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**A previous version of this postcard listed an incorrect date for the General Election. The election is Nov. 3.**

## Dear Neighbor,

We are living in uncertain times. My role as an elected official means doing all I can to let people know there is hope and that, by sticking together, we can get through adversity. This is something my parents' generation knows full well. They are in their 80s. During WWII they grew up with Victory Gardens, scrap metal drives, and changing roles for women in the workplace and home front. They taught me and my children the value of service.

During the pandemic, the shared sacrifices we have had to make are focused on social distance, wearing masks, and checking in on folks who can't get out of the house. In the same spirit my parents grew up with, we have done all we can to adapt to changes while keeping things as 'normal' as possible.

My staff, Tara, Dan, Janet, and John, and I remain ready to serve and get you the help you need.

# Worried About Voting This November? Don't be.

## MAKE YOUR PLAN TODAY

There has been a lot of concern expressed regarding the upcoming election, both in whether it will be safe to vote in person and whether mail-in ballots will arrive on time to be counted. Making your plan today will help you exercise your right to vote in a way that's free from worry and right for you.

I encourage mail-in voting as early as you can as a safe and secure way to vote in the Nov. 3 general election. In Philadelphia, ballots will be sent out in mid-September, and the return envelope will be postage-paid, so everything will be FREE. Early return will also help the USPS not to be overloaded as well. After you return your ballot you can make

- **Sept. 14: First day to register for mail-in ballots at county election offices.**
- **Oct. 19: Last day to register to vote.**  
[Register.votesPA.com](https://www.register.votespa.com)
- **Oct. 27: Last day to apply for a mail-in ballot.**  
[Votes.PA.com/ApplyMailBallot](https://www.votespa.com/ApplyMailBallot)
- **Nov. 3: Election Day.**  
Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Voted mail-in ballots must be received by the county by 8 p.m.

sure it is received by tracking it online at: [pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/BallotTracking.aspx](https://pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/BallotTracking.aspx).

You can apply for your mail-in ballot online at [www.VotesPA.com](https://www.VotesPA.com) or call my office and we'll send you a paper application.

The deadline to request a mail-in ballot is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27. Completed ballots must be RECEIVED by the County Board of Elections no later than 8 p.m. on Nov. 3. You can return your completed ballot by mail or place it in one of several no-contact drop boxes that will be located around the city.

Please call my office at 215-744-2600 if you need help making a plan, or for a list of ballot drop-off locations.

### Philadelphia Elections Commission Contacts:

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Mr. Garrett Dietz – (215) 686-3469

#### Voter Registration

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## COVID-19's Impact on Nursing Homes

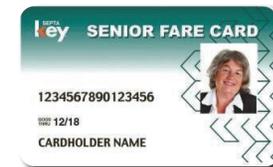
This summer I hosted a public hearing to examine the impact of COVID-19 in nursing homes. We must protect the about 123,000 residents and 143,000 staff in these facilities, where 70 percent of the people who have died from COVID-19 lived each day.

While we are testing more people, examining the way in which COVID-19 has moved through the population in long-term care to be our focus. We heard from residents, as well as staff who are on the front lines of caring for the most vulnerable among us. Some suggestions they gave included giving residents the power to relocate without financial hardship, as well as ensuring that workers have adequate personal protective equipment and paid sick leave so they can prevent passing COVID-19 on to residents.

I will keep you updated on this issue.



## Septa Senior Keycards



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