

FISHER COUNTY

**COUNTYWIDE
POLLING PLACE
PROGRAM**



VOTING CENTER OR COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACES

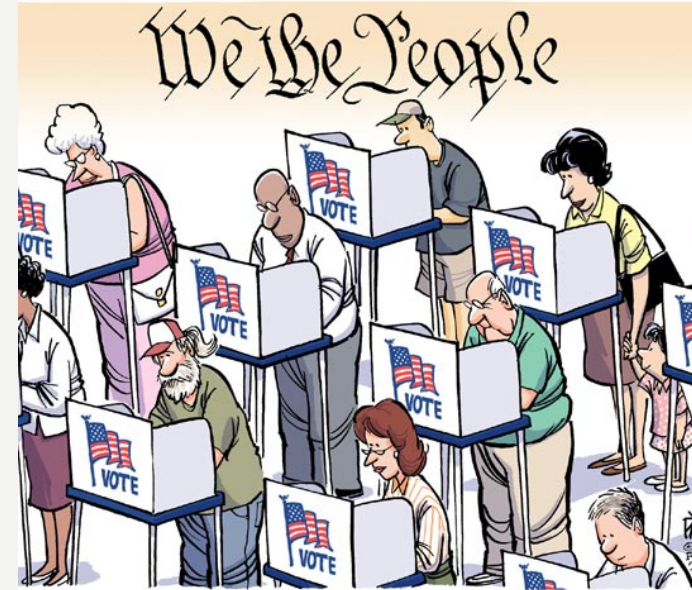
Often called Vote Centers, Countywide Polling Places allow voters to cast a ballot at any polling locations within the County. Voters will no longer have to vote at their specific precinct location on Election Day. Simply stated, there will be no wrong place to vote.

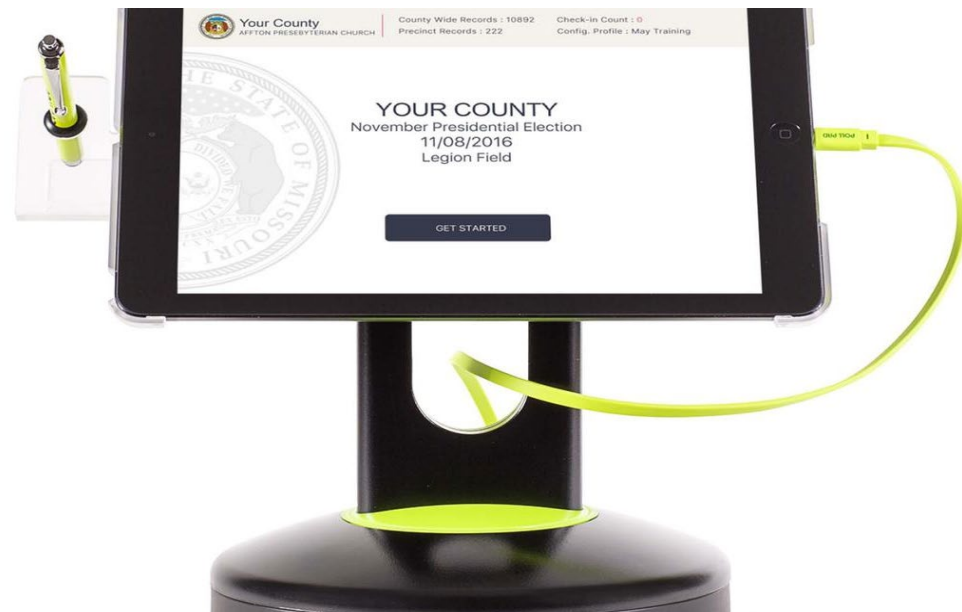
In this respect, they will offer the same convenience that Early Voting does, but on Election Day.



WHY VOTING CENTERS NOW?

Historically, we had to order ballots for each election precinct based on a formula of the total number of registered voters for each precinct by the number of voters who voted in the last election and add 10%. This gets much more complicated when you have other public subdivisions such as schools and cities to consider.





EXPRESSVOTES AND POLLPADS

Pollpads now allow poll workers to access voter registration records instantaneous. Pollpads verify that a voter has not voted at another polling location. ExpressVotes and Pollpads allow poll workers have available any ballot style needed without regard to the voter's polling location. Pollpads assign the correct ballot style to any voter, which prints on to the ExpressVote card.

POLLING LOCATIONS

Fisher County will not be changing the polling locations that are in use. Our hope with the implementation of the Countywide Polling Program is higher voter turnout and convenience to voters.

**A VOTING CENTER MEANS VOTING AT ANY
FISHER COUNTY POLLING
LOCATION CONVENIENT TO YOU!**

WHAT STEPS ARE REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT A COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACE PROGRAM

- County Clerk submits a notice of intent to participate to the SOS (submitted on January 13, 2021)
- Members of a Vote Center Advisory Committee meet (Meeting held on March 30, 2021)
- Inform voters by advertising in newspaper, posting on Fisher County website, Fisher County, Elections Facebook page, and Fisher County, Clerk Facebook Page.
- Commissioner Court holds public hearing to inform and solicit public opinion (April 12, 2021)
- County must submit a written application to the Secretary of State along with recordings of public hearing.

WHAT ELECTIONS WOULD BE AFFECTED IF ADOPTED

Once adopted, the countywide polling place program or vote centers would be in effect for all elections conducted by the Fisher County Clerk/Elections Official.

- Federal and State Elections
- County Elections
- Primary Elections
- Local City, School, Hospital and Groundwater elections conducted as part of a Joint Elections Agreement by the Fisher County Clerk/Elections Official.

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Meetings are being recorded so we can accurately present your comments and opinions to the Secretary of State.

