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BOARD OF ELECTIONS DEBUTS 2022 PROUD TO VOTE TOOLKIT

LARGO, MD – The Prince George's County Board of Elections is debuting its 2022 PROUD TO VOTE Toolkit ahead of the 2022 Maryland Gubernatorial Primary Election. This toolkit is designed to increase voter turnout by reaching all eligible voters and getting messaging to every generation - the Greatest, the Silent, Boomers, Generation Z, Millennials and Zoomers - so that they are aware of redistricting, polling place, and election date changes.

"We are excited about this toolkit. It is inclusive with messaging to everybody," said Alisha L. Alexander, Elections Administrator. "There are numerous changes to the 2022 election season and important dates for voters to be mindful of. The deadline to register to vote, update your address, or change party affiliation is Tuesday, June 28, 2022. The deadline to submit a Vote By Mail application is Tuesday, July 12, 2022. In addition, there are different county, legislative, congressional and school board districts this election cycle. Redistricting information is readily accessible through a GIS Story Map we developed for existing and new County voters."

"We also want voters to be aware of the fact that Maryland has a closed primary. This means that only registered Democrats and Republicans can vote in the primary election unless there is a nonpartisan race in the voter's district," adds Daneen M. Banks, Deputy Administrator.

The PROUD TO VOTE Toolkit features messaging and infographics in English and Spanish. Early Voting is Thursday, July 7 through Thursday, July 14, 2022. Voters can vote in-person at one of the 13 Early Voting Centers located throughout the County. In addition, there are 38 safe and secure drop boxes around the County available now for voters to cast their voted ballots; drop boxes have been out since Monday, June 13, 2022. Primary Election Day is Tuesday, July 19, 2022. For more information, visit <u>elections.mypgc.us</u> or call 301-341-7300. Download the **2022 PROUD TO VOTE TOOLKIT** here.

The mission of the Prince George's County Board of Elections is to promote voter education, administer an efficient voting process, maintain an accurate voter registration database, and ensure that elected officials are elected in accordance with Federal, State, and County election laws.

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