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Conclusion of the Canvass Period and Certification of the 2020 Presidential Primary Election

Woodland, CA – The Yolo County Elections Office finalized the canvass process and certified the 2020 Presidential Primary Election on Wednesday April 8, 2020. The Yolo County Elections Office began the canvas process on March 5, 2020 and has been working daily to complete the certification of the election amidst staffing shortages due to COVID-19 and ahead of the certification extension issued by Governor Newsom to April 23, 2020.

The official results for the 2020 Presidential Primary Election were posted today, Wednesday, April 8, 2020, and are available here: https://www.yoloelections.org/election-returns/returns#county-local-contests. Official certified election results will be reported to the Secretary of State by Thursday, April 9, 2020.

2020 Presidential Primary Election Statistics

117,181 Registered voters in Yolo County

64,858 Ballots Counted55.3% Total voter turnout

This marks a record for Yolo County for number of registered voters. The prior high-water mark was 113,132 registered voters as of November 2018. This election's voter turnout of 55.3% was higher than the last Presidential Primary Election in Yolo County. In the 2016 Presidential Primary Election, voter turnout in Yolo County was 53.6%.

Due to COVID-19, this primary election presented many challenges to election staff, volunteers and voters. "Even with all the challenges associated with COVID-19, we were able to still certify an accurate and transparent election two weeks prior to the Governor's extended deadline and had the highest primary election turnout since 2008," said Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters.

Now that the election results have been finalized, the Elections Office will begin processing Poll Worker payroll for the March election and plans to have payments distributed by the beginning of May.

Beginning, Thursday, April 9, 2020, the Elections Office will be closed to the public. If you have petitions to deliver, please call the Elections Office at 530-666-8133 to schedule an appointment. All other non-essential business should be handled via phone or email.

We encourage residents to connect with Yolo County ACE – Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Elections on Facebook: @YoloCoACE, Instagram: @YoloCoACE to stay informed of ACE office closures due to COVID-19.

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