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HAPPY NEW YEAR!



And before you ask, yes – this is going to be a very busy year. But many people don't realize how busy last year was. So let me give you some of the highlights of the work we did in 2023.



- We conducted **municipal elections** for the City of Tampa and the City of Plant City.
- We used National Change of Address reports and mailings to update a voter registration database that includes more than **a million** active and inactive voters.
- We fulfilled more than **270** public records requests.
- We visited more than **200** high schools, colleges, local organizations and community events to register and educate voters.
- We processed more than **100,000** voter registration applications and verified more than **212,000** initiative petitions signed by voters who hope to see those issues on the 2024 ballot.
- We sent notices about expired Vote By Mail requests and processed more than **100,000** new requests.
- We inspected **61** potential new locations and finalized our list of 2024 polling places.
- We recruited more than **2,000** poll workers for 2024.
- We opened a **fifth** full-time office (*in the SouthShore Regional Service Center*) and identified a **new** Early Vote site (*the Mango-Seffner Branch Library*) to accommodate growth in our county.



the flip side



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So that's a quick glimpse at what we've been doing.



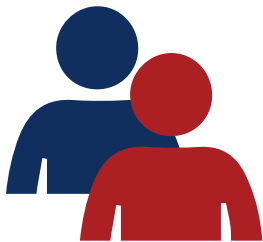
Now it's your turn!

You need to do your part to get ready for the 2024 elections:

- ★ Visit RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov to register to vote, or visit VoteHillsborough.gov/VoterLookup to make sure your voter information is correct.
- ★ If you want to vote by mail, make sure you've requested your 2024 Vote By Mail ballots.
- ★ If you prefer to vote in person, consider your choices. Hillsborough County voters can vote at any of 27 sites during our two weeks of Early Voting. Otherwise, you must vote at your assigned neighborhood polling place on Election Day.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CLOSED PRIMARIES



The Presidential Preference Primary is part of the presidential nominating process for Florida's major political parties. This year, **only the Republican Party is holding a Presidential Preference Primary in Florida.** Since our state has closed primaries, you must be a registered Republican to vote in the Presidential Preference Primary. If you aren't already registered or want to change your political party, the deadline for this election is February 20.

the last word

The Florida Supervisors of Elections will award three scholarships in the amount of \$1,200 to college juniors and seniors. The deadline to apply is March 8. Find more information on [my website](#).

