**Deschutes County**

**County Candidate Election Information**

**May 21, 2024 Primary Election**

**First Day to File, September 14, 2023**

**Filing Deadline, March 12, 2024**

**County Voters Pamphlet:**

If you are interested in submitting a candidate statement for the Deschutes County Voters’ Pamphlet, complete the ***2024 Candidate’s Statement Form for Voters’ Pamphlet***.

**Election Law Summary:**

See the Oregon Secretary of State’s **Election Law Summary** for campaigning guidelines at <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Documents/elec_law_summary.pdf>.

**Campaign Finance Reporting:**

For campaign finance information, refer to Oregon Secretary of State’s **Campaign Finance Transparency & Education** page at <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/campaign-finance.aspx>.

Each candidate must establish a campaign account designating a candidate committee unless the candidate meets all three of the following conditions:

* + The candidate serves as the candidate’s own treasurer
  + The candidate does not have an existing candidate committee

***and***

* + The candidate does not expect to receive or spend more than $7501 during a calendar year

1 *The $750 includes personal funds spent for any campaign-related costs, such as the filing of candidacy fee. However, if at any time during a calendar year the candidate exceeds $750 in either contributions or expenditures, the candidate must establish a campaign account and file a Statement of Organization within three business days. Additionally, all contributions received and expenditures made during the calendar year must be filed electronically not later than seven calendar days after the $750 threshold has been exceeded.*

**Candidate Filing Process:**

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| **Non-Partisan Positions:**  **County Commissioner Position #2, 4-year term\***  Office Requirements: Resident and elector of county one year prior to election.  **County Sheriff, 4-year term\*\***  Office Requirements: Resident and elector of county one year prior to election.  Proof of certification or eligibility of certification by Board on Public Safety Standards and Training must be provided by the filing deadline.  \* If no candidate receives a majority of the votes (50% + 1 vote) for this office, the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes in the Primary are nominated and move to the General Election.  \*\* This contest moves to the November General Election if fewer than three candidates file for the Primary Election. |

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| Filing period: September 14, 2023 to March 12, 2024.  **Filing by Declaration:**  ***SEL 101 Candidate Filing – Major Political Party or Nonpartisan***  ***$50 Filing fee***  **Filing by Petition *(500 Valid Signatures Required)*:**  Beforecirculating, submit the following for County Clerk’s **written approval**:  ***SEL 101 Candidate Filing – Major Political Party or Nonpartisan*** *(mark the “Prospective Petition” box)*  ***SEL 121 Candidate Signature Sheet/Nonpartisan***   * + After signatures have been collected, candidate submits the following to the County Clerk no **later than 5 pm on the filing deadline:**     - ***SEL 121*** ***Verified - Candidates Signature Sheets***     - ***SEL 338 Petition Submission Form***   + Allow 10 days for the County Clerk’s office to verify signatures. |