Tactics for Ensuring Safe Elections During the Pandemic

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- Ensure that voters eligible for absentee voters (we hope ALL SC voters) know how to vote, including the somewhat complex SC process of applying for an absentee ballot and voting absentee.
- Inform voters that South Carolina will provide prepaid postage for absentee ballots.
- Encourage the public to check the status of their registration and of absentee applications and ballots at **www.scvotes.gov** in time to correct problems if they occur.
- Encourage the public to "flatten the curve" at election offices and polling places by applying for absentee ballots early and sending in their absentee ballots early, or else voting early in person.
- Because of changes in the administration of the U.S. Postal Service, it is critical that absentee ballots be mailed in at least a full week

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