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Last chance for voter registration before midterm election

AUSTIN – Travis County Tax Office and the county's more than 5,700 volunteer deputy registrars are ready for Tuesday's Voter Registration Marathon, the last day to register to vote before the Nov. 6 midterm election.

To date, 92 percent of eligible voters registered in Travis County and the tax office plans for this final push to take that number up to 93 percent.

The tax office's army of voter registration volunteers are expected to arrange voter registration drives at apartment buildings, in their driveways for neighbors, at their places of work, universities and colleges and virtually anywhere they are moving about on Tuesday.

Travis County's ThunderCloud Subs, Alamo Drafthouse Cinemas and Texas Department of Public Safety driver's license locations coordinated with the tax office to offer voter registration during business hours on Tuesday. The main tax office, 5501 Airport Blvd., will remain open until the midnight Tuesday deadline for voter registration.

The county's Voter Registrar Bruce Elfant says those planning to mail in their voter registrations need to pay close attention to their post office hours. "If you plan to mail in your voter registration, be aware we cannot certify you to vote in November if your application is postmarked Oct. 10 or later," he said.

Some United States Postal Service locations give the next day's postmark on anything mailed after noon the previous day. "You have to be careful and check with the people at your postal location to make sure the envelope will be postmarked Oct. 9," Elfant warned.

Voter registration is nonpartisan. You do not declare a political party when you register to vote in Texas.