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Anticipating large turnout for General Election, Alachua County Supervisor of Elections recruiting more poll workers

ALACHUA COUNTY, Fla. (September 4, 2018) — The 2018 Primary Election is in the rearview mirror, the 2018 General Election is drawing near, and the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections is recruiting more people to work the Nov. 6 election.

With an above average turnout expected prompting the need for additional poll workers, the office will host two orientations on Sept. 6: one at 12 p.m. and the other at 6 p.m. Both will be held on the first floor of the Josiah T. Walls Building, which is located in Gainesville at 515 N. Main St.

Attendees will learn what being a poll worker involves, including the responsibilities for each position (clerk, assistant clerk, deputy, etc.). Additionally, they will be provided an overview of elections equipment.

The Alachua County Supervisor of Elections began using electronic poll books, known as EViDs, during the 2018 City of Gainesville Regular Election. The technology will be used in all Alachua County precincts. EViDs, which have been used at early voting locations since 2006, are more efficient than paper poll registers, allowing for faster, real-time processing of voters.

All orientation sessions will cover the same information, so it is only necessary to attend one. Prospective poll workers will not be paid for attending orientation, but they are paid for attending trainings and working Election Day.

People interested in attending should RSVP by going to https://goo.gl/forms/aleM1JDQMWX9T7bo2 or emailing Tim Williams at twilliams@alachuacounty.us.

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