

VOTING IS YOUR VOICE!



OFFERING RIDES:

October 24 - November 3

**CALL 478-999-VOTE (478-999-8683)
TO REQUEST YOUR RIDE**

Sponsors:

The Macon Chapter of The Links, Incorporated
Georgia Women (And Those Who Stand With Us)
League of Women Voters of Macon
The Women's Diversity Group

Local Women's Coalition to Provide Free Uber Rides to the Polls

A coalition of four non-partisan women's organizations, Georgia Women (*And Those Who Stand With Us*), League of Women Voters of Macon, The Macon (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated and The Women's Diversity Group, are working together to provide *Free Uber Rides to the Polls* for citizens in Macon-Bibb County. Financial contributions from concerned citizens are also helping to fund the effort.

The free rides begin with Saturday voting, October 24, 2020, 9 a.m. — 4 p.m., and continue Monday through Friday, October 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., through October 30 and on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2020, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Registered voters who have no or limited means of transportation are encouraged to use the service. The dedicated number to request a ride is **478-999-VOTE (478-999-8683)**.

There are three early voting sites:

Macon-Bibb County Board of Elections
2525 Pio Nono Ave., Suite 1200 Macon, GA 31206

Elaine H. Lucas Senior Center (*Located in Central City Park*)
132 Willie Smokie Glover Dr., Macon, GA 31201

Theron Ussery Park Community Center (*Located in North Macon Park*) 815 N. Macon Park Dr., Macon, GA 31210

On Election Day, November 3, 2020, rides are available to any of the 31 precincts and the Board of Elections. To find out a voter's precinct call the Macon-Bibb Board of Elections at: 478-621-6622 or visit the board's website at: <https://tinyurl.com/y6ynqgww>

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Transportation can be a challenge for many of our citizens at any time, but today's pandemic environment presents additional concerns. Using the Free Uber Rides will hopefully give voters a sense of safety in which they can feel comfortable in an individualized setting. **The request for the ride will be a one-way trip, but voters are eligible to be able to have a return by making the request known when voting is complete.**

"One of the core principles of Georgia Women (*And Those Who Stand With Us*), is to promote fair and representative elections without undue burdens. In 2018, our volunteers provided rides to the polls on Election Day. Our reach was limited. We believe that partnering in this new endeavor to provide free rides to the polls is one of the best ways to ensure participation of even more members of our community."

— Marty Koplín, Co-President, Georgia Women (*And Those Who Stand With Us*)

"The members of the Women's Diversity Group believe it is essential to our American way of life and maintaining our democracy that every registered voter is able to safely get to the polls to exercise their

right to vote. We are proud to join with these other women’s organizations to provide free rides to the polls.”

— *Kathy McArthur, President, Women’s Diversity Group*

“The members of The Links, Incorporated believe in an informed and engaged electorate. As citizens, our VOTE is our voice and our power. Being able to actually get to the polls is essential to having a VOICE. This action of providing transportation to those who need it helps to actualize our message. This partnership helps to expand our impact.”

— *Sylvia W. McGee, President, Macon (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated*

“The League of Women’s Voters of Macon fully supports the Free Uber Rides to the Polls. Our organization has fought since 1920 to improve our government and engage the public. Nothing is more important to us than the right to vote. We have worked to make voting fair and accessible to all citizens. We are also working to promote voter registration, applications for absentee ballots, early voting, fair access to the polls — and a fair count of the votes. A ride to the polls is another way to insure a full and fair election.”

— *Mary Lou Ezell, President LWV of Macon*

For additional information or to arrange an interview, contact Claire Cox at dcrcox@gmail.com

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