May 4, 2016     10:00 am
AGENDA
MCTEC 510 S. 3rd Avenue, Phx.

• Introductions
• Community Network Webpage
• Intro to Step UP Program
• Candidate Filing
• May 17, 2016 Update
• Early Ballot Drop-Off Sites
• Other

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-African Proverb
Community Network Webpage
http://recorder.maricopa.gov/voteroutreach/CommunityNetwork/
How to get to the page
OR on my email signature line

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Visit our Community Network Page (CLICK HERE)

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Student/ Teen Election Day Poll Worker Program
Step UP Program- What is it?

- **Student Teen Election Poll workers Understanding the Power of civic duty.**
- Allows students who are 16 or 17 years old to work at the polls
- A.R.S. §16-531, prohibits loss of funding or attendance requirements from the school for the students who wish to participate in election functions.
Qualifications

- Be a United States citizen
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Application and I-9 documentation
- Mandatory Training Class
Application

• I-9 information is required
  • If the I-9 documents are not provided, the application will not be accepted.

• Deadlines:
  • August Primary Open Now through May 16th @ 5pm
  • November General Open September 1st through September 16th @ 5pm
  • Early applications are accepted

• Where to apply:
  • Mail to: Maricopa County Elections Dept, Attn: April Snow, 222 E Javelina Ave, Mesa AZ 85210
  • Email application with all completed documents to: April Snow asnow@risc.maricopa.gov
  • Hand Deliver:
    • Maricopa County Elections Mesa - 222 E Javelina Ave, Mesa AZ 85210
    • Maricopa County Elections Downtown - 111 S 3rd Ave Ste 102, Phoenix AZ 85003
    • Maricopa County Elections MCTEC - 510 S 3rd Ave, Phoenix AZ 85003
How does the hiring process work?

- Applications are processed
  - first come first served
- Student will receive a phone call from a recruiter.
- Recruiter will assign the polling site and the training class.
- Student will receive a phone call from the Inspector with the set up meeting time
- Students who worked the election will receive verification forms for absences
  - These forms should be turned in to the attendance office by the student.
- Student will receive compensation for working.
Questions on the Step Up Program?
Who Files Where?

- Secretary of State
  - Statewide & Legislative
- County
  - Board of Supervisors, Sheriff, Special District Board of Directors
- County School Superintendent
  - Elem/High School Governing Board
- City/Town Clerk
  - Mayor, Council
Different Types of Candidates
A.R.S. Title 16, Chapter 3

- Partisan
- Nonpartisan
- Independent
- Write-in

Each are different and must file specific documents to run for office
Partisan Candidates

• A.R.S. §16-311 (A)
  • Affiliated with a **recognized party**
    • SOS determines - §16-804 – February 1st
    • State Recognition & County Recognition may vary
  • Run in a **Primary Election**
    • First Day to file: May 2, 2016
    • Last Day to file: **June 1, 2016 at 5:00 pm**

*** Some Cities have Partisan Elections***
Nonpartisan Candidates

• A.R.S §16-311 (B)
• Not affiliated with a political party
• Run in a Primary and/or General Election
  • Mayor / Council
    • Filing dates are the same as Primary
  • Elem / High School Governing Board
  • Special District Board of Directors
    • First day to file is July 11, 2016
    • Last day to file is August 10, 2016 at 5:00 pm
• Superior Court Judges up for Retention
  • First day to August 10, 2016
  • Last day to file is September 9, 2016
*** Some Counties have Judicial Elections that are Partisan***
“Independent” Candidates

• A.R.S. §16-341

• **Not** affiliated with a **recognized** political party

• Run in a **General** Election
  • Filing is the same as the PRIMARY candidates
  • Last day to file is June 1, 2016 at 5:00 pm

• Ballot Designation (up to 3 words)
  • Independent = IND
  • “New Dude Independent” = NDI
  • “Tough But Fair” = TBF
Write-In Candidates

• A.R.S. §16-312
  • Partisan, Nonpartisan, Independent, no party affiliation
  • Required to register and file
    • Statement of Organization or $500 Threshold Statement
    • Nomination Paper
    • Personal Financial Disclosure Statement
• May run in a Primary OR General Election
  • Unless the candidate was disqualified
• Nomination Petition **Signatures are NOT required**
• Candidate Name does **NOT** appear on the ballot
  • Notice of Official Write In Candidates
    • Posted at each polling place
  • Online listings
    • Link provided in Mail Ballot Instructions
Voter must write-in the candidates name AND mark the ballot

**PRESIDENT**
 Vote For One

- THOMAS A. EDISON
- ALBERT EINSTEIN
- FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE
- BOOKER T. WASHINGTON
- Write-In *John Hancock*
Write-In Candidates (continued)

• Filing deadlines:
  • A.R.S. §16-312 (B) – 40 Days Prior
    • Last day to file Primary: July 21, 2016
    • Last day to file General: September 29, 2016

• EXCEPTION:
  • For offices where an election may be cancelled
    • A.R.S. § 16-410
      • If the total number of candidates filed is equal to or less than the number of seats to be filled for that office
        • Candidates for office in Title 15 (Schools), Title 48 (Special Districts) A.R.S. § 16-822 (Precinct Committeemen)
      • 76 days prior to the election
        • Last day to file Primary: June 15, 2016
        • Last day to file General: August 24, 2016
        • Some cities/towns may have similar provisions in their Charter

• Cancelled elections do not appear on the ballot
• Candidates are deemed elected
Accepting a Filing

- Review for completeness
  - Must have ALL of the following documents:
    - Registration - $500 Threshold or Statement of Organization
    - Nomination Paper – Notarized
    - Nomination Petitions – Minimum Number of Signatures
    - Personal Financial Disclosure *(if required)* - Notarized

- Must be original signatures on the documents
  - NO photocopies

- Notarization
  - Check notary expiration date

- NO Blank Spaces
  - Ballot Name, Office Sought, Election Date, Original Signatures
    - Some filing offices verify the candidates registration
    - Name, Address, District, Party

- All filed documents are subject to Challenge
Issue a Receipt

• Confirmation of filing
  • This is NOT a certification to the ballot

• Signed by the candidate
  • File appropriately with your office procedures

• Provide a copy to candidate
Candidate Challenge Process

A.R.S. §16-351

• 10 business days after the last day to file for nomination
  • Last day to file Primary: June 15, 2016
• Any qualified elector can file a challenge against a candidate
  • Filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court
• What can be challenged?
  • Candidate’s qualifications
  • Candidate’s nomination petitions and signatures
• If the candidate does not make it through this process
  • Candidate’s name can be ordered off the ballot
    • Candidate cannot run as a Write In Candidate for the same office
Filing Officer Procedures - Challenges

• Date/Time Stamp
  • All filed documents
    • Including the back of each Nomination Petition

• Page Numbering
  • Upon receipt or Upon request for copies
    • Prior to any distribution
  • Number the top right corner of each nomination petition
    • Bates stamp preferred

• If a Challenge is filed
  • Notify Legal Counsel
  • Serve a copy of the filed complaint to the candidate
  • Provide a clean numbered copy to MCED for verification
  • Be prepared to go to court within a couple of days
Any Questions?
MAY 17, 2016 ELECTION
POLLING PLACES FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

One polling place change

- Peoria Church of the Nazarene has been replaced with the Southwest Indian Ministry Center
SPECIAL ELECTION STATISTICS

• **Statistics**
  - Total Eligible Voters *(as of cutoff)*
    - Active 2,026,517
    - Inactive 278,334
  - Number of Polling Places 116
  - Number of Poll Workers 1,483 (291 Bilingual)
  - Early Voting *(as of 5/3/16)*
    - Mailed 1,346,745
    - Returned 364,034
  - Alternative Format Ballots *(as of 5/3/16)*
    - Braille 18 requested 4 returned
    - Large Print 137 requested 36 returned
  - Uniform Overseas Citizens Absentee Voters (UOCAVA)
    - Requested 1,333
    - Returned 55
The Karen and Chris Show

- Early Ballot Drop Off Boxes
  - Avondale
  - El Mirage
  - Goodyear
  - Surprise
  - Youngtown
NEXT MEETING

• July 13, 2016 at 10:00 am at MCTEC