

St. Clair County

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Dear Voter,

Public Act 102-0015 signed by the Governor on June 17, 2021, allows voters to complete a one-time application to become enrolled in a Permanent Vote by Mail program and receive a ballot by mail for all subsequent elections.

- ❖ Prior to this new law, voters requesting to vote by mail were required to complete an application for ballot for each election.
- ❖ Now, You may complete and sign the Application for Permanent Vote by Mail Status and have a ballot **automatically** mailed to you for all future elections to any address specified.
- ❖ A voter remains in a permanent status until the voter requests to be removed, provides notice of a change of address outside of St. Clair County, or our office receives confirmation that the voter has registered to vote in another county.
- ❖ To ensure prompt delivery of your ballot by mail and to protect your right to vote in upcoming elections, **you can download the new program application.**
- ❖ Attached to this letter is an application for voters who would like to request a ballot by mail for the November 5, 2024 General Election **only** (Option 1). If you select Option 1 this application is good for this election and does not entitle you to automatically receive a ballot for future elections. If you select Option 2, and select a Party, you will automatically receive a ballot for all future elections. If you do not select a Party but select Option 2, you will automatically receive a ballot for all elections, except for the General Primary Elections. (The General Primary Election you must claim a Party, Democratic or Republican). Once the application is filed, you can opt out anytime by contacting our office 618-825-2379.
- ❖ Ballots may be mailed 40 days prior to each election. It is important to specify on the application where your ballot should be mailed if different from your voter registration address
- ❖ Upon receipt of your completed/signed application, we will mail ballots beginning September 26,2024.
- ❖ Upcoming election dates:

General Election-November 5, 2024

Consolidated Election-April 1, 2025

This new option for enrollment for Permanent Vote by Mail Status is mandated by Illinois State Legislation. Our role is to facilitate this directive. Please contact our Voting by Mail Department at 618-825-2379 or email: elections@stclaircountyil.gov if you have additional questions.

APPLICATION FOR VOTE BY MAIL

Below you will find your application to Vote by Mail in a single election or permanently in all elections you select. Your application must be completed, signed and returned to the County Elections Office prior to receiving a ballot. Applications can be sent back via mail, email: elections@stclaircountyil.gov fax: 618-277-8783 or in person.

OPTION 1

OPTION 2

APPLICATION
VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT, THIS ELECTION ONLY
NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

APPLICATION
PERMANENT VOTE BY MAIL STATUS

 Voter's Initials

I am currently a registered voter and wish to apply for Permanent Vote by Mail Status

- I wish to vote in all subsequent elections that DO NOT require a party designation OR:
 I wish to vote in ALL subsequent elections AND I wish to receive the following ballot in elections requiring a party designation:
 Democratic
 Republican
 Non-Partisan (Only if referendum is available)

I understand that this application is made for an Official Vote by Mail ballot or ballots to be voted by me at the election specified in this application and that I must submit a separate application for an Official Vote by Mail ballot or ballots to be voted by me at any subsequent election.

 Voter's Initials

Applicant's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Residence Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Daytime / Cell Phone #: _____

Mailing address for Vote by Mail Ballot (if different from Residence Address):

 Number and Street Name

 City State Zip Code

I certify that I reside at the address specified above, in the stated precinct in St. Clair County, that I have lived at such address for 30 days or more preceding this election, and that I am lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at said election to be held therein.

I hereby make application for an official ballot to be voted by me at such election, and I agree that I shall return such ballot to the election official issuing the same prior to the closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if returned by mail, postmarked no later than election day, for counting no later than during the period for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day following election day.

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/29-10, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this application are true and correct. NOTE: The applicant MUST sign below. No one may sign on applicant's behalf.

 Voter Signature

 Date