

BRUCE ELFANT TAX ASSESSOR - COLLECTOR AND VOTER REGISTRAR

Dear Travis County Apartment Manager:

As Travis County's voter registrar it is my responsibility to help our citizen's register and vote. The right of our citizens to vote and choose its leaders in free elections is perhaps our most important right that must be preserved and exercised by our citizens. I am writing to enlist your assistance in helping your tenants exercise their right to vote. While the vast majority of apartment dwellers are eligible to register and vote, voter registration rates for most apartment complexes lag far behind primarily single occupancy neighborhoods. This disproportionate lack of participation in elections by apartment renters discounts their voices in elections and we need your help. You can become a Tax Office Voter Registration Partner by agreeing to conduct and sustain some level of voter registration activities at your apartment complex. Voter registration Partner activities could include:

- Become a Volunteer Deputy Registrar so you can register your tenants to vote.
- Designate an area for a box of postage paid voter registration applications for current and new tenants.
- Invite VDRs to conduct nonpartisan voter registration activities at apartment complex events.
- Inform tenants of any voter registration activities through mass e-mails and apartment newsletters.
- Display voter registration posters around the complex reflecting upcoming election dates and VoteTravis.com, the civic engagement hub of Travis County.

In return, we agree to list Voter Registration partners and logos on the Tax Office website, and will include them at voter registration activities throughout Travis County. By agreeing to conduct one or more of these voter registration activities at your apartment complex, you will be playing an important role in helping to ensure that election results are representative of our entire community.

Please contact Matt Flores Jr. at <u>matt.flores@traviscountytx.gov</u> or 512 854-3976 if you are interested in becoming a voter registration partner and would like more information. We look forward to working with you to help make Travis County the most registered County in Texas.

Sincerely, Bruce Elfant Tax Assessor Collector and Voter Registrar

