

Miami-Dade County
2012 Community Council Candidates
Candidate Qualifying Information

QUALIFICATIONS: [Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(1)]

1. Resident elector of Miami-Dade County for at least three (3) years.
2. Resident elector of Council Area for at least six (6) months prior to qualifying.
3. Resident elector of the Subarea for at least three (3) months prior to qualifying.

Note: At the time of qualifying, candidates shall submit proof of residency for the prescribed period. Proof of residency shall establish that the qualifying candidate has met the residency requirements for the required period. No council member shall be employed by Miami-Dade County or be a member of the Board of County Commissioners.

TYPE OF ELECTION: Nonpartisan
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(3)]

ELECTION AREA: Community Council Sub-Area
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(2)]

AREAS/SUBAREAS TO BE ELECTED: Please refer to the [List of Community Council Members to be Elected 2012](#).

For additional information regarding Community Council membership, or to confirm residency within area/sub-area, please contact the Community Zoning Section with the Miami-Dade County Permitting, Environment and Regulatory Affairs Department at 305-375-4536.

TERM: Four (4) years
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(2)]

The terms of Council Members shall commence on the second Tuesday next succeeding the date provided for the state general election.
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(3)]

SALARY: None [Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(D)]

ELECTION DATES: August 14, 2012 – Primary
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(3)]

November 6, 2012 – General (only in case of a tie)
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(6)]

QUALIFYING DATES: 8:00 a.m., Monday, June 4, 2012, through Noon, Tuesday, June 5, 2012
[Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(4)]

A qualifying office may accept and hold qualifying papers submitted not earlier than 14 days prior (June 4, 2012) to the beginning of the qualifying period to be processed and filed during the qualifying period. [F.S. 99.061(8)]

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QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS:

The following items must be submitted to the Miami-Dade Elections Department:

Qualifying Method – Qualifying Fee

1. State of Florida Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates ([Form DS-DE 9](#))*
2. Statement of Candidate ([Form DS-DE 84](#))*
3. Receipt of Handbook and The Election Laws of the State of Florida ([Form MD-ED 2](#))*
4. Campaign Treasurer's Report Filing Requirement Electronic Filing Statement ([Form MD-ED 10](#))* must be
5. Declaration and First Amendment Waiver ([MDC Ethics Commission Waiver](#)) – (optional)
6. Miami-Dade County Candidate Oath – Nonpartisan Office ([Form MD-ED 25](#))
7. Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests (CE Form 1), along with any other applicable forms. Public officers who have filed financial disclosure with Florida Commission on Ethics may file a copy with filing officer at time of qualifying. The 2011 CE Form 1 will be available after January 1, 2012 on the [Florida Commission on Ethics website](#).
8. Qualifying fee of \$100.00 is to be paid by means of a bank check drawn from the candidate's campaign account as prescribed in F.S. 106.11(1)(a), made payable to the Board of County Commissioners. [Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Article IV, Section 20-43(A)(4)]
9. If you currently hold an elected or appointed position, please consult with your attorney to determine whether you are required to resign from the office you presently hold to run for this office.

** These forms must be submitted to the Miami-Dade Elections Department at time of announcing candidacy.*

Miami-Dade County 2012 Community Council Candidates Candidate Forms and Additional Resources

CANDIDATE FORMS

The following list is a compilation of forms to be used by Community Council candidates and their campaign treasurers who qualify with the Miami-Dade County Elections Department. For your convenience, a hyperlink has been provided for each form.

Opening of Account	
DS-DE 9	State of Florida Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates
DS-DE 84	Statement of Candidate
MD-ED 2	Receipt of Handbook and the Election Laws of the State of Florida
MD-ED 10	Campaign Treasurer's Report Electronic Filing Requirements for Miami-Dade County
MDC Ethics Commission Waiver	Declaration and First Amendment Waiver for Candidates Who Agree to Comply with the Voluntary Fair Campaign Practices – Optional
Qualifying	
MD-ED 25	Miami-Dade County Candidate Oath – Nonpartisan Office
CE Form 1	Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests – 2011, along with any other forms if applicable. The form will be available after January 1, 2012 on the Florida Commission on Ethics website.
Campaign Reporting	
DS-DE 12	Campaign Treasurer's Report Summary
DS-DE 13	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Itemized Contributions
DS-DE 14	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Itemized Expenditures
DS-DE 94	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Fund Transfers
DS-DE 87	Waiver of Report
DS-DE 86	Request for Return of Contribution
DS-DE 2	Contributions Returned
Termination Reports	
DS-DE 73	Campaign Loans Report
DS-DE 73A	Campaign Loans Report Itemized
Elected Officials – Opening an Office Account	
DS-DE 48	Office Account Report
DS-DE 48A	Office Account Disbursement or Deposit Information

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [2012 Reporting Dates for Campaign Treasurer's Reports](#)
- [2011 Election Laws of the State of Florida](#)
- [Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances](#)
- [Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter](#)
- [Year on Ballot and Terms of Offices](#)
- [2012 List of Offices to be Elected](#)
- [Precincts in Community Council Areas](#)