



Do you belong to an organization or company looking to raise money and serve your community?

If so, consider the Adopt-A-Poll program, a public/private partnership between your organization and the Kern County Elections Office. Many organizations use the Adopt-A-Poll Program as a fundraiser to benefit their group or designated charity. It's also a great team building experience and provides a feeling of great civic pride to know you have helped your community and have been a part of the Election process.

Each participating organization "adopts" a poll site or a precinct for an election cycle (generally not more than two elections held within a calendar year) by providing the staff on Election Day. We provide the training and supplies while you provide the workforce. In return you may donate your earnings back to your organization.

We are excited about this new opportunity for the Elections Office to provide the voters of Kern County with the very best voting experience possible while providing your organization the opportunity to raise funds for your projects. By partnering with the Kern County Elections Office in this groundbreaking program you will be part of a community that will shape future partnerships to address the continual need for committed, dedicated, capable customer oriented poll workers.

What does your organization receive? Besides the money you earn for your hard work, your organization or business name along with your contribution will be recognized on our Adopt-A-Poll Wall located at the Kern County Elections Office and also displayed on our website to highlight your contributions to the community. Your organization comes away with a feeling of civic pride and accomplishment knowing you has been a part of the election process.

Apply online at www.kernvote.com

Or submit the attached application to our office.

How much money can your organization raise?

Each precinct is staffed with a minimum of four Poll Workers consisting of an Inspector and three clerks. The starting pay for a Clerk is \$110.00 for the day, and more for other positions with additional monies paid for training and miscellaneous requirements. As you can see your organization can raise over \$500.00 by committing to one day service as a poll worker.

At the same time your organizations is raising money it is also taking an active role in the election process. To recognize your organization's contribution to the election process, a sign can be placed in front of your precinct identifying your group. We would like to encourage your staff to wear shirts with your organization's logo, but are not allowed to wear any electioneering or political attire. After the election we will recognized your organization's participation and civic involvement by posting your partnership on the Kern County Election website and on our Adopt-A-Poll wall located in our office lobby.



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ADOPT-A-POLL SITE PROGRAM



A Public/Private Partnership

“Working together to ensure successful elections through community involvement”

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Adopt-A-Poll Site Application

*Indicates a required field

*Organization: _____

*Contact Person: _____

*Your Name: _____

*Address: _____

*City, Zip: _____

Email: _____

*Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Ext: _____

Requested poll location/Site:

We have members that are fluent (speak, read, write) in:

Spanish _____

Tagalog _____

Ilocano _____

Panjabi _____

Other _____



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What Does It Take to Get Started?

Once your organization has been selected to become an Adopt-A-Poll participant you will:

- ★ Provide a Coordinator (Site Supervisor, Supervisor Inspector or Inspector) in addition 4-6 clerks (including back up volunteers depending on the size of the polling site).
- ★ All workers must be registered to vote in Kern County.
- ★ Attend mandatory training. The Elections Office will provide all required training which will be conducted prior to each election. Training runs approximately 3-4 hours and you will be compensated for attending training.
- ★ Poll Workers are required to be at polling site on Election Day from the hours of 6 AM to approximately 2 hours past closing time at 8 PM. In addition, Poll Workers need to be available for approximately 1-2 hours on the Monday prior to Election Day for set up of their assigned polling site. Actual time to be determined by Site Supervisor.
- ★ As a Poll Worker you are asked to dress in neat, casual, and comfortable attire. Your site staff may wear shirts with your organization's logo, but are not allowed to wear any electioneering or political attire.



What Are the Poll Worker Positions Available?

Site Supervisor: is responsible for the overall operation and supervision of a multiple precinct polling site. Coordinate with Inspectors that staff and supplies are ready on Election Day. Close polling site and ensure supplies and ballots are accounted for and properly returned to the Collection Center. MUST have a cell phone available for use on Election Day.

Supervisor- Inspector: is responsible for the overall operation of single or double precinct site. Supervisors are also responsible their own precinct. Oversee polling site, receive voting equipment and ballots, verify poll workers are prepared to open poll site on Election Day. Close polling site and ensure supplies and ballots are accounted for and properly returned to the Collection Center. MUST have a cell phone available for use on Election Day.

Inspector: is responsible for his/her precinct in addition to receiving and checking supplies, oversee the clerks assigned to his/her precinct, verify the poll workers are trained and prepared to open poll site on Election Day. Ensure supplies and ballots are accounted for and properly returned to the Collection Center. MUST ensure that a cell phone is available for the precinct.

Clerk: work as assigned by the Site Supervisor, Supervisor-Inspector or Inspector: performs tasks such as: find voters name on roster, issue and receive official ballots, and assist voters in any phase of the voting process.

ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Set-up: personnel set up and take down directional signage and modification items to ensure the poll site conforms to ADA accessibility requirements. This position can be worked in conjunction with any of the above positions.