

State of Delaware Department of Elections

Report to the State Board of Elections

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Board Meeting April 14, 2025 4:00 p.m.

Budget Summary

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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	C
2024	100	700101	00159	Energy	5520	6,975.00	5,553.66	1,421.34	0.00	(
2024	100	700101	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	8,067.01	5,895.58	2,171.43	0.00	(
2024	100	700101	00176	Technology	5010	19,225.14	16,201.98	3,023.16	0.00	(
2024	100	700101	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	1,458,980.33	1,311,460.45	102,701.93	44,817.95	3.07
2025	100	700101	00137	Personnel Costs	5100	4,109,500.00	3,287,940.10	0.00	821,559.90	19.99
2025	100	700101	00140	Travel	5400	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	C
2025	100	700101	00150	Contractual Services	5510	933,300.00	459,253.87	60,104.12	413,942.01	44.35
2025	100	700101	00159	Energy	5520	10,100.00	292.78	157.22	9,650.00	95.54
2025	100	700101	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	9,400.00	4,116.92	0.00	5,283.08	56.2
2025	100	700101	00176	Technology	5010	20,000.00	834.53	3,023.16	16,142.31	80.71
2025	100	700101	03413	Voting Mach	5010	1,642,000.00	927,399.19	394,145.81	320,455.00	19.52
2025	100	700101	00414	Voter Purg	5010	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	C
2025	100	700101	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	1,476,400.00	1,131,616.61	166,558.66	178,224.73	12.07
2025	100	700101	08916	Technology	5010	1,318,400.00	1,318,400.00	0.00	0.00	C
2025	100	700101	08922	Equipment	5010	536,675.00	3,920.00	267,350.00	265,405.00	49.45
2025	100	700101	08939	Contingency	5010	2,949,600.00	342,311.88	498,632.70	2,108,655.42	71.49
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NEW CASTLE

Bud Ref	Fund	Dept	Approp	Description	Account	Budget	Expense	Encumbrance	Available Budget*	Percent Available
2024	100	700201	00150	Contractual Services	5510	502,988.29	502,959.79	28.50	0.00	0
2024	100	700201	00159	Energy	5520	53,100.00	52,766.23	333.77	0.00	0
2024	100	700201	00412	School Elections	5010	177,000.00	173,099.96	3,896.00	4.04	0
2024	100	700201	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	580,042.93	564,320.69	15,722.24	0.00	0
2025	100	700201	00140	Travel	5400	6,000.00	25.00	0.00	5,975.00	99.58
2025	100	700201	00150	Contractual Services	5510	519,200.00	425,640.91	78,959.96	14,599.13	2.81
2025	100	700201	00159	Energy	5520	53,100.00	34,057.96	16,706.98	2,335.06	4.4
2025	100	700201	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	7,700.00	6,989.46	0.00	710.54	9.23
2025	100	700201	00412	School Elections	5010	177,000.00	0.00	51,000.00	126,000.00	71.19
2025	100	700201	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	2,818,500.00	2,366,879.33	91,985.31	359,635.36	12.76
2025	100	700201	08922	Equipment	5010	80,000.00	0.00	80,000.00	0.00	0
				•		4,974,631.22	4,126,739.33	338,632.76	509,259.13	

KENT

Bud Ref	Fund	Dept	Approp	Description	Account	Budget	Expense	Encumbrance	Available Budget*	Percent Available
2024	100	700301	00150	Contractual Services	5510	528,900.90	527,533.66	1,367.24	0.00	0
2024	100	700301	00159	Energy	5520	37,502.48	37,251.52	250.96	0.00	0
2024	100	700301	00412	School Elections	5010	37,800.00	36,631.41	0.00	1,168.59	3.09
2024	100	700301	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	158,581.24	158,581.24	0.00	0.00	0
2025	100	700301	00150	Contractual Services	5510	537,300.00	408,032.75	124,791.37	4,475.88	0.83
2025	100	700301	00159	Energy	5520	38,100.00	21,058.80	5,941.20	11,100.00	29.13
2025	100	700301	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	3,500.00	3,060.18	0.00	439.82	12.57
2025	100	700301	00412	School Elections	5010	37,800.00	15,201.53	0.00	22,598.47	59.78
2025	100	700301	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	1,268,025.00	959,328.42	111,232.00	197,464.58	15.57
2025	100	700301	08922	Equipment	5010	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0
				•		2,727,509.62	2,246,679.51	243,582.77	237,247.34	

SUSSEX

Bud Ref	Fund	Dept	Approp	Description	Account	Budget	Expense	Encumbrance	Available Budget*	Percent Available
2024	100	700401	00150	Contractual Services	5510	426,300.00	426,300.00	0.00	0.00	0
2024	100	700401	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	343,195.50	343,195.50	0.00	0.00	0
2025	100	700401	00140	Travel	5400	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	2,200.00	100
2025	100	700401	00150	Contractual Services	5510	425,900.00	350,956.72	74,911.78	31.50	0.01
2025	100	700401	00159	Energy	5520	24,100.00	24,100.00	0.00	0.00	0
2025	100	700401	00160	Supplies and Materials	5600	12,700.00	5,436.15	0.00	7,263.85	57.2
2025	100	700401	00170	Capital Outlay	5710	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	100
2025	100	700401	00412	School Elections	5010	52,600.00	38,150.00	0.00	14,450.00	27.47
2025	100	700401	08911	Primary and General Elections	5010	1,686,800.00	1,142,341.75	62,736.94	481,721.31	28.56
2025	100	700401	08922	Equipment	5010	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0
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- FY 2025 Budget and FY 2026 Budget Planning
 - FY 2025 Budget funding currently being utilized
 - Expenditures on track/as expected
 - All new box trucks have been delivered to county offices and are in service
 - Remaining quantity of voting machine power backup batteries ordered
 - FY 2026 Budget Preparation
 - Governor's Recommended Budget (GRB) Released
 - Requested funding for expansion of New Castle County warehouse is included in GRB (approved)
 - Updated Governor's Recommended Budget
 - No impact on proposed appropriations for Department of Elections
 - Status of FY 2026 "Door Openers"
 - Definition: Additions to base budget/items or initiatives required for agency operations
 - Funding for New Castle County warehouse expansion
 - Included*
 - Adding air conditioning to Seaford Warehouse
 - Plan to move forward with project with allocated funds
 - Funding options for support services provided by DTI and proportion of these costs covered by State funding (ongoing costs)
 - Ongoing discussion of cost sharing with allocated federal funds
 - Budget consolidation to streamline budget management and expense processing
 - Included
 - Continued funding of increased election officer stipends
 - Included
 - Continued funding for enhanced marketing and public relations efforts (comprehensive, professional campaign promoting elections and voting options) during budget years with Statewide elections
 - Included
 - Continued funding for creation of parts inventory for equipment repairs
 - Included
 - Increase in funding to raise board member stipends
 - Not included
 - Requested at Joint Finance Committee hearing
 - Ongoing dialog on this item with the OMB
 - *in budgeted Elections Funds

- Next steps:
 - Joint Finance Committee (JFC) hearing held on 2/11
 - Markup phase of budget underway currently
 - Additional Budget Item: Expanded Sussex County Office Space
 - Continued discussion
- Monthly meetings with budget analyst
 - Review of current budget status/needs
 - Technology upgrades possible with currently budgeted funds
 - Pollbook upgrades moving forward
 - Discussion and formulation of FY 2027 "door openers"
 - Ongoing review of if any items requested may be covered by currently allocated funding
 - Review/discussion on submitted budget program narrative and details
 - Review of research/information requests related to any subsequent questions from OMB or Controller General's office
 - Review/discuss fiscal requirements of proposed/pending legislation and incorporate into budget planning process
 - FY 2027 Budget Prep Key Points
 - Beginning preparation process for "door openers" for this budget preparation cycle
 - Additional facilities improvements/enhancements
 - Voting equipment maintenance
 - Technology upgrades/replacement
 - Staffing considerations
 - Any other anticipated needs

STATEWIDE ELECTIONS						
ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION				
School Board Elections	May 13, 2025	School				

NEW CASTLE COUNTY ELECTIONS					
ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION			
Boys' State	June 10, 2025	Voter Outreach			

KENT COUNTY ELECTIONS							
ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION					
City of Dover	April 15, 2025	Municipal					
Town of Hartly	April 26, 2025	Municipal					
Town of Smyrna	April 29, 2025	Municipal					
City of Harrington	May 6, 2025	Municipal					

SUSSEX COUNTY ELECTIONS							
ENTITY	DATE	TYPE OF ELECTION					
City of Seaford	April 19, 2025	Municipal					
City of Milford Referendum	April 26, 2025	Municipal Referendum					
Town of Georgetown	May 10, 2025	Municipal					
Town of South Bethany	May 10, 2025	Municipal					
Town of Bethany Beach	May 24, 2025	Municipal/Special					

Public School Elections

- School Board Election May 13, 2025
 - •2025 School Board Election Preparations Continue
 - School Board Candidate Withdrawals:
 - •Required Reconfigured Election Setup/Ballot:
 - Appoquinimink School District
 - •Eliminated School Board Race:
 - Colonial School District
- Public School Referenda:
 - Smyrna School District:
 - •Referendum on March 15, 2025, failed
 - No current plans for a second attempt
 - •Indian River School District:
 - •Referendum on March 20, 2025, failed
 - •Plan for a second attempt to pass referendum on June 5, 2025

Municipal Elections

- Legislative Updates (Pending/Ongoing Items)
 - Delmar
 - Adopting State voter registration system
 - Updating voter eligibility requirements in charter
 - Selbyville
 - Adoption of district representation from at-large representation approach on town council

Monthly Statewide Voter Registration Totals 2025

Date	Number of Registered Voters
JAN 1, 2025	796,834
FEB 1, 2025	799,748
MAR 1, 2025	814,919
APR 1, 2025	815,642
MAY 1, 2025	
JUN 1, 2025	
JUL 1, 2025	
AUG 1, 2025	
SEP 1, 2025	
OCT 1, 2025	
NOV 1, 2025	
DEC 1, 2025	

Voter Registration Transactions – New & Updated Records January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

		Updated	Changed			
Month	New voters	names	party	addresses	Registrations	Total
January	3,796	1,370	3,796	7,616	559	17,137
February	3,130	1,037	4,162	6,002	524	14,855
March	3,373	1,232	5,764	6,078	639	17,086
April						
May						
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
2025 Total	6,926	2,407	7,958	13,618	1,083	49,078

	Voter Registration Transactions								
Annual	Annual Totals								
Year	New voters	Updated names	Changed party		Pre- Registrations	Total			
2024	56,911	21,433	126,545	95,081	9,481	309,451			
2023	35,860	13,795	21,829	70,816	5,909	148,209			

Voter Registration Transactions – Removals January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

Month	Deceased*	Moved from State	Address verification	Request by voter		AVR Declination		NVRA**	Total
January	1,152	0****	1	0****	1	44	168	0	1,366
February	1,259	3,203	43	22	0	31	121	0	4,679
March	1,093	1,214	11	23	0	357	132	0	2,830
April									
May									
June									
July									
August									
September									
October									
November									
December									
2025 Total	3,504	4,417	55	45	1	432	421	0	8,875

Voter Registration Removals									
Annual Totals									
Year	Deceased*	Moved from State	Address verification	Request by voter		AVR Declination		NVRA**	Total
2024	9,126	15,427	162	270	4	1,080	2,150	0	28,219
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.

^{***} Moved Out of State and Voluntary Removals were not processed in the month of November due to the processing of General Election voting history.

^{****}Board did not meet in this month, and, therefore, there were no Moved from State nor Requests by Voter records approved for removal by the Board.

Organized Voter Registration Program (OVR)

- OVR program:
 - Confirmed 2025 OVR Training schedule
 - Maintaining same cadence/frequency of training in non-statewide election year
 - · Steady attendance and interest level in OVR training sessions each month
- Review of 2024 OVR activities
 - OVR registrars have been very diligent, thorough, and timely in the completion of their registration activities
 - Training will continue to emphasize the importance of completeness of applications and of timeliness of applications submission (at all times, and particularly near registration deadlines)

Community Relations/Public Information

- OGOV and OLtGOV
 - Elections Community Relations Officer met with Governor's Office constituent services and communications teams and has met with Lt. Governor's public relations team to expand public information outreach.
 - Elections information in OGOV/LtGOV newsletters, press releases, statements, etc.
- Voter Outreach Events:
 - New Castle County Transition to Adult Life Fair, March 27th, Delaware Technical and Community College Stanton Campus
 - New Castle County supported with staff and machine
 - State Fair Exhibit 2025
 - July 17th 26th
 - Voting machine with State Fair ballot (voting for favorite fair food, favorite show), giveaways/Elections' "Swag", voter registration/information, trivia, and Spin & Win wheel!

- Standardization of Procedures/Documents/Materials Continues:
 - Election Officer Training Videos supplement training/presentation and "hands on" training on voting equipment
 - Evaluation of effectiveness from most recent (2024) elections cycle
 - Ongoing review of all school election-related training materials

Voting Equipment and Elections Systems

- Two comprehensive "check-in" meetings with a cross-section of operational area leaders with voting equipment and elections systems vendor Elections Systems & Software (ES&S)
 - Operational area leads from Department present (County Directors, Commissioner & Elections IT staff, Voting Equipment, Warehouse, Pollbook, Absentee staff)
- Going forward:
 - Monthly standing meetings with County Directors, Commissioner, and Elections IT staff
 - · Quarterly check-in meetings with operational leads from Department

Campaign Finance-Reporting

- Consultation with Campaign Finance Reporting System (CFRS) support vendor
 - Troubleshooting/conferring on any open items/tickets
 - Evaluating administrative roles best handled by Department users vs.
 Administrative support by vendor
 - Deployed capability to update committee names/titles independent of vendor support
 - Review of user entry fields in CFRS for ease of use
- Initial Budgetary Planning Continues Regarding System Upgrade
 - Moving the platform to the most current version of software
 - Transitioning to regular cadence for deployment of updates and revisions to system operations (while maintaining Delaware-specific configuration)
- Campaign Finance Reporting Deadlines School Board Elections:
 - 30-Day Report due 4/15/2025
 - 8-Day Report due 5/7/2025
- Continued work with committees that have not filed required 2024 Annual Reports
 - One-on-one assistance with report completion and troubleshooting



2024 Annual (Year-End) Report Tardy and Non-Filers as of April 10, 2025

COMMITTEE TYPE	COMMITTEE NAME	REPORT	FILING PERIOD END	FILING DUE DATE
Candidate Committee	Anthony Alexander-Jones for City Council	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Arisa White Campaign 2020	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Ashley Murray For Cape	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee to elect Christopher Dalton	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee to Elect Branden Fletcher	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee For Justin Brant	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee to Elect Alton Irvin	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee to Elect Donald A Farrell	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee to elect Joseph D DiPasquale	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Committee To Elect Keith James	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	D. Marque Hall Campaign Committee	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends for Tish Bracy	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends for Tripp Keister	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends for Vashun Turner	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	FRIENDS FOR YOLANDA MCCOY	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends of Billy Edwards	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends of Darrynn Harris	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends Of LaVaughn McCutchen	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends of Lillian Oliver	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends of Rebecca Cotto	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Friends of Sam Guy	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
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Candidate Committee	Friends of Vashun Turner	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Glass for Commissioner	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Hollins '18	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Jamie Collins for NCCC	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025

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COMMITTEE TYPE	COMMITTEE NAME	REPORT	FILING PERIOD END	FILING DUE DATE
Candidate Committee	John Machurek for Delaware	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	LaMar Gunn for Recorder of Deeds	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Machurek for Sheriff	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Members of Shane Darby	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	Supporters of Ronnell Page	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Candidate Committee	The Hollins Campaign	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Black Caucus PAC	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Citizens for a Better Wilmington	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Citizens for Fair Voting	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Delaware Foundation For Legislative Action	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Delaware Women On The Move Genesis Healthcare Corporation State PAC AKA:Genesis Health Ventures State	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	PAC	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	Preserve Sussex	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	The People's PAC	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Action Committee	We Are Sussex	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Committee	35 Democratic RD	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Committee	9th Representative District Democratic Committee	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025
Political Committee	Delaware Kent County Young Republicans	2024 Annual	12/31/2024	1/21/2025

22	Candidate Committees
32	Candidate Committees

- 9 Political Action Committees
- **3** Political Committees

44 Total Committees

Voting Equipment and Elections Management System

- Voting Equipment Preventative Maintenance
 - Post-Election cycle equipment preventative maintenance activities substantially complete
 - · Follow-up in all counties on open items
 - Comprehensive review of equipment operation and maintenance on all mechanical components
 - Department has moved to annual preventative maintenance schedule for all equipment (from an initial bi-annual schedule)
 - Next scheduled maintenance will be late summer/early fall
 - Replacement of all voting machine backup power batteries will be completed during the upcoming preventative maintenance period
 - Continuous review of replacement schedule of any consumable items on machines and planning for replacement schedule for these items
- Voting Machine Parts Inventory
 - Lists of available parts and costs and details on parts covered/not covered by machine warranty and maintenance plans discussed
- Pollbooks
 - Department staff participate in sessions discussing planned enhancements to system to increase convenience to voters for use and to staff for equipment preparation for use in elections
 - Continued training and education for staff in ongoing effort to move equipment preparation/elections preparation to an in-house approach

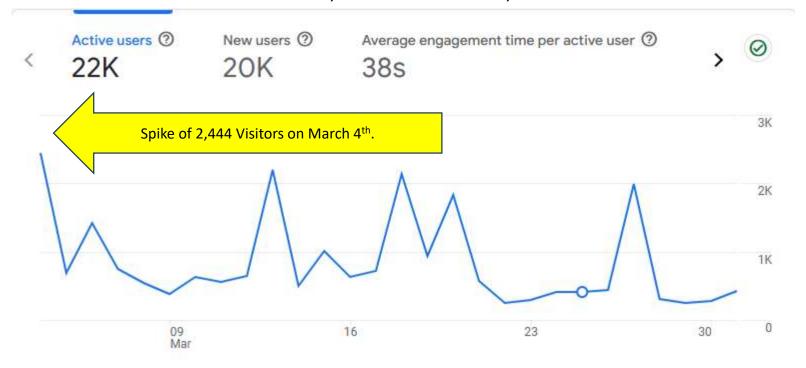
Website Accessibility

- Analytical tools are utilized on a regular basis to review website accessibility and identify issues
- Accessibility enhancements for keyboard, assistive devices, and screen readers are being reviewed
- Continued work is underway/ongoing regarding enhancements to the Election Night Reporting site and its compatibility with assistive devices, etc.

Source: Google Analytics

https://elections.delaware.gov

Visitors to Department of Elections Website March 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025



https://cfrs.elections.delaware.gov

Visitors to Campaign Finance Reporting System March 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025



All Facilities:

- Reviewing results of physical security assessments of all facilities with federal partners (DHS/CISA) & determining feasibility of recommended enhancements.
- State Election Commissioner's Office
 - Reformatted conference room (ballot building area/meeting room): working well/effective as dedicated area
- 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
 - Planned building systems upgrade projects planned for second/third quarter of calendar year 2025
 - Warehouse
 - Proposed expansion: funding recommended in FY 2026 GRB
 - If approved in FY 2026 budget to be passed by General Assembly, planning may begin shortly after July 1, 2025
- 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

 State hiring process is underway to fill 2 full-time New Castle County staff positions.

Conferences/Meetings Attending

- Delaware Artificial Intelligence (AI) Commission: Appointed Member
 - Commission Launched in Summer 2024
 - Upcoming bi-monthly/quarterly meetings
- Election Center (EC) Committees:
 - Postal Committee:
 - Next meeting at the Election Center National Conference (Fall 2025)
 - Ongoing communications with elections community/stakeholders
 - Program Development and Awards Committee
 - 2025 Annual Conference and Training Seminar Planning (ongoing)
 - Review of recently deployed (updated) rewards/recognition program
 - Evaluating relevance of award categories, how entries for awards are solicited/reviewed/selected
- USPS Mailers Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) [USPS Industry Stakeholder Committee]
 - Planning (w/MTAC Team) plans for 2025 meeting focus areas
 - Upcoming MTAC meeting: March 2025 virtual participation)
 - Member of Workgroup on Informed Delivery

General Assembly Legislation (House)

Bill Number	Purpose	Status
HB 24 w/HA 1	Changes durational residency requirement for voting in municipal elections (to conform with state and federal law). Moves Town of Delmar to adopt State voter registration system for municipal election voter eligibility and sets other general requirements for voter eligibility.	Passed House, introduced in Senate. Assigned to Elections & Government Affairs Committee
HB65	Consolidates Presidential and State Primary Elections on Presidential Primary Date (takes affect for Primary Elections held after 12/31/2026.	Passed House and assigned to Senate Elections & Government Affairs Committee
HB82 (Title 14)	Provides for a resident of a school district to ask Delaware Superior Court to declare a vacancy on a school board if a school district does not report the vacancy to the Department of Elections.	Released from House Education Committee
HB85 (Title 14)	Individuals filling vacancies in school boards through the appointment process must complete the background check procedures that filed candidates must also complete, and State Election Commissioner must determine candidate eligibility for candidates filling vacancies.	Released from House Education Committee
HB86	Changes recount margins from 0.5% to 1.0% for statewide/General Assembly/County/City of Wilmington/School Elections. Also eliminates the petition requirement for recompilation of results in school elections.	Assigned to House Elections & Government Affairs Committee
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.	Released from House Elections & Government Affairs Committee; Assigned to Appropriations Committee

General Assembly Legislation (Senate)

Bill	Purpose	Status						
Number								
SS1 for SB2	Bill to amend the Delaware State Constitution to specifically authorize early, in-person voting for primary elections, general elections, and special elections to fill a vacancy in the General Assembly. The bill mirrors the language currently codified in Title 15, Chapter 54, regarding early voting.	Passed by Senate						
SS 1 for SB 3	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	Passed by Senate						
SB14	Constitutional Amendment (first leg) to create and independent redistricting committee to redistrict State House and State Senate following each federal decennial census. State Election Commissioner/Department assigned administrative duties regarding processing of applicants wishing to serve on Commission.	Introduced and assigned to Senate Executive Committee						
SB39	Amends charter of Town of Selbyville related to elections. Creates district representation and updates residency requirements for elected officials.	Introduced and Assigned to Senate Elections & Government Affairs Committee						



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Tracey Dixon, County Director

David Gilefski, Deputy County Director

- Preparing for School Board elections. 4 districts have elections –
 Appoquinimink, Brandywine, Christina, and Red Clay
 - Assigning election officers 336 needed.
 - 8 absentee ballots requested (1 AP, 8 BR, 7 CH, 6 RC)
- Temporary move to the Warehouse still on target for the HVAC replacement in Carvel. Anticipate 6-8 weeks at Warehouse.
- 2 full time positions posted. Awaiting candidate selection and referrals from DHR.
- Boys' State election at Goldey-Beacom College on 6/8/25.
- Completed municipal elections for Newark and New Castle. Other outreach elections, Youth in City Government and Caravel Academy.



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Doris Reed-Young, County Director

Ralph Artigliere, Deputy County Director

- Smyrna Referendum on Election Day was successful with minor glitches.
- All results have been Certified and Audits completed
- Requested all Kent County SurfaceGo1 Pollbook tablets be replaced due to Software upgrade before 2026 Election Cycle
- We received the 10 new pollbooks that were previously ordered and waiting on the XL voting machines to be delivered.
- Kent has met all the current School Board Posting requirements.
- Tested the voting machines and preparing to set up the machines for production test.
- Certification and L&A of the Absentee Tabulation and ExpressVote XL Voting Machines for School Boards in Kent will be May 6, 2025 at 10:00 am
- We have Dover municipal Election on April 15, 2025 and Smyrna on April 29, 2025.
- We assisted with YMCA youth and Government Election on April 6, DSU Student Government on April 10.
- We will be assisting with the upcoming 4-H Legislative Hall day on May 7, 2025 and Milford School Student Government Election on May 20, 2026.



Department of Elections Sussex County Office

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Kenneth A. McDowell, County Director

Tracey L. Wilkerson, Deputy County Director

- We are well underway with our 2025 School Board preparation!
- We have all our poll workers and have scheduled classes for them in our newly outfitted training facilities (big screen monitor with speakers and sound dampening tiles).
- We have completed the L&A testing for sample and final data.
- All public meeting notices have been advertised. All required notices for the newspapers have been sent to the publishers.
- Absentee ballots are being sent out in small quantities as they come in.
- Indian River is holding another referendum on June 5, 2025. We are assisting them as they prepare the required legal notification.
- There are potential polling place changes on the horizon to make the security
 of the children a less complicated process on the day of the referendum. We
 are looking at nearby locations that are ADA compliant (fire companies,
 community centers, and nearby churches). I will have more updates on that
 once the agreements are signed.
- We have added a security officer in our main office in Georgetown due to the security door that we requested not being ready from the manufacturer.
- It doesn't appear that the new office building in Georgetown will be feasible, and the search for more space continues.
- April Municipal Elections- Blades (April 7th), Ocean View (April 12th), Seaford (April 19th), and Milford (April 26th).
- May Municipal Elections- South Bethany and Georgetown are both scheduled for May 10, 2025. Georgetown's filing deadline is April 17, 2025, and we will know for sure if they are having an election at that point. Lewes and Lewes BPW have both cancelled for May 10, 2025.

Thank you for your time!