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## **Clerk says military vote important –soldiers may confirm absent ballot online**

The deadline to request an absent voter application from your local clerk is Saturday at 2:00 pm. Voters may vote an absent voter ballot in person at their local clerk's office until Monday at 4:00 pm. Any Macomb County voter wondering if an absent voter ballot has been sent to them or received back by their local clerk may find out on line through Macomb County Clerk / Register of Deeds Carmella Sabaugh's absent ballot verification system at <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/clerksoffice>.

"The soldiers in harm's way deserve to know their votes for the next Commander in Chief are counted," said Sabaugh, who believes her system is the only one of its kind in Michigan.

If a voter didn't request a ballot be mailed before Saturday's deadline, and does not request one and vote it in person before Monday's deadline, then the voter must vote in person at the polls. An "emergency absentee ballot" may be provided by local clerks until 4 p.m. on Election Day for voters who planned on going to the polls, but suddenly could not due to an emergency such as hospitalization.

Visitors to Sabaugh's web site <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/clerksoffice> may click, "Track My Absentee Ballot" and be prompted for last name, zip code, street number, and birth date. The system shows the date the local clerk received the voter's absent voter application, mailed the ballot to the voter, and received the marked ballot back.

A person may get an absent voter application on Sabaugh's web site. Macomb County has 587,995 registered voters for the Presidential Primary, which is more voters than the total number who voted in the entire State of New Hampshire.

Using technology to improve service is nothing new for Sabaugh. She was the first clerk to post online a "naughty list" of those that violate campaign finance rules, and she created a system to let candidates pay fines online. She also posts county and local campaign finance statements online placing Macomb County among the top in Michigan regarding public disclosure and accountability.

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