

A stylized graphic of the American flag, featuring a blue field with white stars and red and white stripes, curving from the top left towards the bottom right. The background is a solid dark blue.

# **WE NEED YOU!**

**How to Become an  
Election Inspector  
in Berrien County**

## **What you need to know about Election Inspectors**

Have you ever thought you'd like to serve as an election inspector in your community or wondered what it takes to become an election inspector?

Berrien County election inspectors are all residents of Michigan who were looking for an opportunity to participate in local government. There are 69 precincts in Berrien County requiring well over 1,000 workers, which means plenty of opportunity for you to serve as an inspector in your community. But you don't have to serve in your own community. Election law now allows Michigan residents to serve as an election inspector in any community within Michigan, providing there is a need.



## Requirements

- You must be a qualified and registered elector of the State of Michigan.
- You must submit a completed application to the local clerk.
- Challengers, candidates and members of a candidate's immediate family are not eligible.
- Persons convicted of a felony or an election crime are not eligible.

No prior experience is necessary, all necessary training will be provided to you.

These are paid positions; all workers are covered by the federal Minimum Wage Act.

Your local City, Township or County Clerk will be able to answer any additional questions you may have about becoming an election inspector.

To apply to become an election inspector, please see your local clerk for an application or visit the Michigan Secretary of State website at [www.michigan.gov/elections](http://www.michigan.gov/elections).

## Typical Election Day Duties

1. Greet Voters
2. Verify Identity
3. Assign and Record Ballots
4. Assist Voters
5. Reconcile Ballot Totals
6. Deliver Results & Ballots to local Clerk



## Election Inspectors

The unsung heroes of every election—large and small—are your friends and neighbors who, on election day, greet every voter and make sure that every vote counts. Now, as we prepare for our next election, you have an opportunity to participate in the most important thing we do in a democracy—vote.

Today's elections blend new technology with personal, hands-on attention to detail. Our election inspectors love to work with people and find excitement in every Election Day.

As an election inspector, you will be an essential part of the election process. Each member of the team plays a critical role in ensuring that everyone who is eligible to vote, is able to cast a ballot.



## What our election inspectors say...

*"I feel a real sense of pride in assisting citizens with their fundamental right in a democracy".*

*"I enjoy being involved in the political process".*

*"It's an exciting day, and I love being a part of it".*

*"It's a good way to learn what's going on in the community".*

*"It's great to see old friends".*

*"It's an opportunity to use my organizational and problem solving skills".*

*"Clerks and voters are very appreciative of what we do, so it's a very gratifying experience overall".*

