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Arapahoe County finalizes 2016 General Election results

Littleton, CO – The Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office completed the 2016 General Election, with official results certified today by the Board of Canvassers. View official results at <u>www.arapahoevotes.com</u> under '2016 General Election.'

"Nearly three out of four Arapahoe County voters made their voices heard in this historic election," said Clerk and Recorder Matt Crane. "Our Elections Division prepared for many years for this important milestone. We were honored that citizens trusted the integrity of our systems and staff to conduct a secure, transparent and accurate election."

The Board of Canvassers unanimously approved and certified the results in the Official Abstract of Votes. The Board includes County Clerk and Recorder Matt Crane as the Designated Elected Official, Arapahoe County Republican Party Chair Joy Hoffman and Arapahoe County Democratic Party Chair Patricia Shaver.

Election turnout in Arapahoe County was 311,745 ballots, comprising 73.86 percent turnout of the County's 422,053 registered voters as of Nov. 8. Voter turnout statewide was 75.76 percent as of Nov. 22.

The majority of voters chose to vote by mail, with 91.4 percent casting a mail ballot (285,071) and 8.5 percent (26,596) voting in-person at one of 25 Voter Service and Polling Centers. The vote count includes 78 provisional ballots. Eighty percent of mail ballots were returned to one of 41 ballot drop-off locations, while 20 percent were sent back via the U.S. Postal Service.

The vote count also includes 2,570 ballots cast by military personnel and their families stationed outside of Colorado and civilians living abroad under the Uniformed Military and Overseas Citizens Voting Act. These voters turned out at a slightly higher rate at 80.6 percent.

Arapahoe County partnered with law enforcement agencies to prepare for the election and ensure the safety of voters and personnel. No emergencies or threats were reported.

"We are fortunate to live and work in a community where issues are decided and leaders elected in a peaceful democratic process," said Crane.

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Download photos of the Arapahoe County 2016 General Election: http://ftp.arapahoegov.com/Pub/Communication%20Services/Photos/Election/