

Board of Election Commissioners

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Board of Election Commissioners to conduct elections and voter registration in the most efficient and accessible manner possible to the public.

Primary Functions → The primary function of the Board of Election Commissioners is to conduct all elections held within the City of Rockford, to provide registration opportunities for City residents, and to maintain a system of permanent registration of voters.

	FEBRUARY/ MARCH PRIMARIES	APRIL CONSOLI- DATED	GENERAL/ NON- PARTISAN		FEBRUARY/ MARCH PRIMARIES	APRIL CONSOLI- DATED	GENERAL/ NON- PARTISAN
1999		76,333 18,567 24.32%		2005	84,374 7,092 8.41%	88,781 33,716 37.98%	88,781 33,716 37.98%
2000	80,753 17,467 21.63%		85,630 55,698 65.04%	2006	80,359 21,122 26.28%		82,058 38,224 46.58%
2001	83,463 6,038 7.23%	83,665 37,343 44.63%	86,899 39,080 44.97%	2007		83,070 22,142 26.65%	
2002	83,563 27,639 33.08%		79,624 39,077 49.08%	2008	76,371 29,478 38.60%		85,871 59,609 69.42%
2003		81,366 19,900 24.46%		2009	86,954 3,530 4.06%	87,357 22,408 25.65%	
2004	80,330 19,228 23.94%		87,937 57,905 65.85%	2010	87,357 12,508 14.32%		

2010 Accomplishments →

- Successfully conducted the February 2, 2010 General Primary Election in which there were total of 12,508 ballots cast of the 87,357 registered voters, resulting in a 14.32% participation rate.

2011 Goals and Objectives →

- Conduct the Consolidated General Election on November 1, 2011.
- Perform training for deputy registrars as appointed.
- Print and mail 88,000 voter identification cards within the City per law.

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Budget Summary

BOARD OF ELECTION BUDGET SUMMARY					
APPROPRIATION	2009	2010	2010	2011	INCREASE
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>(DECREASE)</u>
PERSONNEL	\$351,160	488,397	\$364,822	\$442,395	(\$46,002)
CONTRACTUAL	550,533	329,594	556,325	304,857	(24,737)
SUPPLIES	0	81,450	0	36,450	(45,000)
CAPITAL	0	25,000	0	25,000	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	<u>\$901,693</u>	<u>\$924,441</u>	<u>\$921,147</u>	<u>\$808,702</u>	<u>(\$115,739)</u>

FUNDING SOURCE	2010	2010	2011	2011
	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
PROPERTY TAXES				
COUNTY PROPERTY TAX TRANSFER	\$924,441	100.0	\$808,702	100.0
TOTAL	<u>\$924,441</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>\$808,702</u>	<u>100.0</u>

Budget Analysis

The 2011 budget is \$808,702, which is a \$115,739 (12.5%) decrease from the 2010 budget. Personnel costs decrease \$46,000 due to a decrease in temporary staff (\$43,500), IMRF (\$4,000), and overtime (\$15,000). The decreases were partially offset by increases in permanent salaries (\$3,300), employee agency wages (\$5,700), and health insurance (\$7,300).

Contractual services decreased \$24,737 due to a decrease in printing expenses (\$43,000) and an increase in postage expenses (\$19,500). Non-forwardable Voter Identification cards will be mailed to all City registrants during 2011. This will cause the mailing of forwardable, return postage paid confirmation cards, which will allow voters to mail a change of address. Other contractual decreases include advertising (\$14,500) and miscellaneous expenses (\$37,000). Increases include microcomputer maintenance (\$43,000), insurance (\$6,000), education (\$1,200), and legal (\$2,000).

Supplies decreased \$45,000 due to a decrease in general office supplies (\$17,000) and computer/supplies (\$28,000).

In 2010, the Board of Election Commissioners spent \$921,147, or 99.6% of its budgeted allocation. In the past several years, 98% to 113% of the budget has been spent.

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Capital Equipment

For 2011, the Board of Election Commissioners have budgeted \$25,000 for election equipment.

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT BOARD OF ELECTIONS 2011 BUDGET	
<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
ELECTION EQUIPMENT FUND	<u>\$25,000</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL	<u>\$25,000</u>