

Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Budget Highlights and Goals

County Clerk/Elections

FY2011 Highlights

- The Clerk's office continues to use the Statewide Voter Registration Data Base to locate duplicate voter registrations within the State of Illinois. The State of Illinois has entered into agreements with 12 other States, to match duplicate voter registration records across state lines. This will enable us to keep more accurate records.
- The redistricting of County Board districts has been completed, and with this the updating of the voter registration data base to accurately reflect the new County Board district lines.
- State representative and legislative lines were redrawn in 2011, requiring changes to the voter registration data base and changes in precinct lines.
- Federal congressional lines have also been redrawn, again requiring changes to the voter registration files.
- The 2010 federal census has been completed. The figures indicate that McHenry County will need to provide ballots, legal publications, election signage and other forms used by voters in both English and Spanish. Samples of forms are being obtained and cost increases are being investigated.

FY2012 Goals

- To train staff in regards to bilingual election supplies, publications and any other requirements that may be necessary.
- To train all election judges in regards to their responsibilities and usage of bilingual election materials.
- To recruit bilingual election judges, where needed.
- To update the County Clerk's website with the appropriate forms and election information as required by Federal laws.
- To continue to evaluate current practices and procedures for methods of saving money and resources in election related duties. To reuse election supplies and resources, knowing that most will need to be purchased new for the 2012 Primary Election.