

# NOTICE

## DISCONTINUING PERMANENT ABSENT VOTER LISTS

Dear Voter:

Pine Grove Township is discontinuing the **Permanent Absent Voter APPLICATION List (per State Law)**. Beginning with the next election (August 2026) you will no longer be receiving an AV Ballot Application automatically before every election.

Instead, state law gives you the option to join the **Permanent Mail BALLOT List** and receive an AV ballot for every future election that you are eligible to vote in. If you join this list, you won't need to apply for a ballot for each election – the ballot will be sent to you automatically. To join the Permanent Mail Ballot List, mark the box on an AV Ballot Application **"I want to vote absentee in all future elections. Automatically send me an Absent Voter Ballot for every election."**

If you don't want to join the Permanent Ballot List and still want to vote an AV ballot in a specific election, you can submit an AV ballot application in any of the following ways:

- Request your clerk mail you an AV Ballot Application or download an AV Ballot Application from [Michigan.gov/Elections](https://Michigan.gov/Elections), and return it by mail, email, or in person to your local clerk.
- Submit an online AV Ballot Application at [Michigan.gov/Vote](https://Michigan.gov/Vote)

Also, please update me whenever your mailing address changes so you don't get removed from the permanent ballot list. If I mail you a ballot and it gets returned to me as **UNDELIVERABLE**, I will automatically remove you from the permanent ballot list (per State Law) and you will need to re-join. **BALLOTS/VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS WILL NOT BE FORWARDED BY THE POSTAL SYSTEM. If you have a PO Box #, please make sure I have that number.**

For voters who spend significant time away from their registration address (snowbirds, college students, etc.), your AV ballot will be mailed to your voter registration address or primary mailing address listed in our system unless you **notify us of a new mailing address prior to EACH election**. Your ballot will **not** be forwarded by the US Postal System, so update your mailing address before/after you travel.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Meert, Clerk

Pine Grove Township

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