

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
REGARDING VOTING FOR THE MARCH 17, 2026, GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

Elderly and persons with disabilities unable to vote in person in the upcoming **General Primary Election to be held on March 17, 2026**, may request an application to vote by mail until **Thursday, March 12, 2026, by sending an electronic request, mailing a request, or by telephoning** the office of:

Jessica Fox, Shelby County Clerk

Post Office Box 230, 301 E. Main St.

Shelbyville, Illinois 62565

Telephone: (217) 774-4421

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8AM – 4PM

(Courthouse is closed February 12 and February 16)

To Send an Electronic Vote By Mail Request:

<https://shelbyil-el.precinctcentral.com/ted/electionlink/BeginAbsenteeRequest.aspx>

When completing a Vote By Mail application, whether it is an electronic or paper request, please be sure that all questions are answered, and the application is dated and signed before returning. Upon receipt of the signed application in the Clerk's office, a ballot will be mailed to the voter. The first day a ballot can be mailed is Thursday, February 5. When returning a ballot by mail, the ballot must be postmarked no later than Election Day. If the ballot is being returned by a person other than the voter, the Vote by Mail Ballot Authorization form **MUST** be completed by the voter. It is located on the back side of the return mailing envelope (AB-4-OS-S). For a voted ballot delivered in person to be counted, it must be returned to the County Clerk's Office by 7 p.m. on Election Day. A drop-box will be located outside the Courthouse to return a voted ballot-**BE SURE TO COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATION ENVELOPE and SEAL THE BALLOT INSIDE THIS ENVELOPE.**

Elderly and persons with disabilities wishing to vote in person may do so by coming into the Clerk's office beginning Thursday, February 5 through Monday, March 16, 2026, during regular office hours. Any person needing to become registered to vote or to transfer his/her voting address may do so through Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at the County Clerk's Office. Then, grace period registration and voting begin on Wednesday, February 18, during regular office hours, through Election Day until 7:00 p.m. Grace period registration and voting is only available at the County Clerk's Office. Two forms of ID (one must have a current physical address) must be presented to register to vote. Online voter registration is also offered on the Illinois State Board of Elections website at www.elections.il.gov through Sunday, March 1, 2026.

The Clerk's office will be open for Early and Grace Period Voting from 9 a.m. to Noon on Saturday, March 14, 2026. An elevator is located on the first floor of the Courthouse for your convenience.

On Election Day, all polling places are accessible to persons with disabilities or the elderly. Arrangements can be made for "curbside voting" at the polling place, provided the County Clerk's Office is contacted by Monday, March 16, 2026. Assistance is available, if needed, in marking the ballot. For questions on registration or voting, please contact the Clerk's office prior to the deadlines.