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2020 General Election

Early Voting Plan

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Early Voting Proposal Summary

Submission Process

The Durham County Board of Elections is required to approve an Early Voting Implementation Plan for the 2020 General Election pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 163-227.6(a). This is required since the Board has traditionally authorized alternative early voting locations to supplement the Durham County Board of Elections office or 'in lieu of' site.

If the implementation plan is unanimous among all members of the Board, it will be submitted to the State Board of Elections for review and approval. If the plan is not unanimous among all members of the Board, a majority and/or minority plan may be submitted to the State Board of Elections for consideration and potential adoption.

All proposed plans must be submitted to the State Board of Elections by July 31st for review and consideration.

Proposed Plan

After careful review and consideration of interests required by statute, public comment, COVID-19 related restrictions and Board member consultation, staff of the Durham County Board of Elections propose a robust one-stop plan for the 2020 General Election. Highlights of the proposed plan are as follows:

- ☑ Establishes 14 locations throughout Durham County.
- ☑ Establishes 2,506 total hours of voting.
- ☑ Ensures Saturday and Sunday Voting at all locations.
- ☑ Ensures all locations are open uniformly for 17 days.
- ☑ Additional sites covered by CARES Act funding to remain within budget allocations.
- ☑ Implementation of additional large sites to support heavily utilized sites.

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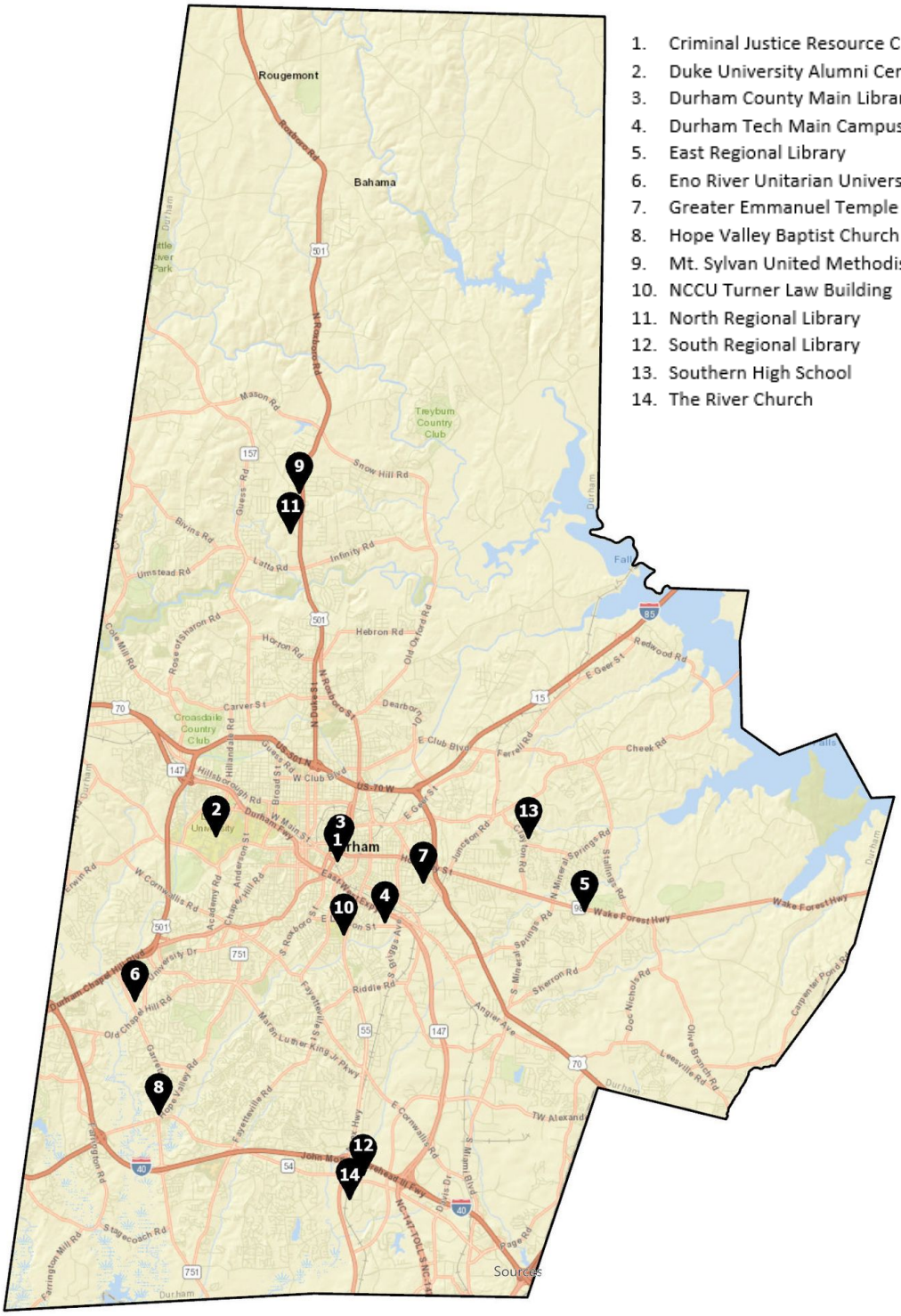
Early Voting Proposed Locations



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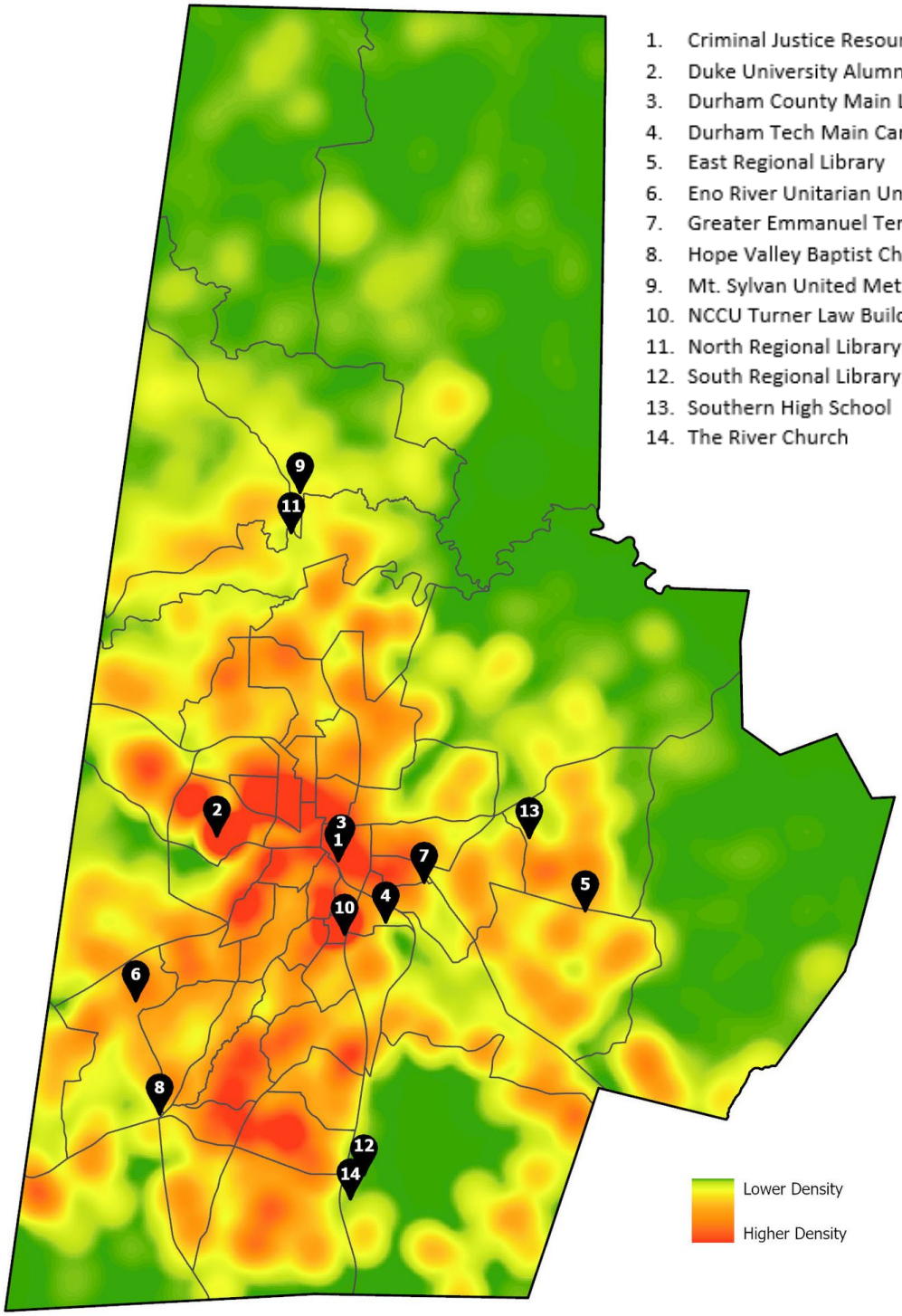
Density Map of Registered Voters in Durham County



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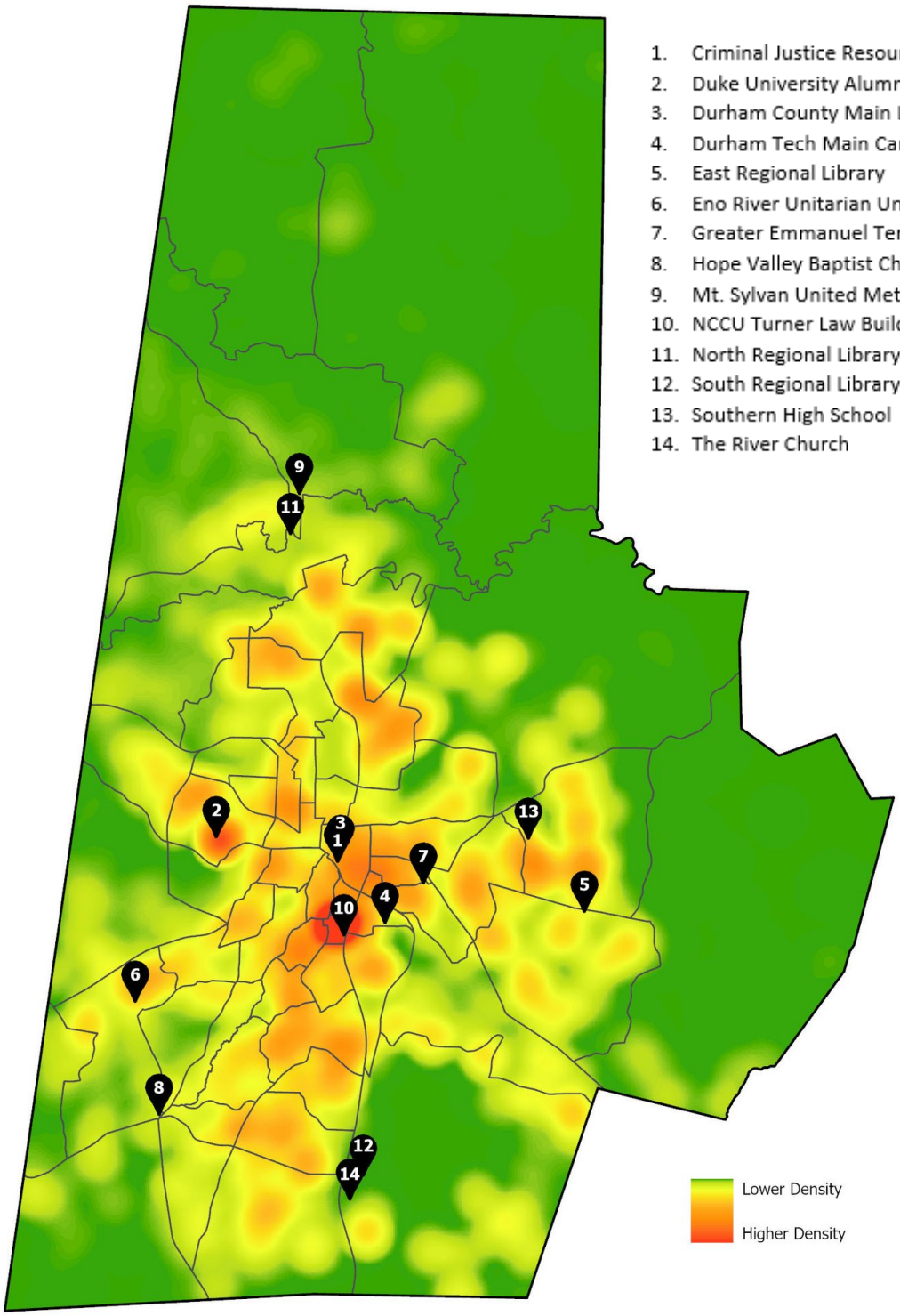

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Early Voting Proposed Hours and Estimated Cost

Week Day	Date	Start Time	End Time	Total Hours
Thursday	10/15/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Friday	**10/16/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Saturday	**10/17/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Sunday	**10/18/2020**	**2:00 PM**	**7:30 PM**	**5:30**
Monday	10/19/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Tuesday	**10/20/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Wednesday	10/21/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Thursday	**10/22/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Friday	10/23/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Saturday	**10/24/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Sunday	**10/25/2020**	**2:00 PM**	**7:30 PM**	**5:30**
Monday	**10/26/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Tuesday	10/27/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Wednesday	**10/28/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Thursday	10/29/2020	8:00 AM	7:30 PM	11:30
Friday	**10/30/2020**	**8:00 AM**	**7:30 PM**	**11:30**
Saturday	10/31/2020	8:00 AM	3:00 PM	7:00

Total Hours	Total Budgeted	Total Projected Cost	Total Projected Remaining
2,506	$ 507,375.00	$ 615,678.00	-$108,303.00*

*The funding gap will be covered by CARES Act and HAVA grant money awarded to the Durham County Board of Elections.

Comparable Election Review

Hours Comparison

The total number of hours included in the 2020 Proposed General Election Early Voting Plan (2,506) establishes an approximately 62.6%% increase over the number of hours offered during the 2016 General Election Early Voting Period (1,541). This is attributable to expanded hours and an additional site.

Site Comparison

The total number of sites in the 2020 Proposed General Election Early Voting Plan (14) establishes an additional site when compared to available sites during the 2016 General Election Early Voting Period (13).

In assessing our strategy for acquiring proposed early voting sites for the 2020 General Election, we saw that 78% of early voters voted at five locations (In order of volume: South Regional Library, North Regional Library, Durham County Board of Elections Office, Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship and East Regional Library) during the 2016 General Election Early Voting Period. There was a similar trend for the general election early voting periods in 2008 and 2012. To address this, staff has acquired large sites within close proximity to our historically busier sites to act as support/overflow locations.

Days Comparison

The total number of days offered in the 2020 Proposed General Election Early Voting Plan (17) is equal to the number of early voting days offered during the 2016 General Election Early Voting Period. Although voting was available each day during the 2016 General Election Early Voting Period, only 5 of the 13 voting sites were open during the first week of voting. The 2020 Proposed General Election Early Voting Plan ensures all sites are open uniformly for 17 days.

Election Date	Total Days	Total Sites	Total Hours	Total Early Voters
11/04/2008	17	7	941.5	97,697
11/06/2012	17	7	997.5	102,143
11/08/2016	17	13	1,541	119,710
11/03/2020	17	14	2,506	TBD

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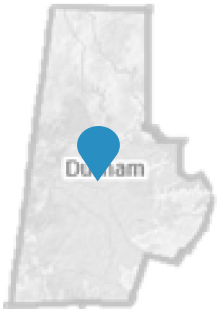
Durham County Main Library

Site Summary

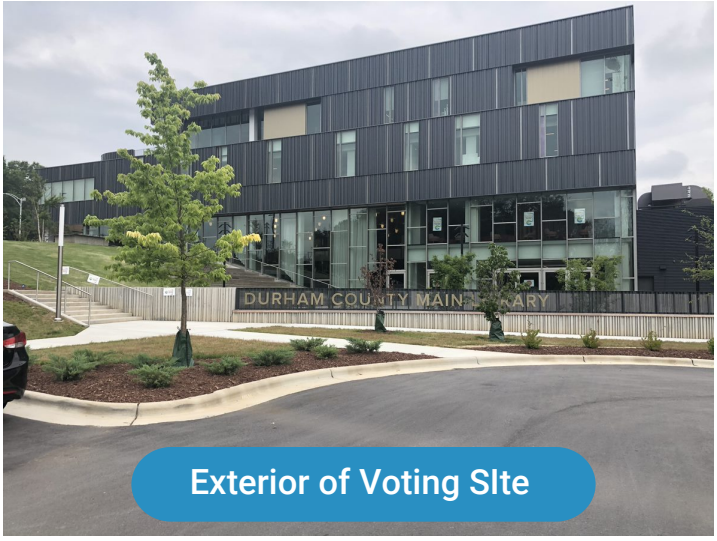
The Durham County Main Library is located at 300 N. Roxboro Street, Durham, NC 27701. The Durham County Main Library will act as the 'in lieu of' site for the Durham County Board of Elections office. This site is centrally located in Durham County, ADA compliant, and is 0.1 miles from the Durham County Board of Elections office. The voting enclosure is the main conference room, which is approximately 1,849 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Site Facts

The Durham County Main Library will have 84 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. The site will receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books. Social distancing requirements limit the amount of resources allocated to this location. The Criminal Justice Resource Center will act as a support site for this location.



Support Site: Criminal Justice Resource Center (0.2 miles away)



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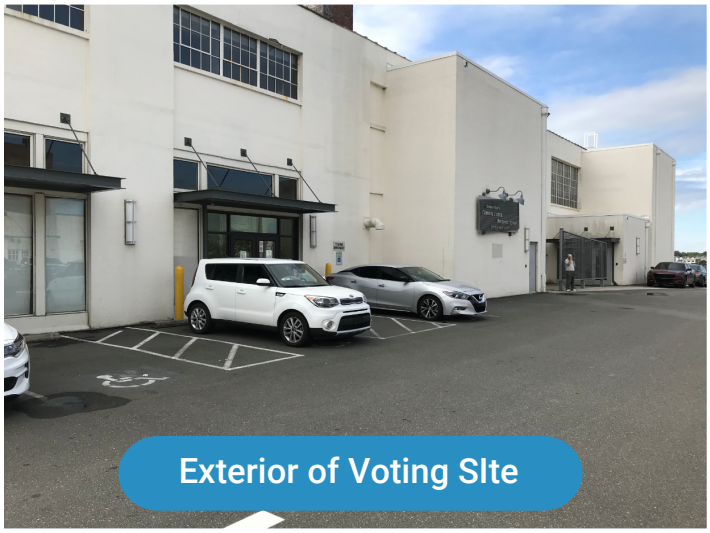
Criminal Justice Resource Center

Site Summary

The Criminal Justice Resource Center (CJRC) is located at 326 E. Main Street, Durham, NC 27701. This site is centrally located in Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the multi-purpose room, which is approximately 2,320 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.



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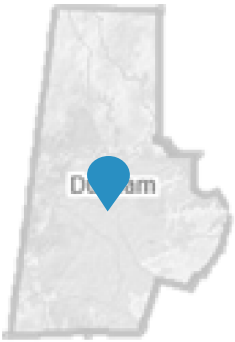
Site Facts

The Criminal Justice Resource Center will have 47 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. The spaces will be located in the main CJRC lot (32) and Social Services lot (15). The site will receive 15-20 voting booths and 4-6 electronic poll books.



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South Regional Library

Site Summary

South Regional Library is located at 4505 S. Alston Avenue, Durham, NC 27713. This site is located in the southern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the main conference room, which is approximately 1,110 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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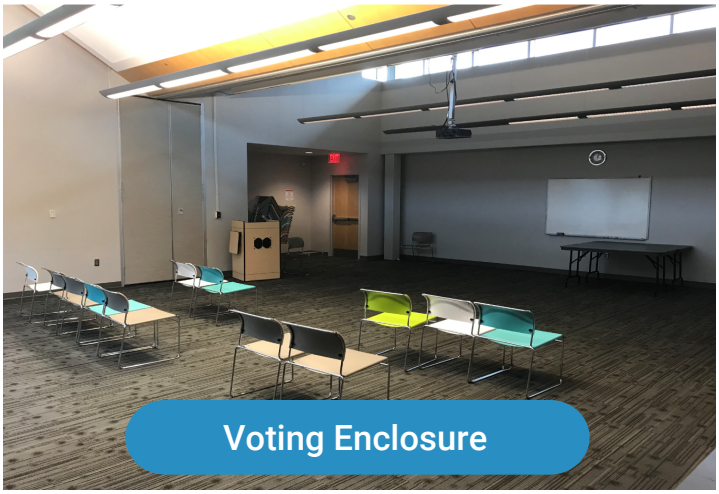
Site Facts

South Regional Library will have 79 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. Overflow parking will be available in various areas around the facility. The site will receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books. Social distancing requirements limit the amount of resources allocated to this location. The River Church will act as a support site for this location.



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Support Site: The River Church (0.8 miles away)

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The River Church

Site Summary

The River Church is located at 4900 Prospectus Drive, Durham, NC 27713. This site is located in the southern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the EMERGE Center and is approximately 4,311 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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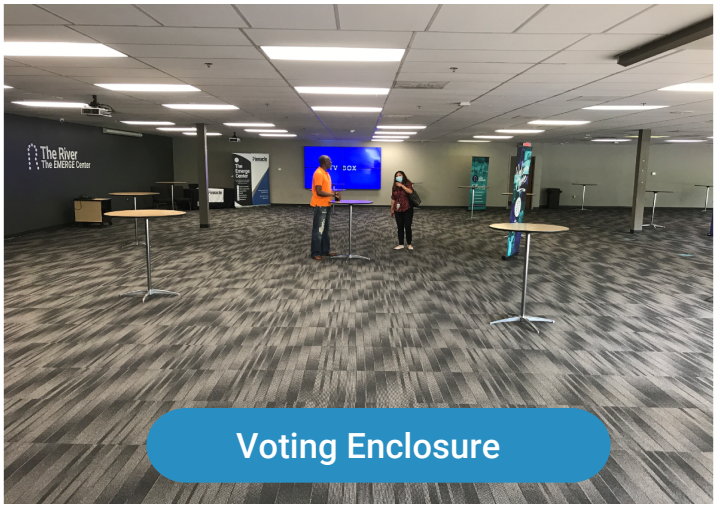
Site Facts

The River Church will have 65 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main lot directly in front of the building entrance. The site will also receive 15-20 voting booths and 4-6 electronic poll books.



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North Regional Library

Site Summary

North Regional Library is located at 221 Milton Road, Durham, NC 27712. This site is located in the northern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the main conference room, which is approximately 1,110 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Site Facts

North Regional Library will have 94 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. Overflow parking will be available in various designated areas around the facility. The site will receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books. Social distancing requirements limit the amount of resources allocated to this location. Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church will act as a support site for this location.

Support Site: Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church (1.2 miles away)

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Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church

Site Summary

Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church is located at 5731 N. Roxboro Street, Durham, NC 27712. This site is located in the northern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the fellowship hall and is approximately 2,540 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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Site Facts

Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church will have 83 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main lot adjacent to the facility entrance. The site will also receive 15-20 voting booths and 4-6 electronic poll books.

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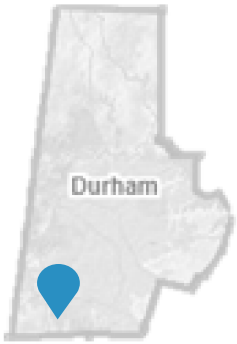
Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Site Summary

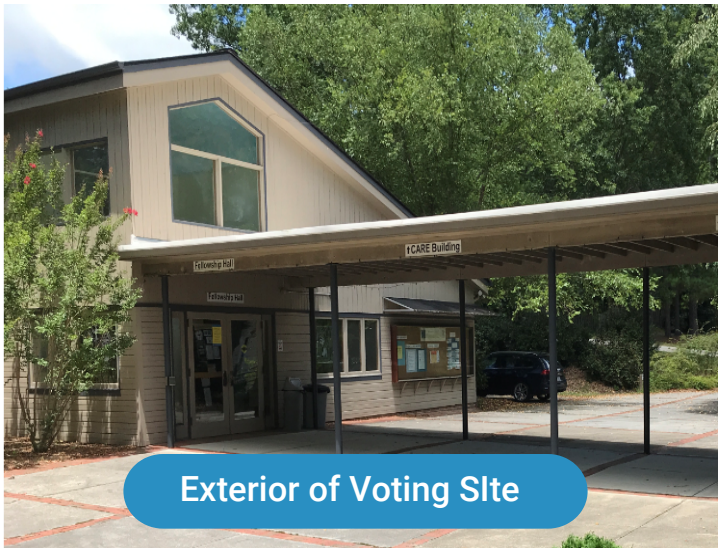
Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (ERUFF) is located at 4907 Garrett Road, Durham, NC 27707. This site is located in the southwestern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is in the main fellowship hall, which is approximately 2,100 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Site Facts

Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will have 40 parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. Overflow parking will be available in various areas around the facility. The site will receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books. Social distancing requirements limit the amount of resources allocated to this location. Hope Valley Baptist Church will act as a support site for this location.



Support Site: Hope Valley Baptist Baptist Church (2.4 miles away)



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Hope Valley Baptist Church

Site Summary

Hope Valley Baptist Church is located at 6900 Garrett Road, Durham, NC 27707. This site is located in the southwestern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the gym and is approximately 7,675 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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Site Facts

Hope Valley Baptist Church will have 54 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main lot directly in front of the building entrance. The site will also receive 20-30 voting booths and 6-8 electronic poll books.

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East Regional Library

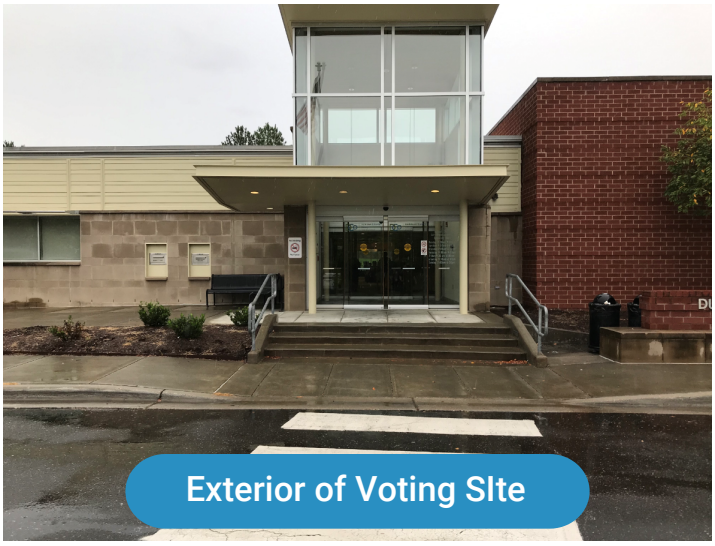
Site Summary

East Regional Library is located at 211 Lick Creek Lane, Durham, NC 27703. This site is located in the eastern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the main conference room, which is approximately 1,110 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Site Facts

East Regional Library will have 99 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers unless otherwise noted. Overflow parking will be available in various areas around the facility. The site will also receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books. Social distancing requirements limit the amount of resources allocated to this location. Southern High School will act as a support site for this location.

Support Site: Southern High School
(2.9 miles away)



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Southern High School

Site Summary

Southern High School is located at 800 Clayton Road, Durham, NC 27703. This site is located in the eastern portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the auxiliary gym and is approximately 6,472 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Exterior of Voting SIte

Site Facts

Southern High School will have 52 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main bus lot directly in front of the facility entrance. The site will also receive 20-30 voting booths and 6-8 electronic poll books.

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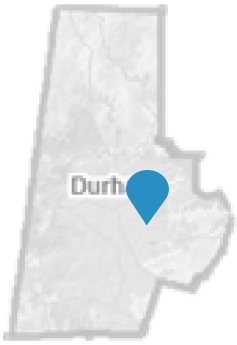

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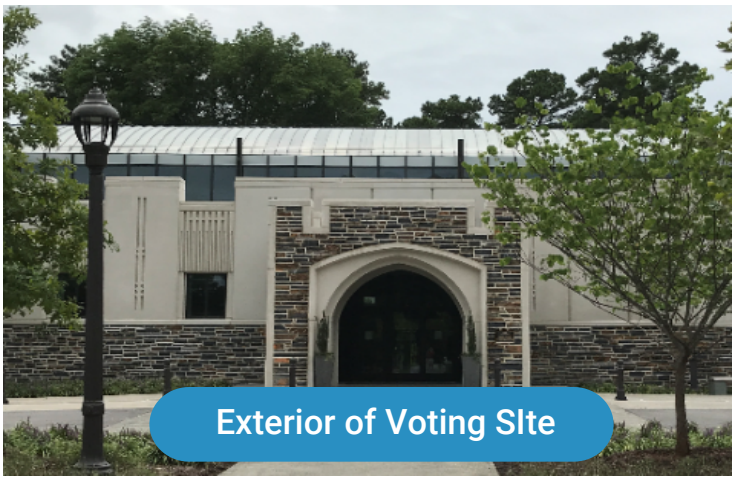
Duke University Alumni Center

Site Summary

The Duke University Karsh Alumni and Visitors Center is located at 2080 Duke University Road, Durham, NC 27708. This site is centrally located in the western portion of Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the main conference room, which is approximately 3,025 sq ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.



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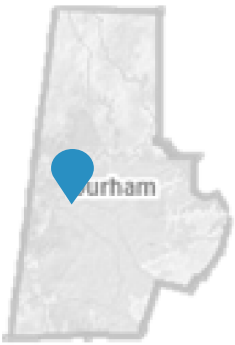
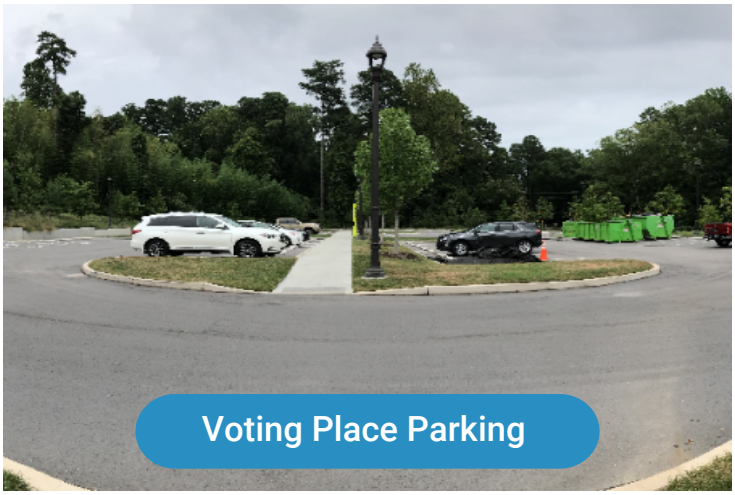
Site Facts

The Duke University Karsh Alumni and Visitors Center will have 70 parking spaces allocated for voters and regular customers in the Karsh Alumni and Visitors Center parking lot unless otherwise noted. Overflow parking will be available in the lot directly across the street from Karsh. The site will receive 15-20 voting booths and 4-6 electronic poll books.





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NCCU Turner Law Building

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North Carolina Central University (NCCU) Turner Law Building is located at 640 Nelson Street, Durham, NC 27707. This site is centrally located in Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is the multi-purpose room, which is approximately 1,560 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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Site Facts

North Carolina Central University Turner Law Building will have 52 parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. The spaces will be located in the main lot designated for the Turner Law Building. The site will receive 10-15 voting booths and 4-5 electronic poll books.

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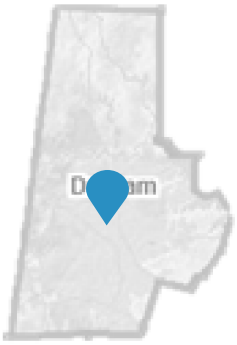

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Greater Emmanuel Temple of Grace

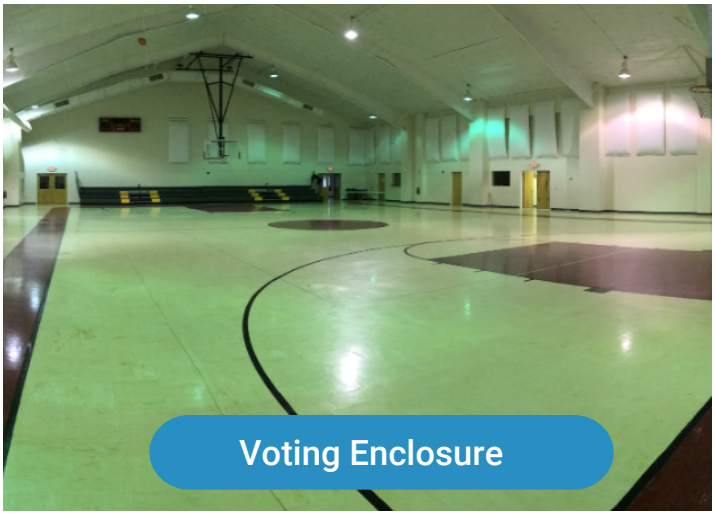
Site Summary

Greater Emmanuel Temple of Grace is located at 2722 E Main Street, Durham, NC 27703. This site is centrally located in Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the gym portion of the Family Life Enrichment Center and is approximately 8,000 sq. ft. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

Exterior of Voting SIte

Site Facts

Greater Emmanuel Temple of Grace will have 52 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main lot directly in front of the building entrance. The site will also receive 20-30 voting booths and 6-8 electronic poll books.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Durham Tech Main Campus

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Durham Tech Main Campus is located at 1616 Cooper Street, Durham, NC 27703. This site is centrally located in Durham County and is ADA compliant. The voting enclosure is located in the fitness room of the Newton Building and is approximately 1,632 sq. ft. Construction of the building will be complete by August 9, 2020. Logistics related to security have been established for this site.

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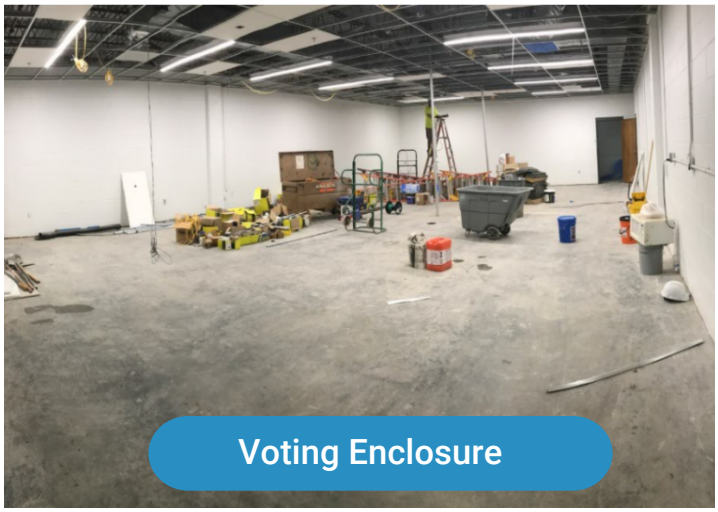
Site Facts

Durham Tech Main Campus will have 30 reserved parking spaces allocated for voters unless otherwise noted. These spaces will be located in the main lot directly in front of the building entrance. The site will also receive 10-15 voting booths and 3-5 electronic poll books.



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