in the County of Macoupin and the State of Illinois, a General Election will be held for the purpose of electing candidates to the following offices:

TO BE ELECTED

- 1 President and Vice President of the United States
- 2 United States Senator
- 3 State Comptroller
- 4 Representative in Congress
 - 13th Congressional District
- 5 State Senator
 - 50th State Senate District
- 6 Representatives of the General Assembly
 - 95th State Representative District
 - 100th State Representative District
- 7 Circuit Clerk
- 8 County Coroner
- 9 State's Attorney
- 10 County Board Member
 - 1st County Board District
 - 2nd County Board District
 - 5th County Board District
 - 7th County Board District
 - 8th County Board District
 - 9th County Board District
- 11 Judge of the Circuit Court (vacancy)
 - 7th Judicial Circuit
- 12 Regional Superintendent of Schools
 - Calhoun, Greene, Jersey and Macoupin Counties
 - Adams, Brown, Cass, Morgan, Pike and Scott Counties

QUESTIONS OF JUDICIAL RETENTION

- 1 Appellate Court Judge
 - 4th Judicial Circuit
- 2 Circuit Court Judge
 - 7th Judicial Circuit

The polls of said General Election shall be open continuously from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday November 8th, 2016.

PETE DUNCAN
 MACOUPIN COUNTY CLERK



Pete Duncan, County Clerk
 Dated September 16, 2016

Voter Bill of Rights

You have the right to:

- ❖ Cast your ballot in a non-disruptive atmosphere free of interference.
- ❖ Vote if you're in line at the polling place by 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Be a provisional voter if there is a question about your registration status or your eligibility to vote in the election.
- ❖ Vote a federal ballot at your old polling place if you have moved within 30 days of the election.
- ❖ Request assistance in voting, if needed.
- ❖ Bring this voter's guide or sample ballots into the voting booth, but take them with you when you finish voting.
- ❖ Protect the secrecy of your ballot by using the ballot secrecy folder provided.
- ❖ Receive a new ballot if you make a mistake or change your mind.
- ❖ Check for voting errors (overvotes) after marking your ballot in a private and independent manner.
- ❖ Have your ballot counted fairly and impartially.

If you believe these rights have been violated, call the Macoupin County Clerk's Office at (217) 854-3214.



What to Expect at the Polls

Voting should be a quick, satisfying experience if you follow a few simple steps. Here are some tips on what to expect at the polls on Election Day:

First, you are required to vote in the precinct where you live. Your voter information card shows your precinct number and polling place location. It can also be found on our website. The polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. To avoid the heavy turnout times of 6:00 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., we suggest you vote between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to avoid long lines.

To ensure a quick process, any changes to your name or address since the last Election should be updated with the Elections Office prior to Election Day.

When you arrive at your precinct, an Election judge will ask your name and address, find your name in the poll book and ask you to sign both an application to vote and the poll book. Your application to vote will be numbered and your ballot will be initialed by an Election judge.

It is important that you review your ballot for accuracy prior to casting your ballot. Once your ballot has been accepted by the voting equipment, no further changes or corrections can be made.

If you have made a mistake, you can 'spoil' the ballot you have by giving it back to the judges and getting a new

ballot. Election judges can answer any questions you may have.

If you registered to vote by mail and the Elections office could not verify your identity, you will be required to show one form of identification from the following list.

- ❖ A current and valid photo identification
- ❖ Utility bill
- ❖ Bank statement
- ❖ Government check
- ❖ Paycheck
- ❖ Government document



Voter Responsibilities

Each registered voter in this state should:

1. Familiarize herself or himself with the candidates and issues.
2. Maintain his or her registration with the Elections Office with a current name and address.
3. Know the location of her or his polling place and its hours of operation.
4. Bring proper identification to the polling station in case it is needed.
5. Familiarize herself or himself with the operation of the voting equipment in his or her precinct.
6. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
7. Respect the privacy of other voters.
8. Report any problems or violations of Election laws to the County Clerk's office.
9. Ask questions, if needed.
10. Make sure that her or his completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling place.



Am I Eligible to Vote?

Am I Eligible to Vote?

In order to be eligible to vote in Macoupin County, you must register. The County Clerk's Office processes all voter registration applications for Macoupin County residents. The last day to register for this Election was October 11. See the 'Grace Period Balloting' section on page 7 for more information.

Who Can Register to Vote?

You may register to vote if you are a U.S. citizen and

- ❖ 18 years of age by the date of the next election and
- ❖ a resident at your current Macoupin County address for 30 days immediately prior to the next election.

Two forms of identification are required when registering with a deputy registrar.

At least one of the two forms must show your current name and address.

Only one form of identification may be a piece of mail postmarked within the past 30 days which has been addressed and delivered to you.

Acceptable forms of identification include, but are not limited to the following:

- ❖ Driver's License
- ❖ Birth Certificate
- ❖ State ID Card
- ❖ Social Security Card
- ❖ Utility Bill
- ❖ Employee ID Card
- ❖ Checkbook
- ❖ Student ID Card
- ❖ Library Card
- ❖ Insurance Card
- ❖ Credit Card

TO CHECK VOTER REGISTRATION STATUS

- ❖ Go to www.macoupinvotes.com
- ❖ Hit '**Voter Lookup**' underneath the photos of Macoupin sites.
- ❖ Enter the information required to check if you are registered to vote.



If your information appears on screen, you are registered to vote. If it does not, try your legal name or old zip code to see if your registration is outdated.

Grace Period Balloting

Didn't Get Registered Before the Deadline or Forgot to Change Your Registration and Still Want to Vote?

If you were unable to register to vote or change your address prior to the close of registration, you can still register and vote through grace period voting. The close of registration for this election was October 11.

Grace period individuals may register to vote or change their address October 12 through Election Day, November 8.

Grace period voting is only available in the Macoupin County Clerk's Office, 201 East Main, Carlinville, IL. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with special Saturday hours on November 5 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Two forms of identification are required to register or change your registration during grace period voting:

- ❖ At least one of the two forms must show your name and current address,
- ❖ And only one form of identification may be a piece of mail addressed and delivered to you.

The second form must show your name. These forms of identification shall include, but not be limited to:

- ❖ Driver's License
- ❖ Social Security Card
- ❖ Birth Certificate
- ❖ Employee ID
- ❖ Student ID Card
- ❖ Credit Card
- ❖ Library Card
- ❖ Insurance Card
- ❖ Utility Bill
- ❖ Checkbook
- ❖ Telephone Book
- ❖ State ID Card

Grace period voters must vote on the same day they register to vote. They may not vote at the polls on Election Day.

For more information, contact the Macoupin County Clerk's office at (217) 854-3214 ext 707 or at elections@macoupincountyil.gov

Your voter registration card



Your Voter Information Card has tons of important information about how you vote and which races you are entitled to vote for.

District Acronym Descriptions

- Cong Dist = U.S. House of Representatives
- Leg Dist = State Senate
- Rep Dist = State House of Representatives
- Co Bd Dist = County Board
- TWP = Township
- CUSD = School District
- JR COL DIST = Junior College District

THIS IS YOUR MACOUPIN COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION CARD

SIGN, DETACH, FOLD AND CARRY IN YOUR WALLET

Your registration record will reflect information as shown on this card, for all future elections, unless you return the card with corrections or the Postal Service returns the card as undeliverable.

Your Precinct. This is just the district you vote in, not your city ward or board district.

Your Polling Place. This is where you will vote on Election Day.

Your Districts. These are the districts you are entitled to vote for. Acronym descriptions are above.





Voter Information Changes

Keep us up to date with you!

Update important voting information quickly prior to Election Day

Address Change – Any time you move, you have to update your registration. You may do this by visiting MacoupinVotes.com , calling our office, completing a Illinois Voter Registration Application form, or providing a signed written notice that includes your date of birth and signature.

Name Change – If you get married or have a legal name change, you have to update your registration. You can do this by completing an Illinois Voter

Registration Application form or by visiting MacoupinVotes.com.

Signature Change/Update – If your signature has changed dramatically, you need to update your registration. You can do this by completing an Illinois Voter Registration Application form or signing the back of your Voter Information Card.

Voter Information Cards – Your voter information card is routinely mailed to confirm new registration, voter updates or changes in polling places.

New Voter Information Cards were mailed to every voter in the county in November 2015.

Has your signatures changed from

John Hancock to this *J. Hancock*

If so, you need to update your signature with the Election Office.

Call 217-854-3214 ext 707 to be mailed a Change of Voter Registration to update your signature or print one from MacoupinVotes.com, then complete, sign and mail back to the Macoupin County Election Office



Casting Your Ballot

Optical Scan Voting is as Easy as 1 -2 -3!

1. Receive your ballot

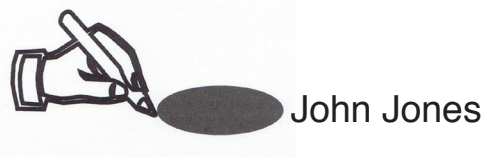
Enter the polling place and give your name and address to an Election Judge. Complete and sign an Application to Vote. Upon verification, the election judge will give you:

- a paper ballot
- a privacy cover
- a pen

2. Enter the voting booth and mark your ballot

Enter the next available voting booth. To vote the optical scan ballot, completely fill in the oval to the left of the candidate or public question of your choice. Be sure to mark both sides of your ballot if needed. If you make a mistake marking your ballot, return it to an

FILL IN THE OVAL NEXT TO THE CANDIDATE'S NAME

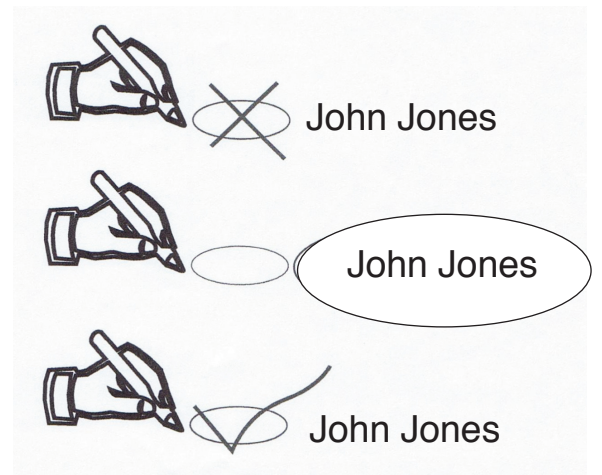


Election Judge to receive a new ballot.

3. Vote!

Cover your ballot with the privacy sleeve and insert the ballot into the ballot tabulator. The Optical Scan System complies with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) to provide voters an opportunity to check for and correct ballot errors (for example, casting more votes for an office than allowed results in an overvote). If an error is detected, the system will gently beep and give you the option to accept the ballot as is

DO NOT MARK YOUR BALLOT IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER



(the overvoted office will not count) or you may return the ballot to an Election Judge and receive a new ballot.

Visit the Macoupin County Clerk's website: macoupinvotes.com for additional information on the Optical Scan Voting System.



What happens if I don't vote in every race on the ballot?

It is your right to not vote on every race on the ballot, called undervoting. However, state law was changed in 2010 and you legally now have to be notified when you have undervoted. If you leave a race blank, your ballot will be kicked back and you will see on the LCD screen, which is located to the right of the machine where you place your ballot, the races you undervoted.

This allows you to correct your ballot if you want to do so.

If you voted for the races you wanted to vote for, you can override the notification and put your ballot in. It will be counted.

While this may be seen as an inconvenience, it is state law. When you go to the ballot box, if you purposefully left a

race blank on the ballot, please feel free to tell the Election judge present that you wish to override the undervote notification. This will allow your ballot to go into the box without the kickback.

If you should have questions concerning any of this, please feel free to contact us at the County Clerk's Office at 217-854-3214 ext 707 or emailing pete.duncan@macoupincountyil.gov.





Three ways to vote

Vote Early

Cast your ballot at the County Clerk's office before Election Day. You just need to bring a photo i.d. See 'How Do I Vote Early' on pages 16-17.

Vote By Mail

Simply call our office at (217) 854-3214 ext 707 or visit our website at www.MacoupinVotes.com to request your absentee ballot and vote in privacy before Election Day. See pages 14-15 for more information.

Vote at Your Precinct on Election Day

Election Day is your last chance to vote! To find your polling place, see 'Where Do I Vote on Election Day?' on pages 12-13.

Be sure we have your current information on your registration. See 'Am I eligible to vote?' on page 6 for more information.

Make sure to show up from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. to vote. To avoid lines and congestion at your precinct, you may want to vote in the 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. non rush hour time frame of the day.



Register to vote online

Effective July 1, the State of Illinois now has online voter registration for voters with a valid state issued ID or driver's license.

Required information includes the complete driver's

license number or state identification number, the issue date of the driver's license or ID card, birth date, and the last 4 digits of the social security number.

To register to vote or update your registration online, visit MacoupinVotes.com. Click the link to the State Board of Election's web hub where you can complete your registration.



Where Do I Vote?

During early voting, you can vote at the Elections Office at the Courthouse. Find out more about early voting opportunities on pages 16-17.

On Election Day, you should vote where you live. If your voter registration is up-to-date, you can refer to your voter information card for your precinct number and polling place location or use the voter look-up feature on MacoupinVotes.com.

However, if you moved and have not updated your voter registration information, enter your new address in the 'Precinct Finder' feature on MacoupinVotes.com to find your new polling place location. You will be required to vote a provisional ballot at the new polling place. You can also come to the Election office at the Courthouse during grace period and change your registration and vote at the same time. See page 8 for more information.

Find your polling place online

1. Go to www.macoupinvotes.com
2. Then click "Voter Lookup" underneath the pictures of the sites in Macoupin County.
3. Enter your voter registration information. You must enter the information exactly as it appears on the voter file, which is exactly as you wrote it when you registered. If your registration information does not immediately appear, try your legal name or old address.
4. Once your information comes up, select "View Polling:" under the "My Electons" section.
5. Your polling place, a picture of the building and the ability to Google map the location will appear on screen. Click on the red "Google mapit" to go to Google maps.





Polling Places

Barr	Barr Township Building, 330 W. Main, Hettick	Hilyard	Hilyard Township Building, Route 16 & Route 159, Royal Lakes
Bird	Charity Baptist Church, 21964 Charity Church Road, Carlinville	Honey Point	Honey Point Township Hall, 21082 Woodland Rd., Carlinville
Brighton 1	Christian Life Center, 918 N. Main, Brighton	Mt. Olive 1	Immanuel Education Building, 111 E. Main, Mt. Olive
Brighton 2	Christian Life Center, 918 N. Main, Brighton	Mt. Olive 2	Immanuel Education Buildign, 111 E. Main, Mt. Olive
Brighton 3	Brighton Municipal Building, 206 S. Main, Brighton	Mt. Olive 3	Sawyerville Village Hall, Stephen & Alice Sts., Sawyerville
Brushy Mound..	Brushy Mound Township Hall, 16270 Brushy Mound Road, Carlinville	Mt. Olive 4	White City Village Hall, 884 S. Main St., White City
Bunker Hill 1	Bunker Hill Municipal Building, 801 S. Franklin, Bunker Hill	Mt. Olive 5	Immanuel Education Building, 111 E. Main, Mt. Olive
Bunker Hill 2	Bunker Hill Municipal Building, 801 S. Franklin, Bunker Hill	Mt. Olive 6	Immanuel Education Building, 111 E. Main, Mt. Olive
Bunker Hill 3	Bunker Hill Municipal Building, 801 S. Franklin, Bunker Hill	Nilwood 1	Nilwood Village Hall, 33 Morean Rd., Nilwood
Cahokia 1	Cahokia Township Building, 111 W. Central Ave., Benld	Nilwood 2	Standard City Village Hall, 650 Broadway, Standard City
Cahokia 2	Benld Civic Center, 201 E. Central Ave., Benld	North Otter	Hanauer Hall-Sunset Lake, 130 E. Lake Dr., Girard
Cahokia 3	East Gillespie Village Hall, 605 Springfield Rd., East Gillespie	North Palmyra.....	Modesto Community Building, 102 E. Grand St., Modesto
Cahokia 4	Eagarville Village Hall, 180 S. Mt. Olive St., Eagarville	Polk.....	Beaver Dam Office, 14548 Beaver Dam Lane, Plainview
Cahokia 5	Benld Civic Center, 201 E. Central Ave., Benld	Scottville	Scottville Town Hall, Walnut & Chestnut Sts., Scottville
Carlinville 1	St. Paul's Church, 202 E. Main St., Carlinville	Shaws Point	Atwater Town Hall, 22839 Main St., Atwater
Carlinville 2	Federated Church, 122 E. 2nd South, Carlinville	Shipman 1	Shipman Community Center, 101 E. 1st St., Shipman
Carlinville 3	Emmanuel Activity Center, 125 W. First South, Carlinville	Shipman 2	United Methodist Church, 1021 Route 16, Piasa
Carlinville 4	Carlinville City Hall, 550 N. Broad St., Carlinville	Shipman 3	Medora Town Hall, 202 W. Locust St., Medora
Carlinville 5	Church of the Nazarene, 610 N. Charles, Carlinville	South Otter	South Otter Township Hall, 15252 Township Road, Girard
Carlinville 6	Macoupin County Housing Authority, 504 W. Nicholas, Carlinville	South Palmyra.....	Palmyra Municipal Building, 114 E. State, Palmyra
Chesterfield.....	Medora Fire Station, 316 Washington, Medora	Staunton 1	Crystal Ballroom, 20631 Staunton Rd., Staunton
Dorchester 1	Wilsonville Community Center, 317 Wilson St., Wilsonville	Staunton 2	Crystal Ballroom, 20631 Staunton Rd., Staunton
Dorchester 2	Wilsonville Community Center, 317 Wilson St., Wilsonville	Staunton 3	Crystal Ballroom, 20631 Staunton Rd., Staunton
Gillespie 1	Gillespie Civic Center, 115 N. Macoupin, Gillespie	Staunton 4	Crystal Ballroom, 20631 Staunton Rd., Staunton
Gillespie 2	Gillespie Civic Center, 115 N. Macoupin, Gillespie	Staunton 5	Crystal Ballroom, 20631 Staunton Rd., Staunton
Gillespie 3	Mt. Clare School, 410 Berry St., Mt. Clare	Virden 1.....	Virden Township Hall, 232 N. Masterson, Virden
Gillespie 4	Dorchester Fireman's Building, 102 Water St., Dorchester	Virden 2.....	Virden Township Hall, 232 N. Masterson, Virden
Gillespie 5	Gillespie Civic Center, 115 N. Macoupin, Gillespie	Virden 3.....	Virden Township Hall, 232 N. Masterson, Virden
Gillespie 6	Gillespie Civic Center, 115 N. Macoupin, Gillespie	Virden 4.....	Virden Township Hall, 232 N. Masterson, Virden
Girard 1	Girard City Hall, 111 W. Madison, Girard	Western Mound	Hagaman Town Hall, 3460 Hagaman Rd., Hagaman
Girard 2	Girard City Hall, 111 W. Madison, Girard		



Vote by Mail Balloting

Who Can Vote by Mail?

Any registered voters in Macoupin County are eligible to cast a vote by mail ballot, without specifying a reason why they will be absent from the polling place on Election Day. Voters who registered by mail and did not provide sufficient proof of identity will be notified by the County Clerk that their registration is not complete. They will be ineligible to vote until they provide the required proof of identity at the polling place on Election Day or when requesting a vote by mail ballot.

Can I Vote Absentee?

Illinois law has changed the name of absentee voting to voting by mail. If you want to vote absentee, you will now do it as a vote by mail.

How do I apply to vote by mail?

You can request an application to vote by mail in many different ways. You can come in person to the Election office, send in a request by mail, call (217) 854-3214 ext 707 or apply online at MacoupinVotes.com.

The Election office will need the voter's name, residence address, mailing address and date of birth at the time of request.

What's the deadline to apply to vote by mail?

The deadline is Thursday, Nov. 3 by 4:30 p.m. The Election office cannot mail a ballot to you after that time.

How to Vote by Mail

Step 1 : Once you have applied and returned your signed application, the Election's office will mail you your vote by mail ballot packet. The packet—including a ballot, instructions on how to fill out your Vote by Mail ballot, certificate envelope, and a return mailing envelope with prepaid postage—will be mailed to the voter.

Step 2: Upon receipt of the vote by mail ballot packet, follow all instructions on how to vote and return the ballot to the County Clerk's Office. Make sure to seal just your ballot in the secrecy envelope and place the secrecy envelope and certification card in the return envelope.

What is the deadline to return my ballot to the Election office?

Returned vote by mail ballots must be postmarked by Tuesday, Nov. 8, and must be received by the Election Office within 14 days of Election Day. If you want to personally deliver your ballot to the Election office, it must be received by no later than 7 p.m. on election day. You may authorize any person to return your ballot to the election authority, as long as you have signed the affidavit on the ballot envelope affirming that authorization was given to deliver the ballot.

Can I receive assistance in voting my ballot?

If you receive assistance in voting your ballot, the name and address of the individual providing the assistance must be placed on the ballot certification card. Remember that a candidate is NOT allowed to assist a voter unless the candidate is a spouse, parent, child or sibling of that voter.

Military and Overseas Voting

Members of the Uniformed Services and their family members or U.S. citizens residing overseas whose last known address is in Macoupin County and wish to vote by mail may do so by completing and mailing an FPCA (Federal Post Card Application). By completing this application, you will automatically be sent a vote by mail ballot for one calendar year.

Vote by Mail Ballot Integrity

It is illegal to:

- Make a false statement to obtain a vote by mail ballot or solicit someone to do so
- Vote a Vote by Mail ballot unless you qualify for one
- Have a candidate assist you in voting unless the candidate is a spouse, parent, child or sibling of that voter.

Do not let anyone:

- Mark your ballot, or unduly influence your ballot selections, unless you require assistance. Individuals who cannot assist voters include the Voter's Employer or Agent of that Employer, or Officer or Agent of the Voter's Union.
- On your behalf, sign your name to the Application for a Vote by Mail Ballot and/or certificate envelope. By law, the Macoupin County Clerk's Office compares the facsimile signature at registration with the signature provided on the Application for Vote by Mail Ballot and certificate envelope.



Track Your Vote by Mail Ballot

1. Go to www.macoupinvotes.com.
2. Click "Vote by Mail Ballot Lookup" under the "Voter Information" tab near the top of the screen.
3. Enter your name and the address at which you are registered.
4. If you requested a Vote by Mail ballot, it will show under your voter registration information.
5. Your Vote by Mail ballot information will show under your voter registration information. You can check your ballot's status at any time.




Vote by Mail Ballot Processing

How do we process a voter's Vote by Mail ballot?

- ❖ You request an application for vote by mail ballot
- ❖ We send you an application with instructions
- ❖ You fill out the application and send it to us.
- ❖ We enter the vote by mail application into the voter registration system.
- ❖ We send you the vote by mail ballot packet with instructions.
- ❖ You vote the ballot and seal it in the ballot envelope.
- ❖ You provide the sealed ballot envelope to us with applicable affidavits in the mail envelope provided.
- ❖ We receive the mail envelope and log receipt in the voter registration system.
- ❖ We keep the ballot in the sealed envelope until Election Day.
- ❖ On Election Day, election judges open the sealed ballot envelope
- ❖ The ballot is scanned into the vote by mail ballot system.
- ❖ After the polls close the scanned ballots are tabulated.
- ❖ Preliminary Vote by Mail ballot results are reported to the public as part of the precinct results after the polls close on Election Day.



How Do I Vote Early?

WHAT IS EARLY VOTING?

Registered voters may cast a ballot prior to Election Day without having to provide a reason for wanting to vote early. This ballot is cast by personal appearance at the Macoupin County Clerk's office or at a location set up by the County Clerk.

WHEN DOES EARLY VOTING OCCUR?

Early voting started September 29 and runs through November 7.

WHERE CAN PEOPLE VOTE?

People may vote at the Macoupin County Clerk's office, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The County Clerk's office is located on the first floor of the County Courthouse in Carlinville. The Macoupin County Clerk has established more locations all across the county to make early voting this election more convenient. See next page for a full list of locations and times.

IF I VOTE EARLY, BUT CHANGE MY MIND, MAY I VOTE ON ELECTION DAY?

No. The law prohibits a person who voted during the early voting period from voting again on

Election Day.

ARE POLLWATCHERS ALLOWED AT EARLY VOTING SITES?

Yes. Just as with a regular polling place on Election Day, pollwatchers may be appointed to observe early voting by personal appearance at each permanent and temporary polling place where early voting is conducted.

WHAT ARE THE SAFEGUARDS AGAINST VOTER FRAUD?

Election judges will compare the voter's signature with the signature from when the voter registered.

The votes cast during the early voting period will not be counted until after the polls close on Election Day.

WHAT IS THE REASON FOR EARLY VOTING?

A major reason for early voting is to encourage greater participation in the election. People who travel for business, work long hours or are otherwise inconvenienced by the hours the polls are open may find it easier to vote early.



★ How to cast a write-in vote ★

1. Find the office for which the write-in candidate is running.

FOR MAYOR	
<input type="radio"/>	John Adams
<input type="radio"/>	Martha Washington
<input type="radio"/>	_____
	Write-In

2. Print the candidate's name on the write-in line.

<input type="radio"/>	<u>Ben Franklin</u>
	Write-In

3. Fill in the oval next to the candidate's name.

	<u>Ben Franklin</u>
	Write-In

How Do I Vote Early?

EARLY VOTING DATES

Public notice is hereby given, pursuant to Article 19A of the Illinois Election Code, that Early Voting in Macoupin County will be conducted on the following dates and at the following locations prior to the November 8th, 2016 General Election:

Date	Location	Hours
Thu Sept. 29 to Mon Nov. 7 (Closed Mon Oct 10 Court Holiday)	Macoupin County Clerk's Office Courthouse, 201 E. Main Carlinville	8:30 am-4:30 pm on Mondays-Fridays

Public notice is hereby given that the following locations will have early voting on the specified dates and times where any registered voter in the County will be able to vote prior to the November 8th, 2016 General Election:

Date	Location	Hours
Mon Oct. 17	The Village at Morse Farm 1050 W Main St Carlinville	2:00 pm -4:00 pm
Tue Oct. 18	Bunker Hill Municipal Building 801 S Franklin Bunker Hill	6:00 pm -8:00 pm
Thu Oct 20	Brighton Municipal Building 206 South Main St Brighton	6:00 pm -8:00 pm
Sat Oct 22	Girard City Hall 111 W Madison Girard	9:00 am-12:00 pm
Mon Oct 24	Palmyra Municipal Building 114 E State St Palmyra	1:00 pm -3:00 pm
Thu Oct. 27	Virден Township Building 232 N Masterson Virден	6:00 pm -8:00 pm
Fri Oct 28	Blackburn College 700 College Ave Carlinville	10:30 am-1:30 pm
Sat Oct 29	Gillespie Civic Center 115 N Macoupin Gillespie	9:00 am-12:00 pm
Mon Oct 31	Immanuel Education Building 111 E Main Mt Olive	6:00 pm -8:00 pm
Wed Nov 2	The Glenwood 18192 Renken Rd Staunton	6:00 pm -8:00 pm
Fri Nov 4	Cahokia Township Building 111 W Central Ave Benld	1:00 pm -3:00 pm
Sat Nov 5	Macoupin County Clerk's Office Courthouse, 201 E. Main Carlinville	9:00 am-12:00 pm



Pete Duncan, County Clerk
Dated September 16, 2016



For additional information, contact:
P.O. Box 107 Carlinville, IL 62626
(217) 854-3214 ext 707
www.macoupinvotes.com






Sample Ballot

**SPECIMEN BALLOT
MACOUPIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN MACOUPIN COUNTY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016.


PETE DUNCAN, COUNTY CLERK
MACOUPIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
"NOTICE"**

THE FAILURE TO VOTE THIS BALLOT MAY BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A NEGATIVE VOTE, BECAUSE A CONVENTION SHALL BE CALLED OR THE AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IF APPROVED BY EITHER THREE-FIFTHS OF THOSE VOTING ON THE QUESTION OR A MAJORITY OF THOSE VOTING IN THE ELECTION. (THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A DIRECTION THAT YOUR VOTE IS REQUIRED TO BE CAST EITHER IN FAVOR OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSITION HEREIN CONTAINED.)

WHETHER YOU VOTE THIS BALLOT OR NOT YOU MUST RETURN IT TO THE ELECTION JUDGE WHEN YOU LEAVE THE VOTING BOOTH".

CONSTITUTION BALLOT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

Explanation of Amendment

The proposed amendment adds a new section to the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution. The proposed amendment provides that no moneys derived from taxes, fees, excises, or license taxes, relating to registration, titles, operation, or use of vehicles or public highways, roads, streets, bridges, mass transit, intercity passenger rail, ports, or airports, or motor fuels, including bond proceeds, shall be expended for other than costs of administering laws related to vehicles and transportation, costs for construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair, and betterment of public highways, roads, streets, bridges, mass transit, intercity passenger rail, ports, airports, or other forms of transportation, and other statutory highway purposes, including the State or local share to match federal aid highway funds. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

For the proposed addition of Section 11 to Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.
YES
NO

**FEDERAL
FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
(Vote for one)**

**(HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
(TIMOTHY MICHAEL KAINE DEMOCRATIC**
**(DONALD J. TRUMP
(MICHAEL R. PENCE REPUBLICAN**
**(GARY JOHNSON
(BILL WELD LIBERTARIAN**
**(JILL STEIN
(AJAMU BARAKA GREEN**

(Write-In _____
(

**FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR
(Vote for one)**

TAMMY DUCKWORTH DEMOCRATIC
MARK STEVEN KIRK REPUBLICAN
KENTON McMILLEN LIBERTARIAN
SCOTT SUMMERS GREEN

Write-In _____

**STATE
FOR COMPTROLLER
(For an unexpired two year term)
(Vote for one)**

SUSANA MENDOZA DEMOCRATIC
LESLIE GEISSLER MUNGER REPUBLICAN
CLAIRE BALL LIBERTARIAN
TIM CURTIN GREEN

**CONGRESSIONAL
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
THIRTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
(Vote for one)**

MARK D. WICKLUND DEMOCRATIC
RODNEY DAVIS REPUBLICAN

Write-in _____

**LEGISLATIVE
FOR STATE SENATOR
FIFTIETH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
(Vote for one)**

No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
WILLIAM "SAM" McCANN REPUBLICAN

**REPRESENTATIVE
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
NINETY-FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
(Vote for one)**

MIKE MATHIS DEMOCRATIC
AVERY BOURNE REPUBLICAN

Write-In _____

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ONE HUNDRETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
(Vote for one)**

No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
CHRISTOPHER "C.D." DAVIDSMEYER REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY
FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY
(Vote for one)**

JENNIFER A. WATSON DEMOCRATIC
No Candidate REPUBLICAN

**FOR CIRCUIT CLERK
(Vote for one)**

LEE A. ROSS DEMOCRATIC
No Candidate REPUBLICAN

**FOR CORONER
(Vote for one)**

BRAD B TARGHETTA DEMOCRATIC
No Candidate REPUBLICAN

**COUNTY BOARD
FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
DISTRICT ONE
(Vote for not more than two)**

MICHAEL TRANTER DEMOCRATIC
ROBERT VOJAS DEMOCRATIC
No Candidate REPUBLICAN

**FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
DISTRICT TWO
(Vote for not more than two)**

FRANCIS WIESEMAN DEMOCRATIC
GARY G. RULL DEMOCRATIC
JOHN A. VERES REPUBLICAN



<p align="center">FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT FIVE (Vote for not more than two)</p> <p>RUTH ANN POMATTO DEMOCRATIC JIM ZIRKELBACH DEMOCRATIC No Candidate REPUBLICAN</p>
<p align="center">FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT SEVEN (Vote for not more than two)</p> <p>WILLIAM R. SHARP DEMOCRATIC BERNARD C. KIEL REPUBLICAN SHIELDA K. LEWIS INDEPENDENT</p>
<p align="center">FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT EIGHT (Vote for not more than two)</p> <p>ROBERT "TONY" WIGGINS DEMOCRATIC HARRY STARR IV REPUBLICAN</p>
<p align="center">FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT NINE (Vote for not more than two)</p> <p>JOHN ALLEN LAPP DEMOCRATIC KEVIN D SCHOTT DEMOCRATIC TODD E. ARMOUR REPUBLICAN VERYL D. REIHER REPUBLICAN</p>
<p>EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION</p>
<p align="center">FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (CALHOUN, GREENE, JERSEY AND MACOUPIN COUNTIES) (For an unexpired two year term) (Vote for one)</p> <p>MICHELLE MUELLER DEMOCRATIC No Candidate REPUBLICAN</p>
<p align="center">FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (ADAMS, BROWN, CASS, MORGAN, PIKE AND SCOTT COUNTIES) (For an unexpired two year term) (Vote for one)</p> <p>No Candidate DEMOCRATIC JILL REIS REPUBLICAN</p>

<p>JUDICIAL</p>
<p align="center">FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Patrick W. Kelley) (Vote for one)</p> <p>RICK VERTICCHIO DEMOCRATIC RYAN CADAGIN REPUBLICAN</p>
<p align="center">FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Patrick J. Londrigan) (Vote for one)</p> <p>DAVID REID DEMOCRATIC APRIL TROEMPER REPUBLICAN</p>
<p>JUDICIAL RETENTION</p>
<p>BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE</p>
<p>"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."</p>
<p>APPELLATE COURT JUDGE</p>
<p>SHALL JAMES A. KNECHT be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT?</p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p>JUDICIAL RETENTION</p>
<p>BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE</p>
<p>"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."</p>
<p>CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE</p>
<p>SHALL PETER C. CAVANAGH be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</p> <p>YES NO</p>

<p>PROPOSITION</p>
<p>CITY OF CARLINVILLE ENERGY OPT OUT PROPOSITION</p>
<p>Shall the City of Carlinville have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program? YES NO</p>
<p>BRIGHTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT</p>
<p>Shall all of the territory in, Macoupin County within the boundaries of the Southwestern Community Unit School District No. 9, be disconnected from the Brighton Memorial Library District, Brighton, Illinois? YES NO</p>
<p>CITY OF STAUNTON ENERGY OPT OUT PROPOSITION</p>
<p>"Shall the City of Staunton, MACOUPIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program?" YES NO</p>
<p>CARLINVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE LIMITING RATE</p>
<p>Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Carlinville Community Unit School District Number 1, Macoupin County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.50% above the limiting rate for any purpose of said School District for levy year 2016 and be equal to 3.675040% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2016?</p> <p>(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$3,760,606.83 and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$5,510,299.18. (2) For the 2016 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$167.00 (3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2016 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).</p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p>STAUNTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ESTABLISH AMBULANCE SPECIAL SERVICE AREA</p>
<p>Should a Special Service Area to provide ambulance service be created in the same area as the Staunton Fire Protection District so those residents pay property taxes for the service at a rate of .25%? YES NO</p>

Precinct Consolidation

Earlier this summer, the County Board looked at consolidating precincts in the County. The final vote was 9 yes to 9 nos, meaning it did not pass. That means there are no changes to precincts or polling places for this General Election.

However, that doesn't mean the reasons to consolidate precincts have changed. Think about how much has changed since 1976, when most townships were initially drawn. If precinct lines were changed, here are the benefits we'd see.

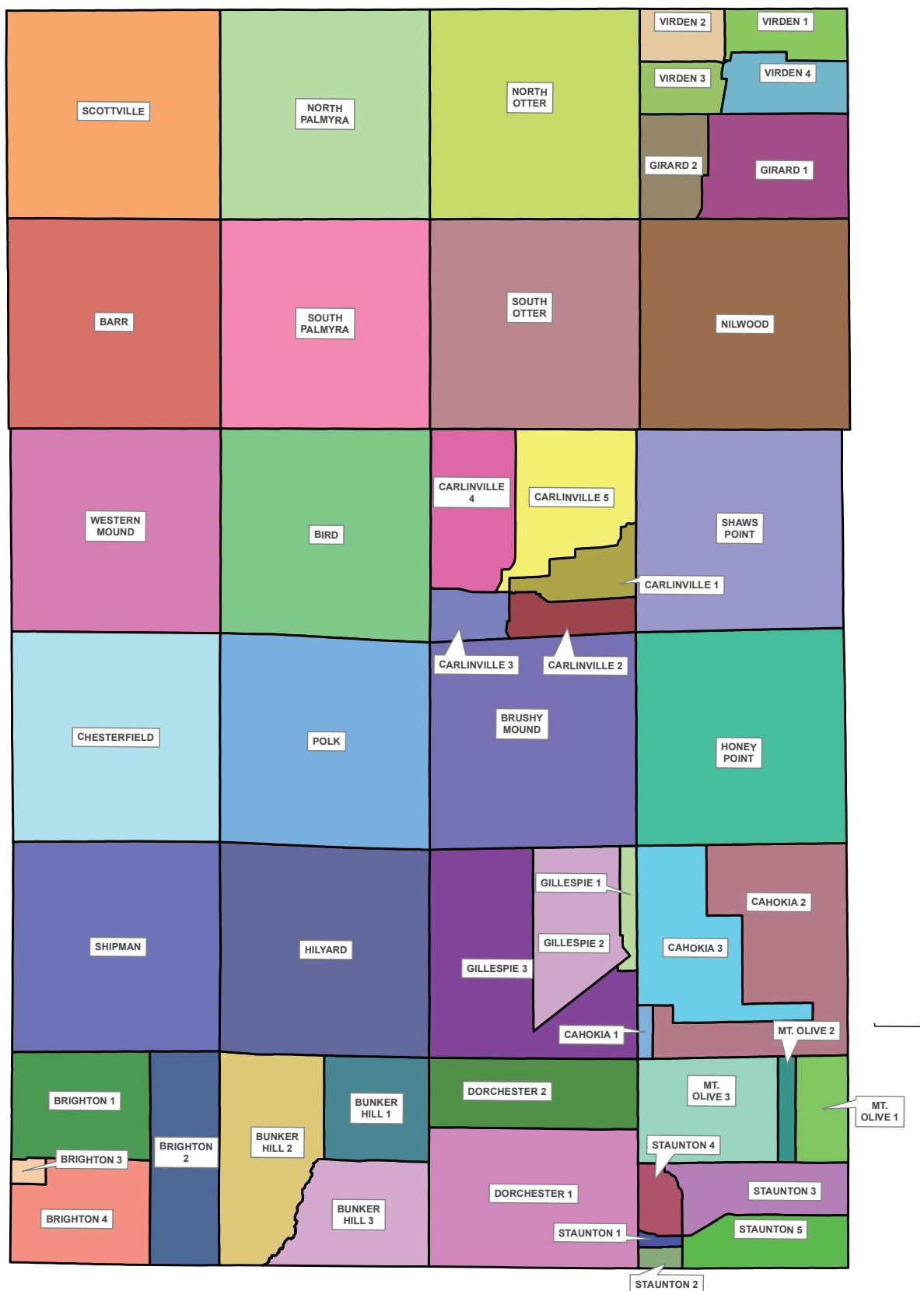
❖ **MORE COST EFFECTIVE FOR TAXPAYERS.** The costs of running an Election are large. Macoupin taxpayers spent \$50,000 to just pay the salaries of the poll workers at the precincts. If the precincts were changed, we could save \$11,000 an Election. With how much belt-tightening governments are having to do, why wouldn't we want to save taxpayer money while making things more fair?

❖ **MORE FAIR TO VOTERS.** How fair is it that there are 1,400 voters in a precinct in Brighton vs. 162 voters in a precinct in Carlinville? Imagine going to check out in a store with one line has 1 person waiting and the other has 14. You'd want to check out in the line with 1 person in front of you. That's the unfair situation voters in Macoupin face every Election, with no choice to pick another line. Changing the precincts would equal out the number of voters in each precinct. It'd be like moving people in the check out line to having 7 in each line.

❖ **MORE EFFICIENT FOR EVERYONE.** Every precinct is supposed to have 5 poll workers stationed there. If every precinct in Macoupin had 5 poll workers, we'd have 305 working on Election Day. It's been nearly a decade since Macoupin has had that many work. That slows down how quickly a voter can vote and delays results. If we consolidate precincts, we will be able to fully staff each precinct, making it easier for you to vote.

Think about this for a second, when these precinct lines were drawn, there was no early voting, you could only vote by mail if you were going to be absent from county, there were more registered voters than there are today. Why should taxpayers be spending money to have the same number of precincts when there are less voters to serve? How is it efficient that we pay for the same number of precincts even though 10% voters already vote before Election Day?

The County Board had a tied vote on making these changes, with some saying voters needed more information on the changes. If you are looking for more information, please visit www.macoupinvotes.com/precinct-redistricting. If you have questions or concerns, email elections@macoupincountyil.gov or call (217) 854-3214 ext 708.



What Can I Find Online?

Voters and others interested in results from this year’s general election in Macoupin County can view election results on election night by visiting macoupinvotes.com.

Website features include:

- ❖ The ability to select only the races the user wants to see instead of seeing all races.
- ❖ Breakdowns of which precincts have reported, how each precinct voted in a race, and whether each precinct’s early votes have been counted.
- ❖ County maps showing precincts reporting, the turnout, as well as results from each race.

In the past, voters had to come to the courthouse to get detailed election results, according to Macoupin County Clerk Pete Duncan. The new system essentially brings the courthouse into the homes of Macoupin County constituents who want to monitor

results on election night. “My staff and I are happy to provide this great tool to give every voter in Macoupin County the chance to see up to the minute results and information,” Duncan said.

The new website is made possible by a Help America Vote grant.

All interested voters are encouraged to visit the site prior to election night to become familiar with its features. While the Election Office staff can answer questions before November 8, they will not be available to provide website troubleshooting on election night.

Voters also may use the website to:

- ❖ Check their voter registration and make sure their information is up-to-date and accurate.
- ❖ See the specific sample ballot they will be voting when they vote.
- ❖ Find their polling place and its address,

along with a photo of the building and the ability to Google map it.

- ❖ Track their absentee request, just like it’s a Fed-Ex package.
- ❖ Find contact information for every elected official in the county.
- ❖ Find the electoral districts in which they live and which elected officials represent them.
- ❖ Find precinct-by-precinct election results for every Macoupin County primary and general election from 1936 through the 2016 primary election.
- ❖ Find maps of various political districts.
- ❖ Find answers to countless frequently asked questions.

Anyone with questions about the website may call the Macoupin County Election office at (217) 843-3214, extension 707, or email at elections@macoupincountyil.gov.



Don’t forget with MacoupinVotes.com, you can:

- ❖ Check Your Voter Registration
- ❖ See Your Sample Ballot
- ❖ Find Your Polling Place
- ❖ See Your Elected Officials and Their Contact Info
- ❖ Track Your Absentee Ballot
- ❖ Get Up To Minute Election Results





Election judges

★ **Make Democracy Work!** ★

★ **Become an Election Judge** ★

Election judges help guarantee the rights of voters are protected on election day. This page details the qualifications necessary to become an election judge and also some of the important duties and responsibilities.

What are judges of election?

Judges of election are responsible for the administration of election procedures in the polling place on election day. They are in the position of ensuring that the election process is administered fairly and in accordance with our laws.

What are the qualifications necessary to be an election judge?

- ❖ Be a citizen of the United States.
- ❖ Be of good repute and character.
- ❖ Be able to speak, read and write the English language.
- ❖ Be of good understanding and capable.
- ❖ Not be an elected committeeman.
- ❖ Need to be registered to vote in the county.
- ❖ Each Election Judge is required to declare their party preference so they can be assigned accordingly. (See how judges are selected in the following section.)

How are judges selected?

Election Judges are chosen by the County Clerk and by the Party Chairpersons. The party which cast the highest average number of votes at the most recent three gubernatorial elections in the precinct shall be represented by three judges, the party which casts the second highest number of votes at the most recent three gubernatorial elections in the precinct shall be represented by two judges.

How are election judges trained?

Before each election, several election judge training schools will be held. This course covers the duties and responsibilities of election judges and an examination which tests reading skills, ability to work with poll lists, ability to add and knowledge of election laws governing the operation of polling places is given every two years. Judges who have attended and completed the class will receive \$160 for their duties on election day. Judges who have not attended and completed the class will receive \$150 for their duties on election day.

What are some of the duties of the judges of election?

- ❖ Open and close the polls.
- ❖ Be responsible for election materials.
- ❖ Ensure that only qualified voters are permitted to vote and that each qualified voter is permitted to vote once and only once.
- ❖ Give instructions in the method of voting when requested by a voter.
- ❖ Give assistance to illiterate and physically disabled voters.
- ❖ Maintain order in the polling place throughout the day.
- ❖ Tally the votes after the polls are closed; and to certify the election results in that precinct.

How may I become an election judge?

Contact the County Clerk's office by phone or email and express your interest in serving as a Judge of Election. Election judges are vital to ensure efficient and honest elections to which voters are entitled in a democratic society.

Call us at (217) 854-3214, extension 707; or email us at elections@macoupincountyil.gov.



Notice of Public Test

NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of the tabulating equipment, Accu Vote OS and TSX, to be used at the General Election on November 8th, 2016 will be conducted at the Macoupin County Clerk's office on the first floor of the Courthouse at 201 E. Main St., Carlinville, IL on Thursday, October 27th at 1:00 p.m.

The public test is open to everyone.

PETE DUNCAN
MACOUPIN COUNTY CLERK



Pete Duncan, Macoupin County Clerk
Dated: September 13, 2016

How to find your elected officials online

Macoupin County residents may now use the macoupinvotes.com website to find out who their elected officials and representatives are and how to contact them:

1. Go to www.macoupinvotes.com.
2. Hit "Voter Lookup" beneath the photos of Macoupin County sites.
3. Enter the required information. You must enter the information exactly as it appears on the voter file which is exactly as you wrote it when you registered to vote. If your information does not immediately appear, try your legal name or old address.
4. Once your information appears on screen, select "My Elected Officials" under the "Voter Links" section.
5. Your Elected Officials will then appear on screen. Scroll down to see the whole list, or click one of the grey boxes to jump directly to a specific level of government. If you want to see who your school board members are, for example, click the grey "School District" box to access that information.
6. Clicking on the elected official's name in red will allow you to see their contact information.

Important Dates

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- October 12** – First day of grace period voting (See page 8)
- October 17** – Early voting at The Village at Morse Farm, Carlinville (See page 17)
- October 18** – Early voting at Bunker Hill Municipal Building (See page 17)
- October 20** – Early voting at Brighton Municipal Building (See page 17)
- October 22** – Early voting at Girard City Hall (See page 17)
- October 24** – Early voting at Palmyra Municipal Building (See page 17)
- October 27** – Public test of voting equipment (See page 23)
- October 27** – Early voting at Virden Township Building (See page 17)
- October 28** – Early voting at Blackburn College, Carlinville (See page 17)
- October 29** – Early voting at Gillespie Civic Center, Gillespie (See page 17)
- October 31** – Early voting at Immanuel Education Building, Mt. Olive (See page 17)
- November 2** – Early voting at The Glenwood, Staunton (See page 17)
- November 3** – Last day to apply for ballot by mail (see page 14)
- November 4** – Early voting at Cahokia Township Building, Benld (See page 17)
- November 5** – Special Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to noon for early voting at Macoupin County Courthouse. (See page 17)
- November 7** – Last day to early vote at the Macoupin County Courthouse (See page 17)
- November 7** – Voting conducted at certified nursing homes in Macoupin County

Election Day – Tuesday, November 8

Macoupin County Election Office

Pete Duncan, Macoupin County Clerk

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First Floor of the Macoupin County Courthouse

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