

# Pollworker Post

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

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## Greetings, Pollworkers!

We hope you've had a fantastic summer and are gearing up for another Election!

In the November 8, 2011 Municipal Election, San Francisco voters will vote on several local measures, and use the ranked-choice voting method to elect their next Mayor, Sheriff, and District Attorney.

As of August 5, thirty-five potential mayoral candidates obtained and filed documents related to their being on the November ballot. There are five potential candidates in the District Attorney's race and seven in the Sheriff's race.

Candidate filing for the upcoming election closes on August 12. However, if any incumbent in either race does not file for re-election, state law extends the candidate filing period for five calendar days. For the upcoming election, the extended filing period is August 13-17.

A final list of candidates will be posted on our website.

Last fall, city voters approved Proposition I, which would have used private donations to open the polls on the Saturday before Election Day, November 8, 2011. You may remember earlier this year our Department was planning for Saturday voting.

The Department's most recent cost estimate for opening all polling places on Saturday was \$2.4 million. To allow sufficient time for planning and implementation, the Department set a deadline of July 8, 2011, for the receipt of private donations to cover the costs associated with Saturday voting at the polling places.

Since the Department did not receive any private contributions to cover the costs of Saturday voting by the set deadline, the Department will not open polling places for voting on the Saturday before Election Day.

Our pollworkers will need to administer voting at the polls only on Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

We have even more to share with you about the November Election so read on!



