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County Clerk encourages residents to register to vote, announces new sample ballot tool

Laramie County Clerk Debra Lee encourages all eligible citizens to exercise their right to vote by registering to vote in the upcoming presidential election.

Lee noted that Tuesday, September 27, is National Voter Registration Day, an event celebrated across the country to register voters before Election Day, November 8. Founded in 2012 in anticipation of the presidential election, National Voter Registration Day is designed to create an annual moment when the entire nation focuses on registering Americans to exercise their most basic right—the right to vote.

“Wyoming offers same day voter registration which means a voter can come to a vote center on Nov. 8 and register and vote at the same time, but Tuesday, September 27, National Voter Registration Day, is a great time to remind everyone about the need to register,” said Lee.

“We encourage all Laramie County residents who haven’t yet registered to visit us in the Atrium of the Laramie County Governmental Complex and we’ll get them registered,” said Lee. “There are three basic qualifications: You must be a U.S. citizen, be a resident of Laramie County, and be at least 18 years of age by Election Day. If you’ve been convicted of a felony, your voting rights must be restored.”

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Voters can come to the Atrium in the Laramie County Government Complex at 309 W 20th St, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., to register, pick up election information, and, if they wish, cast their ballots early. New registrants are reminded to bring a government-issued photo ID.

Lee also announced the launch of a new voter-friendly addition to the county's election website at <http://www.laramiecountyclerk.com/elections.aspx> . The tool allows voters to easily view and print a sample of their ballot.

“Voters click on the link, Find My District and Representatives, enter their address, and then download their sample ballot. Previously, a voter had to find their election district and precinct, write those numbers down, and then search the list for their ballot. Now, with a just a couple of clicks and a few keystrokes, their sample ballot is readily available,” said Lee.

The new feature was put online on Friday, in time for the start of early voting.

According to Lee, in the first two days of early voting, 276 Laramie County voters cast their ballots in the Atrium and the clerk's office mailed out more than 2600 absentee ballots. The clerk's office has also seen a dramatic increase in voter registrations in past few days.

Voter may request an absentee ballot—or check their registration status--by calling (307) 633-4242 or by emailing election@laramiecountyclerk.com .

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