

**ARAB AMERICAN INSTITUTE**

Primary Election Day: June 26, 2018

General Election Day: November 6, 2018

Polls are open 7:00am - 8:00pm

**WHY SHOULD I VOTE?**

In the United States, 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're 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 for Primary: June 5, 2018

Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for Primary: June 19, 2018

Absentee ballot receipt deadline for Primary: June 5, 2018

Voter registration deadline for General: Oct. 16, 2018

Mailed absentee ballot application deadline for General: Oct. 30, 2018

Absentee ballot receipt deadline for General: Nov. 6, 2018

**HOW TO VOTE**

To find out if you are eligible to vote in Maryland, for information on how to register to vote, to find your polling place, and to access online forms please visit the Maryland State Board of Elections website at [www.elections.state.md.us](http://www.elections.state.md.us) or call (410) 269-2840.

**DO I NEED AN ID TO VOTE?**

First time voters will be asked to show a form of identification before casting their ballot. In any case it is advisable to bring a valid photo ID. Acceptable forms of identification are:

- Current & valid Maryland driver's license
- MVA ID Card
- Student, employee, or military ID card
- U.S. passport
- Any other state or federal government-issued ID card
- A copy of a current utility bill
- Current bank statement
- Current government check
- Current paycheck
- Other government document that shows your name and address

\*Current means that the document is dated within 3 months of the election.

**EARLY VOTING**

You do not need to provide a reason to vote early in Maryland. If you are not yet registered to vote, you can both register and vote early at your county's designated early voting location(s). To register, you must provide documentation proving where you live. Early voting for the Primary Election is available June 14-June 21 from 10:00am-8:00pm. Early voting for the General Election is available October 25-November 1 from 10:00am-8:00pm. You can find your early voting location here: <https://bit.ly/2FBZ4we>. For more information on early voting, visit: <https://bit.ly/1ml1KpJ>.

**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 can apply for an absentee ballot by: contacting your local board of elections office (find your office here: <https://bit.ly/2Hpd53R>); going to your local board of elections office to fill out the form in-person; or going online to complete the application (<https://bit.ly/1qxkgbT>).

If you hand deliver your ballot, you must deliver it to your local board of elections by 8 pm on election day. If you mail your ballot, the envelope must be postmarked on or before the election day, and received by your local board of elections by 10:00am on July 6, 2018 (for the primary election) or November 16, 2018 (for the general election). For more information, visit: <https://bit.ly/1oqvFFP>.

**RESOURCES** For more information on voting in your state please visit [www.aaiusa.org/maryland](http://www.aaiusa.org/maryland).