



City of Yakima

# **News Release**

**Subject: 2016 General Election Returns**

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## **First Count of General Election Returns Released**

The initial results of the 2016 General Election have been issued by the Yakima County Auditor's office. The Auditor's office conducts only one count of ballots on election night and issues just one set of returns. Yakima County uses an all-mail-in voting system, so ballots that are postmarked before midnight on November 8<sup>th</sup> will still be considered valid for the General Election.

Tonight's first count for Yakima County includes all ballots received by the Auditor's office through Monday, which represents about 20% of the ballots that have been issued.

In the Yakima County Commission District 1 race, incumbent Mike Leita (R) leads Eric Geary (R) 57.74% (18,667 votes) to 41.20% (13,319 votes).

In the Yakima County Commission District 2 race, Ron Anderson (R) has 53.85% of the vote (17,460 votes) compared to Debra Manjarrez (R) who has 45.18% (14,649 votes). The winner will replace Kevin Bouchey, who choose not to seek reelection.

Incumbent Yakima County District Court Judge . Dept. 3 Doug Federspiel leads his opponent, Alex Newhouse, 54.06% (18,148 votes) to 45.71% (15,343 votes).

Incumbent 14<sup>th</sup> District State Senator Curtis King (R) leads challenger Amanda Richards (I-GOP) 63.35% (13,687 votes) to 36.65% (7,919 votes).

Incumbent 14<sup>th</sup> District State Representative (Pos. 1) Norm Johnson (R) has garnered 67.74% of the vote (15,417 votes) while challenger Susan Soto-Palmer (D) has brought in 32.56% (7,493 votes).

Current 14<sup>th</sup> District State Representative (Pos. 2) Gina McCabe (R) has built a significant lead over John (Eric) Adams (D). McCabe has been supported by 69.32% of voters (15,801 votes) while Adams has pulled in 30.68% (6,994 votes).

Incumbent 15<sup>th</sup> District State Representative (Pos. 1) Bruce Chandler (R) was unopposed.

Incumbent 15<sup>th</sup> District State Representative (Pos. 2) David Taylor's (R) lead over his challenger, AJ Cooper (D), is 61.48% (10,790 votes) to 38.52% (6,761 votes) after tonight's initial count.

In a rematch of the 2014 General Election race for the U.S. Representative . District 4 seat, incumbent Dan Newhouse (R) has 57.31% (40,861 votes) to Clint Didier's (R) 42.69% (30,432 votes) in districtwide voting.

Incumbent Washington State Governor Jay Inslee (D) trails Bill Bryant (R) 46.93% (122,892 votes) to 53.07% (138,958 votes) in statewide voting.

Incumbent U.S. Senator Patty Murray leads her challenger, Chris Vance, 51.68% (135,630 votes) to 48.32% (126,824 votes) at the moment in statewide voting.

The 2016 General Election also features several additional races in Washington State for several statewide offices as well as five initiatives, two advisory votes, and a proposed state constitutional amendment. Full statewide results can be found on the Washington State Secretary of State's website - <http://results.vote.wa.gov/results/current/>

Full Yakima County results can be found on the Yakima County Auditor's website -

<http://www.co.yakima.wa.us/170/Elections>

Additional ballot counts will be conducted over the next few days. The 2016 General Election will be certified on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Vote updates will be provided by the City of Yakima Community Relations office as appropriate.