Text Transcript with Description of Visuals for the ExpressVote Voting System Video

Instructions

- Visuals are only provided in instances where the narrative is not sufficient to describe the imagery on the screen.
- When visuals are described they are preceded with the word Visual.

Transcript

Welcome to Fairfax County's Express Vote ballot marking system, which can be used by voters with special needs to mark their ballots. Please take a few moments to watch this video to learn how to mark your ballot quickly and easily. **Visual:** The Express Vote front panel showing the touchscreen on the left-side, instructions on the right-side, assistive technology functions and inputs at the bottom left and the voting card insert slot at the bottom right.

Step one: insert blank ballot card. First, insert the blank ballot card you received into the slot on the Express Vote device. Align the corner cut on the card with the corner cut on the unit as shown. After the card is accepted, an election officer activates the Express Vote device. Visual: Shows the ballot card cut at the top right corner and the opening of insert slot has the top right corner cut.

Step 2: make selections. Next, make your selections on the touchscreen by pressing the box with a candidate's name. Once pressed, your selection will change colors. To change a selection just press the box with your new preference. You can easily navigate through the election contests by touching the buttons labeled next and previous. If you are looking for more selections, press the More Candidates button. To cast a write-in vote, press the Write-in button to reveal a touchscreen keyboard. Then, just type the candidate's name and press accept. If you have visual limitations, you can press the contrast button to change the screen to high contrast black and white. Pressing the zoom button makes the ballot appear larger on the screen. In addition, the Express Vote is programmed to read the ballot to you in the language you prefer. Just ask an election officer to play the audio, so you can listen as you make your ballot selections. A handheld console can be used to navigate the ballot and black out the screen to ensure the privacy and integrity of your marked ballot.

Step 3: review selections. After you have made all of your selections, it is time to review them on screen to confirm your choices. To change a candidate's choice, press the contest button to return to the selection screen. Then, just make your change and touch next to return to the summary screen. The changed contest will remain highlighted on the summary screen.

Step 4: print marked ballot. Print your marked ballot by pressing the Print Card button. Your printed ballot card will be returned to you from the slot on the front of the Express Vote device.

Step 5: scan. Now it's time to insert your marked ballot into the digital voting machine to cast your ballot and have your votes recorded. Just let the machine pull in your ballot and the digital scanner does the rest. Visual: The digital voting machine has a tray in front of the ballot insertion point.

Thank you for taking the time to learn how to use Fairfax County's Express Vote system. We hope it enhances your voting experience.