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**PRESS RELEASE:
SECRETARY OF STATE VISITS
FLAGLER COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE
TO DISCUSS 2016 PREPARATIONS**

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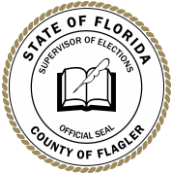


RTL: Deputy Secretary John Boynton, Director of Division of Elections, Maria Matthews, Secretary of State Ken Detzner, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections Kaiti Lenhart, Bureau of Voting Systems Certification Chief Linda Hastings-Ard.

“The Secretary of State was very pleased with our 2016 election preparations and the proactive and detailed approach being taken since my appointment as Flagler County Supervisor of Elections to ensure a smooth Presidential election cycle.”

- **Kaiti Lenhart, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections**

Bunnell, FL – Secretary of State Ken Detzner visited the Flagler County Supervisor of Elections Office on Friday, November 6, for the first time since his appointment as Secretary in February 2012. He was accompanied by Deputy Secretary John Boynton, Director of Division of Elections Maria Matthews and Bureau of Voting Systems Certification Chief Linda Hastings-Ard. The Secretary of State is touring Elections Offices around the State of Florida in advance of the busy election cycle next year to view first-hand the hard work of preparing for an expected high voter turnout.



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Flagler County Supervisor of Elections, Kaiti Lenhart stated, “We continue to see an increase in Vote By Mail and Early Voting in Flagler County, which mirrors the same trend for voting methods statewide. I expect an overall turnout to be near 80% for Flagler County, especially with the voter registration and civic education program I have implemented for the 2016 election cycle.”

The Secretary of State and Division of Elections Director were also pleased to hear the Elections Office would be working together with County Administration and the School Board for the voters of Flagler County to provide facilities for poll worker training classes and delivery of voting equipment, which have been outsourced over the past few years. “This consolidation and use of county resources will be a tax savings to the citizens of our county and works towards my goal of rebuilding a solid working relationship with the other government agencies in our county.” said Kaiti Lenhart, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections.

During this tour, the Secretary and his Deputy, along with Maria Matthews, Director of the Division of Elections and Linda Hastings-Ard, Chief of the Bureau of Voting Systems Certification visited Elections Offices in Putnam County, Clay County and Duval County. Secretary Detzner stated to media during his tour of the Duval County Supervisor of Elections Office, "As we travel around, we are seeing good preparation for the upcoming 2016 election."