

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

By email to:

Sherrie L. Riebel
Allen County Election Office
1 N. Washington
Iola, KS 66749
coclerk@allencounty.org

Re: Kansas Election Protection Program

Dear Ms. Riebel,

I am writing to inform you that the ACLU of Kansas and Loud Light, with support from Stinson LLP and the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights, will be providing assistance to voters through a nonpartisan election protection program during the upcoming 2022 Primary and General Elections. We will be offering information and advice to voters who contact our attorney hotline for assistance. It is our hope that our program can supplement the resources already provided by poll workers and your office, and that our offices can work collaboratively in the run up to the election and on Election Day to ensure all qualified individuals are able to cast their ballots.

In addition to the hotline, we will have an election protection liaison who will be available to provide in-person assistance if any problems arise at a particular polling location. The liaison will limit their activity to collecting and documenting information. These liaisons will not be permanently stationed at any one polling location and will be trained to observe all laws related to presence near voting places on Election Day.

In anticipation of higher than average voter turnout for the 2022 primary, we write to request two things. First, we would like to be able to contact you or a member of your staff on Election Day if we have questions or reports to share. Please let us know if there is a specific person or number that you would prefer us to call. During past elections, having a direct line of communication to the Election Commissioner and County Clerks' offices has helped us resolve voting problems and avoid unnecessary escalation.

Second, if you are able to share a list of all polling locations (including for the locations of early in-person voting centers and advanced ballot drop boxes) and the hours those locations will be open/accessible, we would appreciate it. This information will help us organize our efforts and work collaboratively with your staff if issues arise.



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If you could please respond with the above information by July 9, we would appreciate it. Responses can be sent via email to sbrett@aclukansas.org.

We appreciate your time and all of the great work you do your work to administer fair elections in Allen County. Please do not hesitate to contact me at sbrett@aclukansas.org or (785) 330-5469, should you have any questions.

We are looking forward to working with you this election season.



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Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sharon Brett".

Sharon Brett
Legal Director of Kansas