

Hello,

I'd like to share my written testimony and also RSVP to the [public hearing event](#). I'm a NYC resident and I never received my absentee ballot and was unable to vote.

Due to COVID-19 I'm not in NYC on the day of the election, so I requested a mail-in ballot to be sent to my out-of-town address

Here's my journey attempting and failing to get an absentee ballot in time.

- May. I filled out the online form to request ballot to be sent to my out-of-town address (<https://nycabsentee.com/>)
  - Did not receive a ballot
- June 1. Applied for absentee ballot through email, and requested it mailed to be my out-of-town address ([AbsenteeJune2020@boe.nyc](mailto:AbsenteeJune2020@boe.nyc))
  - Did not receive a ballot
- June 15. I email followed up to check up on ballot
  - No email response
- June 18. Another email follow up to check up on ballot
  - No response
- June 18. I called NY Board of Election. Someone named Leo picked up the phone and indicated that they previously sent my ballot out to my NYC address. I told them I needed it sent to my out-of-town address. They said they would send one out to my out-of-town address immediately. I read them my out-of-town address to Leo over the phone.
  - (BTW I do have USPS mail forwarding from NYC to my out-of-town address so theoretically I should have gotten the original NYC ballot forwarded to my out-of-town address, but did not receive it)
- June 22. I see an email from USPS Informed Delivery notification that an absentee ballot is on its way to my NYC address. (But not my out-of-town address)
- June 23. Voting day. I don't have an absentee ballot at my out-of-town address. I can't vote.

Sincerely,

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