

# Board of Elections

Organization: 140050

	2011/12 Actual	2012/13 Current	2013/14 Requested	2013/14 Approved	Percent Change
<b>Revenues</b>					
Federal	\$5,159	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
Charges & Fees	63,554	0	122,500	122,500	0%
General Fund	343,084	482,375	507,415	530,049	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$411,797</b>	<b>\$482,375</b>	<b>\$629,915</b>	<b>\$652,549</b>	<b>35%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Personal Services	\$312,969	\$314,475	\$397,115	\$390,149	24%
Supplies & Operations	98,828	167,900	232,800	262,400	56%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$411,797</b>	<b>\$482,375</b>	<b>\$629,915</b>	<b>\$652,549</b>	<b>35%</b>
<b>Employees</b>					
Permanent	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	0%
Hourly	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.02</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>4.01</b>	<b>4.01</b>	<b>0%</b>

## Budget Highlights

The Board of Elections' budget for FY 2013/14 is \$652,549 an increase of \$170,174 (35 percent) increase from the current year. Elections' budget varies as it is dependent upon the number of scheduled elections in a given year. The upcoming Fiscal Year has a minimum of three scheduled elections, the City of Hickory Primary Election on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 (if necessary), Municipal Elections for the eight municipalities and the Hickory and Newton/Conover City Schools on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013, and the Federal, State, and County Primary Election on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Therefore additional local funding that will be fully reimbursed by municipalities is included to cover these costs.

## Performance Measurement

### Fiscal Year 2013/14

In Fiscal Year 2013/14, the Board of Elections will focus on preparing for and successfully conducting the City of Hickory Primary Election (if necessary), Municipal Elections, and Federal, State, and County Primary Elections. Similar to previous years' outcomes, Elections will continue to ensure that all election laws passed by the General Assembly will be applied by their effective date and that preventative maintenance will be conducted on all election equipment.

### **Fiscal Year 2012/13**

At mid-year Board of Elections was on target to achieve or had already achieved its outcomes. The General Election was conducted as scheduled with a 67 percent turnout. 2/3 of voters cast their ballots before Election Day, either at a one-stop voting site or by mail-in ballots. Board of Elections was in compliance with all new and updated election laws by their effective date. Preventative maintenance was conducted on 100 percent of voting equipment. As of June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012, all election equipment was found to be in working condition. In an effort to maintain a roster of active voters, the Board of Elections removed 3,185 voters that had been inactive for four consecutive years.

### **Fiscal Year 2011/12**

Elections achieved all five of its outcomes for Fiscal Year 2011/12. Staff prepared for and conducted three scheduled elections in accordance with State and Federal laws. Also, in compliance with State and Federal law staff updated all files and records to reflect the new redistricting lines. Yearly preventive maintenance on all voting equipment was conducted and all machines were found to be in good working order. Elections received a 99 percent approval rating from persons filing for office, exceeding the department's goal of maintaining a 90 percent satisfaction rating.

## **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

### **Statement of Purpose**

The goal of the Board of Elections Office is to serve the public in an efficient and courteous manner and to provide well-planned and managed elections with immediate results. We will conduct fair, honest, and impartial elections that encourage and provide easy access for all registered voters.

### **Outcomes**

1. Prepare for and conduct the following scheduled elections as required by federal and state law:
  - a. October 8, 2013 – City of Hickory Primary Election.
  - b. November 5, 2013 – Municipal Elections for the eight municipalities and the Hickory and Newton/Conover City Schools.
  - c. May 6, 2014 – Federal, State, and County Primary Election.
2. Apply all election laws passed by the General Assembly by their effective date.
3. To ensure a secure, efficient, and speedy voting process for the public, the Board of Elections will make sure that the required yearly preventive maintenance on all voting equipment is completed within the next fiscal year. This maintenance is conducted each year by qualified technicians to ensure each unit is operating properly