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In-person voter registration and voting at the Adams County Detention Facility

Adams County, Colo. (October 17, 2024):

With the passage of Senate Bill 24-072, inmates will be able to register and vote, in person, while incarcerated at the Adams County Detention Facility. With an already established relationship with the Adams County Elections Department to assist with mail-in voting for the incarcerated population, the challenge was how to host a voting center within the facility.

Both the elections department and the detention facility leadership researched to find the best practices to ensure that registrations and voting occurred in the best way possible. The first step of the process was communicating who was eligible and what the process would look like for the incarcerated population. The elections department assisted with that communication that will be disseminated throughout the detention facility.

The detention facility will facilitate early registration so inmates within the facility can register in advance of in-person voting taking place. Deputies will be assigned and dedicated to the election process, to ensure a smooth transition of individuals from their housing units to the voting center.

In living up to one of the core values of the Adams County Sheriff's Office (Collaboration), our IT unit, the elections department, certified law enforcement personnel, and professional staff have joined in a combined effort to make the voting process possible.

Although we have previously ensured the incarcerated population has the same opportunity to vote with mail-in ballots, providing them an opportunity to vote in person as though they were taking part in this process in the community, meets a part of the mission of the Adams County Detention Facility.

Service is one of the core values of the Jail Division and although there are challenges in coordinating this effort, we are dedicated to providing this service to our inmate population.

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