## Notice for Military and Overseas Civilian Voters or Those who are in Contact with Them

New state and federal laws make it easier for military and overseas civilian voters to register and participate in elections. Under the new laws, military and overseas civilian voters can now receive a ballot by e-mail or fax to speed the voting process. (The voted ballot must be returned by mail for security purposes.)

Military and overseas civilian voters interested in obtaining ballots for elections must request a ballot through the township clerk. Request for absentee ballots submitted prior to 2010 are no longer valid and cannot be processed. Under the new law, request for ballots are good for every election held in the same calendar year in which the request is received. When submitting your request, be sure to indicate whether you would like to receive your ballot by mail, e-mail or fax.

Additional information including contact information for Michigan's township clerks can be obtained through the Michigan Voter Information Center (MVIC) Web site maintained by the Michigan Department of State which is located at: <u>www.Michigan.gov/vote</u>. Click on "Military and Overseas Voters".

If you are in communication with a military or overseas civilian voter we encourage you to inform them of the above information.