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GENERAL ELECTION IS NOVEMBER 4TH

VAC reminds New Yorkers to vote on Election Day Tuesday, November 4th.

The NYC Voter Assistance Commission (VAC) reminds you that Election Day is this Tuesday, November 4th. Voting is quick, easy, and important! You can find your poll site by calling 311 or visiting www.nyc.gov and take part in the 2008 election to have your voice heard. In New York, polls are open from 6 am to 9 pm.

To ensure New Yorkers are prepared to cast their votes on Election Day, VAC has a few pointers:

- **Save Time – Know your District**

To save time, write down your Assembly District and Election District and bring it with you on Election Day. This information can be found on the registration confirmation card sent to you by the Board of Elections after you registered and on the information card also sent to you by the Board of Elections prior to the primary elections. Please call 311, the Board of Elections hotline at 1-866-VOTE-NYC (866-868-3692), your local Borough Board of Elections, or visit www.nyc.gov to locate this information.

- **Ask for Help**

If you do not know how to vote, you can ask for help. If you do not understand English, the City's Board of Elections provides help in Spanish, and, depending on the location of your poll site, Chinese and Korean. You can also bring information in your native language into the voting booth. If you have a disability, a Ballot Marking Device (BMD) will be available at each poll site.

- **Bring ID**

If your identification was verified through your New York State voter registration form prior to Election Day, you will not have to provide identification when you vote. If you are not sure, please bring an acceptable identification. Acceptable IDs include: a valid photo ID, a current utility bill, bank statement, government check or some other government document that shows your name and address. If you still do not have identification, you will be asked to vote by affidavit ballot (paper ballot), instead of on the machine. Your identity will then be checked and your vote will be counted if you are found to be properly registered.

- **Leave Campaign Materials at Home**

State law prohibits people from electioneering or bringing political posters, placards, buttons and other campaign-related materials to poll-sites or within 100-feet of poll site entrances. So when you come out to vote on Election Day, make sure you leave these materials at home or you may not be admitted to your poll site.

- **Absentee Ballot Deadline**

Absentee ballots for the upcoming General Election must be postmarked no later than November 3rd. They may also be delivered by hand to the home borough office for a voter who is unable to vote at the polls because of an accident or illness, no later than 9 pm on November 4th, Election Day. The five Board of Elections Borough Offices will be open for extended hours from October 20th through November 3rd to accommodate Absentee Ballots being delivered in person. For questions on absentee ballots call 866-VOTE-NYC or 212-868-3692.

To find out where your poll site is located please visit www.nyc.gov or call 311. New Yorkers can also call or visit their local New York City Board of Elections office in the five boroughs.

New York City Board of Elections Offices

Bronx 1780 Grand Concourse, 5 th Floor Bronx, NY 10457 718-299-9017	Brooklyn 345 Adams St, 4 th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201 718-797-8800
Manhattan 200 Varick St, 10 th Floor New York, NY 10014 212-886-2100	Queens 126-06 Queens Blvd Kew Gardens, NY 6730 718-730-6730
Staten Island 1 Edgewater Plaza, 4 th Floor Staten Island, NY 10305 718-876-0079	Main Office 32 Broadway, 7 th Floor New York, NY 10004-1609 866-VOTE-NYC (212-868-3692)

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