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Important Elections Update

Late Friday it was brought to the attention of the Yolo County Election's Office that 110 registered voters throughout the county were mailed incorrect ballots. For over 90% of these individuals, the error occurred due to a recently changed street name that did not get updated in our voter database system prior to ballots being mailed out.

Most of the affected voters (101 voters) were within the newly renamed UC Davis housing development (Russell Park Apartments on Orchard Park Drive). The remaining nine registered voters that were impacted were located throughout the county and consisted of a total three households and one unhoused individual.

Elections staff worked over the weekend to determine the exact number of impacted voters then expedited an implementation plan to correct the issue. All impacted voters were issued new ballots and county voter information guides along with a letter describing the error on Tuesday, October 18.

"Although new redistricting boundaries have changed numerous borders across the county, our new single point addressing solution assisted us in remedying the issue promptly," said Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters.

Efforts are underway to collaborate with the Post Office to correct these addresses in their system as well. Furthermore, the Elections Office has communicated to UC Davis directly about the error and how to avoid this with other newly developed properties in the future.

Any voter contacted by the Elections Office who received an incorrect ballot should discard that ballot and then fill out and return the new one. If a voter already filled out and mailed back their originally received ballot, we will cancel that ballot once the new one is received. This will ensure that no voter is able to vote twice.



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"We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused and are acting quickly to resolve this issue," said Salinas.

Be advised that due to redistricting, it is possible your district or the contests on your ballot will be different than in prior elections. Any voter who has a question about their ballot or believes they've received something in error may contact the Yolo County Elections Office at (530) 666-8133 / elections@yolocounty.org.

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