

## **Ballot Tracking**

- Following the adoption of Proposal 2022-2, the [Michigan Constitution](#) guarantees the right to a state-funded system to track submitted absent voter (AV) ballot applications and AV ballots.
- [Public Act 84](#) requires the Secretary of State to establish, acquire, or approve an electronic tracking system that allows voters to track their AV ballot application and AV ballot on a website or mobile application.
- The system must give voters the option to receive electronic notifications of the status of their application and AV ballot, inform them of any deficiency, and provide instructions for addressing a deficiency. By November 2024, the option to subscribe will be on the absentee ballot application. There will be instructions on the application.
- Voters can already check the status of their absentee application and ballot at [Michigan.gov/Vote](#). The Bureau of Elections is updating [Michigan.gov/Vote](#) to include additional information such as date received, rejection and reason for rejection (if applicable), and the option to receive notifications from the system by email, text message, or both if there is an update to absentee ballot status.

### **When will ballot tracking start?**

- The addition of tracking features will have three phases and all phases will be complete by the November 2024 election.

### **Where can I sign up for ballot tracking?**

- You will be able to sign up for ballot tracking at [Michigan.gov/Vote](#) or on a paper form that you can return to your clerk. You can also send a written request to your clerk via email or mail.

### **Can I be notified by both email and text?**

- You are permitted to opt in to receive notifications from the electronic tracking system by email, text message, or both email and text message.

### **Will I still be mailed a notice if my ballot is rejected?**

- The clerk is required to provide notice if your ballot is rejected. If you're not signed up via email and/or text, you will receive a mailed notice.

### **Can I unsubscribe from notifications?**

- You can unsubscribe from notifications at [Michigan.gov/Vote](#) or on the notification itself.

### **I subscribed but am not receiving notices - what should I do?**

- Check your junk or spam folders to see if your messages are being filtered. If you still don't see them, please contact your local clerk's office to confirm if you're signed up and your email address or phone number is correct.

**What all will I be able to see with ballot tracking?**

- Under PA 84, the ballot tracking system must indicate all of the following:
  - The date the application was received by local clerk
  - If the application was accepted, the date of acceptance
  - If the application was rejected, the reason for rejection, and the instructions and deadline for fixing the error
  - The date the AV ballot was mailed or delivered to voter
  - The date of the electronic transmission of a MOVE ballot
  - If the ballot was returned as undeliverable
  - The date the city/township received the AV ballot return envelope or MOVE ballot
  - If the AV envelope was accepted, date of acceptance
  - If the AV envelope was rejected, the reason for rejection and the instructions and deadline for fixing the error