



## **-FOUNTAIN COUNTY, INDIANA CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT-**

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### **VSTOP TO CONDUCT POST-ELECTION AUDIT ON FOUNTAIN COUNTY 2024 GENERAL ELECTION**

COVINGTON, INDIANA – The Fountain County Election Board and Clerk’s Office have volunteered to conduct a post-election audit on its 2024 General Election Results. Fountain is one of seven counties on the 2024 General Election Audit Schedule. All seven County Election Boards’ voluntarily requested an audit and received audit approval and designation from the Indiana Secretary of State’s Office. Conducted by VSTOP (Voting System Technical Oversight Program), these audits ensure and affirm that the election equipment used in this election functioned properly, resulting in correctly reported election outcomes.

“We always have a public test before every election for people to participate in and ask questions about our voting system. With the nationwide unrest surrounding the security of our elections, we wanted to give the public the opportunity to see first hand that the results reported are true and accurate.” ~*Patty Smith*

**What:** Fountain County Post-Election Audit

**Who:** VSTOP & Fountain County Election Officials

**When:** Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 11:00 AM

**Where:** Fountain County Courthouse Community Room (Basement) – 301 4<sup>th</sup> St. Covington, IN 47932

**About:** The audit is open to all candidates, political parties, elected officials, media, and members of the public. Post-election audits are meant to be a transparent, and non-partisan external review of election equipment to increase voter confidence in the use of this equipment and the accurate results it delivers. We encourage members of the media to attend and report on audit activities to increase reach to members of our community. For any questions or additional information, please reach out to the Fountain County Clerk’s Office.

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*The Voting System Technical Oversight Program (VSTOP) was founded by the Indiana Legislature in 2007. Hosted at Ball State University, VSTOP is overseen by the Indiana Secretary of State (SOS) and assists the SOS and Indiana Election Division (IED) with a variety of critical election administration functions.*