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**IT'S ARMED FORCES VOTERS WEEK AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS
VOTERS WEEK — HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET?**

June 28, 2012 — Alexandria, Va. — It's Armed Forces Voters Week and Overseas Citizens Voters Week and the [Federal Voting Assistance Program \(FVAP\)](http://FVAP.gov) encourages all service members, their voting-age dependents, and overseas civilians who want to vote to visit FVAP.gov today to register and request their absentee ballot.

From June 28 – July 7, be on the lookout for Armed Forces and Overseas Citizen Voters Week events on military installations and embassies worldwide. During this week, Commanders and Voting Assistance Officers (VAOs) in the Uniformed Services and the Department of State are encouraging all eligible and interested citizens to participate in the remaining State primaries and vote in the General Election. Activities scheduled during this week include voting programs explaining the process required to register and how to obtain an absentee ballot from their local election official, registration drives on installations and embassies, and local media engagement.

Armed Forces and Overseas Citizens Voters Week receives priority support from the Secretary of Defense. During this week Commanding Officers and VAOs will carry out comprehensive command-wide voting awareness activities. Voting Assistance Officers aim for 100 percent contact and availability of Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) to all personnel and dependents. Emphasis is made on the importance of early action on the part of the voter in order to obtain a ballot for the general election well in advance of State deadlines for registration and ballot request.

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If you'd like more information on the Federal Voting Assistance Program or need help with the absentee voting process please go to FVAP.gov for live chat assistance or call FVAP at 703-588-1584 (toll free 1-800-438-VOTE or DSN 425-1584). Email vote@fvap.gov and don't forget to "like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP and follow [@FVAP](https://twitter.com/FVAP) on Twitter for election updates throughout 2012.