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Voters Who've Moved Urged to Update Addresses

(Columbus) More than 40,000 Franklin County voters will soon receive a letter from the board of elections asking them to update their voting address.

The mailing is required under the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, better known as the "motor voter" law. The goal is to keep voter registration rolls current by giving voters a chance to update their registration and also help election officials identify others who are no longer eligible to vote. The latest figures show nearly 818,000 voters registered in Franklin County.

The effort targets two groups of voters –those listed by the post office as having moved since 2011 and others who have not voted in the past two years.

The notice will be sent to the latest voting address on file with the board of elections, to a new address if the voter has already given one to the post office or mailed to a forwarding address if one is available. The mailing will include a postage paid return envelope so voters can register a new address by mail. They may also update their address online at www.MyOhioVote.com

Voters who return a notice to confirm that they still live at the address at which they are registered will remain active voters. Those who do not respond will be listed as inactive and will have their registration canceled in 2017 unless they update their address or vote in the meantime. Registrations will be canceled for other voters who provide a new permanent address outside Ohio.

Voters who need further information may contact the Franklin County Board of Elections at (614) 525-3100.

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