PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY VOTERS WILL VOTE USING A NEW
OPTICAL SCAN VOTING SYSTEM IN 2016!!

On October 30, 2014, a new voting system, Election Systems & Software's (ES&S) EVS 5.2.0.0, was unanimously selected and certified by the members of the State Board of Elections. The contract to lease the equipment was approved by the Board of Public Works on December 17, 2014.

The new voting system features the following pieces of equipment:

- DS200 Precinct Scanner and Tabulator: Tabulates ballots marked either by hand or by the ballot marking device
- ExpressVote Ballot Marking Device: Produces a voter verifiable paper record and allows voters with disabilities to vote privately and independently
- ExpressPass Printer: Prints activation card to activate the ExpressVote ballot marking device
- DS850 High Speed Central County Scanner: Tabulates absentee and provisional ballots

Maryland’s new voting system produces a voter-verifiable paper record – a “paper trail” – of each voter’s selections. This was mandated in legislation passed by the General Assembly in 2007, however funding for a new system was not available until now.

In 2016, your voting options will vary between early voting and Election Day. This arrangement is the result of balancing logistics and equipment costs.

During early voting, all voters will use an ExpressVote ballot marking device similar to the touchscreen machines Marylanders have used to mark their ballots for a decade. These devices will print voters’ selections on a paper ballot card. Voters will then review their ballots and then insert them into the DS200 tabulation device. The ballots automatically drop into the secure ballot box.

On Election Day, Maryland voters will have options. Some voters, including voters with disabilities, will use ExpressVote ballot marking devices to mark and print their ballots while other voters will mark pre-printed paper ballots by hand. All voters will review their marked paper ballots and then insert them into the DS200 tabulation device. The ballots will automatically drop into the secure ballot box. On Election Day, the number of ExpressVote ballot marking devices available at each polling place will be limited.

This is the first time Prince George’s voters will vote on an optical scan system. As a result, the Prince George’s County Board of Elections will conduct a massive voter outreach campaign to demonstrate the new equipment. Public demonstrations will take place beginning Fall 2015. For more information on how to schedule a demonstration or to learn more about the new voting system you may contact the Prince George’s County Board of Elections at 301-341-7300. You may also visit our website at www.princegeorgescounty.md.gov/sites/elections for more information on outreach activities.
DS200 Precinct-Based Scanner and Tabulator with Ballot Box

DS200

The DS200 precinct-based vote scanner and tabulator:

- Accumulates and transmits votes directly from the polling place via a modem
- Processes both ballots marked by hand and the ballot activation cards generated by the ballot marking device
- Is lightweight, compact, and easy to set up and use in the polling place
- Includes extra USB ports and expandable memory to accommodate evolving EAC standards
- Uses Intelligent Mark Recognition (IMR) technology to determine ballot marks

ExpressVote Ballot Marking Device

ExpressVote

The ExpressVote ballot marking device:

- Allows voters with disabilities to vote privately and independently
- Features audio and visual formats
- Permits selection changes before ballot is printed
- Produces a voter verifiable paper record
- Supports multiple languages
- Easy to set up and use

ExpressPass Printer

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- Check-in judges use ExpressPass Printers to print the activation cards that voters use to activate ExpressVote ballot marking devices
- Voters' selections are encoded and captured on the activation cards
- After making their selections, voters feed their activation cards into the DS200 for tabulation

DS850 High-Speed Central Scanner and Tabulator

DS850

The DS850 high-speed central scanner and tabulator is:

- Uses digital imaging processing
- Continuously scans ballots to quickly tabulate election results
- Sorts various ballot sizes
- Scans and sorts 14-inch double-sided ballots at 300 ballots per minute into three output trays: counted, requires further review, and write-ins
You can vote at your convenience!!

EARLY VOTING

Early Voting April 14, 2016 to April 21, 2016
10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Voting is convenient, accessible and on your schedule.

Baden Community Center
13601 Baden-Westwood Road, Brandywine, MD 20613

Bowie Gymnasium
4100 Northview Drive, Bowie, MD 20716

College Park Community Center
5051 Pierce Avenue, College Park, MD 20740

Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center
7120 Contee Road, Laurel, MD 20707

Suitland Community Park School Center
5600 Regency Lane, Forestville, MD 20747

Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex
7007 Bock Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744

Upper Marlboro Community Center
5400 Marlboro Race Track Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Wayne K. Curry Sports and Learning Center
8001 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785

*Early Voting locations are subject to change*

Important Deadlines:

Voter Registration Deadline: Tuesday, April 5, 2016 - 9:00 p.m.

Absentee Ballot Application Deadline: Tuesday, April 19, 2016

8:00 p.m. (mail) or 11:59 p.m. (fax/email)

For more information, contact the Prince George's County

Board of Elections at (301) 341-7300