

Precinct Project Assistant Program Introduction

This Precinct Project Assistant program is intended to run on Windows systems. Due to the size of the county databases, it will require approximately 100 -600mb on your hard drive. The program itself, written in highly efficient Delphi language, is only a little over 2mb of that total. The Precinct Project Assistant requires absolutely no other software on your computer other than a Windows operating system.

To use the program, you need to download the files to a location on your computer. Then right click on the file and choose "Extract All..." (Extract To, or similar) and select a folder destination, preferably on your hard drive. The program will not run from a CD, but will also run from a flash drive. It is important that you keep all of the Precinct Project Assistant program files together, wherever you copy them to. A folder on your Desktop works fine. Windows Vista and Windows7 users should be warned that the program will not run from a subdirectory of "Program Files" due to User Access Control on those operating systems.

Please be patient while your computer loads the program - the database is very large due to the population of Ohio counties. The program will take 15-30 seconds or more, depending upon the speed of your computer, to first appear. This is normal.

The program will open with data about every registered voter in the county. The first thing you should do is make the program much more responsive by finding the Precinct you are interested in from the Precinct Drop-Down Box. Then if you wish you can use the Last Name Drop-Down Box to find a specific voter in that precinct. Note the last name finder will not work while the entire county is displayed.

The top "Radio-Button" option gives all of the data on the voters that comes from the Board of Elections. Since that amount is rather unwieldy for printouts, there are two additional buttons. The second button will give a reduced amount of data, but still sufficient for walking a precinct. The third button gives the serious voters in a precinct. The program defines "serious" by examining the last five primary elections. You can set various thresholds of results by changing the number of times *you* think they should have voted to merit your concern. Also, since Independents can declare themselves Republican and vote in the Republican primary, you have the option to include them in the analysis. Registered Democrats are excluded from the High Priority Voter results.

You can preview and print both the reduced walking lists and the High Priority Voter results.

Program updates, if any, may be found at www.numus.com/precincts This site will contain a link to the executable file (when an update is available) and after downloading, simply unzip it and replace the current "Precinct Project Assistant.exe" file with the downloaded one and you will be current. The entire program, database and executable, is available at the same webpage. Again - unzip these files into a folder on your computer (a folder on the desktop works nicely) - Vista and Windows7 users must ****not**** unzip the files into a folder under the "Program Files" folder.

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