



Carroll County Board of Elections



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AGENDA*

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1135 Business Parkway South, Suite 60, Westminster

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

10:00 am

- I. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
- II. Welcome
- III. Additions to the Agenda
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. August 20, 2025 – Open Meeting
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Attorney Report
- VII. Election Directors' Report
- VIII. Unfinished Business
 - a. Ethics
- IX. New Business
 - a. Approval of Election Plan – 2026 Gubernatorial Elections
- X. Disclosure of Campaign Contributions
- XI. Adjournment

**This Agenda is subject to change*

Closed Meeting: A portion of the meeting may be closed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Title 10, Subtitle 5, section §3-305(b).

Public Participation: Members of the public may address the Board. Pursuant to §3.2B of the Board's bylaws, public participation at a meeting must be pre-scheduled and pre-approved by the President. To request approval to speak at a board meeting, contact Erin Perrone at 410-386-2081 or by email erine.perrone@maryland.gov no later than 5 pm the day before the meeting.



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Election Directors' Report Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Public Information Requests

- Braden Stinar, Disability Rights Maryland – Nursing Home Information - Received on 9/4/2025, Response sent on 9/30/2025
- Frank Cannella, Elections Investigator with Bergen County, NJ – specific voter information – Received on 10/06/2025, Response sent on 10/07/2025

Important Meetings and Events

- September 22nd – We moved!
- October 9th – Collaboration Meeting with SBE/LBEs
- October 13th – State Holiday – Office Closed for Columbus Day
- October 21st – MAEO Meeting
- November 4th – Election Day, but not a statewide election in Maryland
- November 11th – State Holiday – Office Closed for Veterans Day
- November 19th – Board Meeting

Candidate Filing – 2026 Gubernatorial Election

- Encourage candidates to make an appointment via our website
- Deadline to file is Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 9 pm
- Candidates who have filed can be found on SBE's website at https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2026/Primary_candidates/index.html

Voter Registration

- Voter Registration Training for League of Women Voters – Monday, 9/8
- Voter Registration Training for Students at McDaniel College – Friday, 10/3
- Voter Registration Training for League of Women Voters – Tuesday, 10/7
- Monthly statistical reports are available on our website. The link to the reports is <https://elections.carrollcountymd.gov/monthlyStats.aspx>.
- Day to day electronic batches and processing mail

As of 9/30/2025	DEM	REP	UNA & OTHER	TOTAL
Active Voters	33,121	64,615	33,978	131,714
Inactive Voters	1,361	2,677	1,710	5,748
TOTAL	34,482	67,292	35,688	137,462

Election Judges

- Begin planning a schedule for training classes
- Begin assigning election judges for early voting & election day

IT/Warehouse

- Unpacking & organizing
- Visited the North Carroll Community School
- Visited the Charles Carrol Community Center
- Begin planning equipment allocation

Voter Outreach Events

- Aging Your Way Expo – Wednesday, 9/10
- Carroll Community College – Monday through Wednesday on 9/15, 9/16, 9/17

Personnel

- Election Director Evaluation by State Administrator, Jared DeMarinis
- Holiday Party – after the meeting on Wednesday, December 17 – out to lunch

County Government

- Preparation for the FY27 Budget

2025 Board Meetings

- November 19, 2025
- December 17, 2025

2026 Board Meetings

- January 21, 2026
- February 18, 2026
- March 18, 2026
- April 15, 2026
- May 20, 2026

2026 Gubernatorial Elections – Important Dates

- Pre-Election Day MIB Canvass – Monday, June 1, 2026
- Primary Advanced Deadline to Register – Tuesday, June 2, 2026
- Primary Early Voting – Thursday, June 11 through Thursday, June 18, 2026
- Primary Election – Tuesday, June 23, 2026
- MIB Canvass 1 – Thursday, June 25, 2026
- Provisional Canvass – Wednesday, July 1, 2026
- MIB Canvass 2 & Certification – Monday, July 6, 2026
- Pre-Election Day MIB Canvass – Tuesday, October 13, 2026
- General Advanced Deadline to Register – Tuesday, October 13, 2026
- General Early Voting – Thursday, October 22 through Thursday, October 29, 2026
- General Election – Tuesday, November 3, 2026
- MIB Canvass 1 – Thursday, November 5, 2026
- Provisional Canvass – Wednesday, November 12, 2026
- MIB Canvass 2 & Certification – Friday, November 13, 2026

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Election Plan 2026 Gubernatorial Elections

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Election Plan

- Election Law
- Polling Places
- Early Voting Centers
- Ballot Drop Boxes

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Election Law §2-303.1

Requires each local board to submit an election plan:

1. Polling Place Plan
2. Early Voting Center Plan
3. Ballot Drop Box Plan

Requires each local board to:

1. Post the election plan on website
2. Provide written notice to those who asked to be notified
3. Provide written notice to elected officials who represent all or a portion of the county

All these items are required to be done 14 days prior to the meeting. Website post and written notice were provided on Monday, September 29th.

Requires approval by the State Board of Elections

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Polling Places

No changes from the 2024 elections

FUN FACTS:

- 51 precincts (including 2 “ghost” precincts)
- 49 precincts where voters are registered
- 25 polling places
- 147 ballot styles in the primary election
(if at least 7 candidates file for Board of Education)
- 49 ballot styles in the general election

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Questions about Polling Places?

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Early Voting Centers

Required to have 3 early voting centers based on our voter registration (EL §10-301.1)

In the 2024 elections:

- EV01 – Westminster Senior Center
- EV02 – South Carroll Senior Center
- EV03 – Coppermine Pantherplex

No longer able to use Coppermine Pantherplex

For the 2026 elections:

- EV01 – Westminster Senior Center
- EV02 – South Carroll Senior Center
- EV03 – Charles Carroll Community Center

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Early Voting Centers ... continued

EV03 – Charles Carroll Community Center

- County owned building
- Existing cameras in place
- Polling place on election day
- ADA accessible
- Plenty of parking
- Allows electioneering

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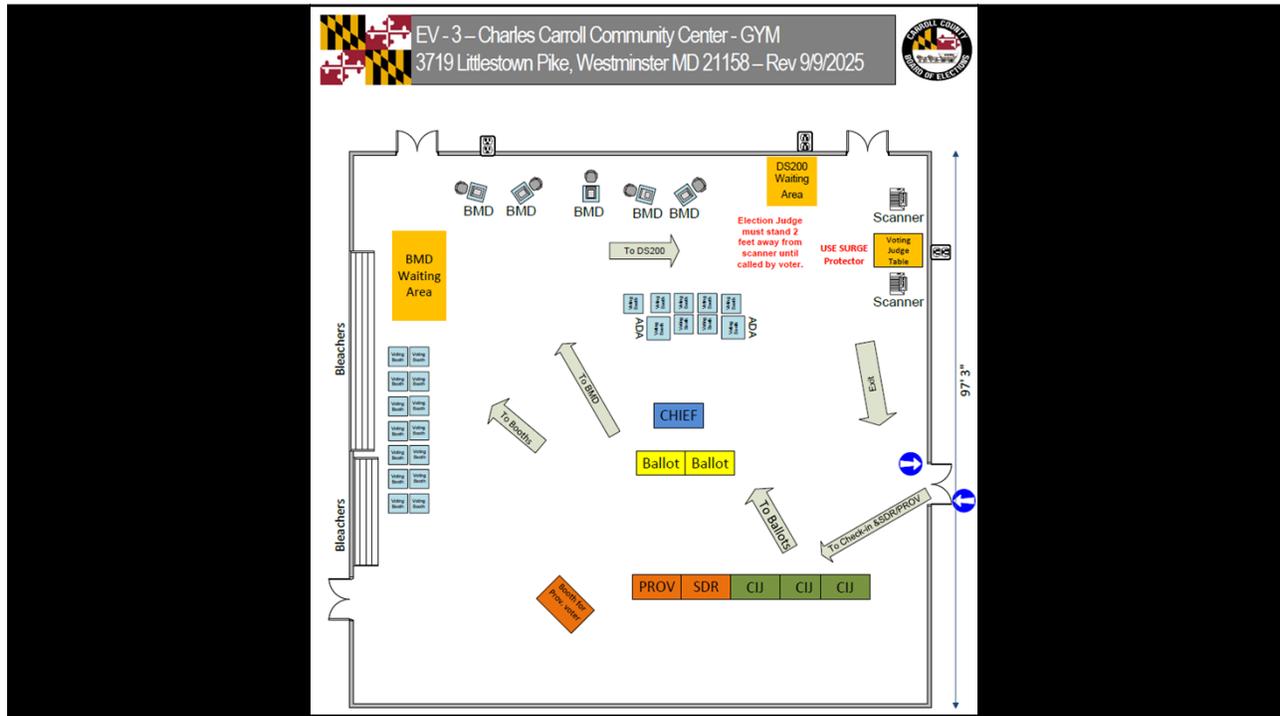
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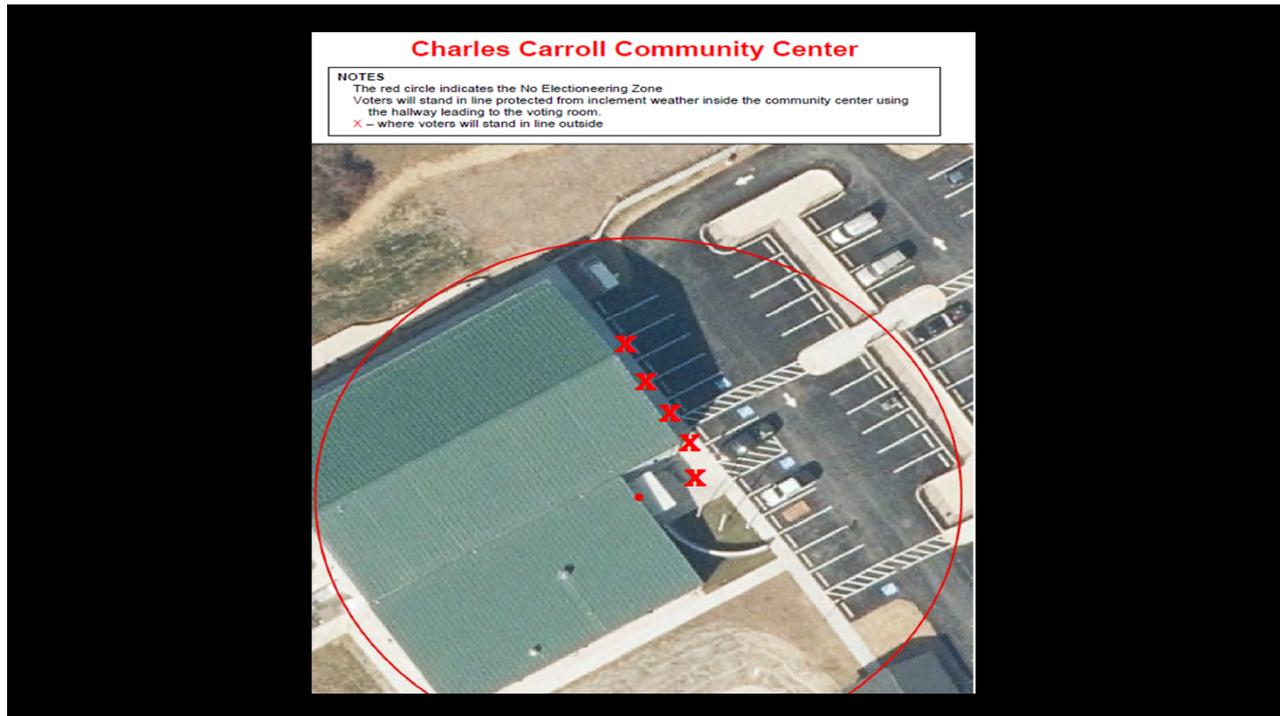
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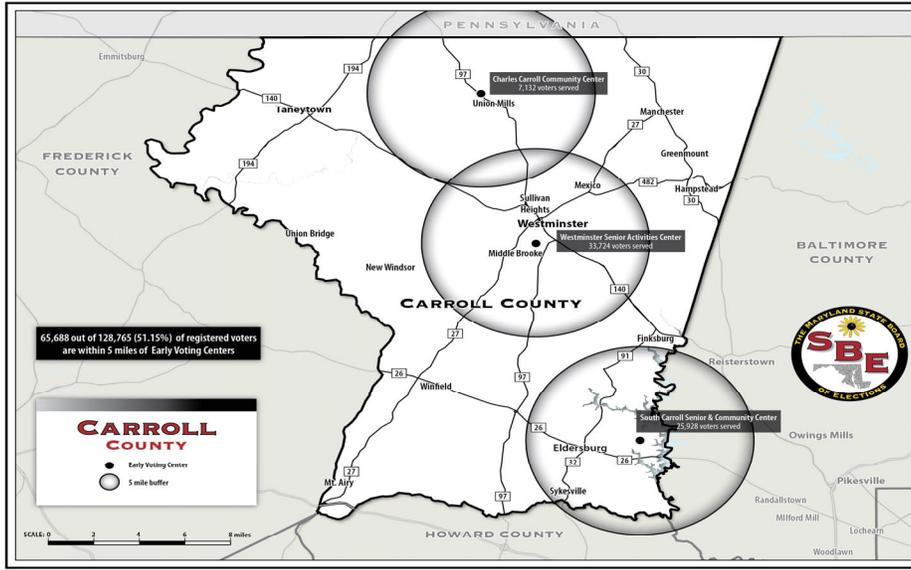
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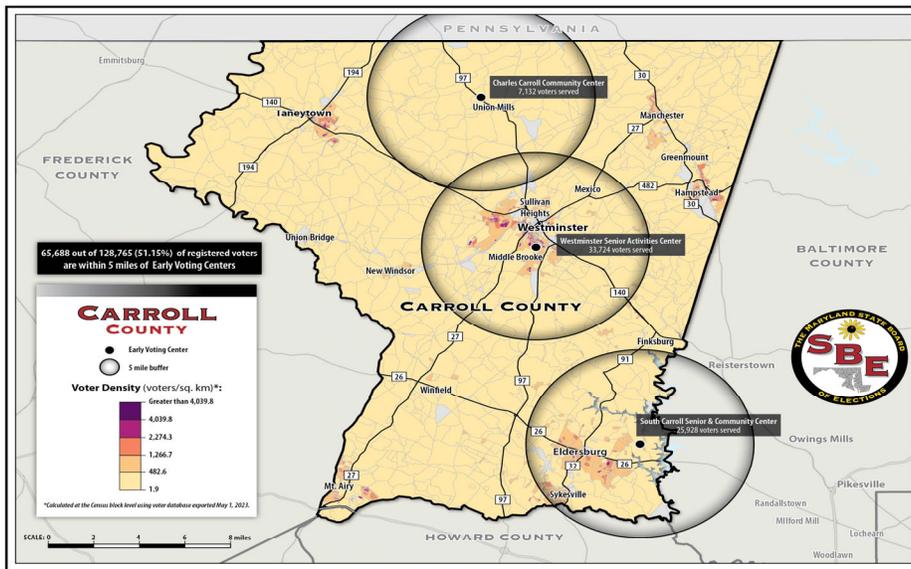


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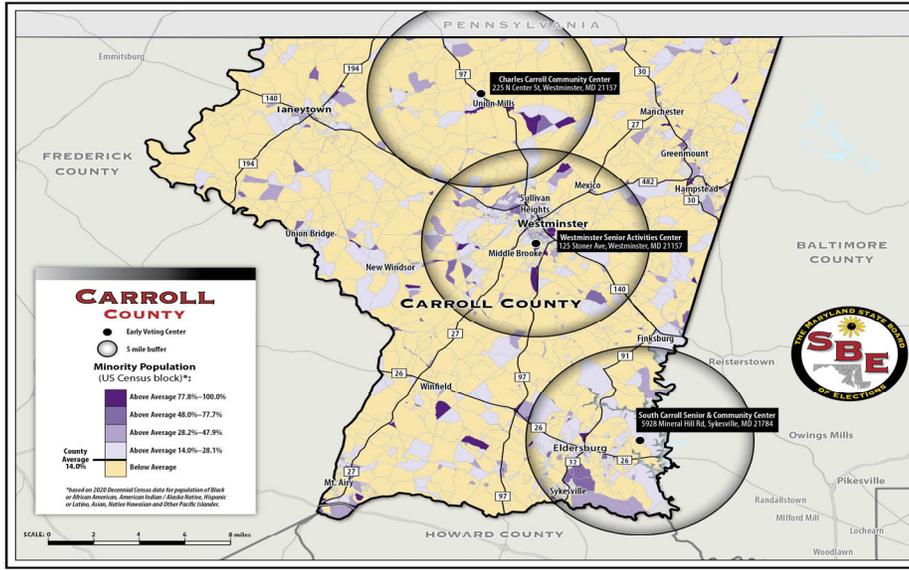
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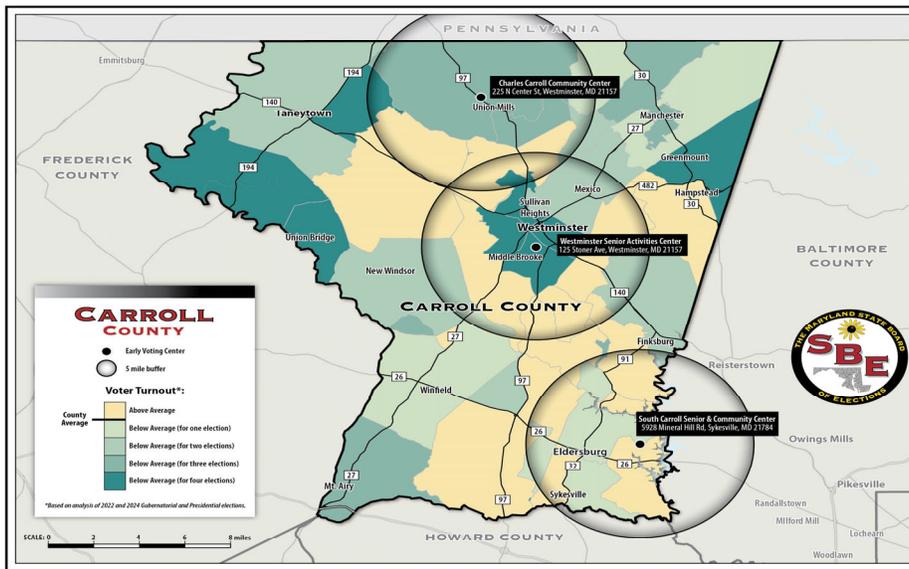
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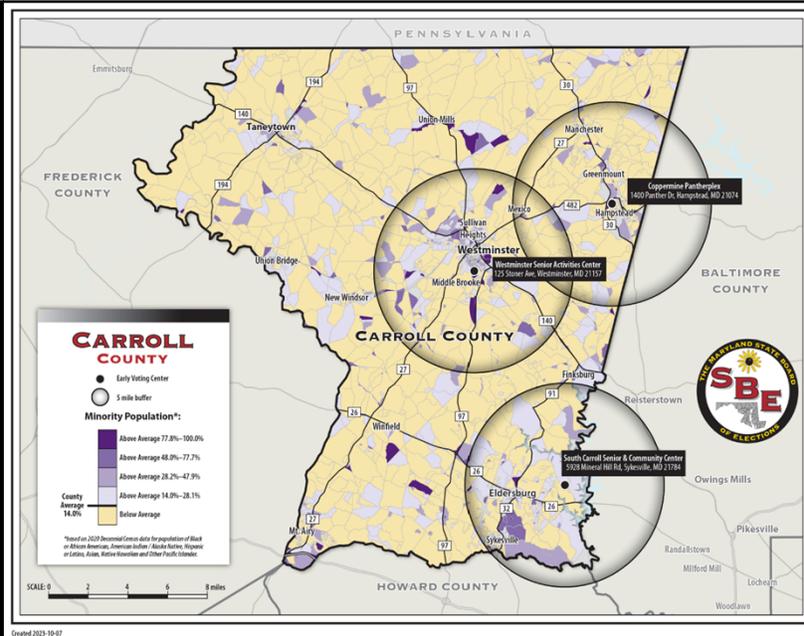
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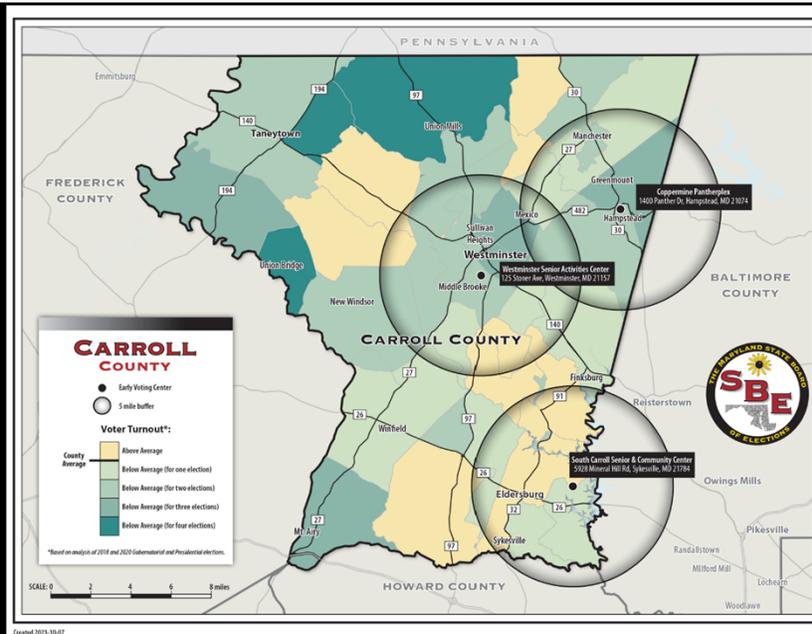
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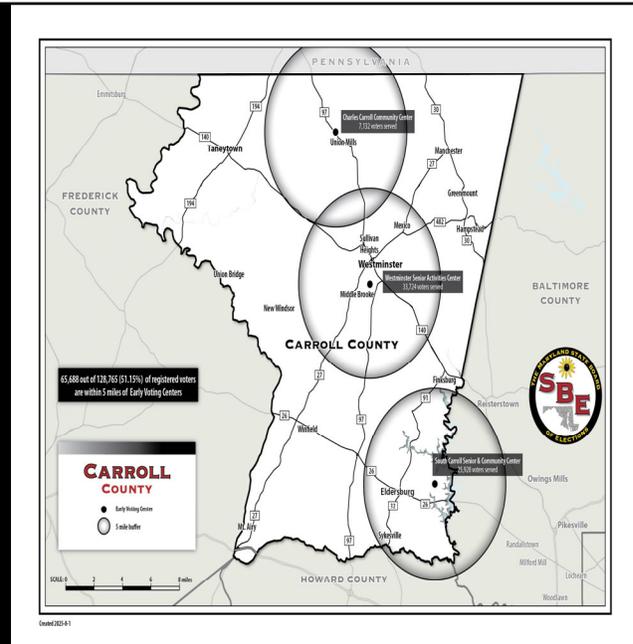
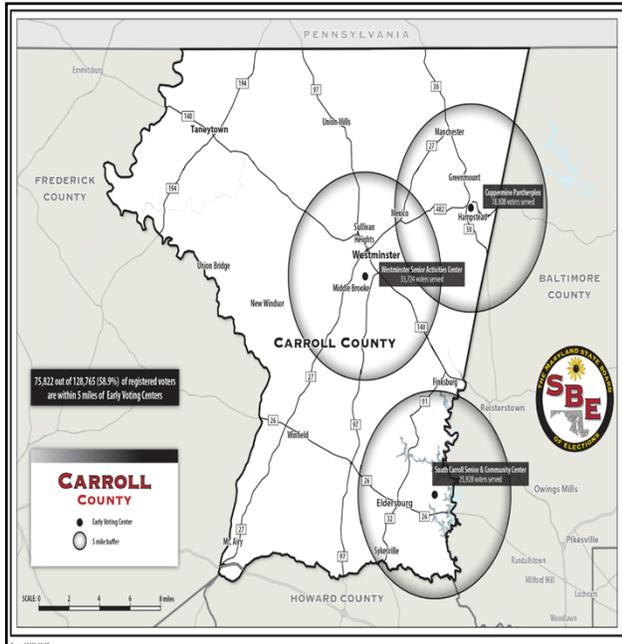
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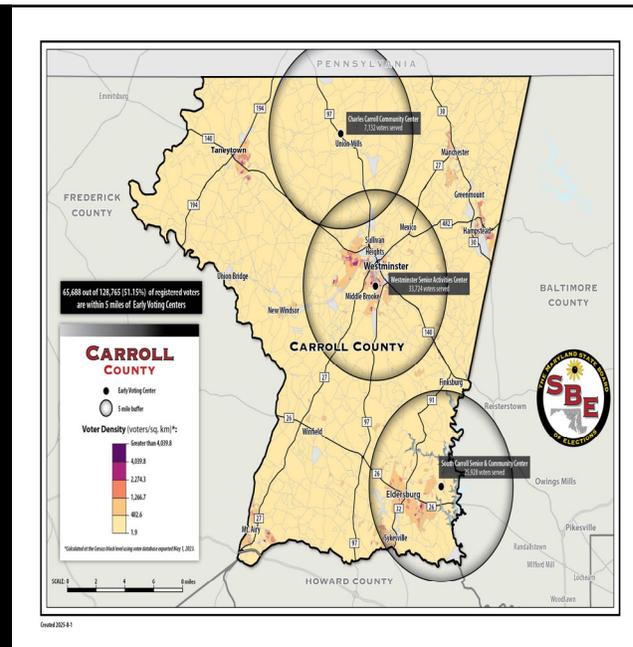
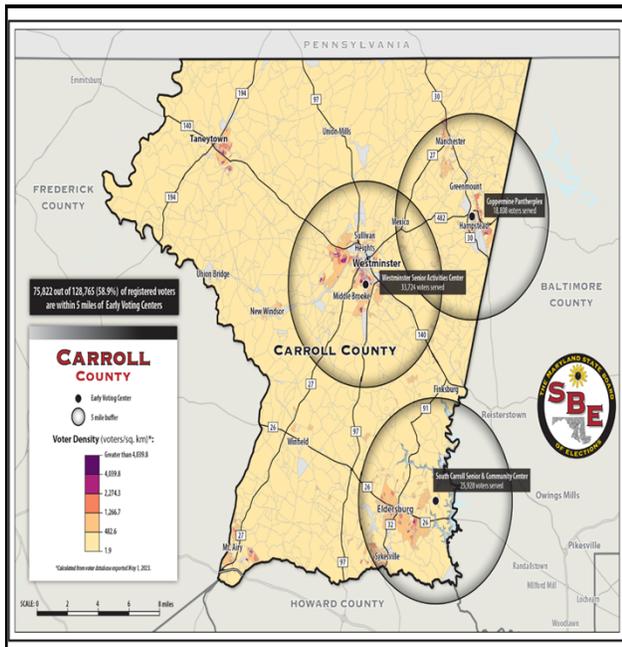
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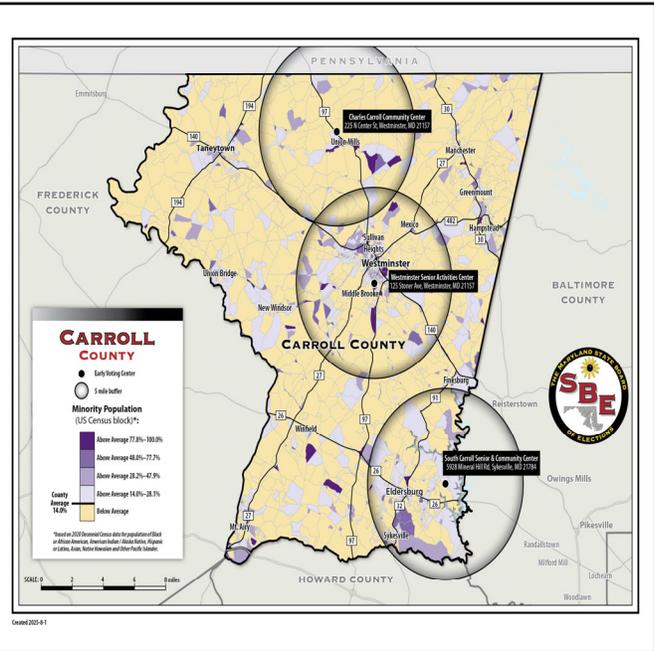
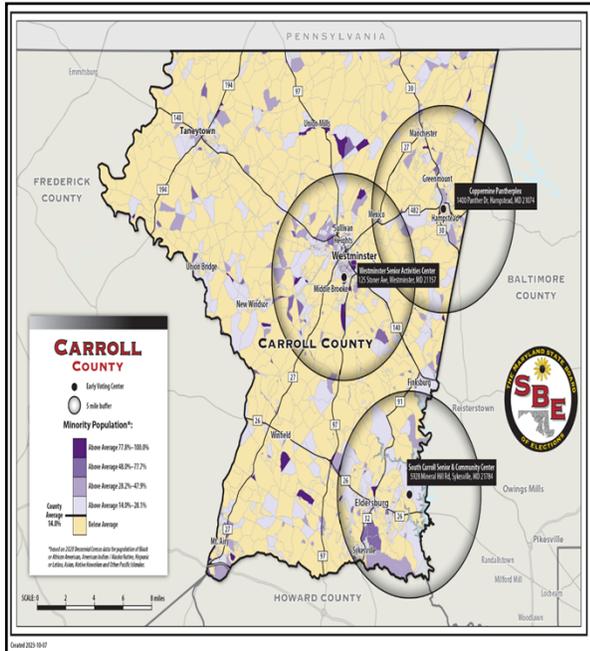
Comparison - Proposed Early Voting Centers Map_2024 & 2026

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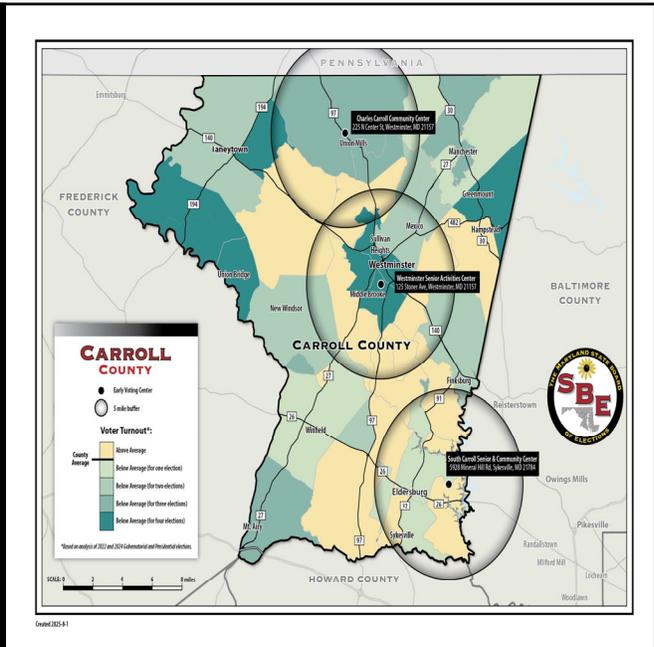
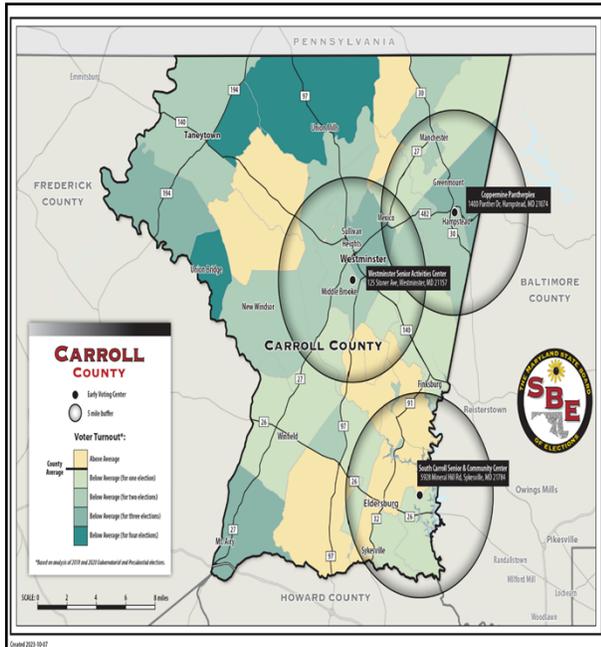
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Comparison - Minority Population Map_2024 & 2026

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Comparison - Voter Turnout Map_2024 & 2026

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Questions about Early Voting Centers?

Board Vote?

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Ballot Drop Boxes

Required to have 6 ballot drop boxes.

In the 2024 elections:

- BDB01 – Board of Elections Office
- BDB02 – Westminster Senior Center
- BDB03 – South Carroll Senior Center
- BDB04 – Mt Airy Senior Center
- BDB05 – Taneytown Senior Center
- BDB06 – Coppermine Pantherplex

For the 2026 elections:

- BDB01 – Board of Elections Office (different location)
- BDB02 – Westminster Senior Center
- BDB03 – South Carroll Senior Center
- BDB04 – Mt Airy Senior Center
- BDB05 – Taneytown Senior Center
- ²⁶ • BDB06 – Charles Carroll Community Center (different early voting center)

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Board of Elections Office

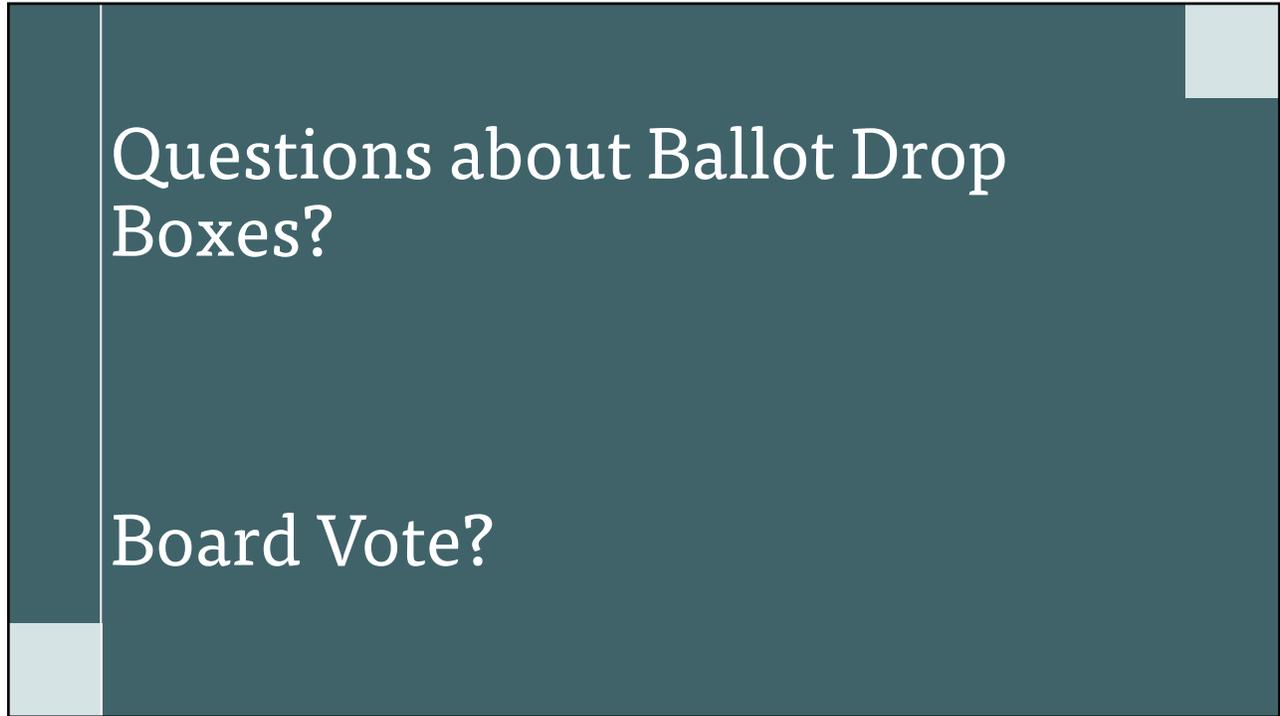


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Charles Carroll Community Center



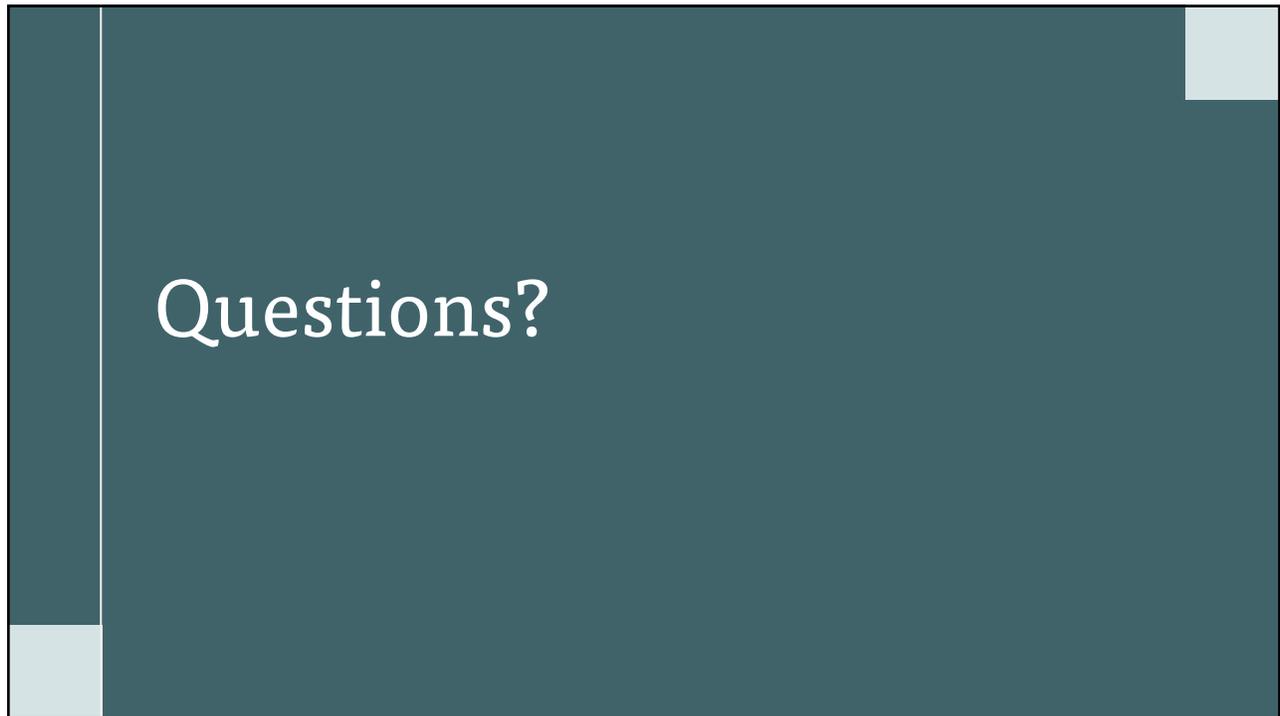
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Questions about Ballot Drop
Boxes?

Board Vote?

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Questions?

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Jared DeMarinis State Administrator
Michael Summers, Chairman
Jim Shalleck, Vice Chairman
Katherine Berry Deputy Administrator
Yaakov "Jake" Weissmann
Diane Butler
Victoria Jackson-Stanley

Statement from Jared DeMarinis, Maryland State Board of Elections Administrator, regarding media inquiries into the voter registration of Ian Andre Roberts

ANNAPOLIS, MD (September 30, 2025) – When an individual registers to vote, election officials rely on the information that is provided by the voter, or in some cases information provided by the voter to other state agencies, for the verification of eligibility. They attest to meeting all of the requirements to be a registered voter under the penalty of perjury. In Maryland, those requirements are (1) Be a U.S. Citizen, (2) Be a Maryland resident, (3) Be at least 16 years old, (4) Not be under guardianship for mental disability or if you are, you have not been found by a court to be unable to communicate a desire to vote; (5) Not have been convicted of buying or selling votes; and (6) Not be currently serving a sentence of imprisonment for a felony conviction. The law prohibits an individual from securing voter registration through unlawful means; meaning that the individual may not commit perjury in order to become a registered voter.

Individuals who register via an automatic voter registration agency, for example the Motor Vehicle Agency, are safeguarded against unintentional voter registration. If an individual who does not meet the requirements of voter registration was UNINTENTIONALLY registered to vote, that individual did not violate the law against unlawful voter registration. This policy ensures the maximum number of eligible individuals can register rather than disenfranchising eligible individuals with unnecessary burdens to exercise their constitutional right to vote.

It is against the law to knowingly and willfully cause by unlawful means the name of a qualified voter to be stricken from the statewide voter registration list. Improper cancellation leads to disenfranchisement of an eligible voter. That is why it is a detailed process. It must be certain. Maryland’s process errs on the side of removing any doubt in the cancellation before potentially disenfranchising a voter. Without necessary verification steps, per Maryland state law, election officials are not permitted to cancel a voter registration record. Generally, a record cannot be cancelled by any means other than a voter requesting in writing that their record be cancelled, or from information sent by a legally prescribed and verified source.

This includes when a voter moves to another state and when a voter is not eligible due to being a noncitizen. However, each of these removals is limited in the information or source that can be used to cancel the voter. With regard to out-of-state address changes, the voter can be cancelled if that information is received from the voter, Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) reports or another state elections official. The match for the individual has been verified and confirmed, based on several pieces of personally identifiable information. A name match doesn’t automatically mean it is the same individual.

Canceling voters for noncitizenship occurs if the State Board of Elections (SBE) or a local board receive information regarding citizenship status by the voter, “self-report” or a report to the jury commissioners.

FAX (410) 974- 2019	Toll Free Phone Number (800) 222-8683	151 West Street Suite 200
MD Relay Service (800) 735-2258	https://elections.maryland.gov	Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Once established as a noncitizen, SBE has a process whereby it works with the Office of the State Prosecutor to refer any such situations for further investigation for any enforcement actions. While no voter should be on the Maryland voter rolls if they are not a citizen of the United States, being on the voter rolls does not equate to having voted in an election. This is an important distinction as investigations of potential illegalities proceed.

It has recently been brought to the attention of SBE that a search for a voter, Ian Andre Roberts, using the public facing Voter Lookup Tool, revealed a voting record for a registered Maryland voter. The Voter Lookup Tool is not an investigative tool but a public application to assist voters to get basic information on their registration and elections. It is designed to help voters vote.

SBE does not and cannot confirm that the identity of a voter matches that of another voter record in another state, based merely on the public facing information available. Similarly, other states, as in Maryland, public information voter lookups are limited in order to protect personal identifying information (PII) from disclosure. Therefore, SBE cannot and will not publicly announce whether media reports about the individual in question is or is not or was or was not a registered voter in Maryland.

Voting history is publicly available information in the State of Maryland. That information can be requested from a Public Information Act request. A review of this public information did not show any voting history for any individual with the name Ian Andre Roberts in Maryland.

This office is transparent about its voter registration list maintenance process. It is a secure and verified method. Maryland procedures for voter registration list maintenance are set forth in the Election Law Article and COMAR. Maryland's list maintenance processes are generally explained on the State Board of Elections Website:

https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/list_maintenance.html.

This office will not disenfranchise a voter based upon partial or unsubstantiated evidence. The right to vote is a sacred right that has been expanded through sacrifices of many before us. The State Board works diligently to ensure that every eligible Marylander can register to vote in accordance with federal and State laws. And works collaboratively with the local boards to maintain up to date voter rolls. This office has initiated several initiatives to assist in making the voter registration list accurate in accordance with State and federal laws, for example, the creation of the audit division at SBE to ensure voter registration list maintenance is occurring and in compliance at the local boards.

In the end, it is important to remember as our guiding principle that as the Maryland Declaration of Rights states "the right of the People to participate in the Legislature is the best security of liberty and the foundation of all free Government; . . . and every citizen having the qualifications prescribed by the Constitution, ought to have the right of suffrage."

Maryland voter registration and elections are **Verified, Open, Trusted and Empowering.**

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