



R. KYLE WITT
FAIRFIELD COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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Aunie Cordle, Fairfield County Administrator
210 East Main Street, Room 301
Lancaster, Ohio 43130

RE: 2026 appropriations for compensation of elected officials

Dear Ms. Cordle:

At your request, this office has reviewed the statutorily required compensation for elected officials and hereby advises that the following sums should be appropriated for the compensation of elected officials for the 2026 calendar year. This letter does not account for certain sums paid to elected officials by the State of Ohio. At this time, all elected officials receive the benefit of SB 296, and therefore, the County should appropriate the following sums for the respective elected officials:

County Auditor	\$103,530 ¹
County Clerk of Court of Common Pleas.....	\$82,613
County Commissioner (term commencing January 1)	\$88,510
County Commissioner (term commencing January 2).....	\$88,510
County Commissioner (term commencing January 3).....	\$88,510
County Coroner ²	\$69,073
County Engineer ³	\$128,399
County Prosecuting Attorney ⁴	\$158,797
County Recorder	\$77,197
County Sheriff	\$116,003 ⁵

1 The County Auditor is also entitled to an additional \$3,000, which is paid from the undivided estate tax fund or from the county real estate assessment fund pursuant to R.C. 5731.41.

2 The County Coroner does engage in private practice

3 The Fairfield County Engineer does not engage in a private practice.

4 The Fairfield County Prosecuting Attorney does not engage in a private practice.

5 This sum presumes an appropriation is made by the General Assembly pursuant to R.C. 325.06(B), in which case, the County will be reimbursed \$12,889 by the State.

County Treasurer	\$82,613
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division.....	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, General Division (Term commencing February 9)	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, General Division (Term commencing January 1).....	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile/Probate Division.....	\$14,000
Member of the Board of Elections	\$15,015.90 ⁶

Also, for your reference, please be advised the following sums should be appropriated for furtherance of justice funds:

Prosecuting Attorney Furtherance of Justice Fund	\$79,398.50
Sheriff Furtherance of Justice Fund	\$58,001.50

Should you have any questions, or need any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me in this regard.

Very truly yours,

Amy Brown Thompson
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

⁶ The 2020 federal census established the population of Fairfield County as 158,921, thus the salary is calculated as $(117.65 \times 100) + (56.05 \times 58) = \$15,015.90$