

## **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003-4733



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## Media Statement on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Preparations

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation continues to evolve, the DC Board of Elections (DCBOE) is communicating regularly with federal and local health officials to monitor developments of the outbreak. DCBOE is committed to making the safety and health of all District voters and election workers a top priority.

DCBOE will focus on the recommended means of prevention as outlined at: <a href="https://coronavirus.dc.gov/">https://coronavirus.dc.gov/</a> as well as the guidance provided by the Center for Disease Control <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/election-polling-locations.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/election-polling-locations.html</a>.

As the Primary Election approaches, DCBOE will continue coordinating with federal and local health officials and will implement any appropriate safeguards to minimize the risk for voters and election workers.

Voters who want to vote from home can request an Absentee Ballot by visiting <a href="https://www.dcboe.org/Data-Resources-Forms/Forms-and-Resources/AbsenteeBallotRequestForm.aspx">https://www.dcboe.org/Data-Resources-Forms/Forms-and-Resources/AbsenteeBallotRequestForm.aspx</a>.

DCBOE offers Early Voting for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election from Saturday, May 16, 2020 through Friday, May 29, 2020 at One Judiciary Square. All ward-based early voting locations will be available from Thursday, May 21, 2020 through Friday, May 29, 2020.

The District of Columbia Board of Elections is an independent agency of the District government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access and voter registration.

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