Election Department Overview 2024

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON JANUARY 24, 2024

Mission Statement

The Election Department provides transparent, fair, and non-partisan election services to all candidates for offices and County residents for Federal, State, County and Special District elections. We are committed to empowering every eligible citizen to exercise their right to vote, maintain the integrity of the electoral system, and fostering public trust though accuracy, efficiency, and impartiality in all electoral processes.

Organizational Chart



What we do?

► The Elections Department provides election services to all County residents for Federal, State, County, City and Special District elections in accordance with the current California Elections Code and the Help America Vote Act (HAVA). The Department provides ballot layout, voter information pamphlet layout and ballot tabulation programming. The Department validates all signatures on vote by ballots received from voters against original registration and provides all security, training of over 300 vote center officers and conducts Voter Outreach and registration sign up to the public. The department also establishes, prepares, and run vote centers for up to 11 days prior to an election.

► Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) filing and activity as mandated by the Secretary of State is provided by the Elections Office. All candidate filings and forms required are also administered. Form 700 Statement of Economic Interest filers are encouraged use the online application.

► GIS mapping and updating are also provided by the Election staff. During each census, the office works to coordinate with the Census Bureau and the Secretary of State for collection of all data and input of data to our database. All precinct maps and boundaries are calculated by the office and provided to the public as needed.

Total Operating Appropriations

Election Departments total operating appropriations for the 2023-24 budget is \$2,996,672.00.

Net County Cost

Election Department Net County Cost for the 2023-24 budget is expected to be \$2,254,572.00.

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Revenue Sources

- Funding Source T
 - Federal and State Grants
- Funding Source 2
 - Fees charged for candidate filings and statements. Data files, maps, etc..
- Funding Source 3
 - County General Fund



Based upon FY 2023-24 Budget

Service and Performance Indicators

Voter Registration	132,082, changing daily
Voter Outreach	Reaching out to communities with low voter registration
Nominations/DOC	Filing of all candidates in El Dorado County
Measures on Ballot	Election Department is sole provider of elections in the county
Preelection Procedures	Precinct consolidation, accessibility, recruit/training VC workers, VC set up
Ballot/VIP/Translations	Ballot layout, VIP layout/proofing, required translations
VBM/Voting Procedures	UOCAVA/RAVBM voter program, facsimile transmission, signature checking, cancelations/updates
Election Day	VC supplies, MB printers, required technology, booths, instructions, processing voters
Canvass	CVR/Provisional ballot processing, VC auditing, duplicating, manual tally
Petitions – Initiative/Recalls/Referendums	Filing, checking signatures, updating state totals, certifications

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Role in the Strategic Plan

Good Governance

- Achieving the best possible process for making and implementing decisions in accordance with the County's core values, legal requirements and industry best practices
- Work with County IT to ensure our elections and systems are secure ensuring the integrity of the election process.
- Engage the public through our Voting Accessibility and Advisory Committee (VAAC) and Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC) and our Public Elections Advisory Committee (PEAC).
- Always open to the public for tours, including the addition of live video feeds of our warehouse operations, ballot tabulation, ballot review processing, and post-election audit.
- > Respond to PRA requests within the timeframes allotted.
- Diligently pursue additional revenues including state and federal funding to ensure minimal impact to the County general fund.

Upcoming Policy and Programmatic Changes

Change 1: State required hardware refresh

Change 2: Outreach Funding cutoff

Change 3: What we are pushing for