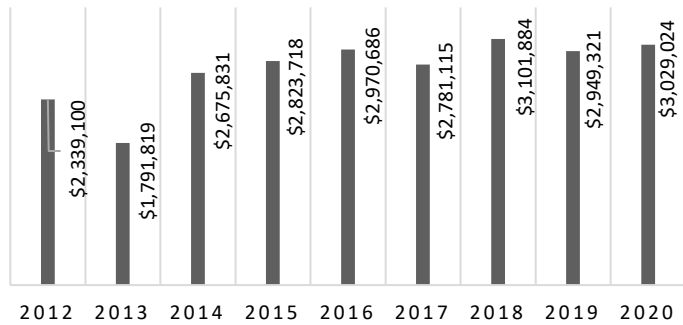


ALBANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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1450 - COUNTY SHARE



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Board of Elections is to register voters, conduct elections and to ensure its integrity.

WHO WE SERVE

The residents of Albany County

ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENT

The Board of Elections has responsibilities in three main areas:

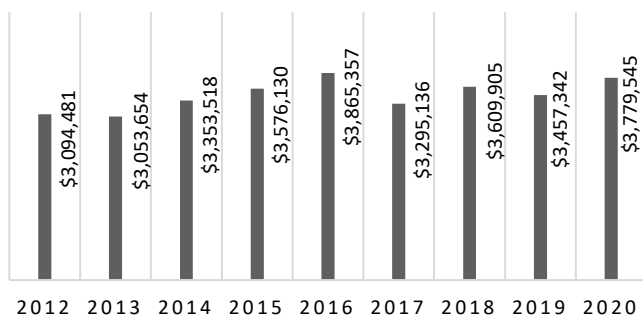
- **Administration of Elections:** The Board is responsible for the proper management of primary and general elections, as well as some school districts, fire districts, villages and special elections throughout Albany County.
- **Voter Registration:** The Board promotes voter registration within the county. Registrations are reviewed to ensure that voters' addresses reflect actual residency. This also includes database management for over 184,152 current registrants.
- **Education and Certification:** The Board conducts annual seminars and examinations relating to election procedures and technology for approximately 1268 election inspectors in Albany County, as required by law. Information is also provided to candidates, political units, public entities and the general public.

The Board's operations are supervised by two Commissioners, each representing one of the two major political parties in New York State. The Commissioners are nominated by majority vote of the County Committees of their respective political parties and are appointed by the County Legislature.

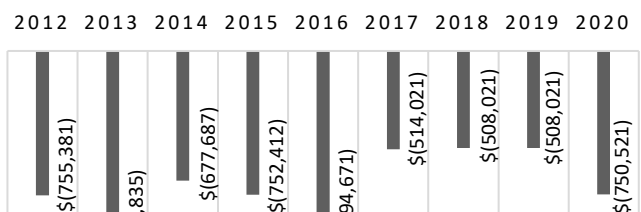
2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CHALLENGES

Major election reforms were enacted in 2019 by the New York State Legislature that dramatically altered how elections are conducted in the state. Included in those changes are nine days of early voting, changes in how voter registrations are processed from one county to another, pre-registration of 16 year olds and more immediate party enrollment changes. In order to help facilitate early voting, a major unanticipated financial investment was made by the state and county to purchase new technology, including electronic poll books and ballot on-demand systems. Albany County has allocated six early voting sites, a greater number than the minimum required by state law. We are hopeful that the changes will help increase voter turnout.

1450 - APPROPRIATIONS



1450 - REVENUE



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2020 GOALS AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Our primary goal for 2020 is the successful implementation of early voting reforms, employing new technology while safeguarding the integrity and security of elections. The newly enacted election reforms will increase the timeframe for registering to vote with later deadlines and additional days and locations for voting. With three elections scheduled for 2020, and higher voter turnout anticipated with a Presidential election, the investment in the new technology will hopefully alleviate some of the concerns associated with high traffic at the polls, including shorter wait times.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET CHANGES

Given the new election reforms and the requisite voting technology associated with the changes, there is a significant increase in expenditures relating to the purchase of new voting technology, software, service agreements, poll site fees and inspectors.