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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Ballots Will Be Mailed on October 7, 2020 And Voter Questions Answered**

Arizona state law dictates that Wednesday, October 7, 2020 is the earliest date that ballots can be mailed to all Arizona voters. “We receive at least 50 telephone calls per day from voters requesting ballots be mailed to them now,” explains F. Ann Rodriguez. “No matter how excited people are to vote in the General Election, we cannot mail ballots before October 7th.”

The Recorder’s office has received many complaints from voters regarding telephone messages, texts, and mailers being sent by other organizations. The messages indicate that the voter is not registered, or has not requested an early ballot, or some other urgent call to action. The Recorder’s office does not call or text voters unless we have questions about a specific form you have recently submitted. Mail from the Recorder’s office will have the Recorder’s return address on the outside and be on official letterhead. Voters can use our website at [www.recorder.pima.gov](http://www.recorder.pima.gov) to check their registration status online, check their address, check to see if they are on the Permanent Early Voting List, or check to see if they have requested a ballot to be mailed to them for the 2020 General Election.

“We are the trusted source for voter information,” says Ms. Rodriguez. “Voters should call us, or visit our website for the most up to date information.” The Recorder has the legal responsibility to mail ballots on October 7, 2020. We all need to be prepared; this is what voters can do to make sure we have a successful election:

- Check your voter registration, confirm your address:  
<https://www.recorder.pima.gov/VoterStats/VoterInfo>
- Keep your address up to date with the Recorder either by completing a paper form or by using, [www.servicearizona.com](http://www.servicearizona.com) to update online.

- Request a ballot by mail: <https://www.recorder.pima.gov/BallotByMail>
- Request a ballot by mail by telephone: 520-724-4330
- Learn about the candidates and initiatives and be ready to vote when your ballot arrives in the mail in October.
- Check the Recorder website for updated information: <https://www.recorder.pima.gov>

Some voters may be out of town when the Recorder mails ballots on October 7, 2020. “By federal law, the U.S. Postal Service cannot forward Official Election Mail, including ballots,” said Ms. Rodriguez. “Even if you have a forwarding request at your local post office, ballots will not be forwarded.” A ballot can be sent to a temporary address, but that address must be printed directly on the envelope by the Recorder’s Office. If voters will be out of town when ballots are mailed in October, they should go online to request that their ballot be mailed to a temporary address: <https://www.recorder.pima.gov/BallotByMail>. Select “I would like my ballot sent to a different address.” Voters may also call the Recorder’s Office at 520-724-4330, and request that their ballot be sent to their temporary address.

