



Supervisors lift vaccine requirement for temporary elections workers

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The Pima County Board of Supervisors voted July 5 to lift the COVID-19 vaccine mandate for temporary elections workers for the Elections Department and Pima County Recorder's Office during the 2022 Primary Elections.

Temporary elections workers were included in broader COVID-19 mitigation policies that included mandatory vaccination for employment.

The Elections Department and Recorder's Office requested the Board lift the mandate to aid in the attraction of poll workers, particularly of experienced temporary staff who have worked in previous elections.

"We want to be certain to have adequate staffing for this year's election and we especially need to make sure there will be an equitable partisan composition of election boards," said Pima County Elections Director Constance Hargrove.

Nearly 3,000 elections workers are in the County system. These temporary workers represent both major political parties and are eligible to work during election season. At least 1,300 workers are needed to operate Vote Centers on Election Day.



The lifting of vaccination mandates will only be in effect for the August Primary Election. At the end of September, a state law will go into effect that removes vaccine or masking mandates local governments implemented as requirements for employment.

Those interested in being elections workers can apply [here](#). For additional information, contact Pima County Elections Department at (520) 724-6830.