

2013

ANNUAL REPORT



Serving the Voters of Kansas City within Jackson County

Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners

The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners is a statutory agency, bi-partisan in nature. The Board consists of four Commissioners, appointed by the Missouri Governor and confirmed by the Missouri State Senate. They serve a four-year term or until their replacement is chosen. Two directors of opposite political affiliation act as the management team. The directors and their staff execute lawful and adopted policies of the Board. They also oversee the election administration, personnel, budget, and a myriad of related services to the public and candidates.

Mission Statement

The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners is committed to maintaining current and accurate voter files, maximizing voter registration and voter turnout efforts, educating the voting public, providing the best possible services and conducting efficient, fair, honest and impartial elections at a minimum cost to the electorate.

Board of Commissioners

Megan C. Thornberry
Chairman



Melodie A. Powell
Secretary



Quentin Jennings
Commissioner



Blake Heath
Commissioner



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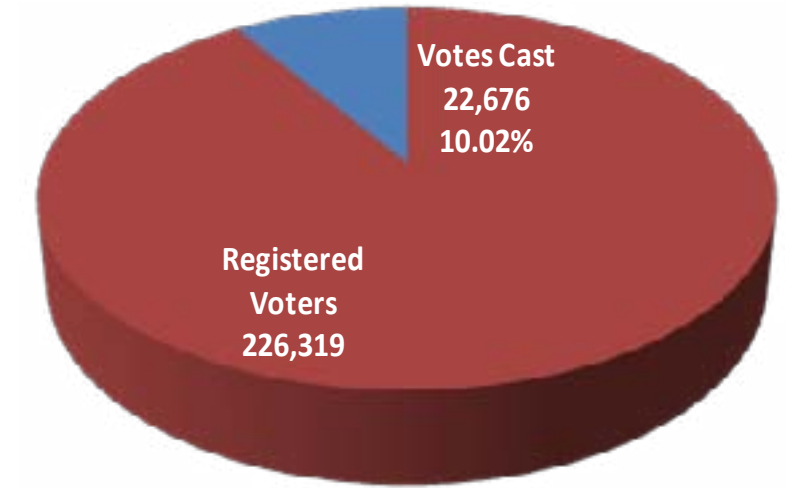
David Raymond, Attorney

April 2, 2013

School and Special Election

Cost:	\$408,419
Voting Machines:	268
Ballots Printed:	75,600
Polling Locations:	131
Election Workers:	771
Training Sessions:	37
Training Hours:	74
Total Registered Voters:	226,319
Votes Cast:	22,676
Voter Turnout:	10.02%

Candidates/Issues: Three ballot issues-City of Kansas City, candidates for School Board Directors for Grandview, Hickman Mills, and Raytown School Districts, and a school bond issue for Grandview School District

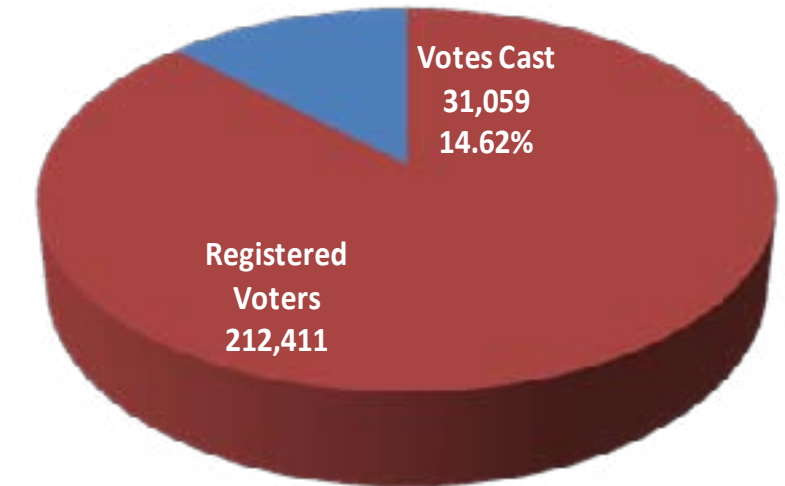


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Special Election

Cost:	\$380,926
Voting Machines:	248
Ballots Printed:	87,300
Polling Locations:	121
Election Workers:	749
Training Sessions:	36
Training Hours:	72
Total Registered Voters:	212,411
Votes Cast:	31,059
Voter Turnout:	14.62%

Ballot Issue: Medical research sales tax



Mail-in Election: October 1, 2013

Community Improvement District

Cost:	\$5,292
Votes Cast:	3

Shops on Blue Parkway: Board of Directors

Administration	Total #
Legal Notices	8
Purchasing	Total #
Purchasing Orders	172
Switchboard	Total #
Guest Book Sign-ins	469
Incoming Calls	10,047
Campaign Finance	Total #
Candidates Filed	31
Political Action Committees	19
Registration/Polls	Total #
Deputy Registrars	124
Election Services	Total #
Ballots Printed	162,900
Outside Elections	1
Public Tests	2



Absentee Voting	Total #
Ballots Requested	4,468
Ballots Sent	4,459
Ballots Received	3,758
Ballots Accepted	3,649
Military/Overseas Ballots Requested	2
Military/Overseas Ballots Sent	2
Military/Overseas Ballots Returned	0
Military/Overseas Ballots Accepted	0
Permanent Absentee/Disabled Voters on File	2,091
Absentee Walk-in Voters	913

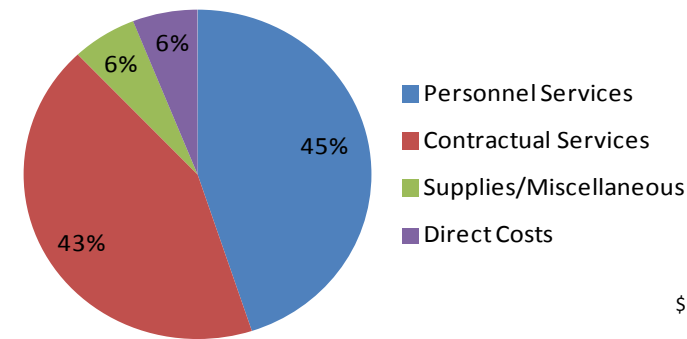
Voter Outreach	Total #
Voter Registration Drives (community events, high school and college days)	21
Naturalization Ceremonies	16
New Citizens Registered	740
Future Voter Reading Days	3
College Poll Workers Recruited	77
Voter 101 Workshops	2

KCEB Academy	Total #
Staff Trained	19
Training Sessions	141
Training Hours	457

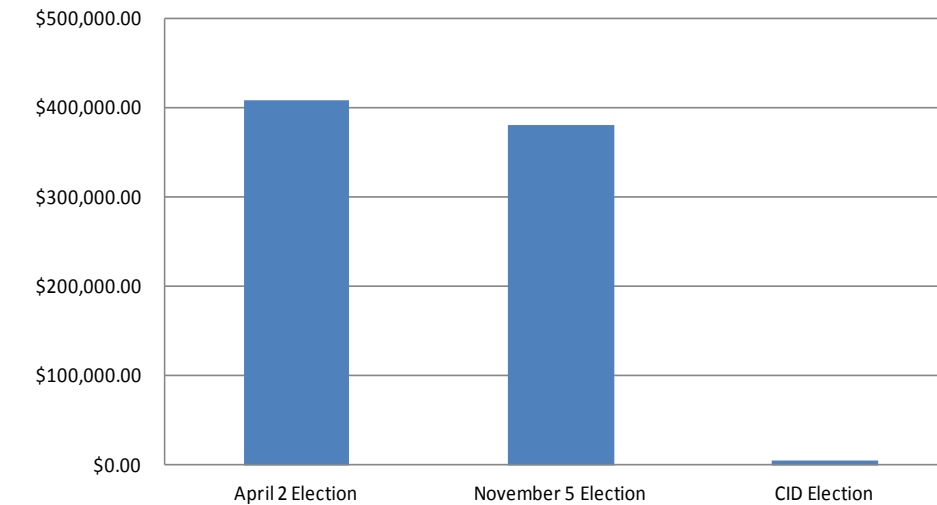


Data Services	Total #
Registered Voters	212,381
New Registrations	8,536
Address Changes/Name Changes	7,652
Deceased Voters	2,084
Felons	56
Deleted Voters	18,978
Petitions Received/Processed	3

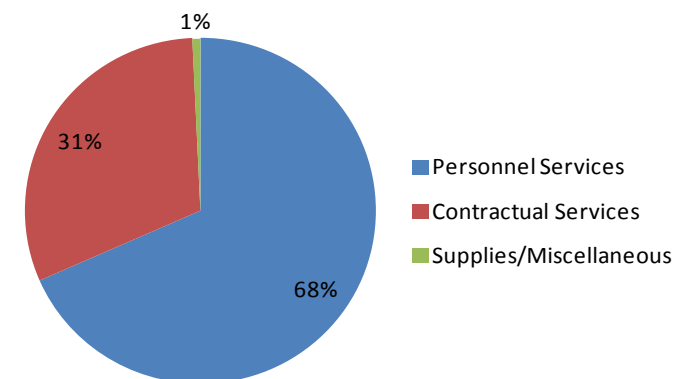
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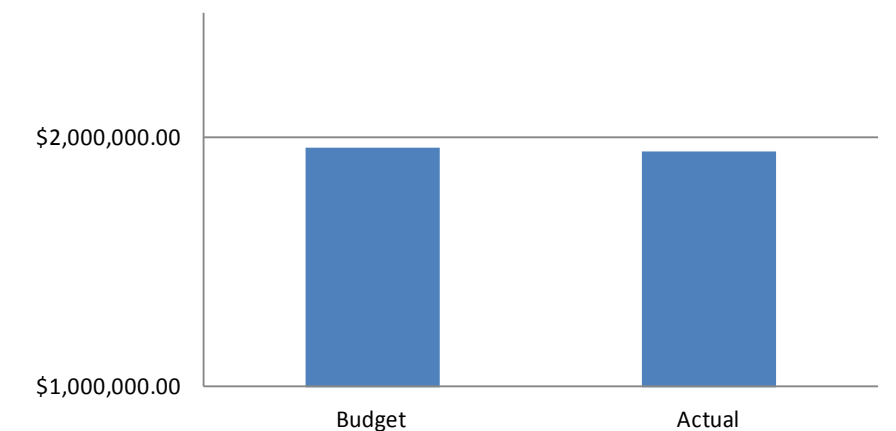
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Operational Budget



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Highlights

New Electronic Voter Check-in System

KCEB introduced electronic poll rosters to area voters during its April and November elections in 2013. The new voter check-in system utilizes tablet-style computers that upload a voter's name and registration information within a matter of seconds. Poll workers enjoyed using this new device on Election Day because it made the voting process more efficient. This new voter check-in system proved to be a great benefit to the voting process over this past year.



Poll Worker Appreciation Ceremony

KCEB held its Election Worker Appreciation Ceremony at Center High School on June 28, 2013. This ceremony occurs every four years after a presidential election cycle. Election workers were honored and recognized for their untiring service provided to the voters of Kansas City. The ceremony consisted of guest speakers, a patriotic musical performance, and an election worker video that captured key moments of election workers on Election Day. Following the ceremony, everyone gathered for refreshments and were awarded a certificate and lapel pin. KCEB is truly grateful for all of its election workers. Elections would not be possible without them!

KCEB Staffer Awarded Rosemary Plitt Award

KCEB staffer, 92-year-old Alby Shipman was awarded the Rosemary Plitt Award at the 2013 Missouri Association of County Clerks and Election Authorities Conference by Secretary of State Jason Kander. The award was established to honor an individual or group of individuals who have made significant contributions to elections or to the electoral process. KCEB is truly honored to have Miss Alby receive the Rosemary Plitt Award.



New Outreach Program: Future Voter Reading Day

KCEB launched its new Future Voter Reading Program during the fall. KCEB staffers visited various elementary schools in Kansas City. Staffers read books to the students that discussed the importance of voting, how to vote, etc. Staffers enjoyed educating the students in order to prepare them to vote in the future and to encourage their parents to vote. KCEB is already looking forward to this program continuing in the spring.



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