Elections

Mission Statement

To conduct all Federal, State and Municipal Elections in accordance with Massachusetts Election Laws and Regulations as well as the City of Newton Charter; and to manage the City Annual Census in an effort to make a true list containing as nearly as is ascertainable, the name, date of birth, occupation and residency of every person three years of age or older.

Fiscal Year 2012 Accomplishments

Elections - Successfully conducted Municipal and Presidential Primary elections.

Annual Census - 82% expected response rate on City Census.

Elections - Created a new voting precinct to reflect population changes and notified voters in the district of their polling site.

Elections - Created new polling site at the Newton Free Library.

Campaign Finance Compliance - Conducted financial audits for all Alderman and School Committee candidates.

Fiscal Year 2013 Desired Outcomes

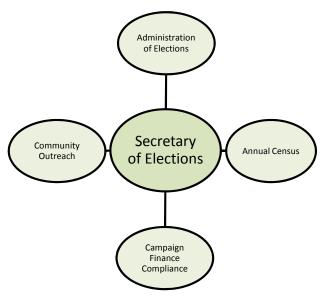
Elections - Voter turnout of 40% in September State primary and 65% November State and Federal elections

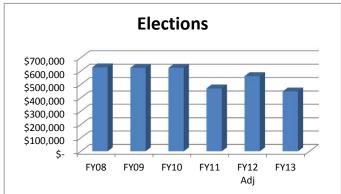
Census - An 86% response rate for Annual Census

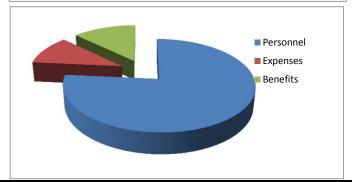
Elections - Efficient polling sites

Campaign Finance Compliance - 100% compliance with campaign finance laws

Outreach - A 3% increase in registered voters - from 54,800 to 56,400







Department Detail											
	<>						<-Adj Budget->		<-Proposed->		
		FY2008		FY2009		FY2010	 FY2011		FY2012		FY2013
Expenditure by Core Function											
Personnel	\$	493,690	\$	487,982	\$	473,995	\$ 372,844	\$	427,162	\$	342,491
Expenses	\$	72,216	\$	67,193	\$	75,123	\$ 42,933	\$	76,050	\$	47,925
Benefits	\$	62,036	\$	69,512	\$	74,735	\$ 55,157	\$	59,443	\$	57,278
Total	\$	627,942	\$	624,687	\$	623,853	\$ 470,934	\$	562,655	\$	447,694
% Incr				-0.52%		-0.13%	-24.51%		19.48%		-20.43%
Personnel											
Full-Time		7		6		6	4		4		3
Part-Time		4		4		4	4		4		4
Total		11		10		10	8		8		7

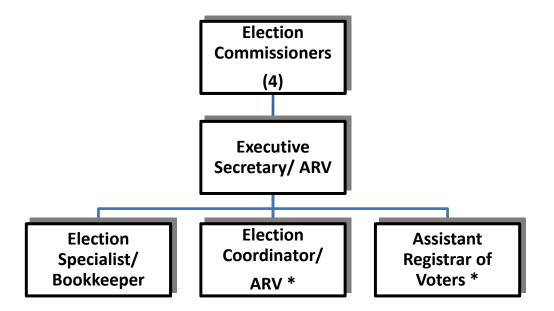
Outcome #1: Voter turnout of 40% in September/65% November	<u>Target</u>
Strategy #1. Ensure that all voters with a new polling place are aware of the change	
Mailing to all property owners and current residents	August 2012
Strategy #2. Remind all residents to vote on election day	
Encourage City officials to mention election days on NewTV	August -November 2012
Print media	August -November 2012
Posters/flyers in community centers, library, and other public areas	August -November 2012
Sandwich Boards	August -November 2012
Outcome #2: 86% response rate for Annual Census	Target
Strategy #1. Encourage participation through outreach	
Develop a marketing piece	January 2013
Advertise in print media	February 2013
Encourage City officials to mention census on NewTV	February 2013
Posters/flyers in community centers, library, and other public areas	February 2013
Outcome #3: Efficient polling sites	Target
Strategy #1. Increase the # of trained pollworkers from 62 to 190	
Include option to learn about becoming a pollworker on the City Census form	Ongoing
Give pollworker training to all poll inspectors	August 2012
Provide more training session options	August 2012
Outcome #4: 100% campaign finance compliance	Target
Strategy #1. Increase communication with candidates	<u></u>
Institute follow up calls for all candidates receiving campaign finance materials	January 2013
Outcome #5: A 3% increase in registered voters	Target
Strategy #1. Increased outreach	raiget
Send packets of registration forms to assisted living facilities	July 2012
Social packets of registration forms to assisted fiving facilities	July 2012

July 2012 September 2012

Support community organizations in their voter registration efforts

Work with principals to encourage high school students to register

ELECTIONS



^{*} One of these two positions will likely be eliminated through promotion to the Election Specialist/ Bookkeeper position.

FUND: 01 - GENERAL FUND

DEPARTMENT: 112 - ELECTION COMMISSION

CITY OF NEWTON BUDGET DEPARTMENT LEGAL LEVEL OF CONTROL

	ACTUAL 2010	ACTUAL 2011	AMENDED 2012	YTD 03/31/2012	RECOMMENDED 2013	CHANGE 2012 to 2013
DEPARTMENT SUMMARY						
51 - PERSONAL SERVICES	473,995	372,844	427,162	304,462	342,491	-84,670
52 - EXPENSES	75,123	42,933	76,050	59,566	47,925	-28,125
57 - FRINGE BENEFITS	74,735	55,157	59,443	41,369	57,278	-2,165
TOTAL DEPARTMENT	623,853	470,935	562,655	405,398	447,694	-114,960
CENSUS RECORDS						
51 - PERSONAL SERVICES	359,165	253,886	251,073	191,867	207,491	-43,581
52 - EXPENSES	25,434	20,314	24,277	22,082	24,375	98
57 - FRINGE BENEFITS	74,681	55,041	58,312	41,317	56,147	-2,165
TOTAL CENSUS RECORDS	459,280	329,241	333,661	255,266	288,013	-45,648
ELECTIONS						
51 - PERSONAL SERVICES	114,830	118,958	176,089	112,595	135,000	-41,089
52 - EXPENSES	49,689	22,619	51,773	37,484	23,550	-28,223
57 - FRINGE BENEFITS	54	117	1,131	53	1,131	0
TOTAL ELECTIONS	164,573	141,694	228,993	150,131	159,681	-69,312

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CITY OF NEWTON BUDGET DEPARTMENTAL DETAIL

	_	ACTUAL FY2010	ACTUAL FY2011	AMENDED 2012	YTD 03/31/2012	RECOMMENDED 2013	CHANGE 2012 to 2013
112 - ELECTION C	COMMISSION						
0111201 - CENS	SUS RECORDS						
PERSONAL S	ERVICES						
511001	FULL TIME SALARIES	340,902	235,296	227,741	171,730	242,303	14,563
511103	OFFICIALS W/BENEFITS	3,557	2,960	4,682	3,504	3,952	-730
513001	REGULAR OVERTIME	1,918	4,256	4,000	2,411	4,000	0
513004	WORK BY OTHER DEPTS.	1,322	6,674	1,500	1,073	1,500	0
514001	LONGEVITY	2,967	1,700	2,150	2,150	975	-1,175
515003	SPECIAL LEAVE BUY BAC	6,000	0	6,000	6,000	0	-6,000
515005	BONUSES	0	1,500	3,000	3,000	0	-3,000
515102	CLEANING ALLOWANCE	2,500	1,500	2,000	2,000	1,000	-1,000
5191	SALARY/WAGE ATTRITION	0	0	0	0	-46,239	-46,239
TOTAL	PERSONAL SERVICES	359,165	253,886	251,073	191,867	207,491	-43,581
EXPENSES							
52401	OFFICE EQUIPMENT R-M	397	167	475	427	500	25
53401	TELEPHONE	500	487	500	323	500	0
5341	POSTAGE	11,836	10,000	10,071	10,071	10,000	-71
5342	PRINTING	9,424	7,078	10,938	10,362	11,000	62
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,762	837	888	870	700	-188
5585	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	1,366	1,138	805	0	1,000	195
5711	IN-STATE CONFERENCES	150	457	600	30	600	0
5730	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	0	150	0	0	75	75
TOTAL	EXPENSES	25,434	20,314	24,277	22,082	24,375	98
FRINGE BENE	FITS						
57DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANCE	1,817	1,243	1,494	935	1,490	-4
57HLTH	HEALTH INSURANCE	68,255	50,878	53,050	38,112	50,732	-2,318
57LIFE	BASIC LIFE INSURANCE	283	217	227	175	227	0
57MEDA	MEDICARE PAYROLL TAX	4,326	2,703	3,541	2,096	3,698	157
TOTAL	FRINGE BENEFITS	74,681	55,041	58,312	41,317	56,147	-2,165
TOTAL CEN	SUS RECORDS	459,280	329,241	333,661	255,266	288,013	-45,648

CITY OF NEWTON BUDGET DEPARTMENTAL DETAIL

		ACTUAL	ACTUAL	AMENDED	YTD	RECOMMENDED	CHANGE
		FY2010	FY2011	2012	03/31/2012	2013	2012 to 2013
0111202 - ELEC	CTIONS						
PERSONAL S	SERVICES						
512001	SEASONAL WAGES	56,580	60,867	89,089	55,200	75,000	-14,089
513004	WORK BY OTHER DEPTS.	58,250	58,091	87,000	57,395	60,000	-27,000
TOTAL	PERSONAL SERVICES	114,830	118,958	176,089	112,595	135,000	-41,089
EXPENSES							
5275	RENTAL/LEASE - PROPER	250	0	375	0	0	-375
5290	CLEANING/CUSTODIAL SV	2,018	471	1,800	578	500	-1,300
5319	TRAINING EXPENSES	720	970	1,515	1,515	1,000	-515
53401	TELEPHONE	450	211	450	299	450	0
5341	POSTAGE	16,571	10,611	15,298	2,817	12,000	-3,298
5342	PRINTING	20,000	678	22,678	22,678	0	-22,678
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	680	679	656	654	600	-56
5586	VOTING MACHINE SUPPLI	9,000	9,000	9,000	8,942	9,000	0
TOTAL	EXPENSES	49,689	22,619	51,773	37,484	23,550	-28,223
FRINGE BEN	EFITS						
57MEDA	MEDICARE PAYROLL TAX	54	117	1,131	53	1,131	0
TOTAL	FRINGE BENEFITS	54	117	1,131	53	1,131	0
TOTAL ELE	ECTIONS	164,573	141,694	228,993	150,131	159,681	-69,312
TOTAL ELECT	TION COMMISSION	623,853	470,935	562,655	405,398	447,694	-114,960

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CITY OF NEWTON BUDGET PERSONAL SERVICES SUMMARY

			2012	2013			
ACCOUNT	POSITION TITLE	RANGE	FTE	SALARY	RANGE	FTE	SALARY
511001	Executive Secretary/ARV	H11	1.0	94,183	H11	1.00	97,409
	Elec Spec/Bookkpr/ARV	S06	1.0	55,095	S06	1.00	51,501
	ARV & Elect Coordinator	S05	1.0	45,205	S05	1.00	47,155
	Asst Regist of Voters	S05	1.0	44,264	S05	1.00	46,239
	Account Totals:	-	4.0	238,746	-	4.00	242,303
511103	Election Commissioner	QQQ	0.4	3,952	QQQ	0.40	3,952
	Account Totals:	-	0.4	3,952	-	0.40	3,952
512001	Poll Workers	QQQ	1.0	61,000	QQQ	1.00	75,000
	Account Totals:	-	1.0	61,000	.	1.00	75,000
	Report Totals:		5.4	303,698		5.40	321,255