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## **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS' OFFICE RELEASES POST-ELECTION REPORT FOR THE JUNE 7, 2016 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CALIF.** – The Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters' Office released today its analysis of the June 7, 2016 Presidential Primary Election. The Post-Election Report contains a comprehensive review of the election, as well as numerous FAQs about election administration and planning.

The full report, along with post-election reports for the two most recent elections, is available for download on the Statistics page of Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters' website at <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/rov/Resources/Pages/Statistics.aspx>.

"The Post-Election Report is intended to provide a glimpse into how this major election compares with prior presidential-year primary elections in the areas of voter participation and turnout, election preparation and vote tallying," said Registrar of Voters Shannon Bushey. "The presidential primary election also provides a unique look at voter behavior patterns by political party."

The Post-Election Report compiles data from the June 7, 2016 Presidential Primary Election and past similar elections into easy-to-read infographics. Readers can learn about issues such as how the timing of the receipt of vote-by-mail ballots affects the speed of vote-tallying results, and how challenged ballots are corrected to ensure that every vote counts.

Additionally, the report includes an Executive Summary section, also available as a separate download, that provides the most prominent statistics of the report, as well as discussions of the challenges that the Registrar of Voters' Office faced and overcame behind the scenes while conducting this election.

"It is my hope that this report ensures transparency in the voting process and provides voters with a deeper understanding of how their votes are tallied and how national discussions of voting demographics have played out in Santa Clara County," Bushey said.

The report also shows how the Registrar of Voters' Office has implemented new laws and programs. Pursuant to a new state law, the Registrar of Voters' Office was able to tally about 15%



of polling place ballots early through a new midday pickup program where couriers retrieved voted ballots before the polls closed. The Post-Election Report provides a map showing which precincts participated in this new program, as well as statistics on how many ballots were picked up and processed.

The Registrar of Voters' Office anticipates continuing to release post-election reports in the future, although the reports may vary depending on the type and complexity of each election. "As a government agency, we are always striving to help voters understand the intricacies of the elections process and provide transparency in government use of taxpayer dollars," Bushey said.

For more information, contact the Registrar of Voters' Office at 1-408-299-VOTE (8683) or toll-free at 1-866-430-VOTE (8683) or visit [www.sccvote.org](http://www.sccvote.org).

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