



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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## **Mail Ballot Drop Boxes Open Friday, May 22**

*All eligible registered voters will be mailed a ballot for the June 16, 2026  
Primary and Special Elections*

**WASHINGTON, DC** -- The District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) wants to remind eligible registered voters that Mail Ballot Drop Boxes for the June 16, 2026 Primary and Special Elections will open on **Friday, May 22, 2026 by 11:00 am.**

The 55 Mail Ballot Drop Boxes will be open 24 hours a day and will remain open until 8:00 pm on Election Day, Tuesday, June 16, 2026.

**Mail Ballot Drop Boxes will have a lock on the ballot deposit slot, but the ballot deposit slot will be open for ballot deposits. DCBOE will securely collect ballots daily.**

Voters can find the locations of Mail Ballot Drop Boxes at <https://www.dcboe.org/elections/2026-elections>.

### **Here are five important reminders about ballots and voting in the June 16, 2026 Primary and Special Elections:**

1. Ranked choice voting (RCV) in DC will begin with the June 16, 2026 Primary and Special Elections. Visit <http://www.dcboe.org/RCV> for interactive tools, practice ballots, and additional information about RCV.
2. All eligible registered voters will be mailed a ballot for the June 16, 2026 Elections. The first batch of ballots was mailed on Monday, May 11, 2026. If you do not receive your ballot by Friday, June 12, 2026, please plan to vote in person.
3. To vote in the June 16, 2026 Primary Election, DC voters must be registered with one of the major parties (Democratic, Republican, or DC Statehood Green). Any registered voter may vote in the June 16, 2026 Special Election for At-large Member of the Council of the District of Columbia (non-Democratic Party).
4. Voters can track the status of their ballot using BallotTrax. Sign-up for BallotTrax at <https://votedc.ballottrax.net/voter/>.
5. Voted ballots may be returned to a Mail Ballot Drop Box, via US Postal Service, or at any Vote Center.

*The District of Columbia Board of Elections is an independent agency of the District of Columbia Government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access, and voter registration.*

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