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Arapahoe County hiring 300 temporary workers to assist with General Election

LITTLETON, CO – Arapahoe County is looking to hire 300 paid temporary election workers for the 2016 General Election. Wages start at \$12 per hour and paid training is required. Interested candidates can apply now at <u>www.arapahoevotes.com/Apply</u>.

"Election workers will experience first-hand the excitement of the Presidential Election by assisting voters at one of 25 Voter Service and Polling Centers or by processing ballots at our Elections Facility," says Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder Matt Crane. "We have a variety of positions to fill and are looking for individuals who like working with people and are proficient with computers or iPads."

Bobbie Ainsworth, 65, has served as an election judge since 2014 and anticipates applying to serve as a Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC) Judge for the Nov. 8 General Election.

"One of my favorite parts of being an election judge is seeing 18 year-olds and new U.S. citizens voting for the first time," said Ainsworth. "I really enjoy seeing voters– from the youngest to the oldest– taking part in the election process. It's something that keeps bringing me back year after year."

As a VSPC Judge, Ainsworth has worked to verify voter eligibility, register new voters, update voter registration, prepare individuals to cast ballots on paper and electronic touch-screen tablets, and answer questions.

"I've learned a lot about the election process and really enjoy ensuring people can vote," Ainsworth said.

Elizabeth Pearson, 22, served as an election judge for the 2016 Primary Election and is now working as a Voter Registration Specialist for the Arapahoe County Elections Division.

"I recently graduated from college and earned a degree in International Relations. I want to work in the public sector and thought this would be a good opportunity to learn about government. The whole experience has been fantastic, and the people I worked with made the experience really enjoyable," Pearson said.

Applicants should be available to attend training in October, as well as work weekdays and Saturdays, Oct. 17 – Nov. 9, although dates vary by position. Candidates who are computer proficient and/or fluent in Spanish are desired.

All applicants must apply online, and an email address is required to apply. To review job descriptions and apply, visit <u>www.ArapahoeVotes.com/Apply</u>.

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Download photos of Arapahoe County temporary election workers: http://ftp.arapahoegov.com/Pub/Communication%20Services/Photos/Election/