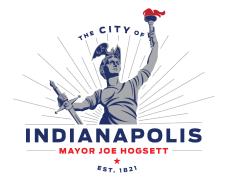
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Mayor Joe Hogsett Announces Pay Raises for Election Day Workers

Pay raise will take effect for 2024 general Election Day; registered Marion County voters still encouraged to apply for positions at new rates of up to \$240 per day

INDIANAPOLIS – Today, Mayor Joe Hogsett announced a pay increase for Election Day poll workers effective for the upcoming 2024 general election. Pay for Election Day clerks will increase from \$100 to \$180 per day, while pay for Election Day inspectors will increase from \$200 to \$240 per day.

"Free and fair elections are the very cornerstone of our democracy, and they would not be possible without the election workers who dedicate their time to working at vote centers across Marion County," said Mayor Hogsett. "I am pleased to increase the pay for these important workers and encourage residents to sign up for an Election Day position at pollworker.indy.gov."

Poll workers in Marion County must meet the following requirements:

- Be a registered voter of Marion County (exception: high school students).
- Inspectors must attend training provided by the Election Board.
- Clerks are strongly encouraged to attend training, as some procedures may change between elections.
- Work a full day, from setup to tear down, as an Inspector or Clerk on Election Day. Half-day shifts are available for Clerks only.
- Have access to transportation.

Registered Marion County voters interested in working on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, can visit <u>pollworker.indy.gov</u> to complete an application.

"Thank you, Mayor Hogsett and members of the City-County Council for showing your commitment to the best poll workers in the state! This will help in our recruitment efforts to continue finding more dedicated Angels of Democracy, as I call our poll workers," said Marion County Clerk Kate Sweeney Bell. "Election Day for poll workers consists of long hours, and hard work. This acknowledgment will be well received by our friends and neighbors who serve the voters of Marion County."

The pay increases come after the City-County Council's passage of <u>General Resolution No. 42, 2024</u>, sponsored by Councilors Delaney and Hart, which increased pay for Absentee Voter Board workers and recommended a pay increase for Election Day poll workers.

"These pay increases are a step towards valuing the dedication of our Election Day workers who contribute so much to safeguarding the integrity of our elections," said Councilor Brienne Delaney.

"It's essential that we continue to make these positions accessible and rewarding so that we can sustain a strong, engaged community of poll workers."

"As author and co-sponsor of General Ordinance 42, I am proud to support this pay increase for our Election Day poll workers who play such a vital role in ensuring our democratic process runs smoothly. By compensating them fairly, we not only recognize their hard work but also encourage more residents to step up and serve their community on Election Day. Every vote matters, and so do the people who help make those votes count," Councilor Hart stated.

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