## AN IN-DEPTH REVIEW OF MARLBORO COUNTY'S BALLOT RECONCILIATION WORKSHEETS FROM THE NOVEMBER 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

Based on our sample of polling locations for the November 2022 General Election, 79% of Marlboro County's ballot reconciliation worksheets were completed, and 43% were reconciled. Issues included not counting and verifying individual ballot cards supplied, not correctly accounting for used and unused ballot cards and hand-marked paper ballots, and not checking and correcting the worksheets based on returned election materials, such as returned spoiled ballots and returned paper poll list.

It is important to note the county office now provides one-on-one poll clerk training, which includes a hands-on ballot reconciliation worksheet exercise; this will likely resolve many of these outstanding issues. Adequately completing and reconciling these worksheets for each polling location may give greater assurance that the results include all valid ballots cast.

