## General Election Absentee Voting Begins at Cedar County Auditor's Office

Cedar County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections Stephanie Wiese has announced that absentee ballots for the November 5, 2024 General Election are available in the Auditor's Office starting Wednesday, October 16.

Voters who vote absentee in-person pursuant to Iowa Code 53.10 or 53.11 are required to provide proof of identity. The pre-registration deadline is Monday, October 21 at 5:00 p.m. Absentee ballots may be cast in the Cedar County Auditor's Office at the Cedar County Courthouse, 400 Cedar Street, Tipton, IA, during regular office hours from 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, through November 4. The Auditor's Office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 2. Absentee ballots are available for all precincts within the Cedar County boundaries.

Absentee ballots must be requested in writing. Request forms are available at the Auditor's Office, on the Cedar County Elections website at www.elections.cedarcounty.iowa.gov and at the Iowa Secretary of State's website at www.sos.iowa.gov. The request form should be sent to the Cedar County Auditor's Office, 400 Cedar Street, Tipton, IA 52772, and include the voter's name, date of birth, IA driver's license/non-operator ID or four digit voter pin, the address at which the voter is registered to vote, the address to which the ballot should be sent if different from the registration address, the name or date of the election (General Election – November 5, 2024), signature and date signed.

All requests for ballots to be mailed must be received by the Auditor's Office by 5 p.m., October 21. Due to recent legislation, requests for a mailed ballot must be received 15 days before the election (formerly 11 days).

Ballots requested through the mail must be received by the Auditor's Office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

For more information about the 2024 General Election in Cedar County, contact Steph at the Cedar County Auditor's office at 563-886-3168 or email swiese@cedarcounty.iowa.gov.