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Pennsylvania Special Election Scheduled for March 13

Alexandria, Va. – The State of Pennsylvania will conduct a special election on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, to fill a vacancy for the 18th Congressional district, which includes parts of Green, Washington, Allegheny, and Westmoreland counties.

Service members, eligible family members and overseas citizens may use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to register and request an absentee ballot. The form is accepted by all States and territories. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your election office. **If you are a resident of Pennsylvania's 18th Congressional district, register and request an absentee ballot today starting at FVAP.gov.**

If you are not currently registered, your FPCA needs to be postmarked by February 12th. If you are currently registered, your FPCA ballot request must be received by March 12th.

To access the FPCA, you can:

- Use the [FPCA online assistant](#);
- Complete the [fillable PDF version](#); or
- Pick up a hardcopy version from your Voting Assistance Officer or nearest U.S. Embassy or Consular Office

Be sure to double-check your contact information is accurate in case your election office needs to reach you to ensure you receive your ballot.

Detailed instructions and county contact information is available at www.fvap.gov/pennsylvania.

Ballots will be sent beginning January 27, 2018 for those who have requested them. If you do not receive your requested State ballot 30 days before the election, there's a backup ballot called the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) with an online assistant that provides you with the candidate list. It's available using the "Get My Ballot" link at www.fvap.gov/pennsylvania. You may also fill out the PDF version at www.fvap.gov/uploads/FVAP/Forms/fwab2013.pdf or pick up a hardcopy from your Voting Assistance Officer or nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

If you receive your State ballot after submitting the FWAB, you should still complete and return it, as well. Only one ballot per person will be counted.

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Federal Voting Assistance Program

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is a Department of Defense (DoD) organization that works to ensure Service members, their eligible family members, and overseas citizens are aware of their right to vote and have the tools and resources to successfully do so — from anywhere in the world.

FVAP assists voters through partnerships with the Military Services, Department of State, Department of Justice, and election officials from the 50 states, U.S. territories and the District of



Columbia. State and local governments administer U.S. elections, including those for federal offices. FVAP supports State and local election officials by providing absentee voting information, materials, training and guidance.

Voters can contact FVAP's call center at 703-588-1584 (toll free 1-800-438-VOTE or DSN 425-1584) or at vote@fvap.gov. Toll-free phone numbers from 67 countries are listed at FVAP.gov. Find FVAP on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP and follow [@FVAP](https://twitter.com/FVAP) on Twitter.