A Report to the State Board of Elections

November 18, 2024

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State Board of Elections, Board Member, Ex-Officio

Delaware Department of Elections



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Bud Ref	Fund	Dept	Approp	Description	Account	Budget	Expense	Encumbrance	Available Budget*	Percent Available
2024	100	700101	00150	Contractual Services	5510	465,105.45	465,105.45	0.00	0.00	0
2024	100	700101	00159	Energy	5520	6,975.00	3,398.80	3,576.20	0.00	0
2024	100	700101	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	8,067.01	2,765.58	5,301.43	0.00	0
2024	100	700101	00176	Technology	5010	19,225.14	16,201.98	3,023.16	0.00	0
2024	100	700101	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	1,458,980.33	1,204,635.49	206,420.49	47,924.35	3.28
2025	100	700101	00137	Personnel Costs	5100	4,109,500.00	1,508,534.52	0.00	2,600,965.48	63.29
2025	100	700101	00140	Travel	5400	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0
2025	100	700101	00150	Contractual Services	5510	933,300.00	252,388.57	205,688.95	475,222.48	50.92
2025	100	700101	00159	Energy	5520	10,100.00	120.14	329.86	9,650.00	95.54
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2025		700101		Voting Mach	5010	1,642,000.00		394,145.81		19.52
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2025		700101		Primary and General Elections	5010	1,476,400.00		167,993.67		25.82
2025		700101		Technology	5010	1,318,400.00		0.00		0
2025		700101		Equipment	5010	271,400.00	0.00	0.00	•	100
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Monthly Statewide Voter Registration Totals 2024

Date	Number of Registered Voters
JAN 1, 2024	768,978
FEB 1, 2024	770,363
MAR 1, 2024	772,284
APR 1, 2024	773,555
MAY 1, 2024	774,636
JUN 1, 2024	775,973
JUL 1, 2024	777,676
AUG 1, 2024	779,509
SEP 1, 2024	782,495
OCT 1, 2024	786,577
NOV 1, 2024	790,955
DEC 1, 2024	

Upcoming Elections

Statewide Elections

ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION

New Castle County

ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION

Kent County

ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION

Sussex County

ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION
Town of Georgetown	November 18, 2024	Municipal Referendum
Town of Dagsboro	December 7, 2024	Municipal
Town of Selbyville	December 10, 2024	Municipal Referendum

Recent/Upcoming Key Dates & Deadlines

Campaign Finance Annual Report Filing Deadline: January 21, 2025, by 11:59 p.m.

- Early Voting/Polling Place Accessibility
 - Election Officers assisted voters with disabilities navigate to the front of the line. Election Officers monitored lines and made voters aware they were available to assist.
 - Worked closely with Joann Kingsley, CLASI, Inc. PAVA, Voting Rights Advocate to mitigate and resolve any identified issues immediately:
 - Threshold height issue at Sussex early voting site.
 - Department's Sussex County Office immediately purchased and installed a small, rubber wheelchair ramp which was suggested as a temporary solution by CLASI.

Public School Elections

- School Board Election May 13, 2025
 - •First School Board Filing of the 2025 School Board Election cycle on November 13, 2024.
 - •2025 School Board Candidate filing packet available on the Department's website.
 - School Board Candidate Filing Deadline, Friday, March 7, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.
- Public School Referenda
 - Anticipated referendum by Christina School District (March 2025)

- FY 2025 Budget and FY 2026 Budget Planning
 - FY 2025 Budget funding currently being utilized
 - Expenditures on track/as expected
 - Additional voting equipment (Sussex County) accepted and being prepared for deployment for 2024 General Election.
 - Receiving and reviewing quotes/scheduling test drives (for in-stock vehicles) for new box trucks
 - Continued work on cost sharing for voting machine battery replacement and DTI-provided security services
 - Determining if additional State funding is available/balancing cost sharing with federal grant funds available (Help America Vote Act) [HAVA] funds, which are intended for security-related needs
 - FY 2026 Budget Preparation
 - Office of Management and Budget (OMB) budget hearing on Wed; 11/13
 - "Door openers"/budget needs for FY 2026 submitted to Budget Office
 - Revisiting funding for New Castle County warehouse expansion
 - Adding air conditioning to warehouses, with Seaford Warehouse requested for inclusion for this effort in FY 2026.
 - Increase in funding to raise board member stipends
 - Funding options for support services provided by DTI and proportion of these costs covered by State funding (ongoing costs)
 - Budget consolidation to streamline budget management and expense processing
 - Continued funding of increased election officer stipends
 - Continued funding for enhanced marketing and public relations efforts (comprehensive, professional campaign promoting elections and voting options) during budget years with Statewide elections
 - Continued funding for creation of parts inventory for equipment repairs
 - Next steps:
 - Joint Finance Committee (JFC) hearings in early 2025
- Monthly meetings with budget analyst
 - Review of current budget status/needs
 - Initial planning for FY 2026 budget needs ("door openers")
 - Review of research/information requests related to JFC budgeted markup
 - Review/discuss fiscal requirements of proposed/pending legislation and incorporate into budget planning process

- Unofficial Results Reporting: General Election
 - Timely reporting of Election Day results
 - All but one Election Day Election District reported by 10:52PM
 - Initial group of absentee ballots (statewide) not requiring adjudication (review) reported by 10:52PM
 - Department website indicated that absentee ballots continued to be processed and that results would be posted when processing is complete
 - Additional absentee ballots (statewide) requiring adjudication and write-in candidate review were processed overnight and through Wednesday morning, 11/6
 - Adjudication is review of any unclear marks in races on ballot, undervotes on ballot, overvotes on ballot, write-in candidates (Declared Write-In Candidates, as well as names of candidates on ballot written in, as well as names of candidates written in who are not Declared Write-In Candidates)
 - Tabulation of adjudicated absentee ballots (statewide) posted on 11/6 at 12:28PM
 - Posting of these ballots changed leader in Kent County Register of Wills race (a race which appeared on all ballots, including all absentee ballots, in Kent County)
 - Posting increased number of ballots in races statewide
- Boards of Canvass (Certification of Results as "Official Results")
 - Superior Court in each county convenes as Board of Canvass for that county
 - Boards of Canvass convene at the respective county courthouses at 10AM on the Thursday following the day of the General Election
 - Purpose of the Board is to "ascertain the state of the vote"
 - Courts staff conduct the canvass process, with the support/assistance of the Department (if/as needed)
 - Board makes any adjustments needed to totals (eg accepting Department recommendations regarding acceptance of eligible provisional ballots cast, votes for Declared Write-In Candidates cast, any other adjustments
 - Board hears any complaints by candidates/others with standing
 - Register of Wills candidate Colin Bonini filed a complaint, seeking the Board of Canvass to order a recount of absentee ballots in his race.
 - Board ordered a recount of absentee ballots cast
 - Recount of absentee ballots conducted by the Board of Canvass
 - Following the recount, a small adjustment to absentee vote totals to each candidate was made (as compared to unofficial absentee ballot results reported)
 - Outcome of race was not changed
 - Boards of Canvass worked through Thursday, 11/7, and Friday, 11/8, with work completed by late Friday night, 11/8 & early Saturday morning, 11/9.
 - Boards completed their reporting and issued certificates of election to candidates declared as winners.

Early Voting Recap

- Early Voting for the General Election
 - High levels of participation, particularly in Sussex County
 - Some long lines, adjustments made to address high level of interest
 - Additional voting machines added at multiple sites
 - Hudson State Service Center site relocated to a larger room in the facility and number of voting machines almost doubled.
 - Early Voting Statistics
 - More than 210,000 (26%) of eligible voters utilized early voting
 - Approximately 49% of eligible voters in Sussex County voted early
 - Future Planning

Grand Total

Evaluation of 2024 facilities used

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Discussion around adding additional locations/adjusting locations

Early Voting Numbers General	Elect	ion 20	24								
	10/25/24	10/26/24	10/27/24	10/28/24	10/29/24	10/30/24	10/31/24	11/1/24	11/2/24	11/3/24	Grand Total
KENT	4741	2833	2124	4435	4146	4592	3431	3895	2691	3474	36362
EV BPOE #1903 ELKS LODGE	1372	1034	927	1522	1449	1683	1371	1400	961	1327	13046
EV CROSSROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH	1457	939	563	1483	1324	1512	1053	1217	922	1030	11500
EV FREDERICA SENIOR CENTER	1067	551	417	915	860	863	587	798	486	668	7212
EV HARRINGTON PARKS AND RECREATION	845	309	217	515	513	534	420	480	322	449	4604
NEW CASTLE	6583	5364	5010	7255	7447	10562	9828	10508	9548	10853	82958
APPOQUINIMINK STATE SERVICE CENTER	1233	1113	1080	1437	1484	2131	2254	2284	2098	2297	17411
CHRISTINA CROSSING	961	504	377	956	1144	1394	1398	1650	1126	1539	11049
CLAYMONT COMMUNITY CENTER	960	1110	1009	1106	992	1841	1414	1543	1424	1559	12958
DEPT OF ELECTIONS-WAREHOUSE (NEW CASTLE)	1240	1030	957	1227	1293	1790	1884	1767	1595	1940	14723
HUDSON STATE SERVICE CENTER	1131	1130	1309	1670	1623	2362	1989	2148	2523	2508	18393
PAL OF WILMINGTON	1058	477	278	859	911	1044	889	1116	782	1010	8424
SUSSEX	15799	8083	6441	12643	11030	10960	8027	7657	4583	4971	90194
DEPT OF ELECTIONS - WAREHOUSE (GEORGETOWN)	1495	578	407	963	863	851	698	726	394	485	7460
DEPT OF ELECTIONS - WAREHOUSE (SEAFORD)	1155	636	467	1064	908	895	644	747	462	541	7519
EV AMERICAN LEGION POST #28	2454	1253	1031	2068	1739	1640	1191	1048	679	678	13781
EV ELLENDALE FIRE HALL	1873	623	508	1194	942	1066	830	865	635	639	9175
EV LAUREL FIRE HALL	1195	459	350	851	785	702	549	610	409	504	6414
EV MARGARET H. ROLLINS CENTER	1755	1266	959	1705	1529	1374	838	779	413	443	11061
EV MIDWAY	1876	1284	1219	1670	1684	2173	1611	1452	856	849	14674
EV MILLVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER	2084	1201	964	1698	1479	1283	892	781	431	450	11263
EV ROXANA FIRE HALL	1912	783	536	1430	1101	976	774	649	304	382	8847

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Absentee Voting Numbers General Election 2024						
County	Ballots Sent	Ballots Returned				
Kent	7,295	6,434				
New Castle	26,222	21,108				
Sussex	15,763	13,286				
Grand Totals	49,280	40,828				

Staffing

- Full-Time Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Position
 - Position remains posted at DE Department of Justice (DE DOJ)
 - Search process for new DAG position currently underway
 - Current DAG will continue to serve through the 2024 elections

Election Officer (Poll Worker) Staffing of Polling Places Stipend Increases

Position Title	2022 Stipend	*New* 2024 Stipend
Inspector	\$235	\$400
Judge	\$195	\$325
Clerk	\$190	\$300

Standardization Efforts

- Standardization of Procedures/Documents/Materials:
 - Election Officer Training
 - Election Officer Training Videos (supplement to gathered training/presentation and "hands on" training on voting equipment
 - Continuing to collaborate statewide on improving standardized procedures, documentation, and materials for next election cycle.

Community Relations/Public Information

- General Election Media & Advertising Strategy proved successful.
- State of Delaware's Primary Election Crisis Communications' Joint Information Center (JIC)
 - Collaboration of state agencies established to serve as the principal point of contact for media inquiries that pertain specifically to Election Day.
 - Fielded media inquiries about Smyrna power outages and provisional ballots for voters who were not listed in pollbooks.
- Current public information:
 - How voters may check their voting history election
 - Special Elections processes
- Looking to update voter instructional videos with latest voting equipment functionality and processes.
- Creating poster for early voting sites & polling places on the accessibility features of the voting machine.

Municipal Elections/Organized Voter Registration (OVR)

- Municipal Elections Support:
 - Town of Georgetown Capital Improvement Bond Election (11/18)
 - Final upcoming municipal election of calendar year (Dagsboro) in December
 - Town of Blades also exploring the logistics of a possible move to using State Voter Registration System for municipal elections
 - Would require a charter change, affirmed by legislation.
 - Department providing support while balancing not providing legal advice to municipalities/liaisons with municipal solicitors as needed
 - Primary responsibility for administration of municipal elections under the authority of the municipal Board of Elections
- OVR program:
 - OVR group establishment and training remains available for organizations postelection cycle

- Continuing regular/scheduled meetings with Campaign Finance Reporting System (CFRS) support vendor
 - Evaluating administrative roles best handled by Department users vs.
 Administrative support by vendor
 - Deployed capability to update committee names/titles independent of vendor support
- Continued review of user entry fields in CFRS
 - Initiating work with CFRS vendor on this effort
- Upcoming Deadline: 2024 Annual Report on January 21, 2025

Power Backup for Polling Places/Backup Poll Lists

- Power Backup
 - Partnering with professional electricians trained on equipment that will be used if needed
 - Determined specifications for electrical equipment with consultation with voting equipment vendor (ES&S)
 - Staging electrical backup equipment (generators, lighting, etc.) in locations in each county
 - Purchased backup power supplies that may be deployed to power pollbook printers until generators can be deployed
 - Utilized in General Election in polling places in Smyrna due to municipal power outage.
- Backup Poll Lists
 - Available for General Election but did not need to be utilized

Website Accessibility

- Continued review of accessibility of entire site using analysis tool
 - IT Team will continue to review and maximize accessibility
 - Latest bi-weekly scan on 10/30, immediately preceding General Election
 - Latest update shows continued steady improvements
 - Site average "health score" of 99+/100
- Most recent focus has been accessibility enhancements to Election Night Reporting Site
 - •Usability enhanced for those viewing the site on mobile devices
 - •The search bar functions as on other pages on website
 - •The tabs on the page were made selectable, clickable, and more navigable for keyboard, assistive devices, and screen readers.
 - •The dropdown box for filtering the results, now has an accessible name for screen readers.
 - •Screen reader navigation using the header structure has been updated (one header was previously out of order).

Technology Updates

- Dedicated Election Building/Ballot Formatting Area (SEC Office)
 - Initial use for State Primary Election and General Election
 - Will be utilized for anticipated Special Elections and upcoming Public School Elections
 - Finalizing some security-related enhancement as recommended by consultation with federal Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
 - Recap of enhancements:
 - Improved ergonomic setup for ballot building equipment
 - Large screens/monitors available for detailed ballot design review
 - Phone/device-free area to ensure focus on and accuracy of work

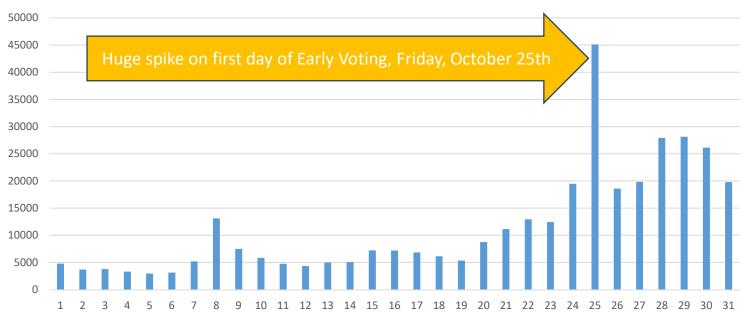
Bill Number	Purpose	Status	Comments/Notes
HB 43	Permits "No Party" voters to vote in State Primaries	Heard in House Administration Committee	Motion to release from committee failed
HB 93	Requires municipalities to utilize State voter registration system	House Administration Committee	Motion to release from committee failed
HB 96 w/HA 1	Permits 16- and 17-year olds to vote in school board elections	House Administration Committee	Tabled in committee
HS 1 for HB 121	Authorizes artificial entities, LLCs, Partnerships & Trusts to vote in Seaford Municipal Elections	Passed House/In Senate Executive Committee	This bill affirms a municipal charter change.
HB 189	Prohibits corporations and artificial entities from voting in municipal elections	Reported Out of House Administration Committee	No action
HB 215	Consolidates Presidential and State Primary Elections on Presidential Primary Date (Effective for Primary Elections held after 10/1/2024)	Passed House/ Defeated in Senate	No action
HB 291 & HA 2	DoE to establish a dedicated phone number and online form for reporting suspected violations and protects the identity of those reporting suspected violations. Permits committees that unintentionally accept prohibited contribution to reimburse donor or to pay funds to State Treasurer. Mandates that a committee intentionally making or accepting prohibited contributions must pay funds to the State Treasurer for deposit to the General Fund and prohibits donating these funds to charitable organizations defined in Delaware Code, Title 30.	Signed by Governor	Requirement to list donor employer/job title listing in campaign finance reports dropped
HB 292	DoE reviews all campaign finance reports. Creates new categories of "Submitted But Not Reviewed" and "Reviewed and Final". DoE works with candidate to rectify violations discovered to resolve and to file an amended report including revised reporting.	In House Appropriations Committee	
НВ 396	Updates the charter of the Town of Delmar, including changes to nominations and elections for municipal office.	Passed House and Senate	
HB 400	Moves the date of the State Primary to the 4 th Tuesday in April, which is the date of the Presidential Primary in Presidential Election years. Effective for primaries held after December 31, 2025. Reduces period during which party changes are not permitted to 60 days prior to the primary election.	Passed House/Assigned to Senate Executive Committee	

Bill Number	Purpose	Status	Comments/ Notes
HS 1 for HB 293	DoE must ensure locations housing polling places are accessible. Provides for emergency provisions if no accessible polling locations are available. Substitute bill clarifies that emergency situations are during states of emergency and natural disasters. Provides options for impacted voters to vote at alternate polling place and by alternate means. Provides a means to file an administrative complaint if accessibility requirements are not met.	Passed House and Senate	
HS 1 for HB316	Bans Deep Fakes relating to Elections within 90 days of an election. Substitute bill amends the original by adding disclosure statements for audio-only media, and adds mobile apps, websites, and streaming platforms as covered media channels. It also adds provisions to ensure compliance to federal laws.	Passed House and Senate	
НВ344	Seeks to randomize ballot name order moving away from current ballot design currently provided for in Code.	Assigned to House Administration Committee	
SB 3 w/HA 2	Amends State Constitution to remove reasons for absentee voting; HA 2 adds language that "no excuse" needed to vote via absentee ballot; adds language to confirm permanent absentee status; adds language affirming 10 days of early voting prior to Primary/General/Special Elections	Defeated in House	
SB 26	Amends State Constitution to lower voting age to 18. Codifies at State level the 26th Amendment to U.S. Constitution.	Passed Senate/ Tabled in House Administration Committee	
SB53	Amends charter of Town of Selbyville related to elections. Creates district representation and updates residency requirements for elected officials.	Assigned to Senate Elections and Government Affairs Committee	
SS1 for SB 180	Amends State Constitution to change qualifications for voting. Updates antiquated language & residency requirements. Lowers voting age. Prohibits General Assembly from removing right to vote as a penalty. Eliminates disqualifying felonies. Limits disqualifying period for those convicted of a felony only to time in custody/incarcerated.	Reported out of Senate Judiciary Committee	
SB241 w SA1	Extended the candidate withdrawal deadline for presidential primary elections and permitted cancellation of an election if only one active candidate remains in a race. Legislation expires 12/31/2024.	Passed House and Senate/Signed into law	

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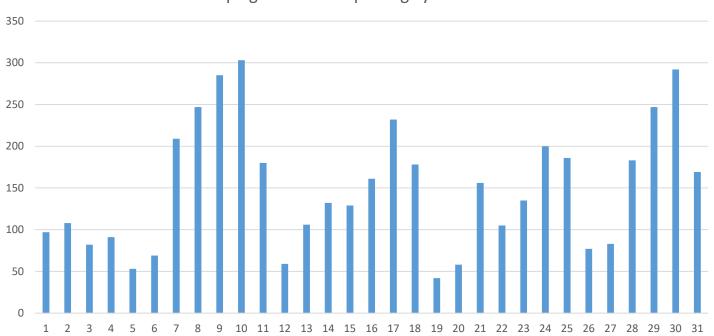
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Users of Campaign Finance Reporting System in October 2024



As expected, the Campaign Finance Reporting Deadlines drove user interest and activity on the Campaign Finance Reporting System website. There were 303 users on October 10, 2024, the 30-Day General Election Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, and 292 users on October 30, 2024, the 8-Day General Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline.

Department Facilities

- All Facilities:
 - Reviewing results of physical security assessments of all facilities with federal partners (DHS/CISA)
 - Determining enhancements/recommendations that are feasible
- State Election Commissioner's Office
 - Reformatting of conference room to ballot building area/reformatted meeting room underway.
- Kent County Office/Warehouse
 - Replacing natural gas regulator for backup generator
 - Warehouse floor lining: "parking spaces" for voting machines complete
 - Repairs to some badge access hardware
- New Castle County
 - Carvel Building Office
 - No updates at this time
 - Warehouse
 - No updates at this time
- Sussex County
 - Office
 - Installation of interior security door pending
 - Security officer on-site during office hours until installation is complete
 - Georgetown warehouse
 - Upgrade to ensure accessibility of access ramp at entrance
 - Seaford Warehouse
 - No updates at this time

Conferences/Meetings Attending

- Election Center (EC) Committees:
 - Postal Committee:
 - Next meeting at the Joint Election Officers Liaison Committee (JEOLC) in January 2025 (Arlington, VA)
 - Program Development and Awards Committee
 - Confirmed and presented achievement awards
 - Recap of 2024 Annual Conference format; Planning for 2025
 JEOLC, and initial planning for 2025 Annual Conference
 - Bi-Monthly Meetings (virtual)
- USPS Mailers Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) [USPS Industry Stakeholder Committee]
 - 4th Quarter meeting in late October
 - Election Center representative to MTAC
 - Member of Workgroup on Informed Delivery

Voter Registration Transactions – New & Updated Records January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

		Updated	Changed	New	Pre-	
Month	New voters	names	party	addresses	Registrations	Total
January	3,689	1,126	5,859	5,300	725	16,699
February	4,290	1,130	3,148	5,661	811	15,040
March	4,074	1,076	7,437	5,503	850	18,940
April	4,669	1,211	6,339	6,505	1,076	19,800
May	4,435	1,522	4,784	9,504	1,099	21,344
June	4,016	1,305	2,257	7,966	1,006	16,550
July	4,917	1,624	3,861	7,790	957	19,149
August	6,530	2,115	5,189	8,907	790	23,531
September	5,422	2,642	38,544*	9,599	464	56,671
October	7,097	3,905	39,624	12,136	721	63,483
November						
December						
2024 Total	49,139	17,656	117,042	78,871	8,499	271,207

* Number of party changes reflects the following activities:

- NO PARTY AVR Voters: Changed party at the polling place and those AVR voters who did not change their party and are now updated to NO PARTY (Independent) and now subject to party change deadlines in Code and OTHER party affiliations and the system reported these edits as voter registration party change update transactions.
- Party Changes that were held from May 24, 2024, party change deadline have been processed following the Primary per Code.

Voter Registration Transactions						
Annual Totals						
		Updated	Changed	New	Pre-	
Year	New voters	names	party	addresses	Registrations	Total
2023	35,860	13,795	21,829	70,816	5,909	148,209

Voter Registration Transactions – Removals January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Month	Deceased*	Moved from State	Address verification	Request by voter	Not a citizen*	AVR Declination		NVRA**	Total
January	936	1,971	13	17	0	72	144	0	3,153
February	907	769	32	15	0	131	155	0	2,009
March	487	2,001	1	12	1	75	171	0	2,748
April	1,177	886	17	3	1	143	163	0	2,390
May	1,204	1,932	40	19	0	107	172	0	3,474
June	405	1,040	0	9	1	93	120	0	1,668
July	1,027	361	32	6	0	125	306	0	1,857
August	413	2,221	0	18	0	150	127	0	2,929
September	985	1,349	17	45	0	48	259	0	2,703
October	326	1,463	1	49	0	87	261	0	2,187
November									
December									
2024 Total	7,867	13,993	153	193	3	1,031	1,878	0	25,118

Voter Registration Removals									
Annual	Annual Totals								
		Moved	Address	Request by	Not a	AVR			
Year	Deceased*	from State	verification	voter	citizen*	Declination	Felon	NVRA**	Total
2023	12,322	19,921	1,015	122	0	684	1,604	11,391	47,059

^{*}Deceased, Address Verification, Non-citizen, and Felon records have already been removed. The Board must approve removal of the Moved from State and Request by Voter (Voluntary).

^{**} The NVRA process is run in the year following each General Election to remove those inactive voters with whom the Department has not had any contact for the period covering the past 2 General Elections.



2024 30-Day General Report Tardy and Non-Filers as of November 14, 2024

COMMITTEE TYPE	COMMITTEE NAME	REPORT	FILING PERIOD END	FILING DUE DATE
Candidate Committee	Members of Shane Darby	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	Genesis Healthcare Corporation State PAC AKA:Genesis Health Ventures State PAC	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	Delaware Young Democrats	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	Citizens for Fair Voting	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	Citizens for a Better Wilmington	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	We Are Sussex	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	Black Caucus PAC	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Action Committee	The People's PAC	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024
Political Committee	35 Democratic RD	30 Day 2024 General Election	10/7/2024	10/9/2024

1	Candidate Committees
7	Political Action Committees
1	Political Committees
9	Total Committees





2024 8-Day General Report Tardy and Non-Filers as of November 14, 2024

COMMITTEE TYPE	COMMITTEE NAME	REPORT	FILING PERIOD END	FILING DUE DATE
Candidate Committee	Citizens to Elect Zanthia Oliver	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Candidate Committee	Members of Shane Darby	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Candidate Committee	Friends of Bregetta Fields	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Genesis Healthcare Corporation State PAC AKA:Genesis Health Ventures State PAC	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Correctional Officer's Assn. Of Delaware P.A.C.	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Delaware Young Democrats	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Citizens for Fair Voting	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Citizens for a Better Wilmington	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	We Are Sussex	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	Black Caucus PAC	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	The People's PAC	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Action Committee	For the People Delaware	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024
Political Committee	35 Democratic RD	8 Day 2024 General Election	10/28/2024	10/30/2024

3	Candidate Committees
9	Political Action Committees
1	Political Committees
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3 Total Committees



Report to the Board November 18, 2024

Tracey Dixon, County Director

David Gilefski, Deputy County Director

- Follow up on Primary and General election processes
- Preparation for Phases 2 & 3 of election audits
- Completing Election Officer payments
- Recognition certificates for Election Officers
- Preparation for February Special Election for SD 1 & 5 and March Christina School District Referendum
- Scouting for additional EV & ED sites for future elections



Report to the Board November 18, 2024

Doris Reed-Young, County Director

Ralph Artigliere, Deputy County Director

- First off, we want to thank the Kent Elections Staff for working hours beyond their normal work schedule averaging 15 hours a day for 2½ weeks....on election day some staff worked 24 hours...we have 5 full time staff and 1 trainer that works in our office from COE, and several casual seasonal that have become a big part of our team, We can't thank them enough.
- I want to thank the many election workers who worked many hours with Early Voting and Election Day.
- I want to thank Diamond Electric for the quick response for the power outage in Smyrna at 3 locations, they did not question mine nor Ralph's decision to keep generators on until close of polls and waited until they were directed to shut down the generators.
- Until further notice and until the Directors feel comfortable in our office after the general election,
 Officers will be on site front and back of our building outside.
- General Election went smooth until reporting and then some things went into question for our office. We would like to comment on some things that have been said about our office:
 - Ralph and I would like to clearly state that we did not leave our office nor did staff until released by IT that adjudication was completed at 3:58 a.m. November 6, 2024. It has always been Kent County office's understanding that election day, was election day until all data was reported to State Election Commissioner's office and then we could close the public meeting for absentee's.
 - Del Code Title 15 Sec. 5522 States that we shall ensure we have balanced judges for our absentee opening teams. Ralph and I would like to clarify that all teams, including the runners were all political balanced teams.
 - Del Code Title 15 Section Sec. 5510 (d) (1) b. States that if the team can not determine the voter's intent the Director and Deputy will be available to consult for advice and guidance. (In Kent County the Director and Deputy approved every ballot that was remade or needed advice for voter intent.)



Department of Elections Sussex County Office

Report to the Board November 18, 2024

Kenneth A. McDowell, County Director

Tracey L. Wilkerson, Deputy County Director

- We are finalizing all tasks associated with the 2024 General Election.
- We have two audits left to be completed, which will occur on December 17, 2024. These audits will contain both Absentee ballots and Early Voting ballots in addition to the election day machines.
- All polling places and election workers have been paid.
- All equipment and machines are back from the polling locations.
- The security door for the Main Office arrived the week prior to the election. However, it was damaged and needed to be sent back to the manufacturer. The replacement door has been requested to be expedited.
- The ADA compliant door for the Georgetown Warehouse has arrived, and we are working with facility management to have it installed ASAP.
- We are getting a new HVAC system installed in the Georgetown Warehouse. This project has been on hold due to election season.
- We have a referendum for the Town of Georgetown on November 18th (today).
- Dagsboro has an election on December 7th. We are preparing for that election as well.
- We are building a referendum for the Town of Selbyville which will take place in on December 10, 2024.
- We are looking over this election season to see where we can make improvements for the next election season. We have many ideas, but if anyone from the Board or the public has any ideas to share, we are very receptive to the feedback.

Thank you!