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HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS HITS RECORD FOR EARLY VOTING 50,000+ VOTERS HAVE VOTED IN-PERSON SO FAR

"This is the first Presidential Election at our new location, 4700 Smith Road in Norwood; and we are setting records for both early in-person voting and absentee mail-in ballots," said Sherry Poland, Director.

Previous totals of early in-person voting in 2016 was 27,248 and in 2012 there were 24,146. Today, at 50,000+, we have doubled those numbers.

Board staff began planning in April, after the primary election, for an increased volume of voting early in-person by: leasing additional space for 30 check-in stations that could provide for social distancing and safety while voting; providing plenty of parking spaces; and hired dozens of extra staff to open and process absentee mail-in ballots, verify returned ballots, and scan ballots to be ready to count and report results as soon as the polls close on election night, Tuesday, November 3rd. At the same time, staff prepared voting equipment, as well as recruited and trained poll workers to cover 307 polling locations.

More than 179,000 absentee ballots have been mailed to voters and over 138,000 have been returned. "We are energized, even after working 12-hour days, by the outpouring of positivity from voters and encourage everyone to make a plan on how they will vote this year," reported Sally Krisel, Deputy Director.

- Voters can still request an absentee ballot to vote by mail. Don't wait, apply today.
- Voters can vote early in-person at the Board office. Attached is a list of dates/times.
- Voters can vote at their polling place on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Polls will be open from 6:30 am until 7:30 pm. See the Board's website for voting information:

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