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Media Alert

## **19K MAIL BALLOTS DELIVERED TO POST OFFICE**

**Indian River County, FL** – Indian River County voters should expect to receive their vote-by-mail ballot in the next few days. On Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> the Indian River County Supervisor of Elections Office delivered their initial mailing of 19,006 ballots to the post office for the August 30<sup>th</sup> Primary Election.

All registered and eligible voters may request a vote-by-mail ballot. Requests can be made online, in person, by phone, fax, mail, or email. Call (772) 226-3440 or visit [www.voteindianriver.com](http://www.voteindianriver.com) and click "Request A Mail Ballot". By law, mail ballots cannot be forwarded and can only be delivered to the address on file with the Elections Office, so it is important to verify that the address on file is correct.

The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot for the Primary Election is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24, 2016. After August 24<sup>th</sup>, voters may pick up a ballot at the Elections Office. Those who wait until Election Day must vote at their assigned voting precinct.

Completed vote-by-mail ballots must be placed in the official return envelope provided, and the voter must sign the certificate on the backside of the envelope in order for the ballot to be counted. Florida law requires that the signature on the mail ballot certificate match the signature on the voter's record. Since it is common for signatures to change throughout the years, voters are encouraged to update their signature by submitting a voter registration application and checking the "signature update" box.

All completed vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the Elections Office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. To track the status of your mail ballot, visit [VoteIndianRiver.com](http://VoteIndianRiver.com) and click "Vote-By-Mail Ballot Tracking".

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