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Recorder's Office to notify voters about citizenship documentation update

The Recorder's Office will begin to mail letters to about 30,000 impacted Pima County voters to update them on an issue related to their Voter Registration records.

The issue, identified in September of 2024, stems from a decades old error in the Arizona Motor Vehicle Division system that incorrectly marked some individuals as having provided documentary proof of citizenship when obtaining their driver's license with no documentation on file.

The error affects Arizona residents who obtained their driver's licenses before October 1, 1996 - when proof of legal citizenship was not required for a license - and have since updated their license.

This discovery had no impact on a voter's ability to cast a ballot in the 2024 Election. A ruling by the Arizona Supreme Court in September 2024 allowed impacted voters to continue voting in state and local races.

The Pima County Recorder's Office conducted a close review of all impacted records and were able to successfully determine the citizenship of nearly 5 percent of the original list, referred to us by the Secretary of State's Office in January. We are in the process of reviewing approximately 7,000 remaining records. Our notices will be sent out in batches as we continue our review.

Next Steps for Affected Voters

Voters who receive this letter can update their records by submitting a copy of their birth certificate, U.S. passport, U.S. citizenship certificate or Tribal Identification documentation using the self-addressed postage-paid envelope provided with the letter, via email at VoterDocs@recorder.pima.gov or in person at the Pima County Recorder's Office. Original documents should not be sent, they will not be returned.

Although no changes are currently being made to the records of impacted voters, the Pima County Recorder's Office recommends submitting documentary proof of citizenship to ensure that there are no gaps in the voter's registration, in the event of a future legislative bill or court ruling.

For questions or assistance, voters can contact the Pima County Recorder's Office website at recorder.pima.gov or by calling 520-724-4330.