

POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT

KENTUCKY SECRETARY OF STATE MICHAEL ADAMS

KENTUCKY POLL Worker Need

THERE ARE 3,796 PRECINCTS IN KENTUCKY

EACH LOCATION NEEDS 4 POLL WORKERS, WITH MORE THAN ONE PARTY REPRESENTED

EQUALS ~15,000 POLL WORKERS FOR EACH ELECTION

PRIOR TO 2019 KENTUCKY WAS FACING A SHORTAGE

COVID-19 MADE IT WORSE

MAJORITY OF KENTUCKY POLL WORKERS ARE SENIOR CITIZENS

June 2020

INDEPENDENT POLL WORKERS

REACHED A BIPARTISAN AGREEMENT WITH GOVERNOR TO ALLOW REGISTERED INDEPENDENTS TO SERVE AS POLL WORKERS

INDEPENDENTS ARE FASTEST GROWING REGISTRATION IN KENTUCKY

CODIFIED THIS AGREEMENT INTO LAW IN 2021



JUNE 2020

VOTE CENTERS

CREATED COUNTYWIDE VOTE CENTERS IN ALL 120 COUNTIES

REDUCED THE NUMBER OF POLLING LOCATIONS THUS REDUCING NUMBER OF WORKERS NEEDED

CODIFIED INTO LAW IN 2021

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AUGUST 2020 ONLINE POLL WORKER PORTAL

MADE IT EASIER TO APPLY

ONLINE PORTAL ALLOWED ANY KENTUCKY VOTER

5,000 KENTUCKIANS UTILIZED THE PORTAL BY OCTOBER

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SEPTEMBER 2020

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PARTNERED WITH KENTUCKY GUILD OF BREWERS EACH BEER CAN FEATURED A QR CODE TO SIGN UP TO BECOME A POLL WORKER



SEPTEMBER 2020

PARTNERED WITH THE STATE BAR TO OFFER CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION CREDIT ELIGIBLE FOR 1.5 HOURS IN 2020 ELIGIBLE FOR 2 HOURS IN 2022



NOVEMBER 2021 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION

RECRUITS YOUNG VOTERS / POLL WORKERS

EACH YOUNG PERSON REGISTERED COULD BECOME A POLL WORKER



FEBUARY 2022 RONALD REAGAN AWARD

RECOGNIZES BUSINESSES WHO ENCOURAGE CIVIC PARTICIPATION

BROKEN UP INTO THREE SECTIONS:

-SMALL (1-25 EMPLOYEES)

-MEDIUM (26-100 EMPLOYEES)

-LARGE (100+)

MUST PROVIDE TIME OFF, VACATION DAYS OR OTHER INCENTIVES TO SERVE AS POLL WORKER "Democracy is never more than one generation away from extinction"

Secretary Adams' Inaugural

RONALD REAGAN AWARD

Recognizing Businesses who Encourage Employees to Serve as Poll Workers

Scan to nominate a business



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