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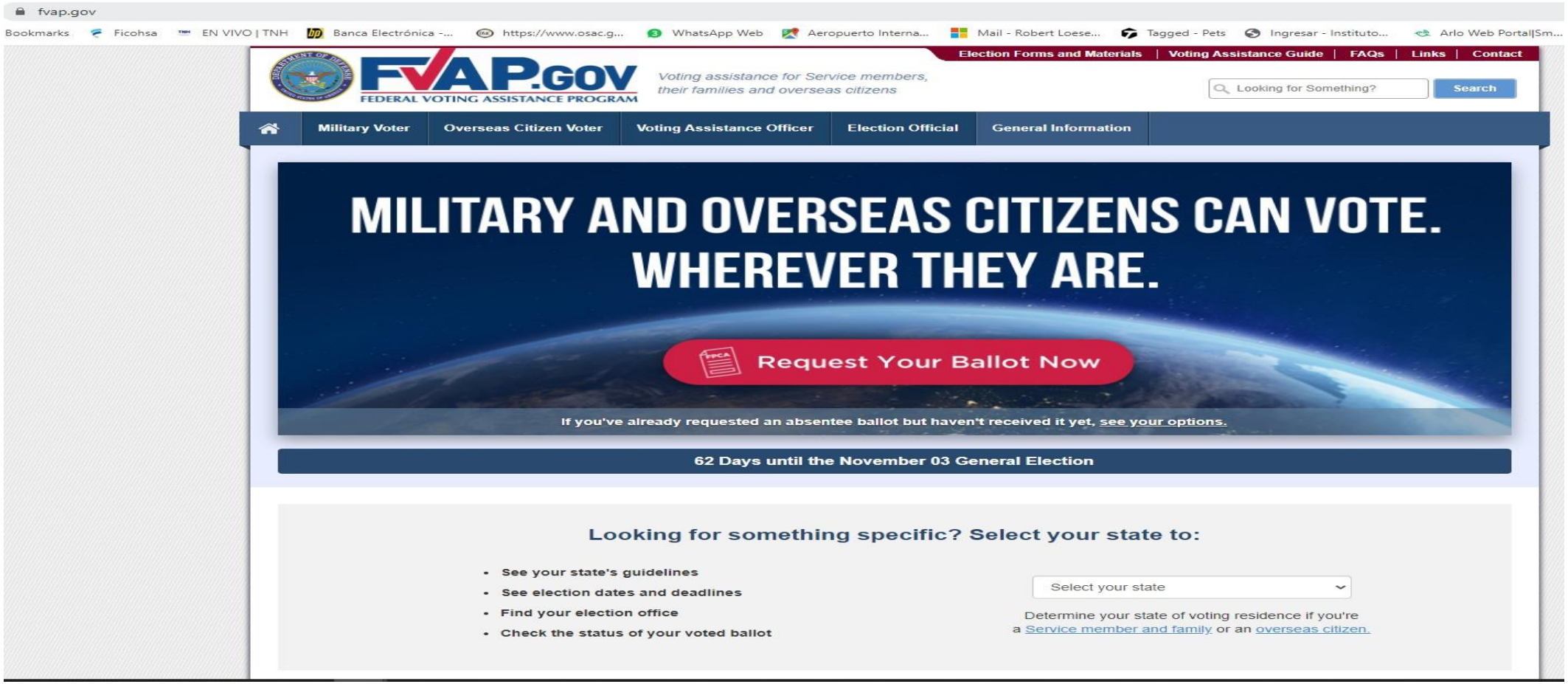

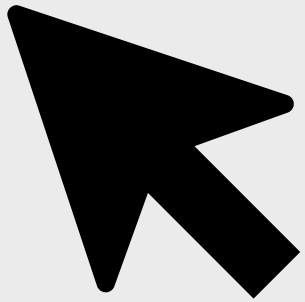

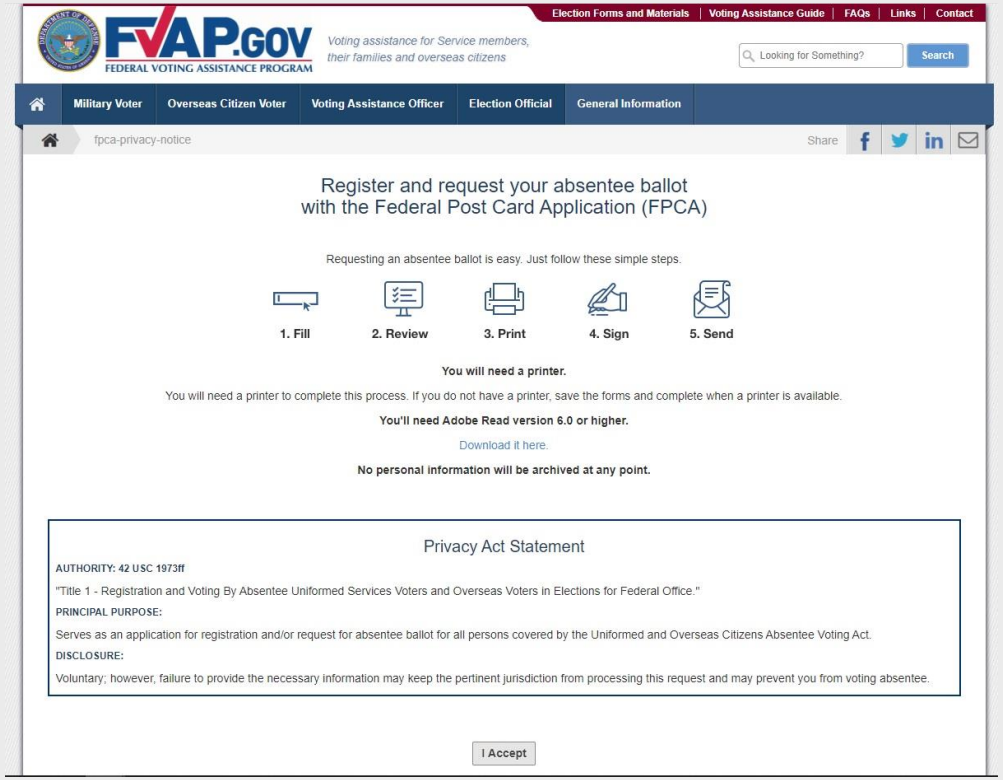
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AUTHORITY: 42 USC 1973ff
"Title 1 - Registration and Voting By Absentee Uniformed Services Voters and Overseas Voters in Elections for Federal Office."
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:
Serves as an application for registration and/or request for absentee ballot for all persons covered by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.
DISCLOSURE:
Voluntary; however, failure to provide the necessary information may keep the pertinent jurisdiction from processing this request and may prevent you from voting absentee.
I Accept

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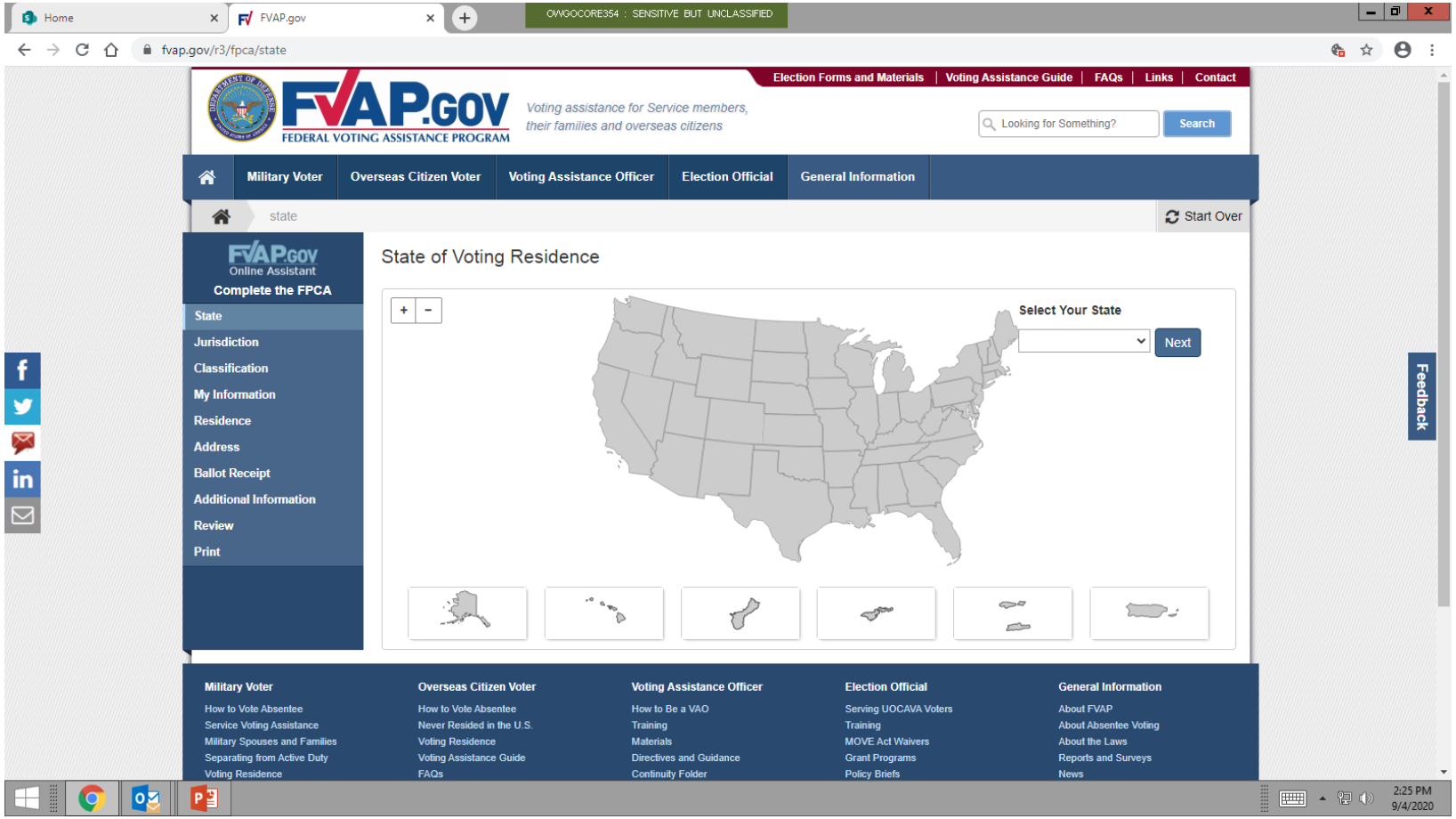

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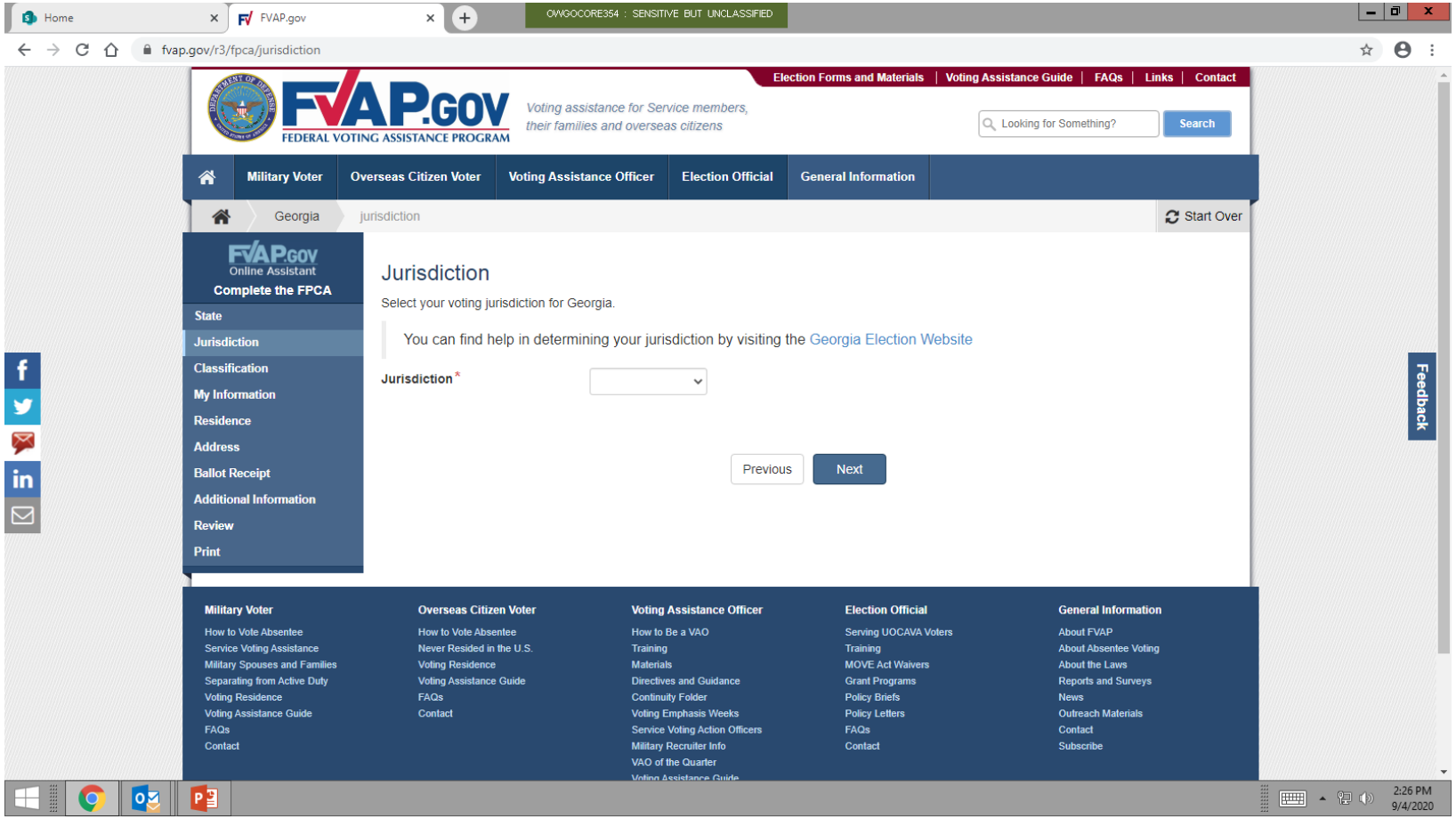

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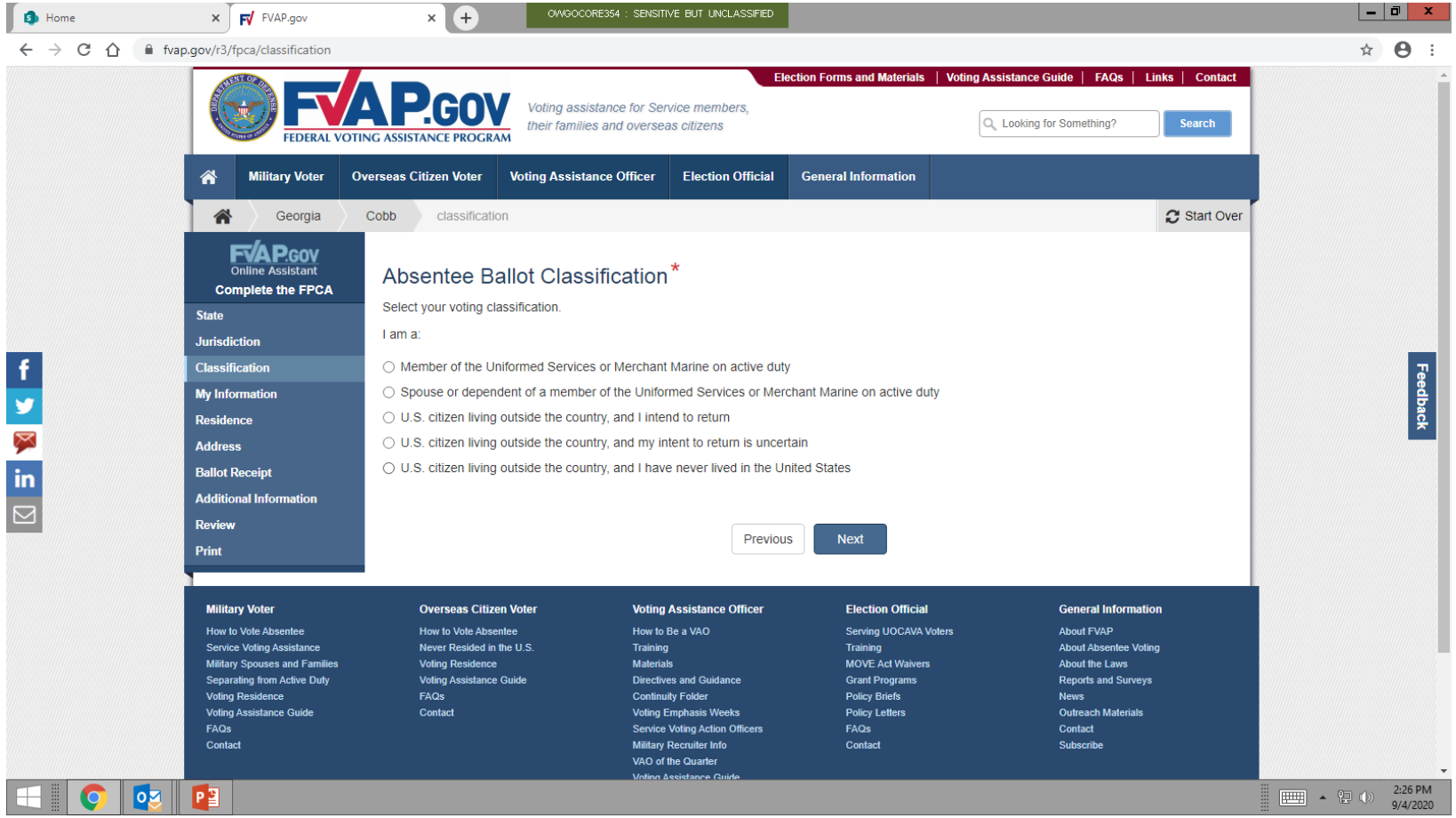

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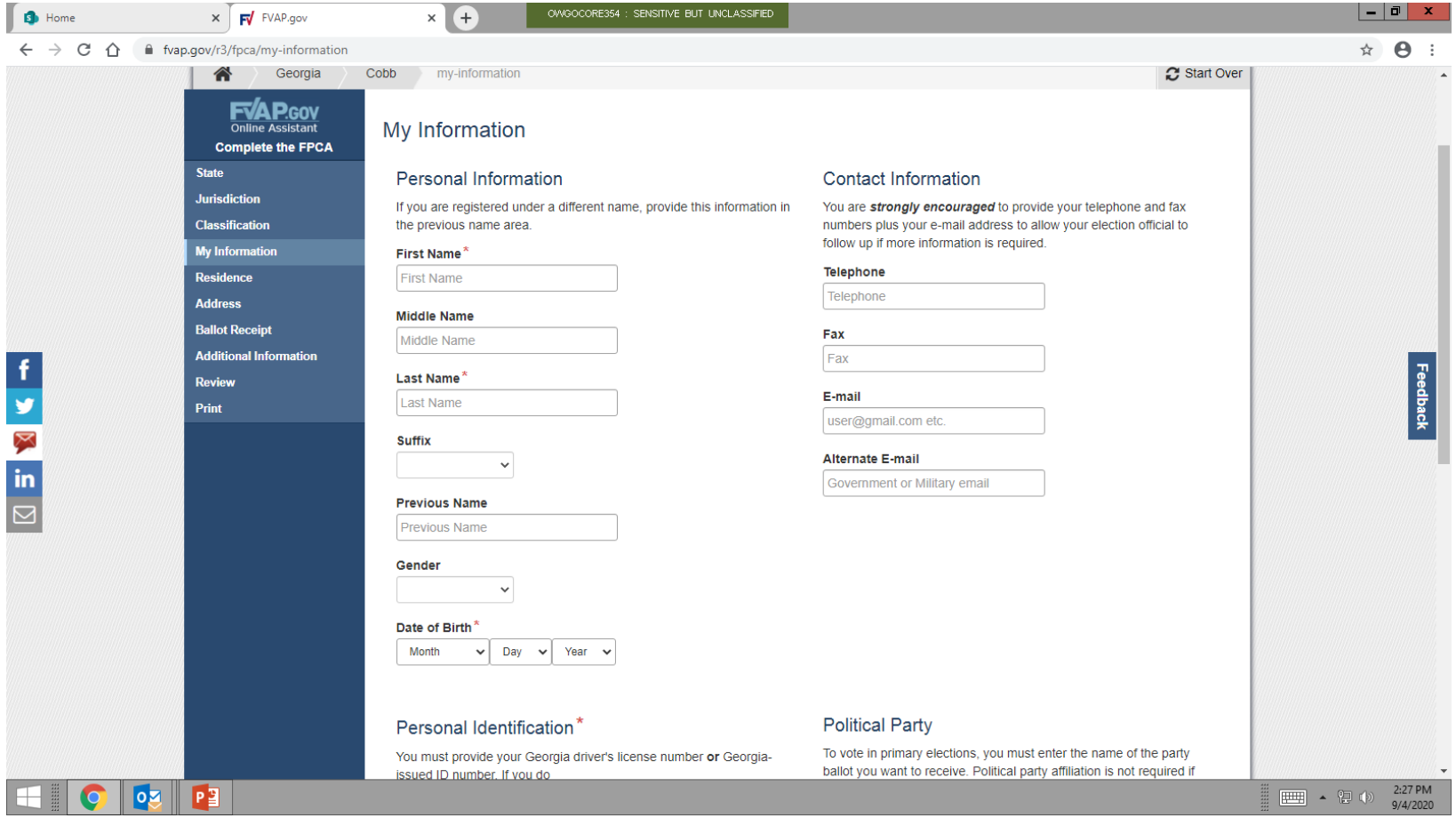

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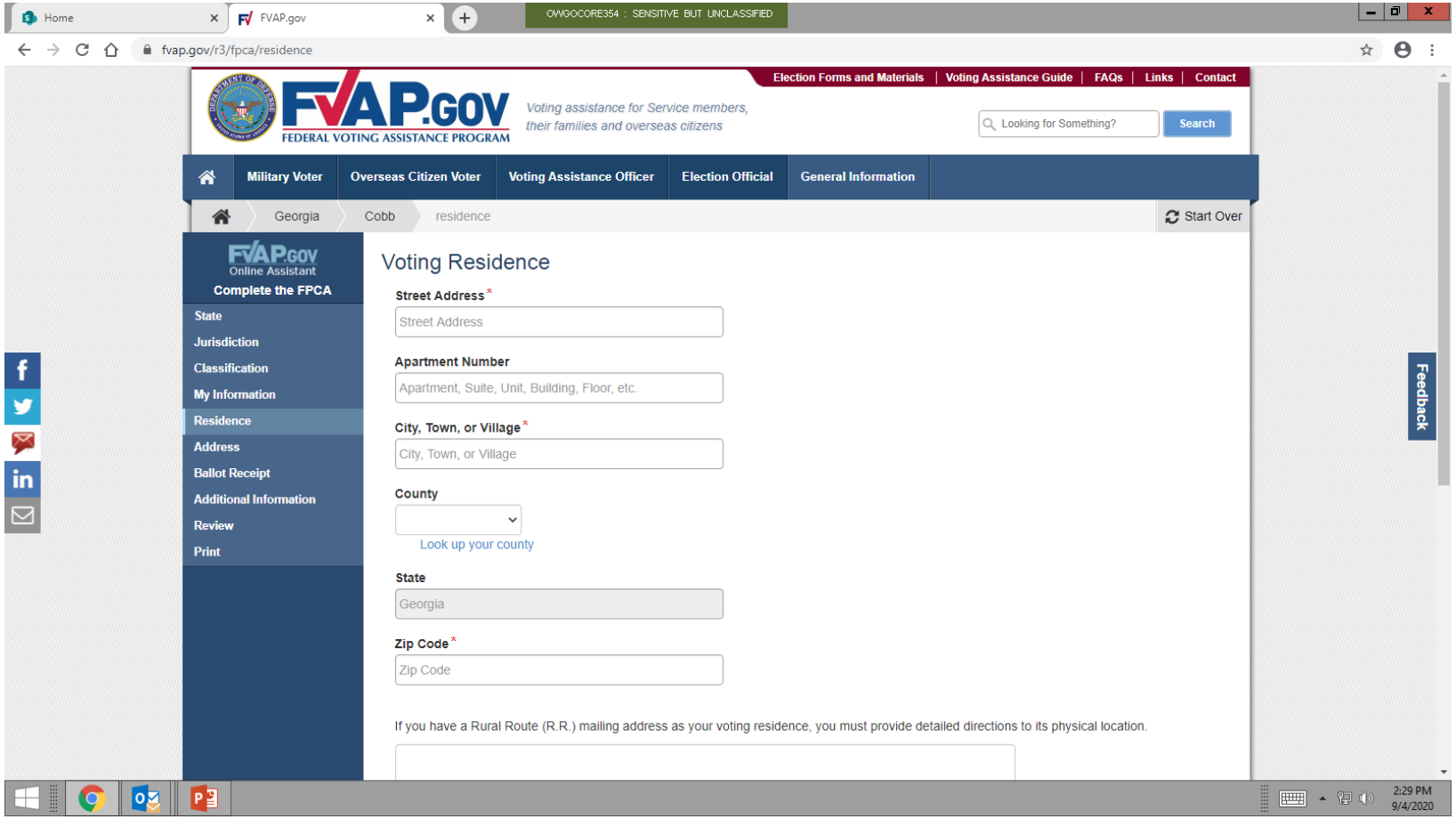

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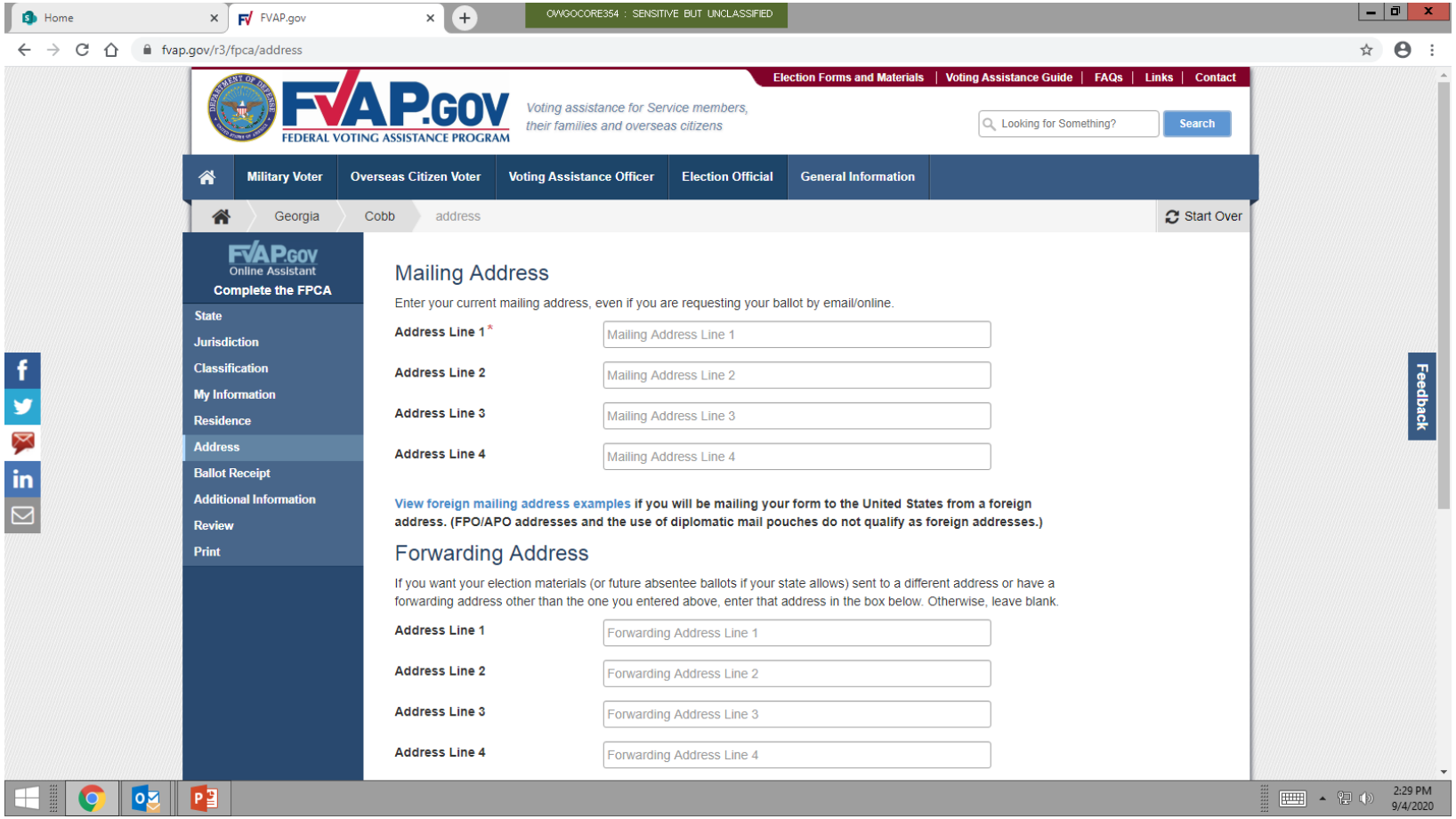

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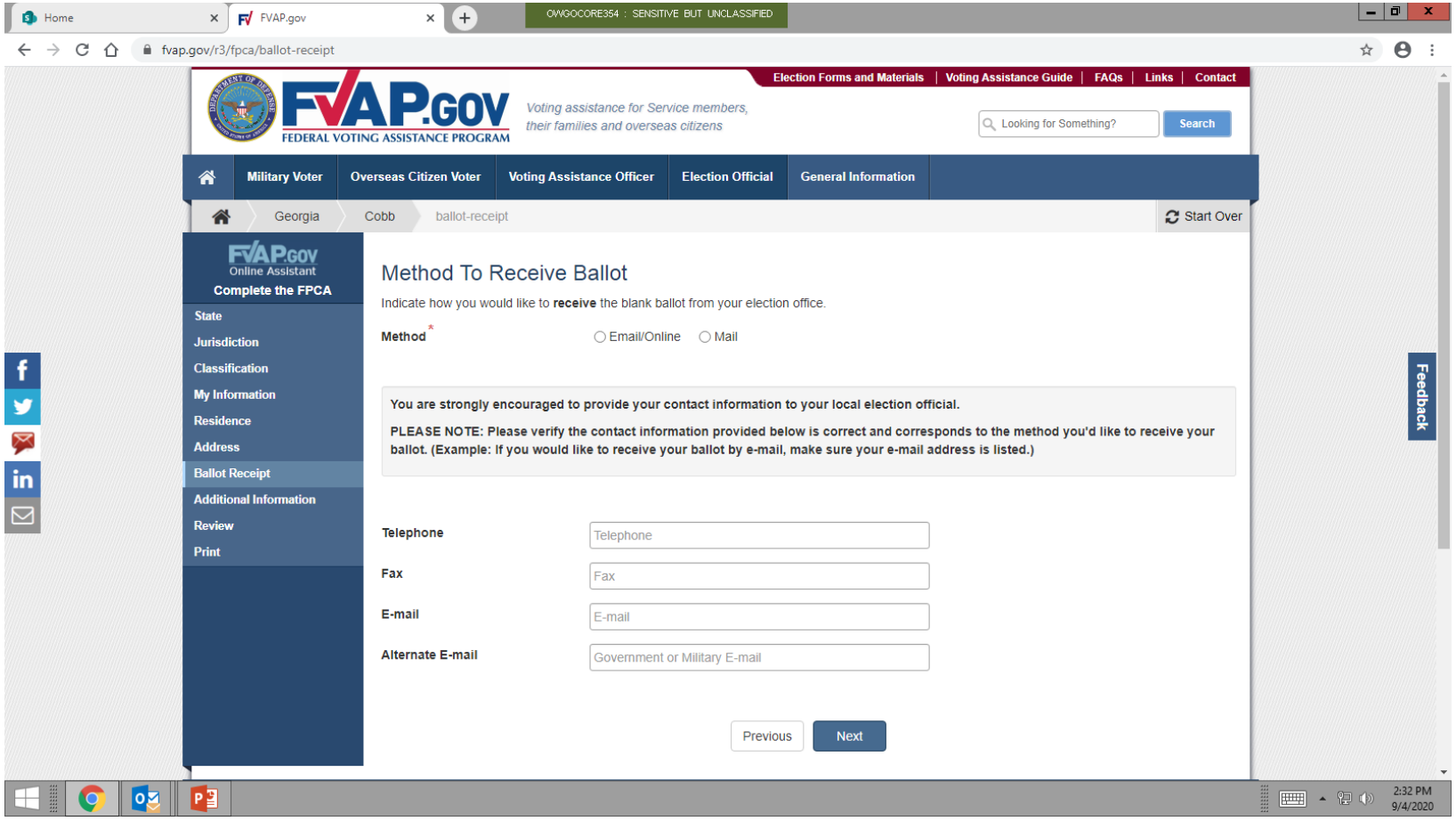

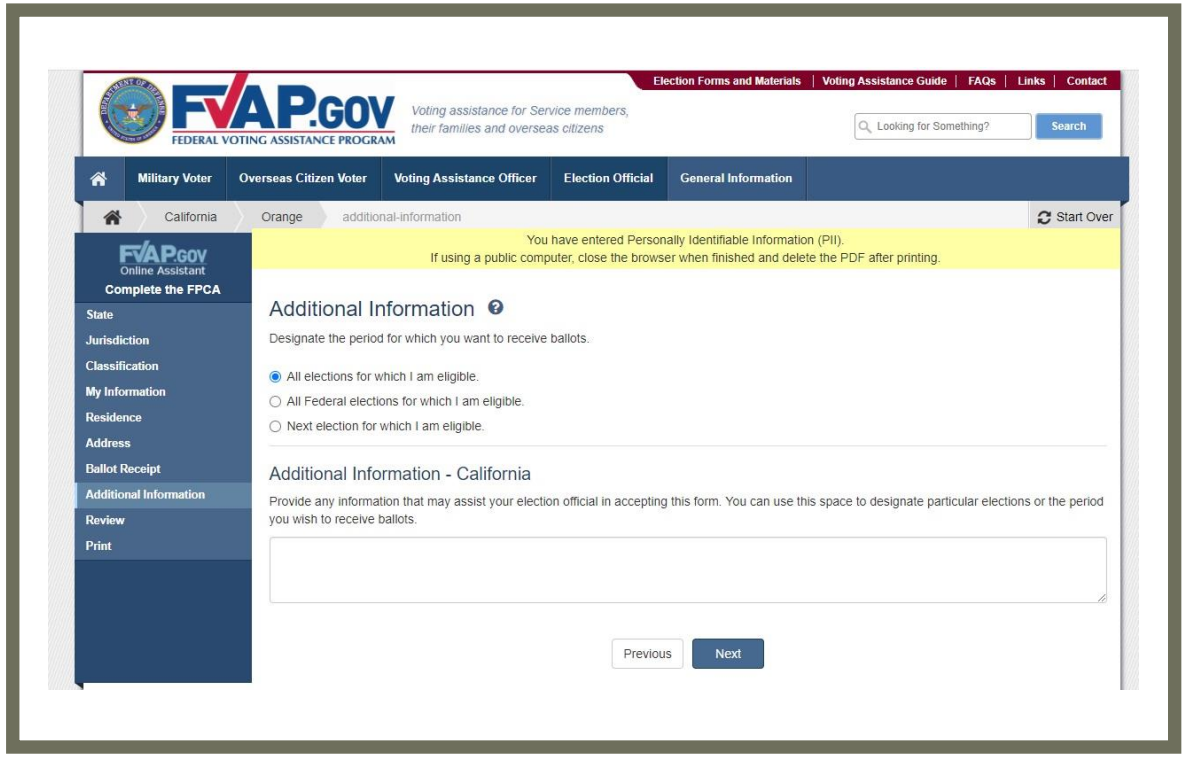
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Designate the period for which you want to receive ballots.
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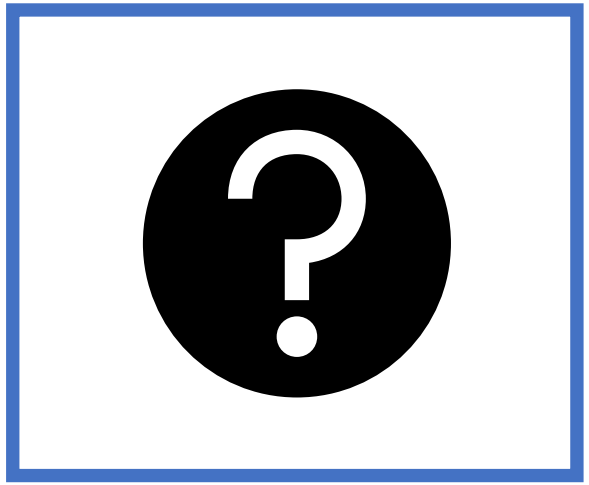

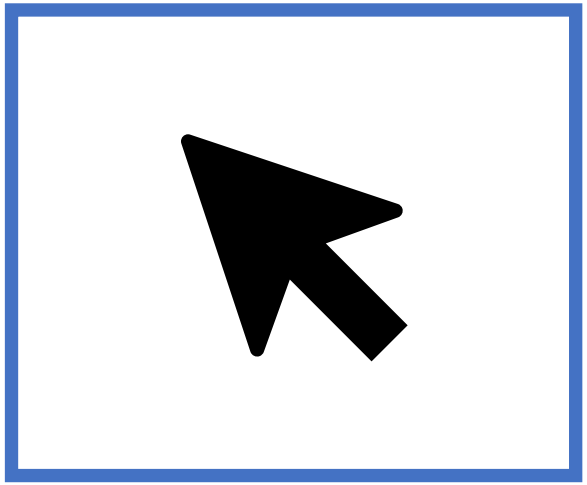

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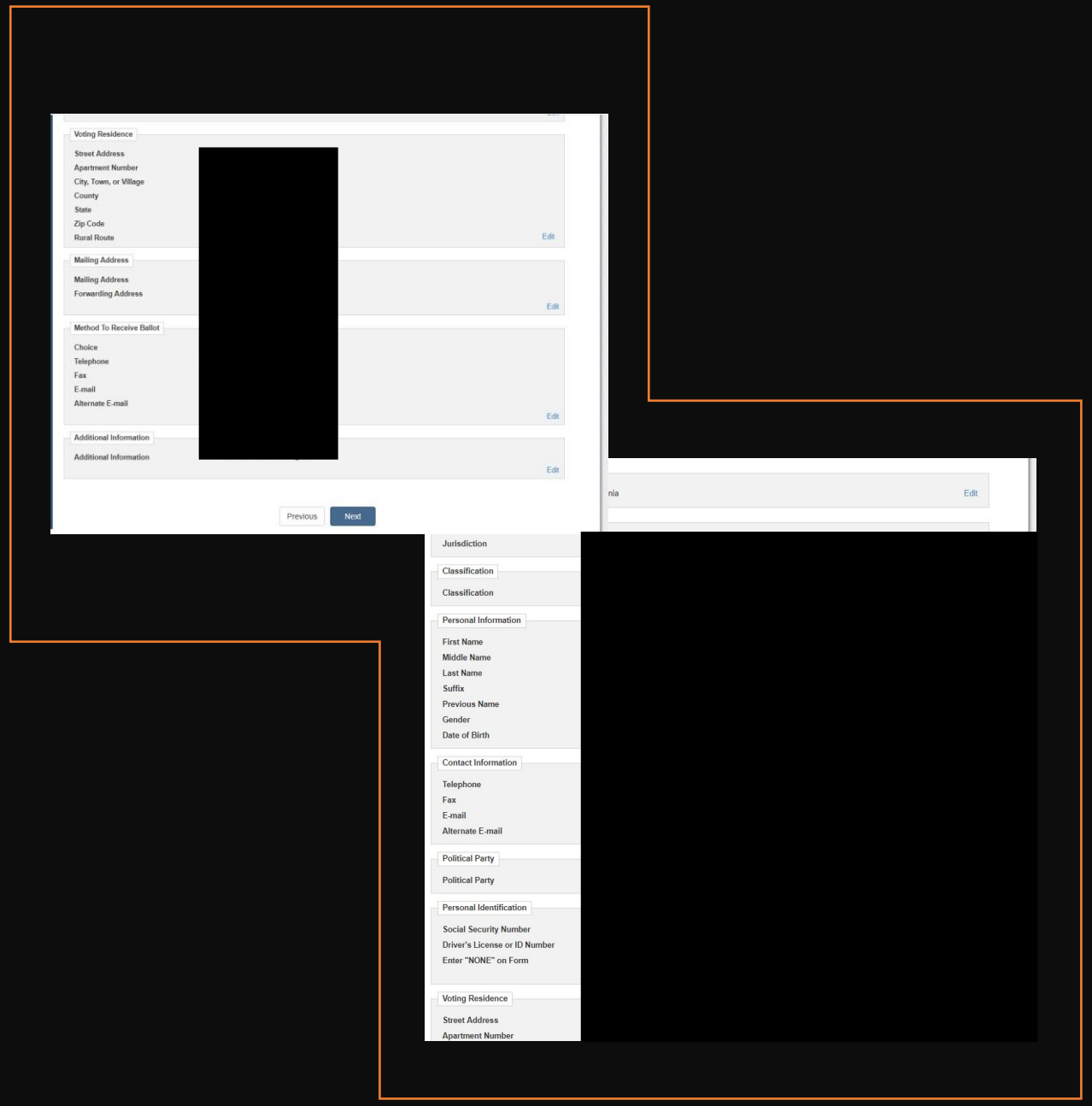

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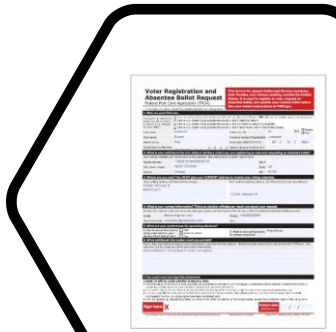
Sign and date



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Complete the FPCA

- State
- Jurisdiction
- Classification
- My Information
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- Additional Information
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Print and Finish your Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)

Step 1: Complete Your FPCA Package

Review your personalized FPCA PDF package before printing.

Print and Sign your FPCA.

Send your election materials:

The PDF package includes items to send to your election official as well as reference material. Please send your FPCA and the documents marked for sending.

NOTE: The pages in the package are formatted for US 8 1/2"in. by 11in. letter size paper. If you are overseas and only have access to European A4 210mm by 297mm, you will need to print the document at 96% of its normal size.

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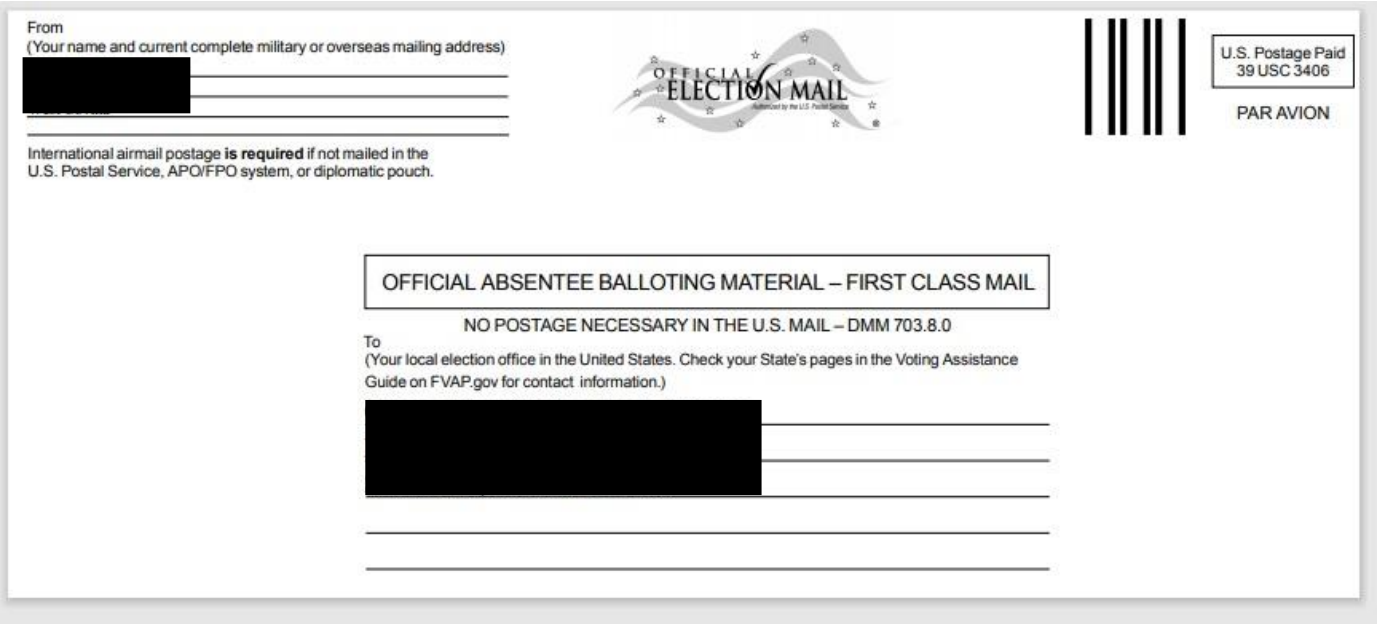
Step 2: Return Your FPCA Package

Download envelope and add From and To addresses



Step 2: Return Your FPCA Package

Select and download either the Standard U.S. (#10 envelope 4 1/8in. by 9 1/2in.) or European standard C4 (229mm by 324mm) template, depending on your envelope printer setting.

NOTE: The postal service equipment will destroy envelopes with taped or stapled postage-paid labels.

If you don't have a US standard #10 envelope, use any size you have available. You will need to affix postage to the envelope to ensure that your FPCA will make it to your election official in a timely manner. Seal and mail your election materials to the local election offical address located in the FPCA PDF reference materials.

If mailing from outside the US and using a foreign mail service you will need to affix proper postage to the envelope to ensure that your FPCA will make it to your election official in a timely manner.

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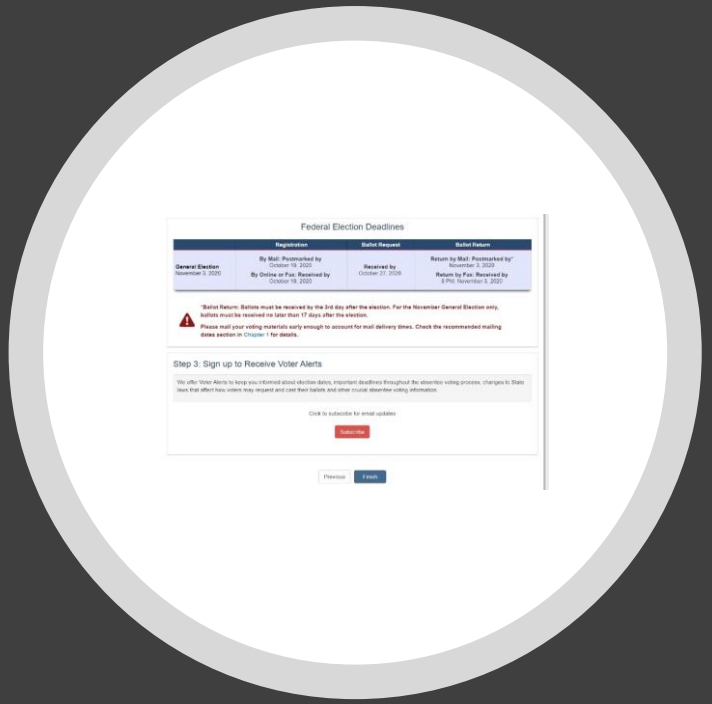
Download Envelope - C4 Europe

Federal Election Deadlines

	Registration	Ballot Request	Ballot Return
CD 5 Special Election September 29, 2020	**By Mail, Email or Fax: Received by** August 31, 2020	**No Deadline**	**Postmarked by*** September 29, 2020
General Election November 3, 2020	**By Mail, Email or Fax: Received by** October 5, 2020	**No Deadline**	**Postmarked by*** November 3, 2020
General Runoff January 5, 2021	**By Mail, Email or Fax: Received by** December 7, 2020	**No Deadline**	**Postmarked by*** January 5, 2021

*Ballot Return: Ballots must still be received by the 3rd day after the election



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***Ballot Return: Ballots must still be received by the 3rd day after the election.**

Please mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the recommended mailing dates section in Chapter 1 for details.

Step 3: Sign up to Receive Voter Alerts

We offer Voter Alerts to keep you informed about election dates, important deadlines throughout the absentee voting process, changes to State laws that affect how voters may request and cast their ballots and other crucial absentee voting information.

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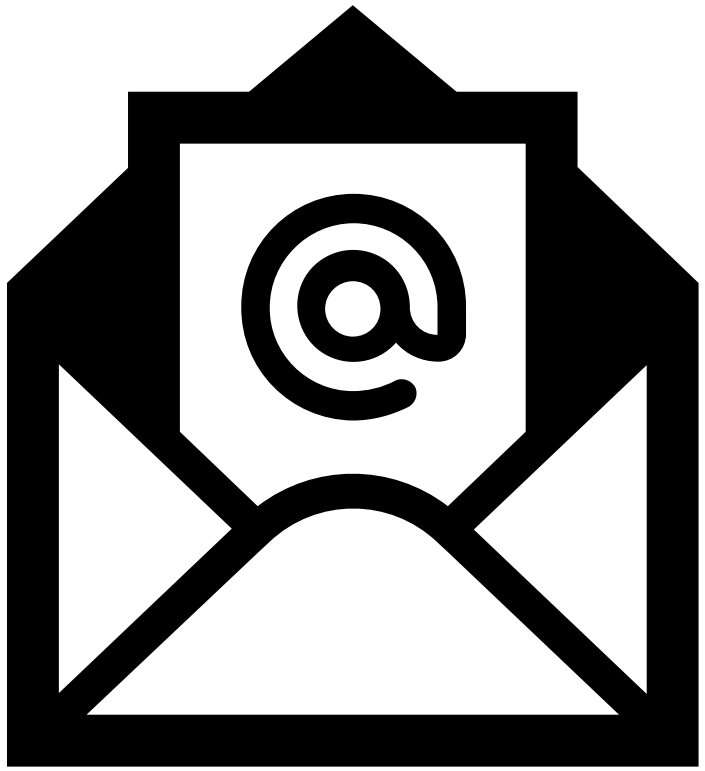
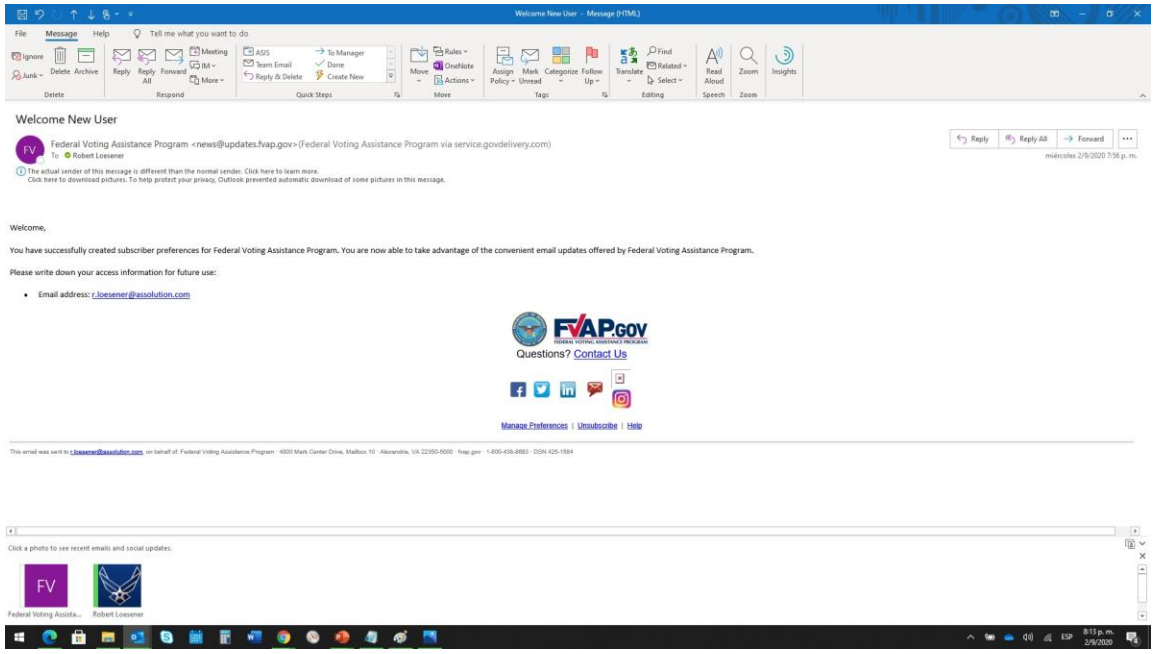
If you subscribe to receive voter alerts, a confirmation email will immediately arrive

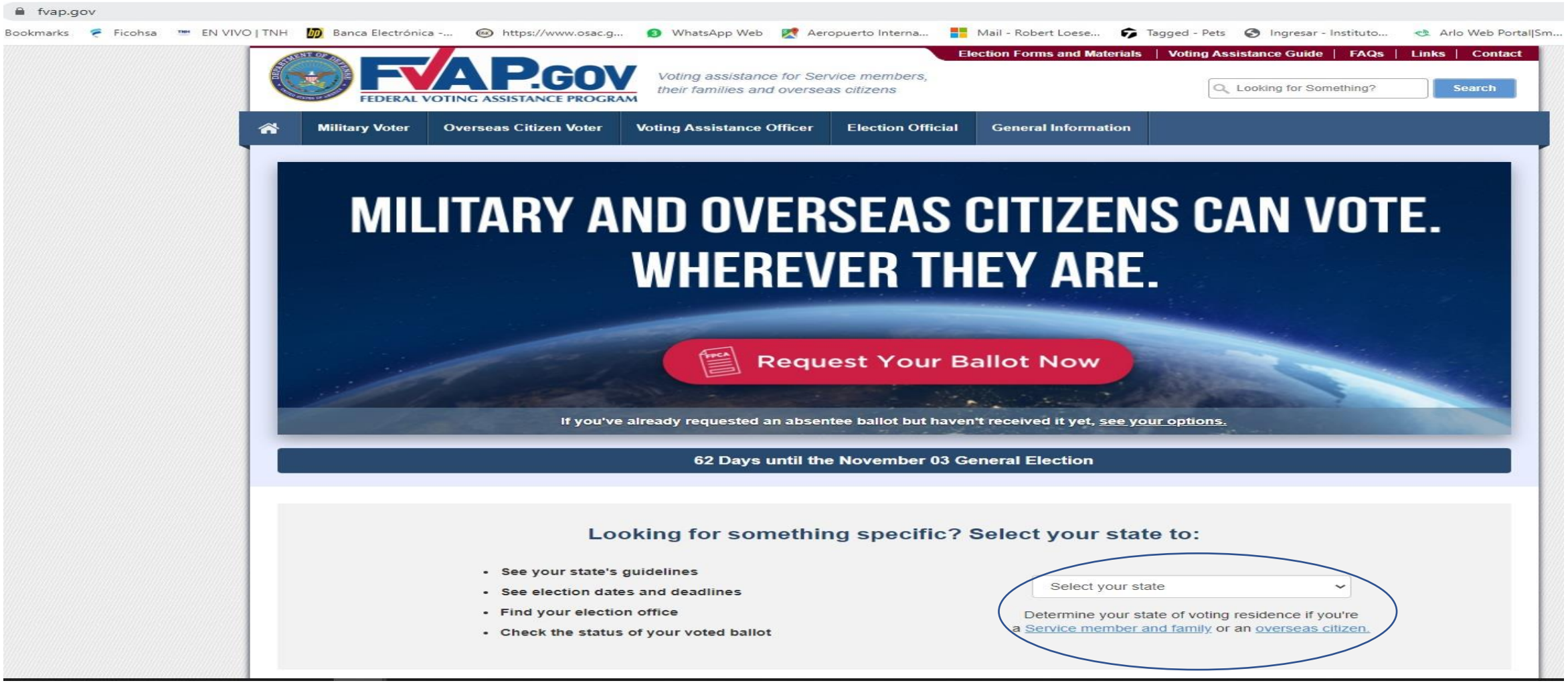




Federal Election Deadlines (Check individual state deadlines as some are different from these)

- General Election- Registration (email, fax, mail) by October 5, ballot request (no deadline) and postmarked by November 3
- Some states require that it arrive by a certain date.
- Other states have a deadline by which to request the ballot.
- Some states required that the ballot itself is signed by a certain date.

From the fvap.gov homepage, select state from the drop-down to see information about key dates to request and turn in ballots



Pennsylvania

Use this site to vote absentee if you are

- a U.S. citizen.
- at least 18 years old.
- absent from your voting residence.

The absentee voting process applies to you if you are

- an active duty member of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine absent from your voting residence.
- an eligible spouse or family member of an active duty member of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine.
- a U.S. citizen residing outside the country.

STEP 1

Register and request your absentee ballot with the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA).

Start the FPCA

STEP 2

Fill out and send in your ballot when it arrives.

Didn't receive your ballot?

Start your backup ballot

Federal Election Deadlines

	Registration	Ballot Request	Ballot Return
General Election November 3, 2020	**By Mail: Received by** October 19, 2020	**Received by** November 2, 2020	**Signed by*** 11:59 PM, November 2, 2020

***Ballot Return: Ballots must be received by 5:00 PM on the 7th day after the election.**

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State Voting Guidelines

What to do if you haven't received your ballot and the deadline is near

- Go to fvap.gov to fill out the Federal Write-In Ballot (FWAB)

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For military members, their families and overseas citizens, these resources from FVAP will make voting absentee as easy as possible — wherever you are and in whichever state you vote in.

Register and request your absentee ballot with the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)

Use the FPCA to both register to vote and request your absentee ballot.

Fill Out the FPCA

Download the FPCA

Make sure to follow your state instructions when filling out your FPCA

- Translation of FPCA Instructions in Español
- Translation of FPCA Instructions in Français
- Translation of FPCA Instructions in عربی

Vote as a backup using the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

Use the FWAB If there isn't enough time to receive and send back your ballot before the election.

It works like a backup ballot. If your official absentee ballot arrives after sending in the FWAB, fill out and send in the official ballot too. Only one will be counted.

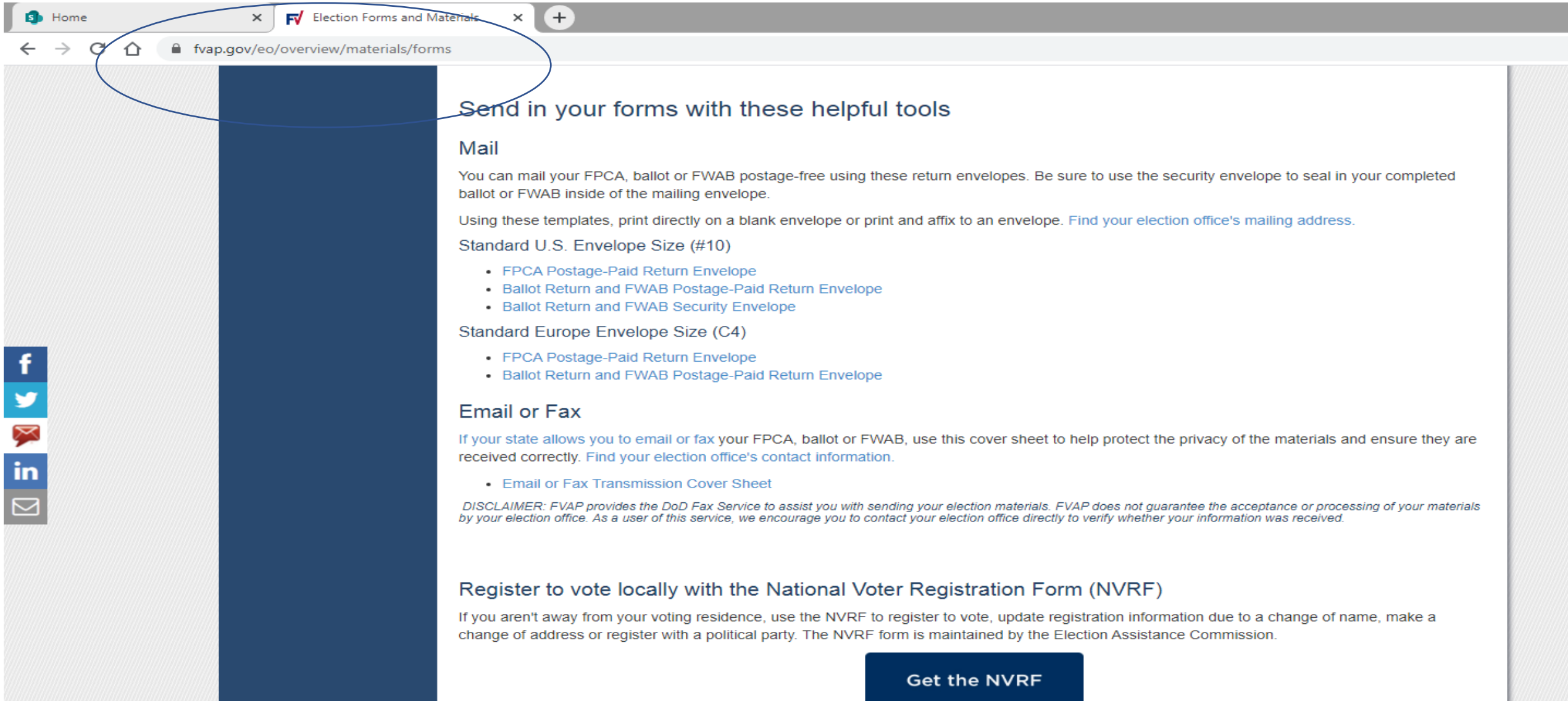
Fill Out the FWAB

Download the FWAB

Make sure to follow your state instructions when filling out your FWAB

- Translation of FWAB Instructions in Español

How to return your FWAB by mail, email, or fax



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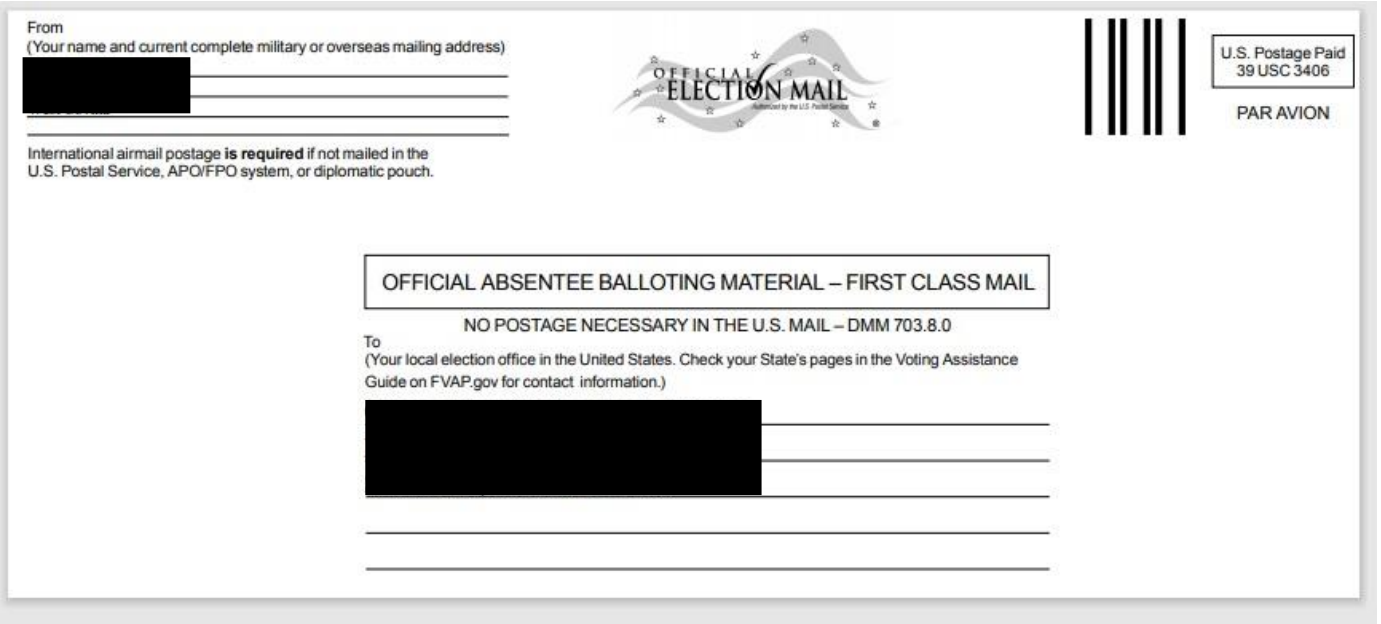

Where to turn in your ballot

- If your ballot has to be mailed, bring your completed ballot in its sealed addressed envelope to the U.S. Embassy at #42 Queen Street, Nassau, The Bahamas. Ballots can be submitted on weekdays between 9:00a.m. and 2:00p.m.
- Facial masks are required to access the drop off box.
- Your ballot will be sent with outgoing U.S. Embassy mail.
- Please note: if the deadline is near, it may be necessary to use a private courier or international mail.