

Elections

Organization: 140050

	2014/15 Actual	2015/16 Current	2016/17 Requested	2016/17 Approved	Percent Change
Revenues					
Charges & Fees	120,361	110,000	100	100	100.0%
General Fund	356,252	614,475	516,499	518,145	-15.7%
Total	\$476,613	\$724,475	\$516,599	\$518,245	-28.5%
Expenses					
Personal Services	\$325,508	\$467,815	\$353,374	\$355,020	-24.1%
Supplies & Operations	151,105	256,660	163,225	163,225	-36.4%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0%
Total	\$476,613	\$724,475	\$516,599	\$518,245	-28.5%
Employees					
Permanent	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	0%
Hourly	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0%
Total	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	12.5%

Budget Highlights

Elections' budget decreased by 28.5 percent (\$206,230) compared to last fiscal year. This reduction is attributed to the department having only the November 8th, 2016 General Election to coordinate, as opposed to the two elections (primary and general election) scheduled within the current fiscal year. The County's 27th payroll equaled \$7,976. Without this anomaly, Elections' budget decreases by \$214,206 (29.6 percent). When compared to the last Presidential Election year, Fiscal Year 2012/13, the total budget increased by 5.7 percent, \$27,894.

Performance Measurements

Fiscal Year 2016/17

In Fiscal Year 2016/17, the Board of Elections will focus on preparing for and successfully conducting the Presidential Election in November. To provide high quality customer service, Catawba County Board of Elections will make sure every person who is legally eligible to vote is afforded the opportunity.

Fiscal Year 2015/16

At mid-year, the Board of Elections is on target to achieve all of its goals. The office successfully conducted the General Election in November 2015 and started the necessary preparations for the Primary Election in March. The office also ensured that all election laws were followed by staff and volunteers.

Fiscal Year 2014/15

Elections achieved all three of its outcomes. Staff prepared for and conducted the November 4, 2014 General Election as required by federal and state law. The General Election had a 43.61 percent turnout rate with a total of 44,503 ballots cast on Election Day and at early voting sites. Elections also applied all new election laws that were effective in the General Election, including eliminating same day registration,

eliminating out of precinct voting on Election Day, reducing the early voting time period to ten days, and implementing changes regarding absentee voting. Staff also informed all voters about the new "Photo ID" law that was going into effect in 2016 and how to get a free Photo ID if needed. To have a signature on file for each voter, Elections scanned 5,966 voter registration documents, surpassing its goal of scanning 4,000 documents.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS
Fiscal Year 2016/2017

Statement of Purpose

The goal of the Board of Elections Office is to organize, conduct, and to provide well-planned and managed elections with immediate results. Board of Election will ensure the citizens of Catawba County the right to vote in fair, honest, and impartial elections in accordance with State and Federal Elections law and County regulations, and provide easy access for all registered voters.

Outcomes

1. Prepare for and conduct the November 8, 2016 General Election as required by Federal and state law by training one hundred percent of all One-Stop and Election Day workers by state law.
2. In order to provide high quality customer service, Catawba County Board of Elections will make sure every person who is legally eligible to vote is afforded the opportunity.
3. To ensure accurate voter registration information and to prevent voter disenfranchisement, County Board of Elections will finish scanning all voter registrations forms from years 2002 through 2005 into the State Election Information Management System (SEIMS). This will complete the department's state requirement of having 100 percent of all voter registration documents scanned into SEIMS.