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Voters complain of multiple early ballot request forms sent by third parties

LINCOLN- The office of Secretary of State has become aware of multiple complaints from voters who have received early ballot request cards in the mail from a third party. Some voters have received two or more cards from the third party. Others have received cards for a deceased loved one even though their loved one had been removed from the official voter list. Still others have received third-party early ballot request cards even though they live in a county that has no election or live in another state altogether.

"Voters who desire to vote in local elections are able to request a mail-in ballot application from the Lancaster or Douglas County Elections website," stated Secretary of State Bob Evnen. "Voters who do not have access to the internet can request an early voting application by calling the office of their County Election Commissioner," he continued.

Both Douglas and Lancaster County Election offices have sent early voting application cards to those voters who have requested them.

The deadlines to submit an early mail-in ballot request are -

- In Douglas County, Friday, March 26th for the City of Omaha Primary Election and Friday, April 30th for the City of Omaha General Election.

- In Lancaster County, Friday, March 26th for the City of Lincoln Primary Election and Friday, April 23rd for the City of Lincoln General Election.

For an online mail-in ballot application visit https://sos.nebraska.gov.

The polls will be open for both the primary and general elections. County officials are working to ensure the safety of voters and poll workers.

Evnen noted that similar problems arose from third parties sending early ballot requests in the 2020 Primary election. "Rely on your trusted sources – the Secretary of State's office, or your county election officials," Evnen said.

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