

## ARAB AMERICAN INSTITUTE

Election Day: November 8, 2016  
Polls are open 7:00am - 7:00pm



## WHY SHOULD I VOTE?

Over the last 6 years, you've watched people all over the world put their lives at stake to elect their governments, to hold accountable those in office, and to make sure that the interests of the people guide the actions of the state. Here in the U.S., it's your right to cast a ballot.

Whether you are interested in school improvements, better roads, or lower taxes; whether your priority is immigration reform or loosening restrictions on small businesses; whether you are concerned about government accountability, environmental protection, or U.S. foreign policy- the ballot box is where you get to choose your city priorities, your state laws, and our federal policies.

## DEADLINES

Voter registration deadline: October 11, 2016

Absentee application deadline: November 2, 2016

Absentee ballot deadline: November 8, 2016 by 7pm

## HOW TO VOTE

To find out if you are eligible to vote in Florida, for information on how to register to vote, to find your polling place, to find your local Supervisor of Elections, and to access online forms please visit the Florida Department of State's website at <http://election.dos.state.fl.us> or call 1-850-245-6200.

## WHO IS RUNNING?

For information on candidates please visit [www.aaiusa.org/florida](http://www.aaiusa.org/florida).

## DO I NEED AN ID TO VOTE?

Yes. Whether you are voting early or on Election Day, you will be asked to provide a valid photo ID with signature. The following forms of ID will be accepted:

- Driver's license or state-issued ID card
- U.S. Passport
- Credit or debit card
- Military ID
- Student ID
- Retirement center ID
- Neighborhood association ID
- Public assistance ID

## EARLY VOTING

In 2013, the Florida State legislature restored some of the early voting window that was cut by Governor Rick Scott in 2011. Now, Florida residents are welcome to vote in person ahead of the election beginning **October 29, 2016** and ending **November 5, 2016**. Early voting locations and times of operation will be announced October 4th. You can find that information online at <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/for-voters/voting/early-voting> or by calling the Division of Elections of the Florida Department of State at (850) 245-6200.

## ABSENTEE VOTING

If you are not able to make it to the polls on Election Day, you can apply to cast your ballot by mail. You must apply to vote absentee by contacting your local Supervisor of Elections, or by accessing the application online at <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/for-voters/voting/absentee-voting>. Completed absentee ballots must be received no later than 7:00pm on November 8, 2016.