

What You Are Observing In The

BASEMENT ROOM

The basement room houses the opening board process.

Gray carts containing ballot envelopes for a single precinct are opened and delivered to bi-partisan opening board.

Ballot envelopes are removed from the cart and placed face down. The secrecy envelope is removed. All envelopes containing voters' names are removed from the table. The ballots are then removed from the secrecy envelopes. Secrecy envelopes are removed from the table.

The ballots are then unfolded and inspected. If the board can agree on voter intent, ballots needing enhancement are handled so the ballot can be counted counter can read the ballot with the original voter intent. When all ballots have been inspected, they are placed into transport carrier boxes for storage. Transport carriers are returned to the Green Room until counting begins.

Ballots needing duplication are placed in an envelope and sent to a duplication board. Enhanced ballots are placed in the transport carrier.