

Manatee County Supervisor of Elections

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A little bit about the Supervisor of Elections Office

Constitutional officer

- Elected to a four year term
- Not under the County Commission
- Receives funding from the County Commission

Mike Bennett – Current Supervisor of Elections

- Elected in 2012; took office in January 2013
- Re-elected 2016 and 2020
- Up for election in 2024

What do we do the other 364 Days?

Voter Services

- Processing all registration applications
- Processing Voter changes
- Performing yearly list maintenance to ensure accurate and current voter registration records

Elections

- Municipal Elections
- Special Elections
- Candidates/Committees/Parties
- Voter Education
- Voting Equipment Repair and Maintenance

County Growth...

Registered Voters			
2013	Vs Now		
212,457	265,493		
16 th out of 67 Counties	15 th out of 67 Counties		

- Liberty is the smallest county with 4,438 registered voters
- Miami-Dade is the largest county with 1.45 million registered voters

Party Breakdown					
Rep	90,714	43%	124,414	47%	
Dem	69,120	33%	70,257	26%	
Other	52,623	25%	70,822	27%	

Statewide Growth...

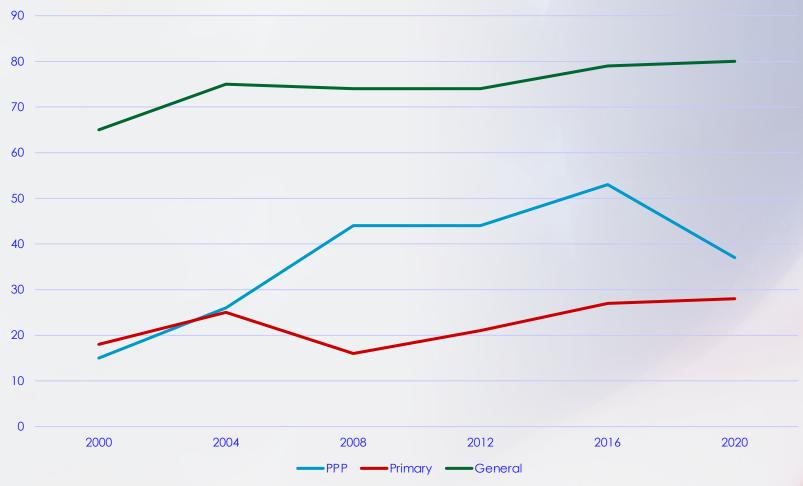
Registered Voters			
Vs Now			
13,540,135			
3 rd largest state by population			
	Vs Now 13,540,135		

Party Breakdown					
Rep	4.24 M	35%	5.16 M	38%	
Dem	4.77 M	40%	4.46 M	33%	
Other	2.93 M	25%	3.92 M	29%	

Presidential Election Voting Method Comparison (2012 - 2020)

	2012		2016		2020	
Registered Voters	209,468		231,056		273,427	
Vote by Mail	45,838	30%	69,018	38%	105,422	48%
Early Voting	16,355	10%	48,604	27%	72,464	33%
Polling Place	92,145	60%	64,556	35%	40,431	19%
Total Turnout	154,338	74%	182,178	79%	218,317	80%

Presidential Turnout Comparison (2012 - 2020)



Who's on the Presidential Preference Primary

- Republican Candidates
 - Ryan L. Binkley
 - Chris Christie
 - Ron DeSantis
 - Nikki R. Haley

- Asa Hutchinson
- Vivek Ramaswamy
- Donald J. Trump

- Democratic Candidate (No Ballot)
 - Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

Upcoming 2024 Election Dates

Presidential Preference Primary, March 19

Book Closing: Feb 20

Early Voting: March 9 - 16

Primary, Aug 20

Book Closing: July 22

Early Voting: Aug 10 - 17

• General, Nov 5

Book Closing: Oct 7

Early Voting: Oct 21 – Nov 3

Of interest...

- New list maintenance
- Amendments on the General Election Ballot
 - Partisan School Board Members
 - Right to Fish and Hunt
 - Marijuana (being challenged)
 - Abortion (Close but not quite there yet)
- Vote by Mail (all requests expired 2022)
 - Went from 100,000+ requests to 38,400

Questions

