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Plan to Educate Voters

- Post information on Harris County Clerk Website
- Post notices on Commissioner Court bulletin board
- Run ads and PSAs on Harris County TV access stations
- County Clerk Hispanic, African-American, and Asian Voter Outreach Coordinators will hold community meetings in all 4 Commissioner Precincts
- Other outreach will be done with minority organizations, disability rights organizations, Harris County Elected Officials, & Election Workers
- Use social media and telephone town halls
- Groups that were invited today help with outreach to their communities
- Host more community hearings/meetings as needed throughout the county

Harris Countywide Plan for EDVCs

- Leave all current 700 ED locations open including EV locations
- Look at voting patterns after a few elections to determine voter needs
- Check with community before consolidating any existing voting locations
- Start with a smaller election

Best Practices of Implementation

- Exit polls from counties in Texas that use EDVCs show:
 - Enhanced voter performance
 - Increased voter participation
 - Voters preferred EDVCs to traditional precinct-based voter locations
 - Some studies have shown a lower cost per vote cast than traditional locations

Next Steps / Action Items

As soon as practical after additional community and public hearings have been held, we would
come back to Commissioner Court and report on the additional public outreach and ask for
authorization to apply to the Texas Secretary of State to implement a Countywide Polling Place
Program in Harris County.

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