



TOWN OF DOVER
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK
37 NORTH SUSSEX STREET
DOVER, NEW JERSEY 07801

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Dear Resident:

As you may know, my name is John P. Schmidt and I am the Acting Municipal Clerk for the Town of Dover. One of the functions of a Municipal Clerk in New Jersey is to serve as the chief administrative officer in all elections. I strongly believe that our elections should be free, fair and impartial and that everyone who is eligible to vote has an opportunity to do so. One of the ways this occurs is because of Poll Workers.

If you have ever gone to the polls to vote before, you may recall there are individuals who check you in and direct you to what machine to vote in. These people are called Poll Workers and are essential to our election process. The purpose of my writing this letter, is to ask if you may be interested or know someone who is interested in becoming a Poll Worker. Being a Poll Worker is a great way for residents to serve and help their community, friends and neighbors. Currently, there are a number of residents from our community who are poll workers, but we need more.

Some important information about the requirements of being a poll worker:

- You must be a registered voter in Morris County
- You must be able to read and speak English
- You must be 18 years of age to work a full day as a poll worker
- If you are 16 or 17 years old, you may work half a day as a poll worker
- You must take mandatory poll worker training, which has been done in person and online every two years. There is no cost to attend the training

What Does a Poll Worker Do?

- Works at the polling place on Election Day from 5:15 am until shortly after the polls close at 8:00 pm
- Sets up polling locations and voting machines.
- Aids voters needing assistance at the polling place.
- Maintains order in polling locations.

Poll Workers are also paid a stipend for working as well. I hope by reading this, you or someone you may know might have an interest in becoming a Poll Worker here in the Town of Dover. If you would like to be engaged in our electoral process and give back to your community, you might be the perfect person to become a Poll Worker.

If you should have any interest and would like to get more information or file an application to become a Poll Worker, please feel free to contact my office via phone at 973-366-2200 x1113 (If the phone goes to voicemail, please leave a message and your call will be returned), via email at doverclerk@dover.nj.us or arranging a time to stop by the Municipal Building to speak in person.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter, and I hope to speak with you soon.

Sincerely,

John P. Schmidt /s/

John P. Schmidt, MLS
Acting Municipal Clerk