QUALIFYING 2016 ELECTIONS

OFFICE	SALARY	Qual. Fee 6% Major Party	Qual. Fee 4% No Party	Qual. Fee 1% Elect. Assessment	Petition Signatures Needed to Qualify
Clerk of Circuit Court	\$118,654	\$7,119.24	\$4,746.16	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
Property Appraiser	\$118,654	\$7,119.24	\$4,746.16	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
Tax Collector	\$118,654	\$7,119.24	\$4,746.16	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
Sheriff	\$127,604	\$7,656.24	\$5,104.16	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
Superintendent of Schools	\$118,654	\$7,119.24	\$4,746.16	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
Supervisor of Elections	\$100,176	\$6,010.56	\$4,007.04	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
County Commission District #1, 3, 5	\$53,274	\$3,196.44	\$2,130.96	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
School Board District #2, 4	\$32,358	NA	\$1,294.32	NA	1% of = 82,603 = 827 County Wide
VCDD-1 Seat 1, 3, 5	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 1 only)
VCDD-2 Seat 4, 5	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 2 only)
VCDD-3 Seat 3, 5	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 3 only)
VCDD-5 Seat 1, 3, 4	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 5 only)
VCDD-6 Seat 2, 3	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 6 only)
VCDD-7 Seat 2, 4	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 7 only)
VCDD-8 Seat 1, 2	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 8 only)
VCCD-9 Seat 1, 2, 3	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 9 only)
VCCD-10 Seat 1, 4	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCCD 10 only)
Soil & Water Conservation District					
Seat 1, 3, 4, 5	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (County Wide)
North Sumter County Utility Dependent Districts					
Seat 1 – District 5	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCDD 5 only)
Seat 2 – District 6	NA	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within VCDD 6 only)
Seat 7 – At Large	N/A	NA	\$25.00	NA	25 (within 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 districts)
City of Bushnell					
Council Seat 2, 4	\$3,000	NA	NA	\$30.00	NA
City Clerk	\$45,588	NA	NA	\$455.88	NA
City of Center Hill					
Council Seat 2, 4	\$2,400.00	NA	NA	\$39.00	\$15 Qualifying Fee included (by Ordinance)
Mayor	\$3,600.00	NA	NA	\$61.00	\$25 Qualifying Fee included (by Ordinance)
City of Coleman					
Council Seat 1, 3, 5	\$2,010.36	NA	NA	\$25.10	\$5.00 Qualifying Fee Included
City of Webster					
Council Seat 1, 2, 4	NA	NA	NA	NA	25 (within city limits) – Petition Method only
City of Wildwood					
Council Group 3, 5	\$6,301.19	NA	NA	\$63.01	NA

The salary provisions apply to all designated officers in all counties of the state, except those officials whose salaries are not subject to being set by the Legislature due to the provisions of a county home rule charter, as well as those officials of counties that have a chartered consolidated form of government as provided in Chapter 67-1320, Laws of Florida. The current salary formula methodology specifies that the latest official population census counts for the years between decennial censuses serve as a major component of the salary computation. In addition to the population figures, the salary formula contains five other components. The base salary, group rate, and initial factor are currently set in law. The annual factor and cumulative annual factor components are certified annually by the Florida Department of Management Services (DMS).

(F.S. 99.092) Qualifying Fee is computed by multiplying 12 times the monthly salary, excluding any special qualification pay authorized by such office as of July 1 immediately preceding the first day of qualifying. The qualifying fee consist of a filing fee, which is 3% of the annual salary of the office, and an election assessment fee, which is 1% of the annual salary of the office. The amount of the party assessment fee is 2% of the annual salary. If qualifying with a Major Party the total assessed is 6% of the annual salary of that office, which includes all assessment fees. If Qualifying with No Party the total assessed is 4% of the annual salary of that office, which includes only the qualifying fee and election assessment fee.

(F.S. 99.093) Each person seeking to qualify for nomination or election to a municipal office shall pay, at the time of qualifying for office, an election assessment. The election assessment fee is 1% of the annual salary of the office sought. If qualifying for a municipal office the total assessed is 1%.

(F.S. 99.061(3)) All Special District candidates shall qualify by paying a filing fee of \$25 or qualify by the petition process pursuant to F.S. 99.095.

(F.S. 99.095 Alternative Method 1%). A person who seeks to qualify as a candidate for any office and who meets the petition requirements of this section is not required to pay the qualifying fee or party assessment required by this chapter. The petition requirements for all candidates have been modified to require equal to one percent of the total number of registered voters of that geographical area, as shown by the compilation by the department for the immediately preceding general election. Special District candidates shall obtain 25 signatures of voters in the area represented by the office sought (effective date 01/01/08). The format of the petition shall be prescribed by the division and shall be used by candidates to reproduce petitions for circulation.

Registered totals are from book closing for last General Election (2010) and Qualifying Dates are as follows:

Federal, Judicial, State Attorney, and Public Defender Candidates
(Including write-in candidates)
Noon May 2 - Noon, May 6, 2016

* State, Multicounty, County, District, and Nonpartisan Candidates *
(Including write-in candidates and municipality candidates)
Noon, June 20, - Noon, June 24, 2016

April 4, 2016 – Prior to Noon, petitions for Federal, Judicial, State Attorney and Public Defender candidates seeking to qualify by the petition method due to Supervisor of Elections (Section 99.095 & 105.035, F.S. before noon of the 28th day preceding the 1st day of the qualifying period for the office sought).

May 23, 2016 – Prior to noon, petitions for statewide, multi-county, county and district candidates seeking to quality by the petition method due to Supervisor of Elections (Section 99.095, F.S. before noon of the 28th day preceding the 1st day of the qualifying period for the office sought).