

Blount County Government

BUDGET PRESENTATION

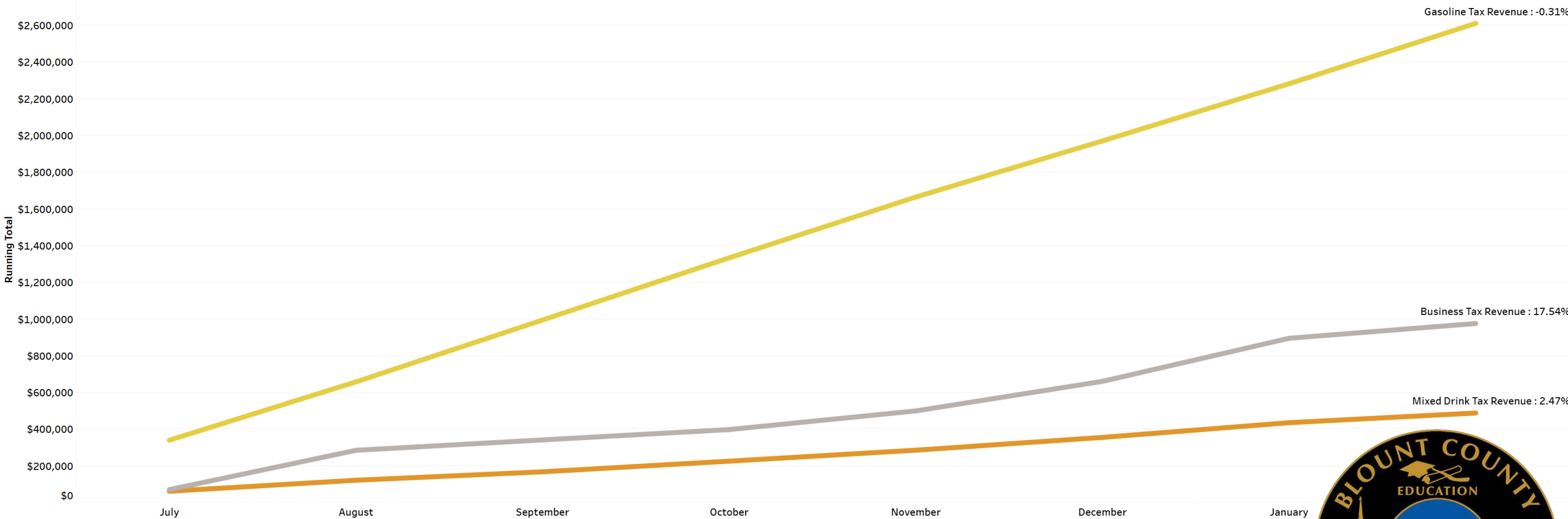
2026-2027



YTD Revenue – Gas, Business & Mixed Drink Tax

Current FYTD Amount by Revenue Source

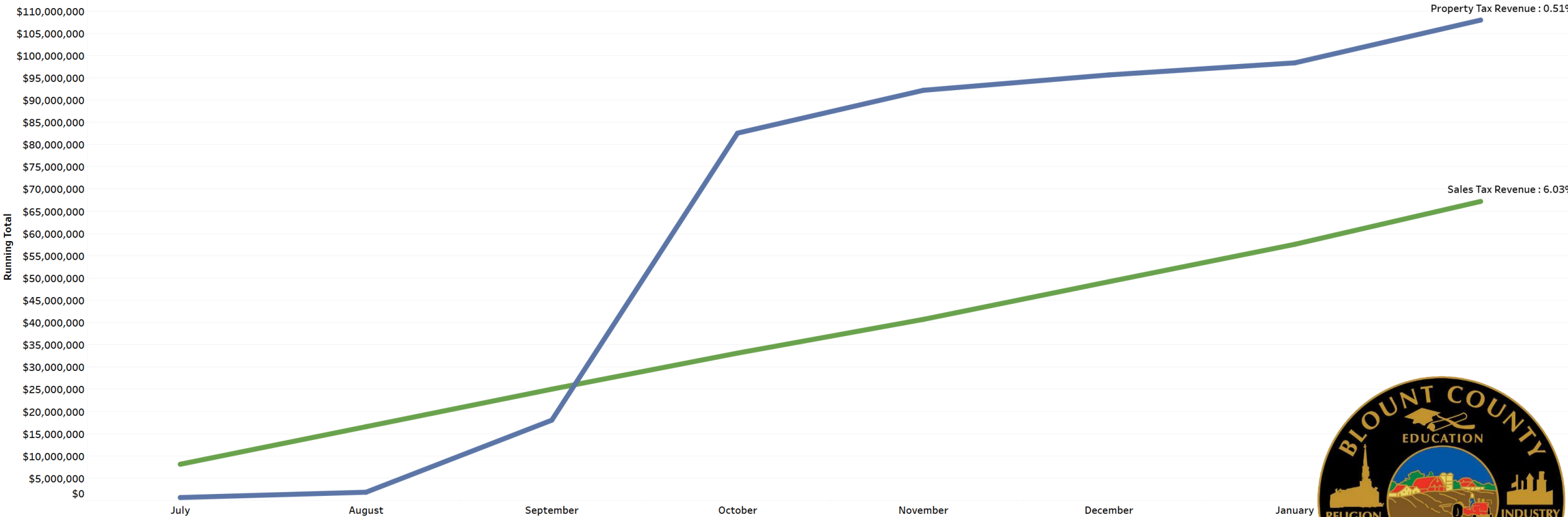
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YTD Revenue – Property & Sales Tax

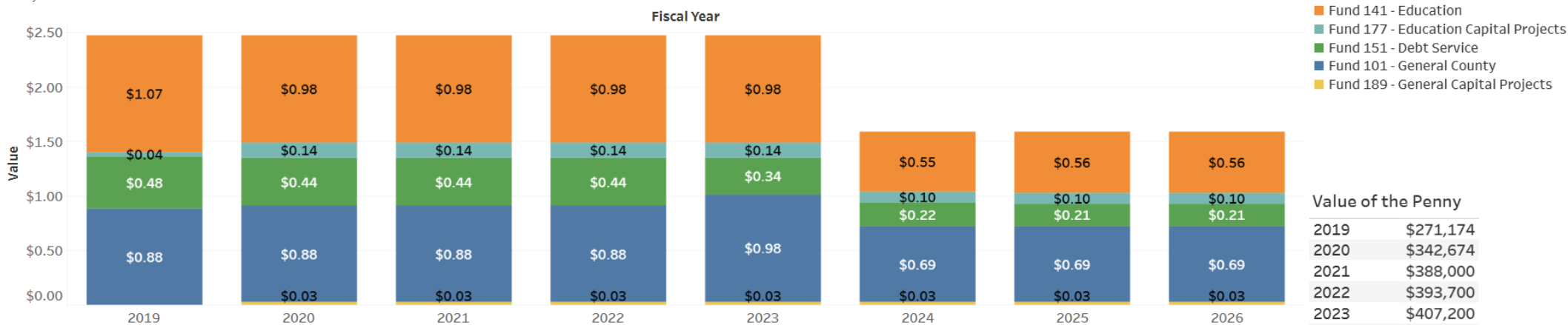
Current FYTD Amount by Revenue Source

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Revenue – Property Tax Allocation

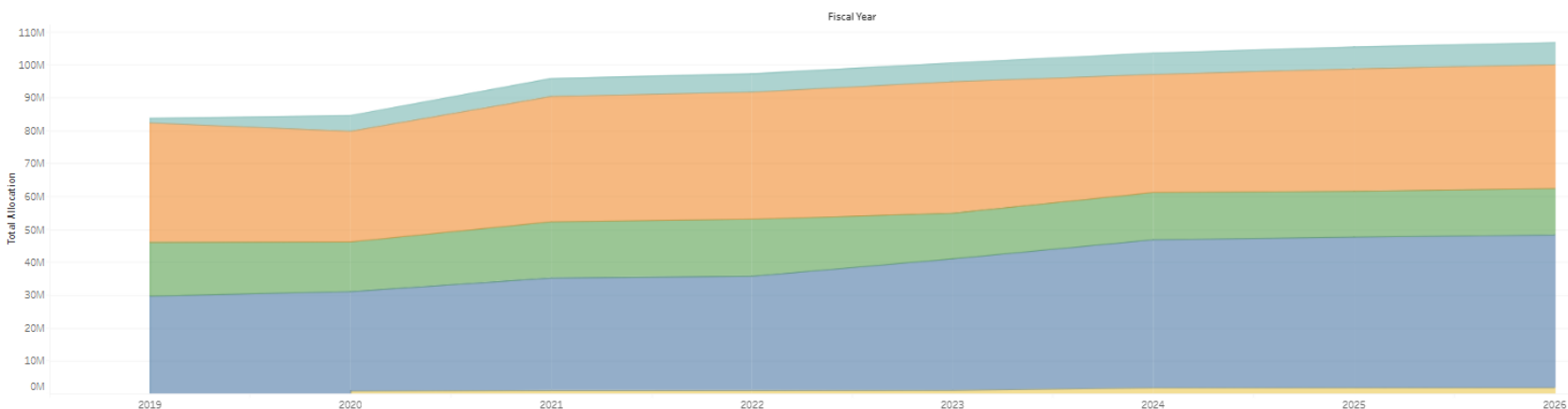
Penny Allocation



Value of the Penny

2019	\$271,174
2020	\$342,674
2021	\$388,000
2022	\$393,700
2023	\$407,200
2024	\$651,700
2025	\$662,800
2026	\$671,500

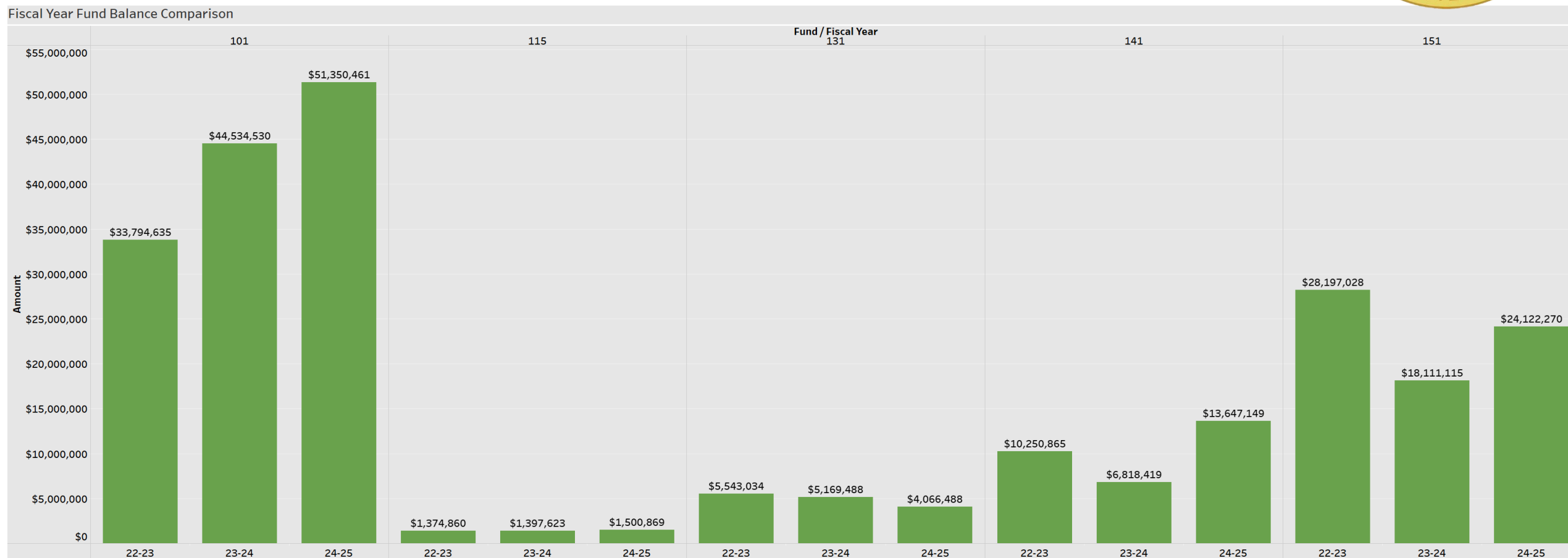
Property Tax Allocation



2027 = \$852,500



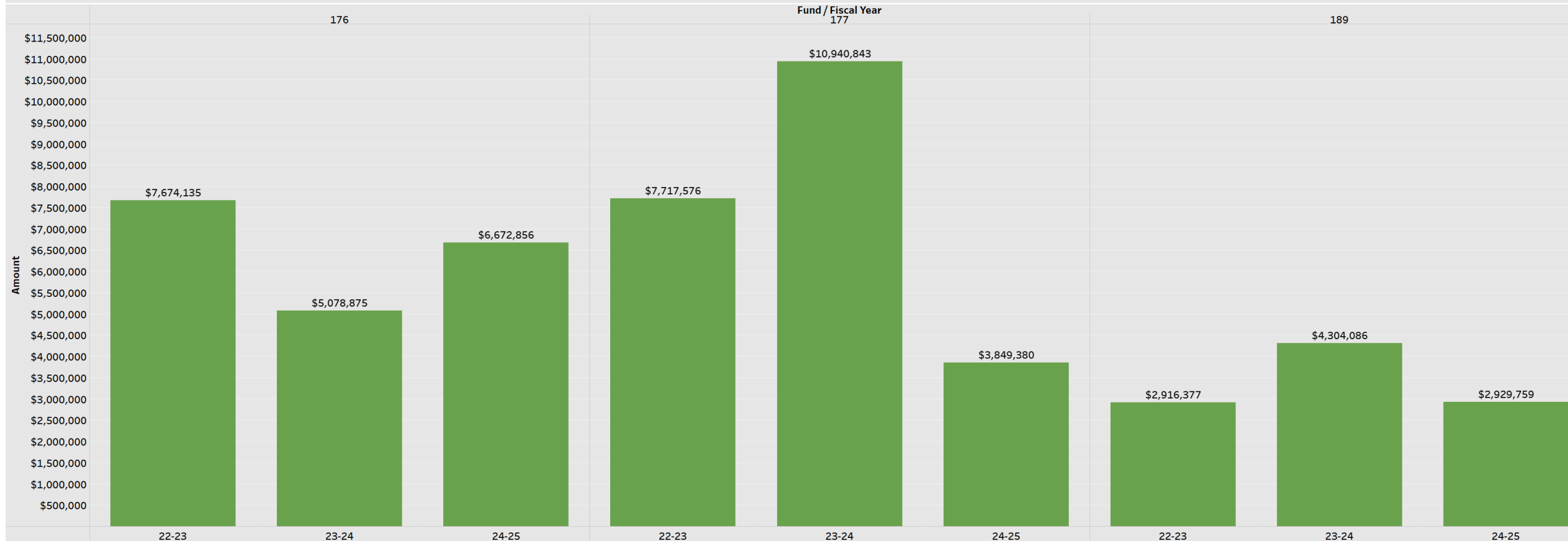
Unrestricted Operational Fund Balances as of June 30, 2025



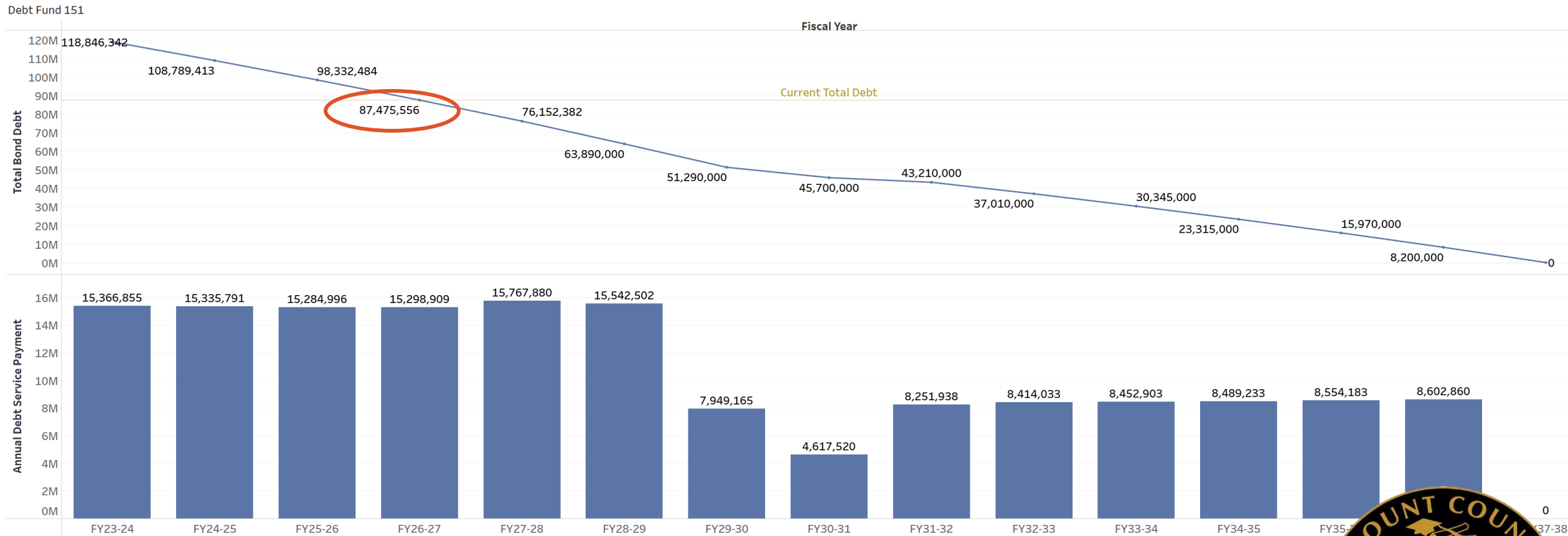
Capital Fund Balances as of June 30, 2025



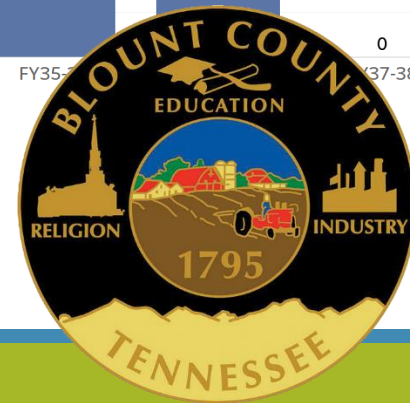
Fiscal Year Fund Balance Comparison



Debt Service Fund 151 – Updates



- CONTINUED REDUCTION OF DEBT
- INCREASE RATINGS:
 - Fitch Credit: AAA ; S&P Credit: AA



FY 2026-27 Budget Request Highlights

SALARY

- One step = 1.7%
- Cost of Living Adjustment = 2.0%

BENEFITS

- Health Insurance – no increase in employee contributions
- Dental Insurance – no increase in employee contributions

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

- Generally flat across the board



Budget Materials

- Presentation Schedule
- Department Presentations
 - Slides
 - Cost/Benefit Additional Request Forms
 - Budget Report
- Budget Book



COUNTY TRUSTEE

SCOTT GRAVES

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How we serve Blount County

County Trustee Scott Graves – MBA with over 30 years of experience in Finance, Accounting, Budgets, and Management

County Trustee Responsibilities:

Manages an office that collects and accounts for over \$250 million annually in State, Federal, and local funds

Manages the investment of temporarily idle funds – local bank accounts, CDs, etc.

Supervises the cash flow – Fund Accounting and Bank Accounts



COUNTY'S PRIMARY REVENUE SOURCES

- Property Tax
- Local Option Sales Tax
- Business Tax
- State Revenue (primarily K-12 education funds)
- Federal Revenue (primarily special/vocational education dollars)
- Local Fines and Fees (fee offices/courts/probation/planning/etc.)



Trustee Office Workload Has Increased Since 2000

Property Tax Parcels – Tax Year 2000	59,500
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Property Tax Parcels – Tax Year 2025 (+28.6%)	76,500
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Tax Freeze Applicants – Tax Year 2000 (began in 2007)	0
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Tax Freeze Applicants – Tax Year 2025	2,000
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Tax Relief Applicants – Tax Year 2000	700
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Tax Relief Applicants – Tax Year 2025 (+257%)	2,500
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FY25-26 Accomplishments

Fee Office – designed to collect fees to offset budget

◦ Trustee Fees in 2000	\$1,165,000
◦ Trustee Fees in FY25-26 (estimate)	\$3,650,000

Even though the workload has increased, the office staff has not increased due to process improvements, training, better technology, and employee retention

Full Time Employees in 2000	6
Full Time Employees in FY26-27 Budget	6
Part Time Employee Hours in 2000	1,800 (cost \$40,000)
Part Time Employee Hours in FY26-27 Budget	< 70 (cost \$2,000)



Thank You



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NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99		
ACCOUNTS FOR:				2025	2026	2026	2026	2026	2027
Gen	County			ACTUAL	ORIG BUD	REVISED BUD	ACTUAL	PROJECTION	Req Review COMMENT
52400	County	Trustee Office							
10100480	510100	00000	County Off	119,034.00	122,606.02	122,606.02	89,596.02	122,606.02	125,830.00
10100480	516200	00000	Clerical P	318,975.35	344,105.87	344,105.87	236,942.32	344,105.87	356,956.84
10100480	516800	00000	Temporary	640.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,210.00	1,900.00	1,900.00
10100480	520100	00000	Social Sec	26,144.26	28,936.07	28,936.07	19,551.56	28,936.07	30,138.87
10100480	520400	00000	State Reti	30,222.52	34,723.29	34,723.29	24,294.31	34,723.29	38,440.71
10100480	520600	00000	Life Ins E	358.54	407.04	407.04	269.64	407.04	382.08
10100480	520700	00000	Health Ins	73,374.00	69,192.00	69,192.00	51,816.00	69,192.00	68,508.00
10100480	520800	00000	Dental Ins	1,969.80	1,977.36	1,977.36	1,483.02	1,977.36	1,977.36
10100480	521000	00000	Unemp Comp	127.91	1,400.13	1,400.13	129.65	1,400.13	1,076.78
10100480	521200	00000	Employer M	6,123.67	6,767.31	6,767.31	4,590.09	6,767.31	7,048.61
10100480	530700	00000	Communicat	4,382.01	4,800.00	4,800.00	3,306.93	4,800.00	4,700.00
10100480	532000	00000	Dues and M	1,667.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,757.00	1,800.00	1,900.00
10100480	533000	00000	Lease Paym	286.15	500.00	500.00	500.00	713.85	500.00
10100480	533100	00000	Legal Svcs	2,525.00	2,850.00	2,850.00	1,325.00	2,850.00	2,850.00
10100480	533200	00000	Legal Noti	245.00	295.00	295.00	245.00	295.00	295.00
10100480	533400	00000	Maintenanc	10,913.76	11,600.00	11,600.00	11,568.59	11,600.00	12,400.00
10100480	534800	00000	PostalChg	30,428.19	33,500.00	33,500.00	32,990.41	33,500.00	34,500.00
10100480	534900	00000	Printing S	2,961.35	2,100.00	2,100.00	1,642.40	2,138.10	2,100.00
10100480	535500	00000	Travel	2,866.96	1,500.00	1,500.00	843.97	1,612.72	1,500.00
10100480	535600	00000	Tuition	1,005.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	565.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
10100480	539900	00000	Other Cont	14,906.74	17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
10100480	541400	00000	Duplicatin	474.17	550.00	550.00	398.23	550.00	550.00
10100480	543500	00000	Office Sup	3,105.36	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,049.29	2,046.50	2,000.00
10100480	549900	00000	Other Supp	259.42	300.00	300.00	159.12	300.00	300.00
10100480	551300	00000	Workers Co	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,139.52
TOTAL County Trustee Office				654,522.65	693,436.58	693,436.58	504,760.04	693,847.75	715,093.77

COUNTY CLERK

GAYE HASTY

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What we do

VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS AND TITLING

BOAT AND WATERCRAFT LICENSE AGENT FOR TWRA

ISSUE BUSINESS LICENSE

PROCESS APPLICATIONS FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

PROCESS APPLICATIONS FOR PASSPORTS

COLLECT OCCUPANCY TAX

PROCESS APPLICATIONS FOR BEER PERMITS

OFFICIAL RECORD KEEPER AND CLERK FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSION



FY25-26 Accomplishments

PROCESSED OVER 225,000 VEHICLE TRANSACTIONS THE PAST YEAR

LONGEVITY OF EMPLOYEES IS MORE APPARENT AS TRANSACTION PROCESSING TIME IS FASTER, MAKING WAIT TIMES SHORTER

CONDUCTED CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING (OFFERED TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS & LIBRARY)
“ESCALATION AWARENESS AND DE-ESCALATION STRATEGIES”

COORDINATED A “FIELD TRIP” TO THE E-911 CENTER FOR EMPLOYEES



FY26-27 Goals

THE 26-27 YEAR WILL BE A YEAR FILLED WITH TRANSITIONS

I WILL BE TRANSITIONING TO RETIREMENT LIFE AND WILL NO LONGER HAVE THE DAY TO DAY INTERACTION OF THE WONDERFUL CLERK'S STAFF AND THE GREAT PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN BLOUNT COUNTY. I HAVE BEEN DRIVING TO THIS BUILDING FOR 42 YEARS!

THE STAFF IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE WILL BE TRANSITIONING TO A NEW LEADER. I KNOW WITHOUT A DOUBT THAT MY STAFF WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE THE CITIZEN'S OF BLOUNT COUNTY IN A PROFESSIONAL AND EFFICIENT MANNER AND TO THE HIGH STANDARDS THAT HAVE BECOME OUR "NEW NORM". CHANGE IS NEVER EASY, AND I KNOW THAT WHILE CHANGE IS PAINFUL, IT IS NECESSARY FOR GROWTH. I AM EXCITED TO SEE THE IMPROVEMENTS AND THE GROWTH THAT TAKES PLACE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE IN THE FUTURE!



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

REQUESTED INCREASE OF \$3,000.00 IN TRAVEL TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF THE STAFF TO ATTEND TRAINING CONFERENCES AND TO ADJUST FUNDS FOR INCREASES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN LODGING AND OTHER TRAVEL COSTS.

REQUESTED INCREASE OF \$600.00 IN TUITION TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY OFFICIALS CERTIFICATE TRAINING PROGRAM AND CAPSTONE EVENT.

REQUESTING \$9,500.00 BE ADDED TO LEASE PAYMENTS FOR 21 MULTI TRAY PRINTERS THAT NEED TO BE UPDATED. THE PRINTERS WERE PURCHASED IN 2016 AND 2017. THE DIRECTOR OF IT HAS RECOMMENDED LEASING RATHER THAN PURCHASING DUE TO THE HIGH VOLUME OF PRINTING THAT OCCURS AND REQUIRED MAINTENANCE ON THE MACHINES.



Thank You



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FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

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52500	County Clerk Office							
10100490	510100 00000 County Off	119,034.00	122,605.02	122,605.02	89,596.02	122,605.02	125,830.00	
10100490	516200 00000 Clerical P	965,148.44	1,054,339.74	1,054,339.74	728,180.49	1,054,339.74	1,098,570.55	
10100490	516900 00000 Part time	10,591.05	35,753.93	35,753.93	18,163.37	35,753.93	35,753.93	
10100490	520100 00000 Social Sec	63,841.08	72,970.58	72,970.58	48,828.21	72,970.58	77,864.35	
10100490	520400 00000 State Reti	72,879.73	87,564.69	87,564.69	57,359.79	87,564.69	97,324.84	
10100490	520600 00000 Life Ins E	1,099.53	1,169.04	1,169.04	830.79	1,169.04	1,193.04	
10100490	520700 00000 Health Ins	240,370.00	243,192.00	243,192.00	180,291.00	243,192.00	240,084.00	
10100490	520800 00000 Dental Ins	5,604.64	5,649.60	5,649.60	4,296.05	5,649.60	5,932.08	
10100490	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	490.28	3,408.74	3,408.74	484.28	3,408.74	3,386.08	
10100490	521200 00000 Employer M	14,930.59	16,475.56	16,475.56	11,419.53	16,475.56	18,210.21	
10100490	524000 00000 In Service	.00	250.00	250.00	.00	250.00	250.00	
10100490	530700 00000 Communicat	8,591.31	8,500.00	8,500.00	5,791.70	8,500.00	8,500.00	
10100490	532000 00000 Dues and M	1,372.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	1,612.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	
10100490	533000 00000 Lease Paym	6,624.69	9,500.00	9,500.00	6,545.35	9,500.00	9,500.00	
10100490	533400 00000 Maintenanc	24,622.15	25,400.00	25,400.00	.00	25,400.00	25,400.00	
10100490	534800 00000 PostalChg	57,575.08	62,000.00	62,000.00	40,583.55	62,000.00	62,000.00	
10100490	534900 00000 Printing S	5,281.70	5,800.00	5,800.00	3,241.51	5,800.00	5,800.00	
10100490	535500 00000 Travel	4,145.21	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,983.70	4,000.00	7,000.00	
10100490	535600 00000 Tuition	815.00	800.00	800.00	625.00	800.00	1,400.00	
10100490	543500 00000 Office Sup	21,018.33	16,500.00	16,500.00	14,902.42	16,509.07	16,500.00	
10100490	543700 00000 Periodical	442.14	480.00	480.00	423.95	480.00	480.00	
10100490	551300 00000 Workers Co	4,240.25	4,240.25	4,240.25	4,240.25	4,240.25	3,744.13	
10100490	559900 00000 Other Char	182.98	500.00	500.00	489.38	500.00	500.00	
10100490	570900 00000 Data Proce	3,124.56	6,500.00	27,340.00	6,857.30	30,515.84	6,500.00	
	TOTAL County Clerk Office	1,632,024.74	1,789,349.15	1,810,189.15	1,227,745.64	1,813,374.06	1,853,473.21	

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

101-00000-468350 / other state rev

Elected Official or Department Head:

County Clerk

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Need to update clerk workstations. Received an estimate (attached) and also looking into other companies. This includes front counters and workstations, 1 passport workstation and 4 dealer services workstations.

Request from County Commission:

Requesting one-time funding

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$90,871.65

Benefit:

Current workstations are 25+ years old and have been pieced together. They need to be replaced to accommodate current equipment.

Return on Investment:

New workstations have the ability to accommodate printers and scanners in a more ergonomic format. This increases efficiency and reduces transaction times. This increases the potential number of customers that can be served.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$90,871.65
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

052500-535600

Elected Official or Department Head:

County Clerk

☐ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Request increase of budget by \$600.00 to fund tuition for COCTP and the Capstone event.

Request from County Commission:

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Benefit:

Return on Investment:

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$800	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$1,400		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

052500-535500

Elected Official or Department Head:

County Clerk

☐ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Request increase in budget by \$3,000. This will allow Operations Manager to attend necessary conferences and training opportunities. In addition, travel costs have increased.

Request from County Commission:

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Return on Investment:

Benefit:

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$4,000	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$7,000		

Assessor of Property

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Responsible for keeping accurate information of Real and Personal Property

We currently have roughly 79,000 parcels and around 8,000 personal property accounts. My staff consists of 16 people, 8 of which are field representatives.

Our job is to map the location of each parcel and give it a unique identifier, appraise the property, and classify it as Residential or Commercial.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Successful Reappraisal
 - Fair and Equitable Appraisals that reflect Market Value as of January 1, 2026
- Three – Star Certification Award for the Office
- Staff has completed and is continuing to work on Continuing Education
- The Office is involved with Professional Organizations within the State and Internationally



FY26-27 Goals

- Continuing Education via classes and conferences
- Continue to work on Appeals
- Continue to look for avenues that will enhance our office for the constituents
 - We need to be utilizing our resources and not relying on the way we've always done it.



Thank You



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FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

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52300	Property Assessor Office							
10100460	510100 00000 County Off	119,034.00	122,605.02	122,605.02	89,596.02	122,605.02	125,830.00	
10100460	510300 00000 Assistant	588,805.01	650,472.61	650,472.61	441,922.78	650,472.61	676,236.89	
10100460	516200 00000 Clerical P	226,078.81	244,503.36	244,503.36	148,407.40	244,503.36	243,344.40	
10100460	518700 00000 Overtime P	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100460	520100 00000 Social Sec	55,299.69	63,090.02	63,090.02	40,492.36	63,090.02	64,899.39	
10100460	520400 00000 State Reti	60,990.73	75,708.03	75,708.03	48,785.16	75,708.03	83,113.09	
10100460	520600 00000 Life Ins E	904.16	969.84	969.84	649.31	969.84	974.64	
10100460	520700 00000 Health Ins	182,500.75	211,920.00	211,920.00	129,703.00	211,920.00	150,612.00	
10100460	520800 00000 Dental Ins	3,230.80	3,672.24	3,672.24	2,412.85	3,672.24	3,389.76	
10100460	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	367.44	3,052.74	3,052.74	374.88	3,052.74	2,758.74	
10100460	521200 00000 Employer M	12,933.02	14,754.92	14,754.92	9,469.95	14,754.92	15,178.08	
10100460	530700 00000 Communicat	9,724.95	9,000.00	9,000.00	5,950.00	6,181.84	9,000.00	
10100460	531200 00000 Contracts	104,253.80	85,000.00	150,747.00	149,871.19	141,521.19	145,660.00	
10100460	531700 00000 Data Proce	59,705.12	108,250.00	67,178.00	66,844.11	66,844.11	63,000.00	
10100460	532000 00000 Dues and M	5,566.29	13,000.00	13,000.00	12,434.60	10,154.35	13,000.00	
10100460	533000 00000 Lease Paym	18,563.71	19,000.00	19,000.00	18,991.35	12,189.03	19,000.00	
10100460	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	11,804.36	20,000.00	8,750.00	8,750.00	20,000.00	3,000.00	
10100460	533800 00000 Maint. And	2,008.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,050.72	1,069.32	5,000.00	
10100460	534800 00000 PostalChg	5,574.92	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,004.86	6,435.94	6,500.00	
10100460	534900 00000 Printing S	972.06	1,750.00	1,750.00	1,146.91	1,146.91	1,750.00	
10100460	535500 00000 Travel	9,895.19	15,000.00	9,000.00	7,096.63	8,100.00	10,000.00	
10100460	535600 00000 Tuition	3,680.00	3,000.00	2,275.00	1,365.00	1,515.00	3,000.00	
10100460	541400 00000 Duplicatin	1,268.60	4,000.00	4,000.00	745.91	3,500.00	4,000.00	
10100460	542500 00000 Gasoline	4,116.30	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,577.00	1,995.38	5,000.00	
10100460	543500 00000 Office Sup	3,653.35	4,500.00	4,500.00	1,042.55	4,700.00	4,700.00	
10100460	545100 00000 Uniforms	476.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100460	551300 00000 Workers Co	2,883.37	2,883.37	2,883.37	2,883.37	2,883.37	2,767.40	
10100460	559900 00000 Other Char	2,387.79	2,000.00	2,000.00	805.56	1,000.00	2,000.00	
10100460	571100 00000 Furniture	.00	7,000.00	300.00	.00	300.00	7,000.00	
TOTAL Property Assessor Offi		1,496,678.22	1,703,132.15	1,703,132.15	1,198,373.47	1,681,785.22	1,672,214.39	

Register of Deeds

PHYLLIS LEE CRISP

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Register of Deeds Office is the official recorder and custodian of important documents , especially those related to property and legal transactions.

We record and preserve legal instruments that affect property ownership and other rights, such as: Deeds, Trust Deeds, Liens, Releases, Court Orders, Plats, Restrictions, Power of Attorneys, and Military Discharges.

These records are indexed and stored to provide public notice of ownership and transactions that affect public interest.

The public, title agencies, and attorney's can access these documents on public computers in our vault. On-line access can be viewed through a third party



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Our office warned homeowners of suspicious mail scams offering to get them copies of their deeds for \$89-\$129. We charge .50 cents a page for regular copies and \$1.00 a page for a certified copy. A deed is usually two–three pages. Our goal is to protect our homeowners from being misled.

We offer a free service through our vendor called (MYLANDALERT.COM). It notifies property owners by email when a document is recorded in their name in our office. It help citizens monitor activity on their property and quickly detect possible fraudulent filings.

No audit findings!



FY26-27 Goals

Providing friendly, respectful and professional assistance to the public, whether in person or asking questions by phone or email.

Doing all we can to help the citizens of Blount Co. understand how to protect themselves from scams and fraud. Our goal is to try and educate as many homeowners as we can the importance to sign up for MYLANDALERT.com.

Another goal is to ensure all real estate and related legal documents are properly recorded and indexed so they become part of the official public records. Accurate recording protects property rights and clarifies ownership. Maintaining records in a durable, organized format so that citizens, attorneys, and title professionals can easily access documents they need.



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Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51600	Register of Deeds							
10100360	510100 00000 County Off	119,034.00	122,605.02	122,605.02	89,596.02	122,605.02	125,830.00	
10100360	516200 00000 Clerical P	390,975.79	426,732.29	426,732.29	289,135.93	426,732.29	440,628.45	
10100360	516900 00000 Part time	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	936.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
10100360	520100 00000 Social Sec	30,179.18	34,058.91	34,058.91	22,711.08	34,058.91	35,461.32	
10100360	520400 00000 State Reti	32,475.06	40,870.70	40,870.70	25,759.21	40,870.70	45,084.24	
10100360	520600 00000 Life Ins E	491.43	528.00	528.00	369.85	528.00	537.60	
10100360	520700 00000 Health Ins	91,180.00	97,632.00	97,632.00	54,443.00	97,632.00	61,152.00	
10100360	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,994.24	2,259.84	2,259.84	1,506.56	2,259.84	1,977.36	
10100360	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	219.84	1,648.01	1,648.01	233.84	1,648.01	1,334.32	
10100360	521200 00000 Employer M	7,058.02	7,965.39	7,965.39	5,311.47	7,965.39	8,293.37	
10100360	530700 00000 Communicat	4,978.33	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,591.45	6,000.00	6,000.00	
10100360	532000 00000 Dues and M	1,697.00	1,700.00	1,797.00	1,797.00	1,700.00	1,900.00	
10100360	533000 00000 Lease Paym	509.07	1,600.00	1,600.00	467.54	1,600.00	1,600.00	
10100360	534800 00000 PostalChg	198.92	600.00	600.00	149.95	600.00	500.00	
10100360	534900 00000 Printing S	242.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100360	535500 00000 Travel	1,723.76	1,800.00	1,800.00	784.14	1,800.00	2,000.00	
10100360	535600 00000 Tuition	435.00	600.00	503.00	295.00	600.00	600.00	
10100360	539900 00000 Other Cont	31,739.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	22,216.04	50,000.00	50,000.00	
10100360	541100 00000 Data Proce	694.30	800.00	800.00	700.53	800.00	800.00	
10100360	543500 00000 Office Sup	349.53	2,500.00	2,500.00	165.31	2,500.00	2,000.00	
10100360	545100 00000 Uniforms	.00	600.00	600.00	.00	600.00	600.00	
10100360	549900 00000 Other Supp	.00	600.00	600.00	100.00	600.00	500.00	
10100360	551300 00000 Workers Co	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,627.88	
10100360	559900 00000 Other Char	.00	750.00	750.00	.00	750.00	.00	
10100360	570900 00000 Data Proce	16,844.08	4,000.00	4,000.00	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
10100360	571100 00000 Funiture a	18,199.99	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
	TOTAL Register of Deeds	753,084.25	814,715.87	814,715.87	522,135.63	814,715.87	799,426.54	

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

CHRIS CANTRELL

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FY26-27



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- We have 48 employees in our office. We have 6 separate offices.
- Circuit Court – Lawsuits over \$25,000, Child Support and Felony Criminal cases, Grand Jury, Destruction of Evidence
- General Sessions Court – Lawsuits under \$25,000, Orders of Protection, Misdemeanors and Traffic
- Juvenile Court – Child Support, Civil and Criminal matters
- Accounting – Balance all departments – Investments totaling \$ 2,566,794.
- Cost Collections – Strive to collect court cost and billing to state
Reduction Bill - over 5 years old - up to 50% discount if paid in full - Helped over 1,000 get their Driver's License back
- Jury – At least 350 jury summons processed every 2 weeks



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Since July 2025 we have handled:

General Sessions Hearings	20,596	Filings	15,460	Dispositions	15,752
Circuit Court Hearings	3,297	Filings	1,350	Dispositions	941
Juvenile Hearings	5,003	Filings	975	Dispositions	1,305

Cost Collections has assisted 102 defendants in collecting over \$ 109,800. of old debt by doing a cost reduction plan. These were cases that had not been paying anything. They have 40 active payment plans to assist driver's with getting their license reinstated.

We have collected \$ 3,266,000. in Total Revenue through February and are on pace to collect almost \$5,000,000. for the fiscal year. This total includes indigent billing, cities and state revenues.

Our staff has worked closely with TBI and the Administrative Office of the Courts on reconciling our defendant's state control numbers. By doing this we are remaining compliant with the state and our county remains eligible for grants.

We continue to work on scanning all items before being sent to archives.



FY25-26 Accomplishments continued...

Our juvenile office and accounting department were tasked with learning a new software that the state mandated every juvenile office use. The staff had minimal training and had to figure a lot of this out themselves, especially the financials. They have persevered in this, but are still learning this new system.

Trying to remain fiscally observant, we realized that our payment kiosks were not being utilized, so the decision was made to get rid of them and save paying \$7,500 in maintenance for the updates each year.

We have continued to encourage our employees to increase their knowledge through CTAS training and other avenues. Eight (8) members of our administrative team completed the Fundamentals of Management Certification Program through CTAS. This consisted of 90 hours of online training. We implemented an in house training where we learned about other offices that we deal with through the judiciary process. We currently have 9 employees who have volunteered to take Spanish classes through Babbel or the Blount County Library. Our department completed 2,236 hours of training in 2025.

FY26-27 Goals

Our office hopes to continue with growing our people through education and cross training.

We will continue to look at opportunities to perform outstanding customer service to everyone that our office comes in contact with.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

We are requesting that 3 of our deputy clerks to be promoted to a Deputy Clerk II, 1 that is currently a Deputy Clerk II to be promoted to a Deputy Clerk III and an Accounting Clerk II to be promoted to an Accounting Clerk III. Each of these individuals have shown growth over the past few years and have taken on more responsibilities and qualify, from the job descriptions, to be at these levels.

We are requesting the the hallway payment window that was installed in 2021 be moved to another wall. Currently, it blocks the doorway coming out of the cost collection hallway. If moved to the other wall, it would open that up and people could wait in the vestibule to allow more privacy for transactions.

With the cost of postage increasing, we are requesting an increase of \$2,000 with the remaining \$5,000 increase being redistributed from current budget.

Our Part-Time budget was cut in half last year. These positions are used in the courtroom to assist with court activities. Currently we have 1 vacant position and need to increase line 169 to \$30,000. to meet the needs of our office and the courts.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Circuit Court Judge

With the rising cost of postage, we are anticipating a need to increase our postage line for mailing out jury summons. Reports show that there will be another increase mid year, but the amount has not been announced yet. We are asking for an increase of \$ 2,000.

Statute states that grand jury notifications must be advertised in a local paper. This price is increasing.

Flooring need to be replaced in our Circuit Courtrooms. We are asking for this to be addressed through our budget or through a Capital Project and the Project Manager.

Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53120	Circuit Court Clerk							
10100520	510100 00000 County Off	125,556.41	134,865.52	134,865.52	98,555.47	134,865.52	138,413.00	
10100520	510300 00000 Assistant	243,670.58	262,880.30	262,880.30	179,166.92	262,880.30	272,696.24	
10100520	510500 00000 Supervisor	78,478.36	84,665.30	84,665.30	58,288.82	84,665.30	87,826.70	
10100520	514000 00000 Salary Sup	4,700.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100520	516200 00000 Clerical P	1,638,414.18	1,840,720.62	1,840,720.62	1,219,508.83	1,840,720.62	1,871,133.64	
10100520	516800 00000 Temporary	5,075.56	7,000.00	7,000.00	1,877.13	7,000.00	7,000.00	
10100520	516900 00000 Part time	16,214.51	20,000.00	20,000.00	16,786.90	20,000.00	20,000.00	
10100520	518700 00000 Overtime P	73.61	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100520	520100 00000 Social Sec	123,017.02	149,585.72	149,585.72	92,009.14	149,585.72	150,651.74	
10100520	520400 00000 State Reti	139,284.60	168,583.53	168,583.53	112,924.96	168,583.53	188,301.70	
10100520	520600 00000 Life Ins E	2,102.04	2,225.04	2,225.04	1,568.08	2,225.04	2,297.52	
10100520	520700 00000 Health Ins	455,374.00	471,768.00	471,768.00	347,611.50	471,768.00	464,616.00	
10100520	520800 00000 Dental Ins	10,964.72	11,581.68	11,581.68	8,582.13	11,581.68	11,581.68	
10100520	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	1,059.13	7,238.02	7,238.02	984.82	7,238.02	6,869.90	
10100520	521200 00000 Employer M	28,861.44	34,983.76	34,983.76	21,518.19	34,983.76	35,233.07	
10100520	530600 00000 Bank Chrg	98.96	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
10100520	530700 00000 Communicat	26,634.48	29,000.00	25,800.00	18,400.69	29,000.00	27,000.00	
10100520	531200 00000 Contracts	2,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	900.00	4,300.00	1,500.00	
10100520	531700 00000 Data Proce	.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	975.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
10100520	532000 00000 Dues and M	2,027.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	2,626.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	
10100520	533000 00000 Lease Paym	1,917.39	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100520	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100520	533300 00000 Licenses	.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	.00	8,500.00	.00	
10100520	533400 00000 Maintenanc	63,733.33	69,000.00	60,000.00	59,690.46	69,049.33	55,000.00	
10100520	533700 00000 Maint. And	1,342.87	1,500.00	1,500.00	258.78	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100520	533800 00000 Maint. And	.00	2,000.00	.00	.00	2,000.00	.00	
10100520	534800 00000 PostalChg	20,071.32	21,000.00	26,000.00	16,992.51	21,000.00	28,000.00	
10100520	534900 00000 Printing S	15,421.85	18,000.00	18,000.00	14,507.43	18,000.00	20,000.00	
10100520	535500 00000 Travel	4,139.24	12,000.00	12,000.00	3,932.61	12,000.00	10,000.00	
10100520	535600 00000 Tuition	3,336.35	12,000.00	12,000.00	4,090.00	12,000.00	9,000.00	
10100520	539900 00000 Other Cont	1,255.78	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,000.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	
10100520	541000 00000 Custodial	436.93	500.00	500.00	380.95	562.35	500.00	
10100520	541100 00000 Data Proce	3,449.78	15,000.00	15,000.00	9,022.60	15,220.50	15,000.00	
10100520	541400 00000 Duplicatin	5,075.74	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,466.10	6,000.00	6,000.00	
10100520	542100 00000 Food Prepa	200.00	200.00	400.00	329.27	200.00	500.00	
10100520	542200 00000 Food Suppl	5,735.34	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,707.78	4,936.25	4,000.00	
10100520	542500 00000 Gasoline	40.36	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100520	543200 00000 Library Bo	741.69	2,500.00	2,500.00	797.12	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100520	543500 00000 Office Sup	16,446.81	11,500.00	11,500.00	9,264.88	11,500.00	16,000.00	
10100520	543700 00000 Periodical	171.40	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
10100520	549900 00000 Other Supp	488.39	500.00	500.00	39.28	500.00	500.00	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
10100520 551300 00000 Workers Co	8,650.11	8,650.11	8,650.11	8,650.11	8,650.11	7,325.48	_____
10100520 552400 00000 Inservice	684.46	3,500.00	3,500.00	1,352.21	3,500.00	3,500.00	_____
10100520 559900 00000 Other Char	65.00	100.00	100.00	65.00	100.00	100.00	_____
10100520 570700 00000 Building I	.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	_____
10100520 570900 00000 Data Proce	18,353.94	10,000.00	24,000.00	18,865.00	10,828.00	10,000.00	_____
10100520 571100 00000 Furniture	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	12,242.12	9,600.00	_____
10100520 571900 00000 Office Equ	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	_____
TOTAL Circuit Court Clerk	3,075,864.68	3,471,247.60	3,471,247.60	2,338,696.67	3,481,386.15	3,515,346.67	_____

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

Elected Official or Department Head:

CHRIS

☐ Capital Request

☒ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Our part time personnel line was cut by half last year. We need to increase the line because we work those people as needed for court and are falling short this year. We will be able to transfer funds to cover our shortage this year, but need it increased for FY 26/27.

Request from County Commission:

To increase the part time line to \$ 30,000.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

The budget will increase by \$10,000 over last year.

Benefit:

We will be able to staff the courtrooms as needed with the courtroom assistants and fill our vacant position.

Return on Investment:

The courtrooms will be able to run smoother with the courtroom assistants in there to take defendants to pay fines and cost or to retrieve files.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$ 20,000.00	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$ 25,000.00	Expense Request:	\$ 10,000.00
2026 Requested Budget:	\$ 30,000.00		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Circuit Court Judges

Elected Official or Department Head:

Chris Cantrell

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Flooring needs to be replaced in the 2 Circuit Courtrooms on the third floor. They have been cleaned, but need to be replaced.

Request from County Commission:

To replace the flooring in Judge Harrington and Judge Duggan’s courtroom.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

It costs approximately \$10,000 for Judge Duggan’s courtroom in 2022. Judge Harrington’s courtroom is larger. Our county project coordinator has been speaking with Chris about this project.

Benefit:

Our courtrooms need to look professional and well kept.

Return on Investment:

Our Judges and other personnel will feel better in their surroundings making for a better work environment. People that come into the courtroom will see clean surroundings.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$0	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$0	Expense Request:	\$

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Elected Official or Department Head:

☐ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Rising costs of postage is creating issues with our budget. Any case that is 6 months old and still has a balance must receive a notification from the court according to the auditors. This is a very large number of correspondence that must be made in addition to regular mailings. Some juvenile cases require massive mailings that must be certified by statute, which could account for at least \$ 4,000 for that office alone in addition to their regular mailings.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting an increase of \$2,000 to our postal line.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

USPS continues to increase prices and plans another increase this summer.

Benefit:

Increasing this budget line will allow us to continue sending out all mail that is necessary.

Return on Investment:

Increasing the budget will allow us to stay in compliance with the auditors and the state for our required mailings. Employees should be able to do their jobs with the least amount of delay or conflict.

Budget Impact:

2026 Original Budget:	\$ 21,000.00	Revenue Request:	\$ Use of FB
2026 Budget Estimate:	\$ 26,000.00	Expense Request:	\$ 2,000.00 increase \$5,000 adjusted from existing budget
2027 Requested Budget:	\$ 28,000.00		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Elected Official or Department Head:

☐ Capital Request

☒ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Would like to request 3 deputy clerks to be promoted to Deputy Clerk II, 1 Deputy Clerk II to be promoted to Deputy Clerk III and 1 Accounting Clerk II be promoted to Deputy Clerk III. All of these moves are based on the clerks increasing their knowledge and skills, and increased responsibilities.

Request from County Commission:

Increase budget to allow these promotions.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$ 13,338.00

Benefit:

These clerks have worked hard to increase their knowledge and always show a willingness to assist wherever they can.

Return on Investment:

The motivation to continue to drive themselves to learn more and produce more will be a huge win for the department and the county.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$ 13,338.00
2026 Requested Budget:	\$ 13,338.00		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and

Circuit Court Clerk

Department:

☒ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Chris Cantrell

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

We would like to move the Cost Collections Window to the other side of the wall to create a better traffic flow.

Request from County Commission:

Grant funds to make this renovation.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Unsure. Chris has been talking with Travis Brooks about this need.

Benefit:

This renovation will clear the pathway and make sharing information at the window more secure.

Return on Investment:

Installing the window on the other wall will clear the passage of the door that opens outward into anyone that might be standing at the window. It will improve safety and improve the privacy of conversations at the window.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

JEFF HEADRICK, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Maintain 1400+ miles of County Roadway

- * Resurface and Repair Roads
(Replace Drainage Tiles, Repair Slope Failures/Slides)
- * Repair/Replace Bridges
- * Maintain Right of Ways for sight distance
(Mowing and proactive tree removal)
- * Maintain Striping, Signage, and Guardrail



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- * Storm Event Maintenance
(Treat/Clear during Winter Events; Clean up after Wind Storms)
- * Drone Program
- * Manage & Administer CDL Testing & Training Program
- * Open Burning Air Curtain for Disposal of Vegetation
- * Service Highway Equipment & Vehicles (Shop & Roadside Repairs)
- * Collect Recyclables from the Public (glass, Hazardous Waste,
& Single Stream)



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- We maintain 1400+ miles of road and have resurfaced over 120 miles of roadway
- Guardrail installed in accident prone areas
- Drone Unit used pre & post construction images & videos on Highway projects, pre-bid documentation, weather event assessments, and inspected bridges for safety & assisted other departments.
- Collected 2.93 Million pounds of vegetation from ROW and disposed via TDEC approved Forced Air Curtain Destructor
- Recycle collected 1.4 Million pounds of Single Stream; 511,000 pounds of glass; 4,000 gallons of oil and antifreeze; and 211 drums of hazardous waste



FY26-27 Goals

- Continue making Blount County Roads as safe as possible by enhancing the integrity of the roads and bridges
- Maintain the ROW to a high standard by mowing regularly and pro-active tree removal
- Obtain State Aid or Grants where available for desired projects
- Maintain Recycling program to exceed citizens expectations



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Requesting \$1,000,000 in additional Asphalt Hot Mix

This will allow the Highway Department to continue the aggressive pavement schedule and continue to address the numerous repairs required after weather event damage.

The goal is to get the re-surfacing of the roads on more frequent rotation to ensure the roads in Blount County are at the highest standards for the citizens.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Cab and Chassis to transport Roll-off Recycle bins

Currently the Recycle bins are transported by West Rock. The issue is the amount of use by the citizens of the Recycle Center. Currently the bins fill quickly and Single Stream must be closed. Additionally the haul bill continues to increase.

By purchasing this equipment and using existing Highway personnel, the closure would be mitigated and we expect to break even in approximately 3 years or less.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Purchase F550 Truck

Blount County has many smaller roads that must be maintained during storm events. With the current fleet, there are not enough smaller vehicles to coordinate response time quickly to these smaller roads. The addition of this truck would allow for smaller trucks in each zone clearing in a timely manner during storm events.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Highway		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
00000	No Department							
000	No Program							
13100010	401620 00000 PLT Local	-455,205.19	-225,000.00	-225,000.00	.00	-225,000.00	-225,000.00	
13100010	402100 00000 Local Sale	-7,110,217.18	-7,084,998.00	-7,084,998.00	-6,121,762.53	-7,084,998.00	-7,700,000.00	
13100010	402800 00000 Mineral Sv	-111,194.98	-108,500.00	-108,500.00	-58,743.20	-108,500.00	-108,500.00	
13100010	415900 00000 Other Perm	-201,324.94	-194,124.00	-194,124.00	-135,341.14	-194,124.00	-195,000.00	
13100010	441100 00000 Investment	-154,969.01	-120,000.00	-120,000.00	-86,477.62	-120,000.00	-120,000.00	
13100010	441300 00000 Sale of Ma	-14,882.15	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
13100010	441450 00000 RecylMatrl	-4,027.50	-4,000.00	-4,000.00	-3,269.90	-4,000.00	-4,000.00	
13100010	445300 00000 SaleofEquip	-35,635.00	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	-14.00	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	
13100010	445401 00000 SaleofVehc	-28,320.00	-15,000.00	-15,000.00	.00	-15,000.00	-15,000.00	
13100010	445700 00000 Contributi	.00	.00	.00	-139.05	.00	.00	
13100010	449900 00000 Other Loca	-439.61	-500.00	-500.00	.00	-500.00	-500.00	
13100010	449904 00000 Resale	-52.80	-100.00	-100.00	.00	-100.00	-100.00	
13100010	464200 00000 State Aid	-2,925,020.31	.00	.00	-418,056.78	.00	.00	
13100010	469200 00000 Gas Fuel T	-3,798,521.16	-3,790,000.00	-3,790,000.00	-2,231,615.57	-3,790,000.00	-3,897,000.00	
13100010	469250 00000 Hybrd/Elec	-46,955.18	.00	.00	-33,874.63	.00	.00	
13100010	469300 00000 Petroleum	-89,634.08	-89,634.00	-89,634.00	-52,286.58	-89,634.00	-89,634.00	
13100010	469900 00000 Other Stat	.00	.00	.00	-230,000.00	.00	.00	
13100010	481200 00000 Paving & M	-25,103.27	-4,000.00	-4,000.00	-61,107.59	-4,000.00	-10,000.00	
13100010	497000 00000 Ins Recove	-40,729.50	.00	.00	-5,168.07	.00	.00	
TOTAL No Department		-15,042,231.86	-11,655,856.00	-11,655,856.00	-9,437,856.66	-11,655,856.00	-12,384,734.00	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Highway		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
61000	Administration							
13100020	510100 00000 County Off	144,031.14	148,352.07	148,352.07	108,411.15	148,352.07	152,254.30	
13100020	510300 00000 Assistant	179,243.73	233,120.50	233,120.50	89,593.43	233,120.50	239,866.77	
13100020	510500 00000 Supervisor	90,129.81	97,234.92	97,234.92	66,848.91	97,234.92	100,865.68	
13100020	511900 00000 Accountant	191,033.92	204,581.42	204,581.42	142,449.28	204,581.42	214,935.79	
13100020	514000 00000 Salary Sup	28,806.23	31,686.85	31,686.85	21,682.23	31,686.85	30,450.86	
13100020	516700 00000 Maintenanc	136,214.28	111,211.06	111,211.06	105,491.04	111,211.06	158,761.15	
13100020	518700 00000 Overtime P	992.21	3,000.00	3,000.00	5,459.57	3,000.00	3,000.00	
13100020	518900 00000 Other Sala	64,450.00	69,530.75	69,530.75	47,839.36	69,530.75	72,127.04	
13100020	520100 00000 Social Sec	49,632.14	55,304.34	55,304.34	34,923.09	55,304.34	60,216.03	
13100020	520400 00000 State Reti	56,082.30	64,007.71	64,007.71	43,259.05	64,007.71	76,958.00	
13100020	520600 00000 Life Ins E	587.23	582.80	582.80	407.39	582.80	616.56	
13100020	520700 00000 Health Ins	115,596.00	107,112.00	107,112.00	74,189.61	107,112.00	115,476.00	
13100020	520800 00000 Dental Ins	2,649.58	2,542.32	2,542.32	1,765.50	2,542.32	2,613.12	
13100020	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	257.08	2,230.96	2,230.96	216.33	2,230.96	2,452.00	
13100020	521100 00000 Retiree Be	125,434.44	156,000.00	156,000.00	77,629.08	156,000.00	140,000.00	
13100020	521200 00000 Employer M	11,607.51	12,934.08	12,934.08	8,167.50	12,934.08	14,082.78	
13100020	530700 00000 Communicat	49,411.11	60,400.00	60,400.00	26,655.14	64,847.06	60,400.00	
13100020	532000 00000 Dues and M	7,566.50	7,800.00	7,981.00	7,981.00	7,800.00	7,800.00	
13100020	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	
13100020	533300 00000 Licenses	3,512.01	13,000.00	12,819.00	3,335.77	13,000.00	13,000.00	
13100020	533400 00000 Maintenanc	883.35	4,000.00	4,000.00	1,474.89	4,000.00	4,000.00	
13100020	534800 00000 Postal Cha	.00	50.00	50.00	.00	50.00	50.00	
13100020	535500 00000 Travel	3,744.32	10,000.00	10,000.00	903.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
13100020	535600 00000 Tuition	2,124.28	18,500.00	18,500.00	4,478.06	18,500.00	.00	
13100020	541000 00000 Custodial	981.61	7,000.00	7,000.00	1,663.22	7,000.00	7,000.00	
13100020	541300 00000 Drugs and	289.44	1,500.00	1,500.00	104.27	1,500.00	1,500.00	
13100020	541500 00000 Electricit	2,898.60	7,000.00	7,000.00	1,987.77	7,000.00	7,000.00	
13100020	543500 00000 Office Sup	10,014.54	10,000.00	10,000.00	4,237.62	10,000.00	10,000.00	
13100020	545400 00000 Water and	66.37	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
13100020	547100 00000 Computer S	13,743.45	30,000.00	30,000.00	20,842.56	45,443.87	30,000.00	
13100020	549900 00000 Other Supp	29,337.55	23,000.00	23,000.00	18,253.11	25,975.00	23,000.00	
13100020	550600 00000 Liability	228,474.00	228,474.00	228,474.00	228,474.00	228,474.00	254,811.00	
13100020	551000 00000 Trustee Co	143,690.37	130,000.00	130,000.00	106,146.94	130,000.00	130,000.00	
13100020	551300 00000 Workers Co	10,398.96	10,398.96	10,398.96	10,398.96	10,398.96	16,899.85	
13100020	570700 00000 Building I	76,908.70	45,000.00	45,000.00	44,650.76	52,123.14	45,000.00	
13100020	570900 00000 Data Proce	3,997.97	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,642.29	4,000.00	4,000.00	
13100020	571100 00000 Furniture	6,999.72	7,000.00	7,000.00	6,967.81	7,000.00	7,000.00	
	TOTAL Administration	1,791,790.45	1,946,754.74	1,946,754.74	1,319,529.69	1,976,743.81	2,046,336.93	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Highway			2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
62000	Highway and Bridge Maintenance								
13100030	510500	00000	Supervisor	402,968.22	400,531.67	400,531.67	305,530.36	400,531.67	414,045.60
13100030	513500	00000	Assessment	173,492.74	189,949.85	189,949.85	134,407.13	189,949.85	190,442.14
13100030	514100	00000	Foreman	107,993.32	108,975.62	108,975.62	79,794.62	108,975.62	113,086.51
13100030	514300	00000	Equipment	1,544,519.30	1,717,897.92	1,717,897.92	1,162,469.60	1,717,897.92	1,758,800.84
13100030	514900	00000	Laborers	147,992.61	160,004.39	160,004.39	109,585.27	160,004.39	165,255.73
13100030	518700	00000	Overtime P	106,005.02	80,000.00	80,000.00	95,394.75	80,000.00	80,000.00
13100030	520100	00000	Social Sec	144,731.86	156,811.92	156,811.92	110,154.52	156,811.92	163,781.11
13100030	520400	00000	State Reti	164,783.79	188,174.30	188,174.30	136,869.85	188,174.30	209,745.49
13100030	520600	00000	Life Ins E	2,462.21	2,578.32	2,578.32	1,873.22	2,578.32	2,702.16
13100030	520700	00000	Health Ins	573,018.50	624,024.00	624,024.00	435,507.00	624,024.00	566,904.00
13100030	520800	00000	Dental Ins	10,715.48	11,299.20	11,299.20	8,085.99	11,299.20	10,734.24
13100030	521000	00000	Unemp Comp	1,087.13	7,587.67	7,587.67	1,028.98	7,587.67	7,924.89
13100030	521200	00000	Employer M	33,848.59	36,673.75	36,673.75	25,762.01	36,673.75	38,303.65
13100030	533000	00000	Lease Paym	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
13100030	535500	00000	Travel	2,061.63	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,128.11	5,000.00	5,000.00
13100030	539900	00000	Other Cont	293,221.29	400,000.00	400,000.00	283,899.97	459,942.47	400,000.00
13100030	540400	00000	Asphalt Ho	4,861,200.00	3,000,000.00	5,027,742.66	5,027,742.66	2,455,509.09	3,000,000.00
13100030	540500	00000	Ashphalt L	3,565.01	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00
13100030	540800	00000	Concrete	5,850.50	47,000.00	47,000.00	5,560.40	47,000.00	47,000.00
13100030	540900	00000	Crushed St	173,008.92	250,500.00	235,604.28	149,921.66	250,500.00	250,500.00
13100030	542000	00000	Fertilizer	12,779.80	15,000.00	15,000.00	9,128.19	15,000.00	15,000.00
13100030	542200	00000	Food Suppl	14,182.15	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,943.25	10,000.00	10,000.00
13100030	542600	00000	GenConMt	27,253.83	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
13100030	544000	00000	Pipe Metal	213,225.30	325,000.00	325,000.00	137,784.69	325,000.00	325,000.00
13100030	544300	00000	Road Signs	101,386.27	112,000.00	112,000.00	109,798.81	115,490.70	112,000.00
13100030	544400	00000	Salt	175,988.33	340,000.00	340,000.00	175,050.00	495,782.21	340,000.00
13100030	544700	00000	Structural	14,193.27	15,000.00	15,000.00	13,889.94	15,434.81	15,000.00
13100030	545100	00000	Uniforms	19,908.06	15,000.00	15,000.00	11,617.58	15,000.00	15,000.00
13100030	545900	00000	Drainage M	197.57	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
13100030	547100	00000	Computer S	660.76	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,329.24	1,000.00
13100030	549900	00000	Other Supp	39,283.38	.00	-2,643.00	.00	465.82	.00
13100030	551300	00000	Workers Co	57,771.96	57,771.96	57,771.96	57,771.96	57,771.96	79,429.28
13627040	571300	00000	Hwy Const	246,612.48	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
13100030	571400	00000	Highway Eq	11,983.93	13,000.00	30,538.72	24,217.36	557,490.91	13,000.00
13100030	579900	00000	Other Capi	.00	.00	.00	8,755.08	.00	.00
TOTAL Highway and Bridge Mai			9,687,953.21	8,374,280.57	10,402,023.23	8,713,672.96	8,594,725.82	8,433,155.64	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Highway		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review COMMENT
63100	Operation_Maint of Equipment						
13100040	510500 00000 Supervisor	82,275.32	82,551.21	82,551.21	61,356.24	82,551.21	85,674.95
13100040	513200 00000 Materials	43,091.07	46,274.17	46,274.17	31,761.08	46,274.17	48,008.10
13100040	514200 00000 Mechanics	206,280.56	221,439.28	221,439.28	146,464.56	221,439.28	230,317.90
13100040	518700 00000 Overtime P	4,936.12	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,142.98	6,000.00	6,000.00
13100040	520100 00000 Social Sec	19,548.25	21,613.92	21,613.92	14,383.83	21,613.92	22,568.06
13100040	520400 00000 State Reti	23,221.48	25,936.71	25,936.71	17,930.11	25,936.71	28,901.68
13100040	520600 00000 Life Ins E	329.29	349.92	349.92	232.07	349.92	353.52
13100040	520700 00000 Health Ins	84,320.00	90,456.00	90,456.00	57,756.00	90,456.00	80,388.00
13100040	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,407.00	1,412.40	1,412.40	1,059.30	1,412.40	1,483.20
13100040	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	126.00	1,045.83	1,045.83	119.07	1,045.83	1,092.00
13100040	521200 00000 Employer M	4,571.76	5,054.87	5,054.87	3,364.00	5,054.87	5,278.01
13100040	533800 00000 Maint. And	11,251.60	15,000.00	15,000.00	1,904.77	15,740.00	15,000.00
13100040	541200 00000 Diesel Fue	148,419.03	160,000.00	160,000.00	96,993.66	160,000.00	160,000.00
13100040	541800 00000 Equipment	404,695.59	304,000.00	304,000.00	252,829.69	323,312.53	304,000.00
13100040	542500 00000 Gasoline	82,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	51,760.58	100,000.00	100,000.00
13100040	543300 00000 Lubricants	4,992.34	12,000.00	12,000.00	6,193.42	12,000.00	12,000.00
13100040	544000 00000 Pipe Metal	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
13100040	544200 00000 Propane Ga	9,527.34	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,398.02	10,000.00	10,000.00
13100040	545000 00000 Tires and	47,738.10	84,000.00	84,000.00	24,748.14	89,913.43	84,000.00
13100040	545100 00000 Uniforms	14,386.95	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,437.02	13,601.95	10,000.00
13100040	551300 00000 Workers Co	6,932.64	6,932.64	6,932.64	6,932.64	6,932.64	11,829.89
13100040	571700 00000 Maint Equi	2,952.59	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,618.19	8,000.00	8,000.00
	TOTAL Operation_Maint of Equ	1,203,003.03	1,213,066.95	1,213,066.95	804,385.37	1,242,634.86	1,225,895.31

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Highway	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
64000 Litter and Trash Collection							
13640020 518700 00000 Overtime P	1,592.66	.00	.00	1,093.33	.00	.00	
13640020 518900 00000 Other Sala	28,054.28	34,004.84	34,004.84	23,198.65	34,004.84	34,695.29	
13640020 520100 00000 Social Sec	1,815.89	2,108.30	2,108.30	1,446.86	2,108.30	2,151.11	
13640020 520400 00000 State Reti	1,910.22	2,529.96	2,529.96	628.46	2,529.96	2,754.81	
13640020 520600 00000 Life Ins E	30.61	35.64	35.64	26.08	35.64	39.12	
13640020 520700 00000 Health Ins	2,682.00	7,152.00	7,152.00	4,768.00	7,152.00	7,080.00	
13640020 520800 00000 Dental Ins	246.09	282.48	282.48	188.32	282.48	282.48	
13640020 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	24.30	102.01	102.01	34.46	102.01	104.09	
13640020 521200 00000 Employer M	424.68	493.07	493.07	338.38	493.07	503.08	
13640020 530700 00000 Communicat	104.04	490.00	490.00	208.08	490.00	490.00	
13640020 533400 00000 Maintenanc	55,194.18	64,000.00	64,000.00	63,649.12	64,000.00	64,000.00	
13640020 541800 00000 Equipment	1,885.38	2,000.00	2,000.00	109.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
13640020 543500 00000 Office Sup	381.94	400.00	400.00	282.78	400.00	400.00	
13640020 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,155.44	1,155.44	1,155.44	1,155.44	1,155.44	1,689.98	
13640020 570700 00000 Building I	5,977.42	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,750.70	6,000.00	6,000.00	
13640020 572000 00000 Plant Oper	1,210.35	1,000.00	1,000.00	765.29	1,000.00	1,000.00	
TOTAL Litter and Trash Colle	102,689.48	121,753.74	121,753.74	101,642.95	121,753.74	123,189.96	
TOTAL Highway	-2,256,795.69	.00	2,027,742.66	1,501,374.31	280,002.23	-556,156.16	

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department: 131-62000 Highway Department

Elected Official or Department Head: Jeff Hedrick

☐ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The roads in Blount County are being traveled more than ever and some have not been repaved in many years. The current administration has a very aggressive paving plan to improve as many roads as possible and repair those damaged during our recent winter events.

Request from County Commission:

Additional \$1,000,000 for asphalt hot mix

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$1,000,000.00

Return on Investment:

There is no specific dollar value that can be calculated for this additional expense. However, the benefit to the citizens of Blount County would be extremely high and the life span of the paved roadway would be extended.

Benefit:

The Highway Department would have the ability to pave more roads in FY 26/27 than previous years.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$3000000.00	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$3000000.00	Expense Request:	\$4000000.00
2026 Requested Budget:	\$4000000.00		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department: 176-91200 Highway Equipment

Elected Official or Department Head: Jeff Headrick

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Currently the recycling bins are filling up at an accelerated rate. Whereas our third-party service cannot handle the demand to empty the bins. We often have to close the lines until they can empty the containers which can be an extended time frame. Pickup fees continue to increase.

Request from County Commission:

To purchase Rollback truck to be able to transport Recycle bins by Highway Personnel.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$226,818.20

Return on Investment:

This is based on increased haul rates and additional trips making our current expenditures at approximately \$74,000. With our fees and current schedule, we expect our break even at 3 years.

Benefit:

No dependency on a third-party to empty the bins allowing the recycle center to stay open during record usage.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$0	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$0	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$226,818.20		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department: 176-91200

☒ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head: Jeff Headrick

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

We currently don't have equipment smaller chassis vehicles to meet the needs of smaller county roads for roadway maintenance.

Request from County Commission:

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$98,000.00

Return on Investment:

There is no dollar value that can be determined by the purchase of this asset as it will just increase our efficiency and productivity.

Benefit:

Response time for smaller county roads would be greatly accelerated.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

Planning & Development Services

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Planning (land use/development review, transportation planning, long range planning, staff support to Planning Commission, and contract service to Rockford)

Environmental Health (septic systems, potable water quality)

Stormwater (protection of water quality in urbanized areas, sedimentation and erosion control, grading permits)

Zoning (review, enforcement, staff support to Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission)

Codes (Plan review, inspections, enforcement/Code Compliance)



FY25-26 Accomplishments

1136 total building permits issued in CY 2025, **625** of which were new dwelling units *(includes mobile homes)*

The reported construction value of permits issued in CY 2025 was over **\$310m** (+14%)

Building Codes completed **5,040** building and stormwater inspections in CY 2025, and during the same time,

Environmental Health completed **1896** inspections, to include new septic layouts, septic repairs, final inspections, inspection letters, new plat reviews, and water samples.



FY26-27 Goals

We will continue to review and refine our processes and procedures, including increasing efficiency in all of our permit review and inspection programs; and

We will continue to shorten lead times on all inspections throughout the department; and

We will continue to evaluate and update current regulations as appropriate and necessary.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51710	Planning and Development							
10100370	510500 00000 Supervisor	101,864.22	109,894.27	109,894.27	75,657.93	109,894.27	113,997.72	
10100370	514100 00000 Foreman	161,175.79	173,882.02	173,882.02	119,735.16	173,882.02	180,374.76	
10100370	516100 00000 Secretary	115,115.81	133,365.63	133,365.63	91,808.40	133,365.63	138,340.18	
10100370	518900 00000 Other Sala	454,870.54	565,985.20	565,985.20	351,263.38	565,985.20	531,442.00	
10100370	520100 00000 Social Sec	50,442.35	62,264.18	62,264.18	38,412.98	62,264.18	59,777.59	
10100370	520400 00000 State Reti	53,606.60	74,717.02	74,717.02	47,501.98	74,717.02	76,553.88	
10100370	520600 00000 Life Ins E	728.82	868.68	868.68	571.53	868.68	816.48	
10100370	520700 00000 Health Ins	103,614.00	126,336.00	126,336.00	90,717.00	126,336.00	125,112.00	
10100370	520800 00000 Dental Ins	2,720.56	3,107.28	3,107.28	2,189.22	3,107.28	3,107.28	
10100370	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	334.98	3,012.78	3,012.78	294.03	3,012.78	2,892.46	
10100370	521200 00000 Employer M	11,797.00	14,561.78	14,561.78	8,983.67	14,561.78	13,980.24	
10100370	530200 00000 Advertisin	339.21	800.00	800.00	.00	800.00	800.00	
10100370	530700 00000 Communicat	20,794.51	22,000.00	22,000.00	13,996.09	22,000.00	22,000.00	
10100370	532000 00000 Dues and M	8,297.28	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,676.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
10100370	532100 00000 Engineerin	-2,424.15	40,000.00	40,000.00	19,590.00	42,424.15	110,000.00	
10100370	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100370	533200 00000 Legal Noti	1,903.58	6,000.00	6,000.00	1,862.73	6,000.00	6,000.00	
10100370	533700 00000 Maint. And	.00	300.00	300.00	.00	300.00	300.00	
10100370	533800 00000 Maint. And	11,668.02	12,000.00	12,000.00	943.51	12,329.99	12,000.00	
10100370	534800 00000 PostalChg	1,425.93	1,500.00	1,500.00	694.57	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100370	534900 00000 Printing S	1,488.45	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,023.96	3,000.00	3,000.00	
10100370	535600 00000 Tuition	4,201.72	5,000.00	5,000.00	304.74	5,589.00	5,000.00	
10100370	539900 00000 Other Cont	2,960.40	5,500.00	5,500.00	1,674.70	5,500.00	5,500.00	
10100370	542500 00000 Gasoline	21,672.82	35,000.00	35,000.00	10,326.79	35,000.00	35,000.00	
10100370	542900 00000 Instr Supp	-430.03	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	9,232.55	5,000.00	
10100370	543500 00000 Office Sup	7,794.60	8,500.00	8,500.00	1,425.25	8,535.08	8,500.00	
10100370	545100 00000 Uniforms	931.23	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,875.38	3,000.00	3,000.00	
10100370	547100 00000 Computer S	13,966.96	14,000.00	14,000.00	13,738.96	14,000.00	14,000.00	
10100370	551300 00000 Workers Co	2,544.15	2,544.15	2,544.15	2,544.15	2,544.15	2,279.04	
10100370	570800 00000 Communicat	2,903.32	3,000.00	3,000.00	.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
10100370	570900 00000 Data Proce	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100370	571100 00000 Funiture a	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100370	571800 00000 Motor Vehi	158,239.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100370	571900 00000 Office Equ	8,954.41	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100370	573500 00000 Health Equ	188.27	1,000.00	1,000.00	170.38	1,000.00	1,000.00	
	TOTAL Planning and Developme	1,323,690.35	1,458,138.99	1,458,138.99	901,982.49	1,465,749.76	1,506,273.63	

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

101-51710-532100 Planning & Dev

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Jeff Headrick

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

EPA requires that Stormwater monitoring is performed every 5 years. The number of streams monitored is based on the last census numbers for that County. FY26/27 is the year that Blount County must perform this task.

Request from County Commission:

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$110,000.00

Return on Investment:

N/A

Benefit:

Meeting the requirements by EPA and staying in compliance.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		



Blount County Sheriff's Office

JAMES L. BERRONG, SHERIFF

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CHIEF DEPUTY JEFF FRENCH

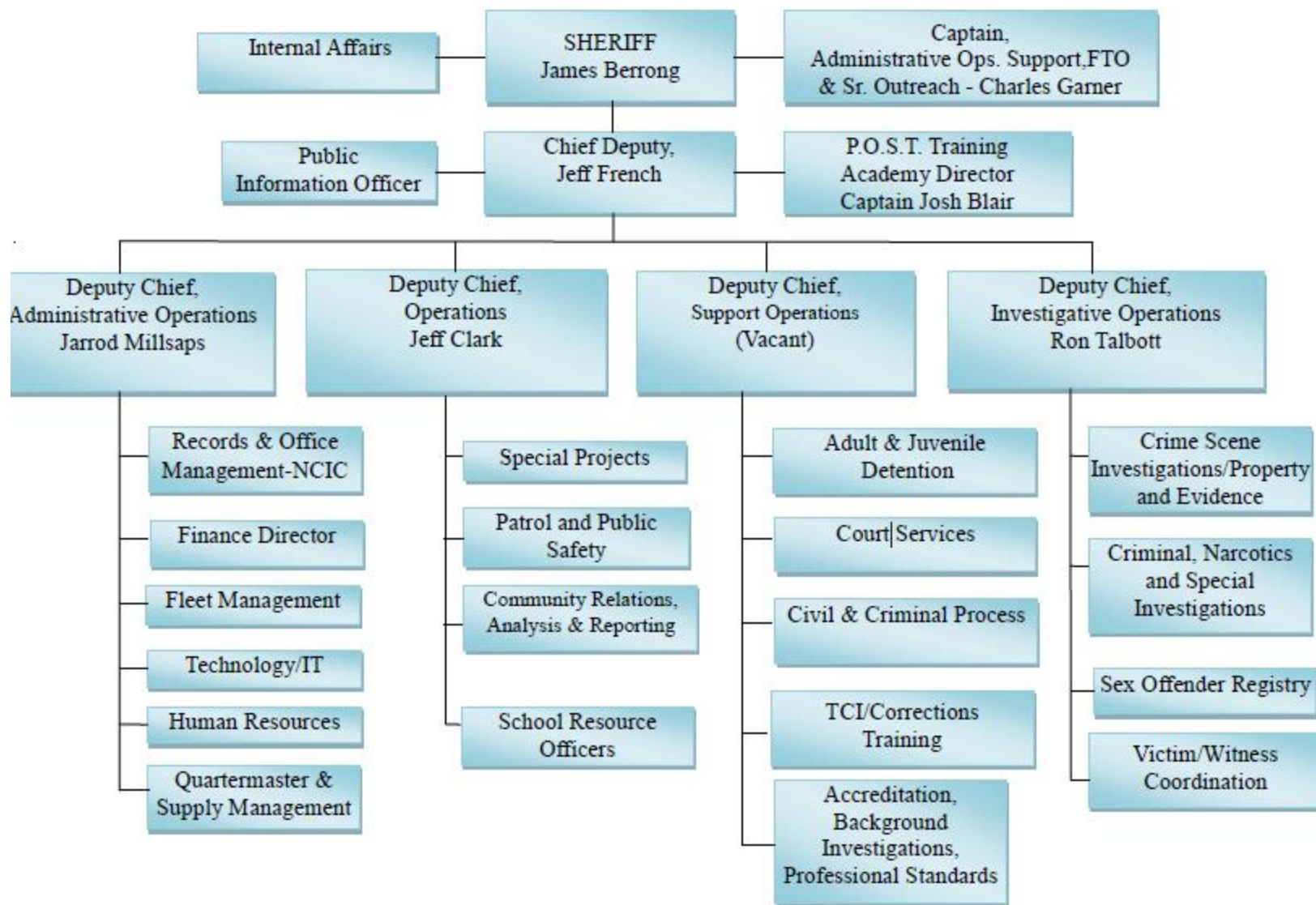
DEPUTY CHIEF JEFF CLARK

DEPUTY CHIEF JARROD MILLSAPS

DEPUTY CHIEF RON TALBOTT



BLOUNT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ORGANIZATION CHART – January 1, 2026



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Units	Administrative/Support Services
Patrol & Public Safety	Corrections – Adult & Juvenile
SROs – School Resource Officers	Court Services
SWAT & Crisis Negotiation	Office of Public Information
K9 & Mounted Patrol	Records Management
BSORT – Special Ops & Response	Human Resources
Marine	Information Technology
Criminal Investigations	Training Unit & Training Academy
Fifth Judicial Drug Task Force	Office of Accreditation
Sex Offender Registry	Community Outreach/Involvement



Mission Statement



The Men & Women of the Blount County Sheriff's Office

The Men and Women of the Blount County Sheriff's Office are committed to the protection of life and property among the citizens of the county, and are committed to providing law enforcement, corrections, and criminal justice services through a partnership with the community that builds trust, reduces crime, creates a safe environment, and enhances the quality of life.

Integrity

The men and women of the Blount County Sheriff's Office foster the highest performance standards, ethical conduct, and truthfulness.

Service

The men and women of the Blount County Sheriff's Office are committed to quality service and are responsive to the needs of the citizens of our community through problem solving partnerships.

Respect

The men and women of the Blount County Sheriff's Office value the dignity of every individual who lives in our community and promise to uphold the principles found in the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the State of Tennessee.

FY25-26 Accomplishments



Jeff French – Chief Deputy

- 2 Citizen's Academies - teaching citizens about the Sheriff's Office
- 2 Training Academies – training deputies from across the state
- CALEA Accreditation (March 2026 - 8th award)
- State Law Enforcement Accreditation (February 2026)
- FBOP Certification – Adult Corrections (January 2026)
- Marshal's Service Certification – Adult Corrections (January 2026); contract
- PREA Certification – Adult Corrections (February 2026)
- DCS Certification – Juvenile Corrections





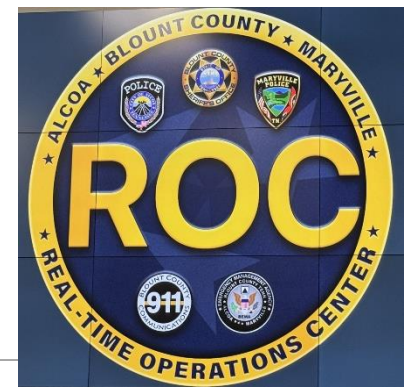
Changes or Updates to FY25-26 Budget

- FY25-26 – thank you for your support in continuing with the Real Time Crime Operations Center
 - We are asking you to continue/increase support by allowing us to add an Analyst
- May 2026 – Police Week (Mowery)
- Requests to include additional personnel and equipment in FY26-27
 - Each Chief will present their respective additional requests





FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests



Real-time Crime Operations Center

- 1 Analyst
 - To handle the volume of requests and real-time incidents
 - Would greatly increase the ROC's operational efficiency and support the continued growth throughout our local public safety
- Cost split between Blount County, Alcoa City, and E-911
 - Total cost - \$86,766 (\$55,307 salary, plus benefits; BC to pay 50%)



FY25-26 Thank You's



James Berrong - Sheriff

Thank you for...

- ROC (Real-time Operations Center) support
- AEDs
- K-9s
- Drones
- Backup Battery in Jail
- Jail Locks-Fund 112 (completed D Pod Section 4)
- Bridge benefit for Corrections





FY26-27 Goals

- Continuing Jail Lock Replacement (Fund 112)
- Continue to grow our inmate programming; assistance with reentry (Mark Ellis)
- Continue to find savings related to inmate medical (Turnkey is doing well)
- Enhance officer training AND safety (training center updates/virtual training simulator)
- Provide citizens with a safe place to work, live, and play
- Safety in our schools (continue SRO grant; add school guard at ECCA)





FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Investigations –

- 1 Child Investigator
 - Provide support to other investigators, reducing caseload, response time, burnout
 - Involving child abuse, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, lack of supervision, drug exposure, and psychological harm
 - Most complex, resource-intensive investigations
 - Cost = \$94,104 (\$62,123 salary, plus benefits)
- 1 Adult/General Investigator
 - Provide support to other investigators, reducing caseload, response time, burnout
 - Referrals from Adult Protective Services continue to increase
 - Requires extensive coordination with various agencies, ex. CREVAA
 - Cost = \$94,104 (\$62,123 salary, plus benefits)





FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Garage/Fleet –

- Key Café
 - Allows for secure audit trail, reducing loss of key and unauthorized access
 - Integrates seamlessly with new Fleetio fleet mgmt. software
 - Cost = \$14,605
- Lift System
 - Current lift has reached end of life
 - Requires frequent repairs, causing downtime and is a safety hazard for technician
 - Cost = \$67,892
- Building install
 - Three-sided building for equipment dry storage
 - Cost = \$49,895



Updates to Current Capital Resolution

CAPITAL EXHIBIT

CAPITAL EXHIBIT								
Category Definitions								
A:		Items already funded to remain funded until complete						
B:		Items to fund as part of FY 25-26						
C:		Prioritized capital items not yet supported by current funding levels						
D:		Identified capital items that need to be prioritized						
Department	Fund	Capital Item	Target FY	Dept. Request	Recommended	Actual	Category	
BCSO	112	Jail Locks - D pod Section 4	FY 25/26	\$ 172,632.00	\$ 172,632.00	\$ 172,632.00	A	complete;asking for next phase in 26/27
BCSO	101	2 K-9	FY 25/26	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	B	recurring
BCSO	101	AED Replacement	FY 25/26	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	B	recurring
BCSO	101	Drone Replacement	FY 25/26	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	B	done/remove
BCSO	101	Replacement Battery Backup	FY 25/26	\$ 130,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	B	done/remove
BCSO	101	LRAD portable/tactical public address system	FY 24/25	\$ 22,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	C	done/remove
BCSO	101	New desks and furniture - 24 yr old equip	FY 23/24	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	C	keep
BCSO	101	Otto Lynq Pro individual accountability device for special teams	FY 24/25	\$ 24,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	C	keep-increase to \$52,000
BCSO	101	10 law enforcement vehicles	FY 25/26	\$ 720,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep-increase to \$750,000
BCSO	101	2 Motorcycle Replacements	FY 25/26	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep - increase to \$70,000
BCSO	101	2 Night Vision/Thermal and Accessories	FY 25/26	\$ 114,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep
BCSO	101	Breaching Tools Equipment	FY 25/26	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep-increase to \$15,000
BCSO	101	BSORT replacement equipment	FY 22/23	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	remove
BCSO	101	Crime Scene Equipment	FY 22/23	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	remove
BCSO	101	SWAT- Equipment for one additional sniper	FY 25/26	\$ 78,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep-increase to \$102,000
BCSO	101	Horse trailer	FY 25/26	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep
BCSO	101	New Dive Truck	FY 25/26	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep
BCSO	101	Smith & Wesson Gun Accessories	FY 25/26	\$ 265,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep- increase to \$305,000 (to incl. patrol rifles, ammo, accessories)
BCSO	101	Swat General Special Teams equipment	FY 25/26	\$ 98,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep-increase to \$126,000
BCSO	101	Technology during SWAT tactical operations	FY 25/26	\$ 27,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep-increase to \$143,000 (new robot, etc.)
BCSO	122	Track extension	FY 23/24	Unknown	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep
BCSO	189	New Training Building	FY 25/26	Unknown	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep
BCSO	189	Virtual Training Simulator	FY 25/26	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	D	keep - change to \$117,220



FY26-27 Capital Priorities

- Smith & Wesson conversion
- Jail locks – D3 section
- Virtual Simulation at Training Facility
- Otto Lync





Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
54110	Sheriff	Department							
10100630	510100	00000 County Off	144,014.43	148,352.00	148,352.00	108,419.89	148,352.00	152,254.30	
10100630	510300	00000 Assistant	246,696.41	266,143.83	266,143.83	183,178.28	266,143.83	276,073.52	
10100630	510500	00000 Supervisor	590,032.35	685,974.03	685,974.03	388,080.95	685,974.03	711,588.32	
10100630	510600	00000 Deputies	5,766,690.28	6,293,855.07	6,340,542.07	4,301,444.17	6,293,855.07	6,737,626.00	
10100630	510800	00000 Investigat	1,487,447.57	1,589,928.31	1,589,928.31	1,075,349.68	1,589,928.31	1,456,144.86	
10100630	510900	00000 Captain	353,412.76	310,192.54	310,192.54	199,573.60	310,192.54	300,786.07	
10100630	511000	00000 Lieutenant	710,101.04	963,412.07	923,412.07	472,538.66	963,412.07	1,016,067.06	
10100630	511500	00000 Sergeants	621,144.56	683,191.03	683,191.03	464,373.30	683,191.03	869,992.99	
10100630	512000	00000 Computer P	338,127.81	366,295.06	358,896.06	257,531.29	438,748.06	395,027.15	
10100630	514000	00000 Salary Sup	222,550.00	300,000.00	297,000.00	143,103.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	
10100630	514200	00000 Mechanics	122,237.24	101,234.85	134,399.85	84,807.36	101,234.85	139,962.27	
10100630	516200	00000 Clerical P	455,904.03	590,417.74	590,417.74	322,901.13	590,417.74	530,980.32	
10100630	516400	00000 Attendants	42,251.04	45,582.12	45,582.12	31,375.12	45,582.12	47,274.49	
10100630	516900	00000 Part time	279,043.96	343,541.58	343,541.58	172,948.85	343,541.58	343,541.58	
10100630	518600	00000 Longevity	59,561.59	52,882.88	52,882.88	50,341.08	52,882.88	52,882.88	
10100630	518700	00000 Overtime P	636,309.64	660,450.00	660,450.00	443,294.44	660,450.00	660,450.00	
10100630	519600	00000 InServce	139,200.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	
10100630	520100	00000 Social Sec	733,609.54	783,974.98	783,974.98	516,555.32	783,974.98	822,833.21	
10100630	520400	00000 State Reti	1,179,234.92	1,219,225.04	1,219,225.04	888,425.73	1,219,225.04	1,418,476.60	
10100630	520600	00000 Life Ins E	9,902.46	10,904.68	10,904.68	7,220.45	10,904.68	10,358.96	
10100630	520700	00000 Health Ins	2,033,881.63	2,168,256.00	2,168,256.00	1,550,438.08	2,168,256.00	2,060,516.00	
10100630	520800	00000 Dental Ins	42,313.04	44,903.84	44,903.84	31,842.40	44,903.84	42,889.88	
10100630	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	4,251.63	37,217.43	37,217.43	4,064.20	37,217.43	39,352.84	
10100630	521200	00000 Employer M	172,835.50	183,348.83	183,348.83	121,765.83	183,348.83	192,436.80	
10100630	530700	00000 Communicat	375,666.58	372,500.00	372,500.00	294,478.63	372,500.00	372,500.00	
10100630	530900	00000 Contracts	.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	.00	1,700.00	.00	
10100630	531900	00000 Drug Contr	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100630	532000	00000 Dues and M	11,219.80	11,550.00	11,550.00	7,830.67	11,550.00	15,000.00	
10100630	532100	00000 Engineerin	20,500.00	.00	.00	.00	147,200.00	.00	
10100630	532200	00000 Evaluation	20,279.62	33,000.00	33,000.00	16,998.00	33,000.00	27,500.00	
10100630	533000	00000 Lease Paym	36,939.37	40,000.00	40,000.00	39,995.74	40,789.38	45,000.00	
10100630	533100	00000 Legal Svcs	16,574.20	15,000.00	15,000.00	7,200.00	15,706.80	15,000.00	
10100630	533300	00000 Licenses	25,123.57	27,500.00	30,100.00	27,498.29	28,304.17	30,000.00	
10100630	533400	00000 Maintenanc	205,882.87	317,000.00	317,000.00	282,839.83	317,000.00	317,000.00	
10545020	533400	00000 Maintenanc	12,830.10	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100630	533500	00000 Maint. And	11,815.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100630	533600	00000 Maint. And	12,132.21	12,500.00	12,500.00	10,963.13	12,500.00	15,000.00	
10100630	533800	00000 Maint. And	124,617.72	75,000.00	122,471.99	79,360.93	84,891.92	100,000.00	
10100630	533900	00000 Matching S	63,750.00	63,750.00	63,750.00	63,750.00	63,750.00	63,750.00	
10100630	534800	00000 PostalChg	7,246.61	7,000.00	7,000.00	5,990.52	7,000.00	7,500.00	
10100630	534900	00000 Printing S	17,305.16	17,500.00	17,500.00	15,475.65	17,500.00	17,500.00	

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FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
10100630	535100	00000 Rentals	6,228.70	7,000.00	9,900.00	7,878.70	7,000.00	8,000.00	
10100630	535500	00000 Travel	148,964.23	130,000.00	170,000.00	154,287.49	130,000.00	130,000.00	
10100630	535600	00000 Tuition	58,941.83	65,000.00	65,000.00	55,405.33	69,095.00	70,000.00	
10100630	539900	00000 Other Cont	998.62	1,000.00	4,000.00	596.75	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100630	540600	00000 Basic Skil	100,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	
10100630	541000	00000 Custodial	1,076.92	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	
10100630	541100	00000 Data Proce	27,963.01	20,000.00	17,100.00	12,294.85	21,186.13	20,000.00	
10100630	541300	00000 Drugs and	3,066.16	3,500.00	3,500.00	1,966.02	3,500.00	3,500.00	
10100630	541500	00000 Electricit	15,090.56	14,000.00	14,000.00	10,548.45	14,000.00	14,000.00	
10100630	541800	00000 Equipment	1,859.90	2,500.00	2,500.00	626.32	2,500.00	2,000.00	
10100630	542200	00000 Food Suppl	4,485.84	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,023.03	4,500.00	5,000.00	
10100630	542400	00000 Garage Sup	239.78	1,000.00	1,000.00	294.41	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100630	542500	00000 Gasoline	555,664.75	565,000.00	565,000.00	316,310.78	565,000.00	565,000.00	
10100630	543100	00000 Law Enforc	118,894.08	110,000.00	145,000.00	115,589.64	116,186.33	110,000.00	
10100630	543500	00000 Office Sup	24,654.43	27,000.00	27,000.00	20,622.95	27,877.45	25,000.00	
10100630	544600	00000 Small Tool	1,297.17	1,500.00	1,500.00	74.98	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100630	545000	00000 Tires and	76,676.22	55,000.00	55,000.00	34,532.87	55,000.00	55,000.00	
10100630	545100	00000 Uniforms	189,676.97	140,000.00	115,000.00	65,543.50	140,180.70	125,000.00	
10100630	545300	00000 Vehicle Pa	116,798.15	110,000.00	140,000.00	118,188.70	111,218.47	125,000.00	
10100630	549900	00000 Other Supp	-42.99	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100630	551300	00000 Workers Co	243,016.61	236,100.00	236,100.00	236,100.00	236,100.00	268,900.00	
10100630	570700	00000 Building I	-6,622.88	5,000.00	.00	.00	11,622.88	5,000.00	
10100630	570900	00000 Data Proce	4,226.31	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,755.48	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100630	571100	00000 Funiture a	.00	15,000.00	.00	.00	15,000.00	.00	
10100630	571600	00000 Law Enf Eq	222,961.05	283,250.00	348,250.00	184,171.02	462,283.08	283,250.00	
10545020	571600	00000 Law Enf Eq	203,722.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100630	579000	00000 Other Equi	37,076.38	20,000.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
TOTAL Sheriff Department			19,509,550.04	20,931,633.91	21,121,558.90	14,126,165.47	21,362,879.22	21,712,416.10	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
54113	COPs GRANT							
10540070	510600 00000 Deputies	267,497.35	386,790.56	386,790.56	266,771.69	386,790.56	233,825.77	
10540070	518700 00000 Overtime	1,663.92	2,000.00	12,000.00	4,408.79	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10540070	520100 00000 Social Sec	16,050.19	23,981.01	23,981.01	16,180.12	23,981.01	14,497.20	
10540070	520400 00000 State Reti	13,840.58	42,314.89	42,314.89	20,943.97	42,314.89	27,918.80	
10540070	520600 00000 Life Ins E	235.06	357.12	357.12	278.66	357.12	238.08	
10540070	520700 00000 Health Ins	44,921.60	100,080.00	90,080.00	51,692.06	100,080.00	30,852.00	
10540070	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,024.59	1,694.88	1,694.88	1,291.42	1,694.88	1,129.92	
10540070	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	189.74	1,160.37	1,160.37	157.87	1,160.37	701.48	
10540070	521200 00000 Employer M	3,753.65	5,608.46	5,608.46	3,784.05	5,608.46	3,390.47	
	TOTAL COPs GRANT	349,176.68	563,987.29	563,987.29	365,508.63	563,987.29	314,553.72	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99
ACCOUNTS FOR:							
Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review COMMENT
54160	Admin of the SexualOffenderReg						
10100650	533400 00000 Maintenanc	25,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	34,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00 _____
10100650	559900 00000 Other Char	12,183.97	10,000.00	10,000.00	2,814.53	10,000.00	12,500.00 _____
	TOTAL Admin of the SexualOff	37,183.97	45,000.00	45,000.00	36,814.53	45,000.00	47,500.00 _____

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

				2025	2026	2026	2026	2026	2027	
Gen	County			ACTUAL	ORIG BUD	REVISED BUD	ACTUAL	PROJECTION	Req Review	COMMENT
54210	Jail									
10100660	510600	00000	Deputies	5,100,385.75	5,663,966.34	5,663,966.34	3,647,002.37	5,663,966.34	5,932,330.83	
10100660	510800	00000	Investigat	117,140.38	126,375.13	126,375.13	75,634.63	126,375.13	131,099.86	
10100660	510900	00000	Captain	92,558.08	99,855.01	99,855.01	68,746.36	99,855.01	103,583.59	
10100660	511000	00000	Lieutenant	371,644.91	426,858.24	426,858.24	255,196.81	426,858.24	445,536.70	
10100660	511500	00000	Sergeants	446,853.97	485,285.49	485,285.49	344,407.06	485,285.49	480,944.02	
10100660	513000	00000	SocialWrkr	53,828.07	58,071.69	58,071.69	39,980.19	58,071.69	60,240.09	
10100660	514000	00000	Salary Sup	15,400.00	15,843.42	15,843.42	625.00	15,843.42	15,225.43	
10100660	516200	00000	Clerical P	247,935.74	290,788.81	290,788.81	195,048.18	290,788.81	299,010.56	
10100660	516900	00000	Part time	27,474.73	40,000.00	40,000.00	23,278.90	40,000.00	40,000.00	
10100660	518700	00000	Overtime P	137,173.62	210,000.00	210,000.00	125,130.94	210,000.00	210,000.00	
10100660	519600	00000	InServce	36,800.00	46,000.00	46,000.00	.00	46,000.00	46,000.00	
10100660	520100	00000	Social Sec	393,812.71	456,117.98	456,117.98	282,581.69	456,117.98	470,499.89	
10100660	520400	00000	State Reti	510,688.79	788,591.39	788,591.39	469,175.68	788,591.39	876,709.70	
10100660	520600	00000	Life Ins E	6,125.12	6,840.48	6,840.48	4,397.91	6,840.48	6,258.56	
10100660	520700	00000	Health Ins	1,073,137.24	1,167,948.00	1,167,948.00	788,530.73	1,167,948.00	1,017,458.00	
10100660	520800	00000	Dental Ins	24,603.11	27,400.56	27,400.56	18,400.12	27,400.56	24,599.30	
10100660	521000	00000	Unemp Comp	2,534.18	22,070.22	7,070.22	2,521.75	22,070.22	22,719.96	
10100660	521200	00000	Employer M	92,280.86	106,672.75	106,672.75	66,219.82	106,672.75	110,036.27	
10100660	531200	00000	Contracts	13,049.00	15,000.00	39,475.00	36,805.50	15,396.00	22,500.00	
10100660	532200	00000	Evaluation	960.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100660	533400	00000	Maintenanc	13,725.76	14,000.00	19,000.00	11,800.00	14,000.00	14,000.00	
10100660	533500	00000	Maint. And	8,673.93	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,989.46	10,347.74	15,000.00	
10100660	533600	00000	Maint. And	24,149.41	20,000.00	40,000.00	18,715.00	30,636.67	30,000.00	
10100660	534000	00000	Medical an	3,738,384.17	3,250,000.00	3,250,000.00	2,262,913.84	3,250,000.00	3,378,375.00	
10545010	534000	00000	Medical an	-19,696.00	.00	78,467.88	2,887.00	19,137.00	.00	
10100660	534900	00000	Printing S	.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,868.55	3,000.00	2,500.00	
10100660	540600	00000	Basic Skil	18,070.34	19,965.00	19,965.00	19,876.20	19,965.00	25,000.00	
10100660	541000	00000	Custodial	116,471.21	115,000.00	115,000.00	92,277.11	115,000.00	115,000.00	
10100660	541100	00000	Data Proce	765.00	2,500.00	.00	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100660	541300	00000	Drugs and	494.64	.00	.00	.00	.00	500.00	
10100660	542100	00000	Food Prepa	19,403.70	30,000.00	30,000.00	18,739.14	30,000.00	30,000.00	
10100660	542200	00000	Food Suppl	728,353.12	852,000.00	827,525.00	620,929.95	852,000.00	852,000.00	
10100660	543100	00000	Law Enforc	21,600.72	44,000.00	55,078.50	13,485.13	44,000.00	44,000.00	
10100660	544100	00000	Prisoners	43,346.10	44,000.00	44,000.00	37,035.17	44,000.00	44,000.00	
10100660	545100	00000	Uniforms	44,715.84	65,000.00	65,000.00	26,945.80	71,714.58	60,000.00	
10100660	549900	00000	Other Supp	-109.09	1,500.00	700.00	52.94	1,874.50	1,000.00	
10100660	551300	00000	Workers Co	155,238.00	158,831.00	158,831.00	158,831.00	158,831.00	166,600.00	
10100660	570900	00000	Data Proce	2,666.31	20,000.00	13,300.00	.00	36,836.73	20,000.00	
10100660	571100	00000	Furniture	.00	.00	6,355.00	6,355.00	6,355.00	3,000.00	
10100660	571600	00000	Law Enf Eq	24,945.32	60,000.00	57,520.00	2,600.00	75,855.44	60,000.00	
10545010	571600	00000	Law Enf Eq	-33,391.20	.00	.00	.00	109,906.32	.00	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99	
ACCOUNTS FOR:								
Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT	
10100660 579000 00000 Other Equi	.00	.00	130,000.00	126,309.83	130,000.00	.00	_____	
TOTAL Jail	13,672,193.54	14,764,481.51	14,987,902.89	9,875,294.76	15,081,041.49	15,179,227.76	_____	

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99	
ACCOUNTS FOR:			2025	2026	2026	2026	2026	2027
Gen	County		ACTUAL	ORIG BUD	REVISED BUD	ACTUAL	PROJECTION	Req Review COMMENT
54220	Workhouse							
10100670	510100	00000 County Off	14,411.52	14,835.20	14,835.20	10,836.65	14,835.20	15,225.43
10100670	520100	00000 Social Sec	888.70	982.29	982.29	665.18	982.29	954.13
10100670	520400	00000 State Reti	1,498.81	1,397.00	1,397.00	1,185.60	1,397.00	1,221.90
10100670	520600	00000 Life Ins E	3.75	.00	.00	3.12	.00	2.48
10100670	520700	00000 Health Ins	446.92	.00	.00	450.54	.00	590.00
10100670	520800	00000 Dental Ins	17.48	.00	.00	17.64	.00	23.54
10100670	521200	00000 Employer M	208.76	229.73	229.73	155.57	229.73	223.14
TOTAL Workhouse			17,475.94	17,444.22	17,444.22	13,314.30	17,444.22	18,240.62

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
54240	Juvenile Services							
10100680	510600 00000 Deputies	1,151,409.03	1,304,170.17	1,304,170.17	903,412.20	1,304,170.17	1,364,832.39	
10100680	510900 00000 Captain	92,558.09	99,855.01	99,855.01	68,376.12	99,855.01	103,583.59	
10100680	511000 00000 Lieutenant	75,877.57	81,859.22	81,859.22	56,363.52	81,859.22	84,925.78	
10100680	511500 00000 Sergeants	229,896.47	248,661.64	248,661.64	170,239.20	248,661.64	257,949.11	
10100680	514000 00000 Salary Sup	14,411.41	15,843.42	15,843.42	10,836.84	15,843.42	15,843.42	
10100680	518700 00000 Overtime P	45,061.04	35,000.00	35,000.00	20,045.73	35,000.00	35,000.00	
10100680	520100 00000 Social Sec	94,886.09	108,524.15	108,524.15	72,441.94	108,524.15	112,300.03	
10100680	520400 00000 State Reti	118,194.97	189,759.34	189,759.34	130,157.61	189,759.34	216,268.13	
10100680	520600 00000 Life Ins E	1,339.75	1,488.00	1,488.00	1,046.21	1,488.00	1,488.00	
10100680	520700 00000 Health Ins	256,818.36	276,576.00	276,576.00	201,525.61	276,576.00	263,316.00	
10100680	520800 00000 Dental Ins	6,585.97	7,062.00	7,062.00	5,296.42	7,062.00	7,062.00	
10100680	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	481.82	5,251.17	5,251.17	522.00	5,251.17	5,433.87	
10100680	521200 00000 Employer M	22,192.10	25,380.65	25,380.65	16,942.09	25,380.65	26,263.72	
10100680	533600 00000 Maint. And	8,552.18	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100680	535500 00000 Travel	4,974.67	6,000.00	6,000.00	2,258.32	6,000.00	6,000.00	
10100680	535600 00000 Tuition	1,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	6,400.00	3,000.00	
10100680	542200 00000 Food Suppl	2,185.92	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100680	543100 00000 Law Enforc	3,790.71	5,000.00	5,000.00	239.43	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100680	543500 00000 Office Sup	1,392.07	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,444.54	1,500.00	1,750.00	
10100680	544100 00000 Prisoners	3,982.11	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,994.14	4,000.00	4,000.00	
10100680	545100 00000 Uniforms	16,971.93	17,500.00	17,500.00	.00	17,500.00	17,500.00	
10100680	551300 00000 Workers Co	35,000.00	37,204.00	37,204.00	37,204.00	37,204.00	35,000.00	
10100680	570900 00000 Data Proce	-4,572.78	20,000.00	20,000.00	16,221.12	31,240.52	20,000.00	
10100680	571600 00000 Law Enf Eg	-84,000.00	.00	.00	.00	84,000.00	.00	
10100680	579000 00000 Other Equi	15,500.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
	TOTAL Juvenile Services	2,114,489.48	2,499,134.77	2,499,134.77	1,721,567.04	2,594,775.29	2,589,016.04	

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Fund 112 for Corrections/Adult

☒ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Berrong/Gregory

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

To replace/upgrade all jail locks (have funded for 4 years, 3 more years to get all locks replaced if funded at same rate)
D pod section 3 is a “high-medium/low-max” classification unit that contains 16 2-person cells, 8 cells on each of the two levels; currently, inmates have the capability of “jamming” their lock, increasing the ability to exit their cell and potentially assault other inmates or employees

Request from County Commission:

Fund replacing jail locks in D Pod Section 3 out of Fund 112 Jail Maintenance, as in previous years

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$171,628

Benefit:

Currently, there is potential for inmates to be able to get out of their cells at unauthorized times, presenting a safety risk to other inmates as well as staff. This reduces that risk.

Return on Investment:

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ Fund 112
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$ 171,628
2026 Requested Budget:	\$ 171,628		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

101-54110

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Sheriff J. Berrong

☒ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The multi-agency Real-Time Operations Center is developing quickly and needs additional personnel to handle the volume of requests and real-time incidents the ROC can assist in public safety operations with.

Request from County Commission:

Appropriate funds and one new position for ROC Operations Analyst I

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$86,766
(\$55,307 Base Pay, \$31,459 Benefits)

Benefit:

Increased usage of the ROC, resulting in additional capacity for public safety responses county wide.

Return on Investment:

Funding for a new analyst would greatly increase the ROC's operational efficiency and support the continued growth throughout our local public safety. Investment in an analyst expands the optimization of the county's previous infrastructure investments to fully operate.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$0.00	Revenue Request:	\$43.4k BC, \$43.4k AC,911
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$0.00	Expense Request:	\$ 86,766.00
2026 Requested Budget:	\$ 86,766.00		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Fund 101-Sheriff Dept.-Investigations

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Berrong/Talbott

☒ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Funding is requested for one additional Child Abuse Investigator. During the 2025 calendar year, investigators worked over 540 cases involving child abuse, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, lack of supervision, drug exposure, and psychological harm. These cases are among the most complex and resource-intensive investigations conducted by this agency and require close coordination with the Department of Children's Services and the Children's Advocacy Center. The workload and emotional demands placed on Child Abuse Investigators are substantial, and adding an investigator would allow for more thorough investigations, improved case follow-up, and reduced investigator burnout.

Request from County Commission:

Fund additional Child Abuse Investigator

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$94,104 (\$62,123 salary plus benefits)

Benefit:

Adding an investigator would allow for more thorough investigations, improved case follow-up, and reduced investigator burnout.

Return on Investment:

Providing support to Investigations, reducing burnout, as well as assisting our children by improving response times to those in their time of need.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$94,104
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Fund 101-Sheriff Dept.-Investigations

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Berrong/Talbott

☒ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Investigations is requesting funding for one additional general assignment Criminal Investigator. Referrals from Adult Protective Services continue to increase, with investigators handling over 270 cases involving elderly or vulnerable adults during the 2025 calendar year. These cases involve allegations of physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, emotional abuse, and financial exploitation and often require extensive coordination with Adult Protective Services, the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and the Collaborative Response to Elder and Vulnerable Adult Abuse (CREVAA) team. These investigations are currently distributed among seven general assignment investigators who also maintain a daily on-call rotation. Adding an investigator would reduce individual caseloads, improve response times, and strengthen on-call coverage.

Request from County Commission:

Fund additional Criminal Investigator

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

\$94,104 (\$62,123 salary plus benefits)

Benefit:

Adding an investigator would reduce individual caseloads, improve response times, and strengthen on-call coverage.

Return on Investment:

Providing support to Investigations, reducing burnout, as well as assisting our community by improving response times to those in their time of need.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$94,104
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department: BCSO Fleet

Elected Official or Department Head: Steven Cardwell

- ☒ Capital Request
☐ Personnel Request
☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The existing car lift in the garage has reached the end of its service life and requires replacement to ensure technician safety and operational uptime.

Request from County Commission:

Fund lift system

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

67,892.31

Return on Investment:

Reduces "bay downtime" caused by the aging lift's frequent repairs and eliminates the liability risk associated with outdated lifting equipment.

Benefit:

Ensures a safe working environment for fleet mechanics and allows for the maintenance of the department's

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$ 67,892.31
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department: BCSO Fleet

Elected Official or Department Head: Steven Cardwell

- ☒ Capital Request
☐ Personnel Request
☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Fleet would like to request a 3 sided building to be installed behind the pods for storage. This will allow us to store equipment in a dry location.

Request from County Commission:

Fund building install

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

49,895.00

Return on Investment:

Longer Lifespan for units that are outside in the weather

Benefit:

Protect the Fleet that is not assigned to a Deputy from weather and last longer

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$ 49,895
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

☒ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Current vehicle key inventory lacks a secure audit trail, leading to lost keys and unauthorized access

Request from County Commission:

Fund Key Cafe

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

14,604.72

Return on Investment:

Seamless integration with Fleetio software reduces administrative labor and prevents the high cost of replacing modern electronic vehicle keys (averaging \$300–\$500 per unit) One-time capital expenditure for hardware with a software subscription for the Fleetio API integration

Benefit:

Provides a 100% verifiable audit trail for every vehicle in the fleet

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$	Revenue Request:	\$ or <u>Use of FB</u>
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$	Expense Request:	\$ <u>14,604.72</u>
2026 Requested Budget:	\$		

CLERK AND MASTER

STEPHEN S. OGLE

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FY26-27



How we serve Blount County

The Clerk and Master's office presides over all the cases filed in the Chancery, Circuit Equity, General Sessions Domestic and General Sessions Probate Court of Blount County, Tennessee.

We assist the general public, law enforcement and law offices with public records requests, collecting court costs, past due property taxes and filing new cases.

This includes the filing of civil cases for divorce, probate, conservatorship, guardianship, real estate matters, contract disputes, adoptions and name changes. The office also collects monies and maintains the records for delinquent taxes for Blount County, City of Maryville and City of Alcoa.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Delinquent Taxes

Parcels sold (June 4, 2025): **27**

Total amount collected from tax sale: **\$606,900.00**

Excess proceeds generated: **\$596,289.89**

Parcels turned over (April 1, 2025): **896**

YTD delinquent taxes collected (July 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026): **\$508,156.37**

Court Cases

New cases filed (July 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026): **933**

Total amount of court costs collected (July 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026): **\$1,156,648.64**

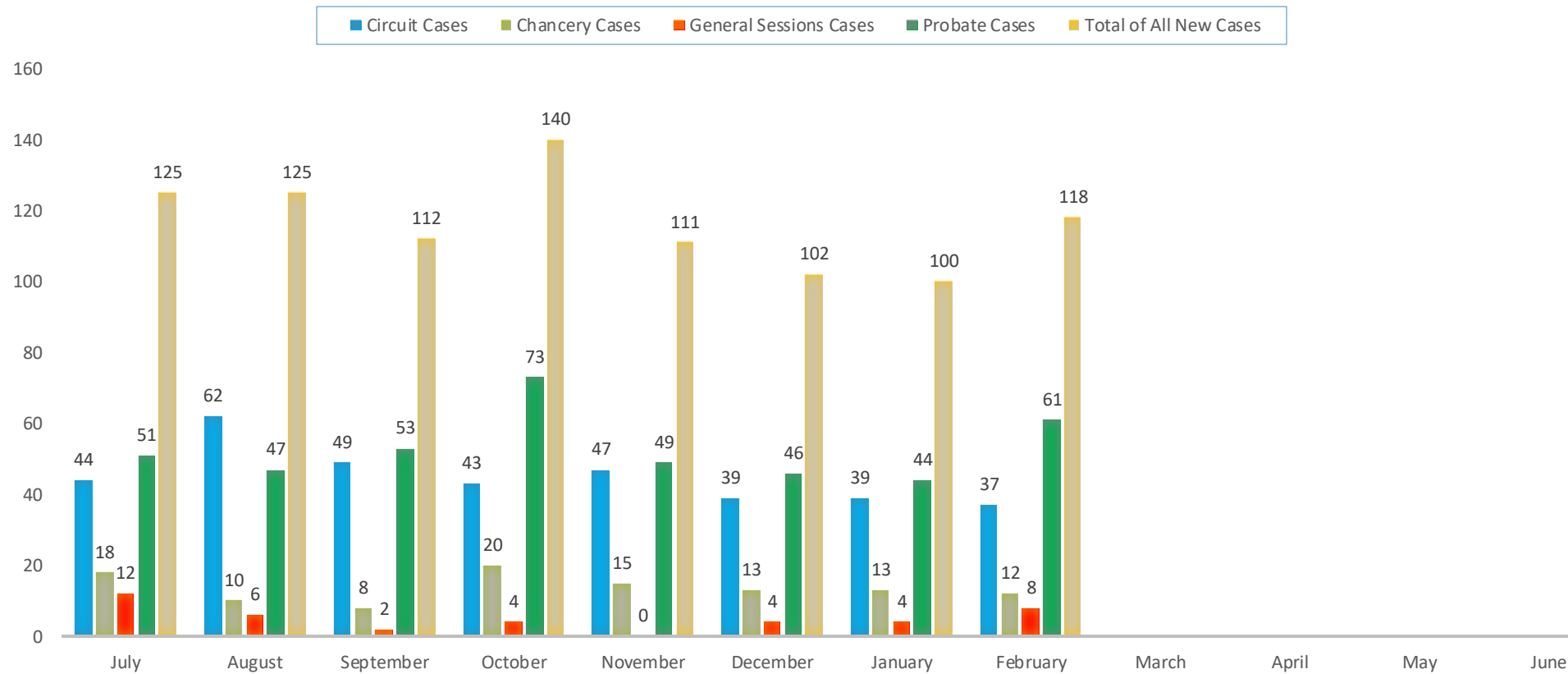
Upcoming Cost & Operational Impact

Court filing fees increased effective January 1, 2026 and will continue to increase each January for the next three years.



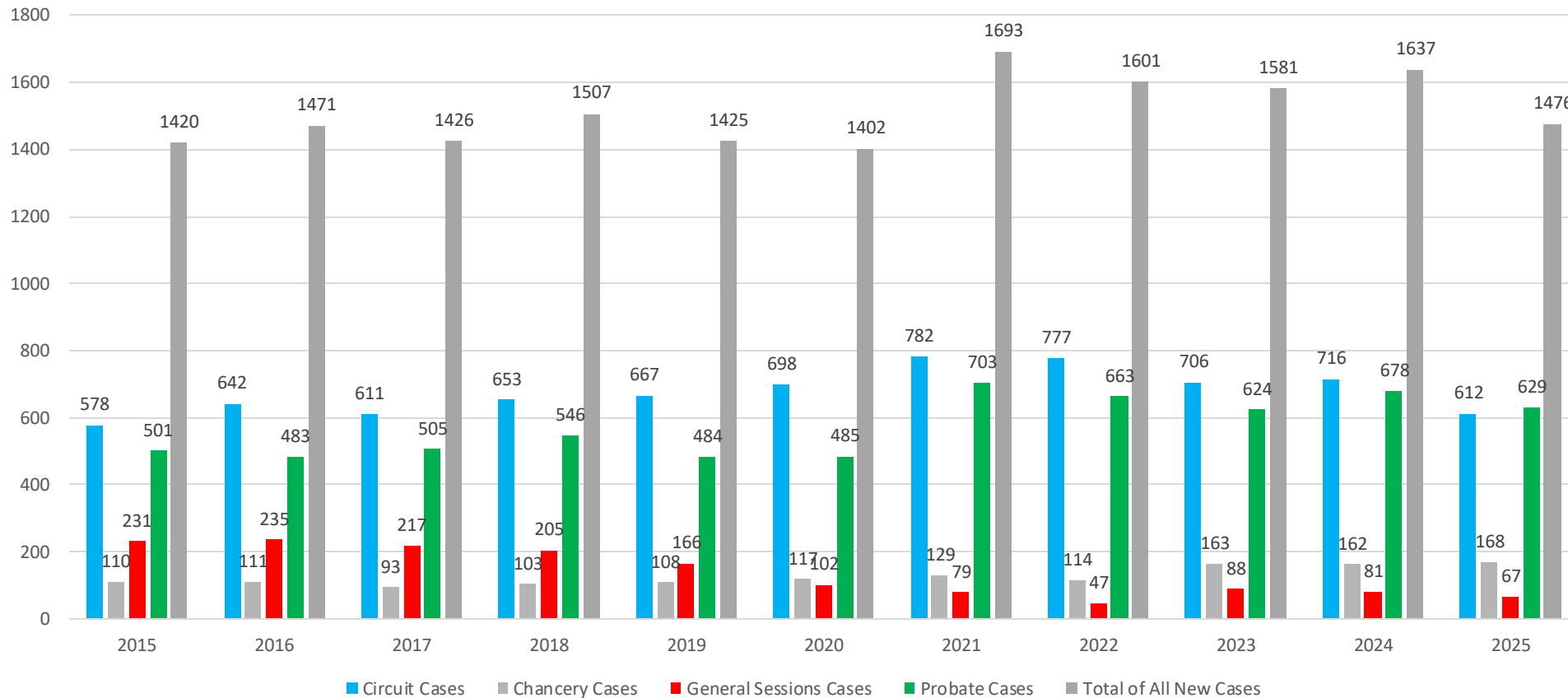
FY25-26 Accomplishments

NEW CASES / FY25 - 26



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Total of New Cases filed by Year



FY26-27 Goals

- Unpaid **2024 property taxes** will be submitted for delinquent enforcement on **April 1, 2026** by the **Blount County Trustee, City of Maryville, and City of Alcoa.**
- The **2023 delinquent tax sale** is scheduled for **June 4, 2026.**
- Continue to **cross-train all employees** to improve operational efficiency, strengthen service to the public and the courts, and **reduce workload strain and coverage gaps** within the office.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53400 Chancery Court							
10100560 510100 00000 County Off	119,034.00	122,605.02	122,605.02	89,596.02	122,605.02	125,830.00	
10100560 516200 00000 Clerical P	288,959.53	320,113.93	320,113.93	200,038.26	320,113.93	334,823.03	
10100560 520100 00000 Social Sec	23,906.60	27,448.57	27,448.57	17,362.62	27,448.57	28,644.38	
10100560 520400 00000 State Reti	26,280.48	32,938.29	32,938.29	17,666.25	32,938.29	36,683.28	
10100560 520600 00000 Life Ins E	366.76	408.96	408.96	265.65	408.96	410.16	
10100560 520700 00000 Health Ins	66,892.00	73,800.00	73,800.00	33,871.00	73,800.00	47,004.00	
10100560 520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,664.86	1,694.88	1,694.88	859.21	1,694.88	1,412.40	
10100560 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	172.30	1,328.16	1,328.16	209.38	1,328.16	1,004.47	
10100560 521200 00000 Employer M	5,591.06	6,306.80	6,306.80	4,060.61	6,306.80	6,699.09	
10100560 530700 00000 Communicat	8,676.48	9,778.00	9,778.00	5,381.46	9,778.00	9,778.00	
10100560 532000 00000 Dues and M	1,707.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,647.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
10100550 533000 00000 Lease Paym	444.86	1,200.00	1,200.00	305.86	1,200.00	1,200.00	
10100560 533000 00000 Lease Paym	1,589.82	2,100.00	2,100.00	957.44	2,100.00	2,100.00	
10100560 533200 00000 Legal Noti	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100560 534800 00000 PostalChg	6,760.99	19,000.00	19,000.00	5,503.91	19,000.00	19,000.00	
10100550 534900 00000 Printing S	91.65	1,036.00	1,036.00	650.72	1,036.00	1,036.00	
10100560 534900 00000 Printing S	5,897.53	8,295.00	8,295.00	3,701.96	8,295.00	8,295.00	
10100560 535500 00000 Travel	373.65	1,350.00	1,350.00	136.60	1,350.00	1,350.00	
10100560 539900 00000 Other Cont	19,339.83	29,545.00	29,545.00	21,374.00	30,520.00	30,520.00	
10100550 543500 00000 Office Sup	567.38	1,400.00	1,400.00	679.44	1,400.00	1,400.00	
10100560 543500 00000 Office Sup	8,128.95	8,498.00	8,498.00	5,776.20	8,498.00	8,500.00	
10100560 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,356.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,302.31	
10100560 570900 00000 Data Proce	.00	646.00	646.00	.00	646.00	646.00	
TOTAL Chancery Court	587,802.61	672,861.49	672,861.49	411,112.47	673,836.49	669,938.12	

Recovery Court

AMY GALYON/ MAYOR ED MITCHELL

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE TAMMY HARRINGTON

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Blount County Recovery Court Program is a treatment-based alternative to Incarceration and standard probation. We work with non-violent, felony offenders who have substance abuse issues while addressing their criminal behavior and providing life skill's to better equip them as they re-enter the community. Mental health issues are identified and addressed as most individuals have co-occurring disorders that are identified as they progress in the program. The programs mission statement is:

To break the cycle of recidivism and enhance public safety, The Blount County Recovery Court's mission is to provide intensive substance abuse treatment with frequent supervisory contact from the court, treatment, case management, and supervision officers for adult non-violent offenders as an alternative to extended incarceration.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- ❑ We have graduated 31 individuals since March 1, 2025.
- ❑ With the use of the Opioid Grant funding, we have been able to introduce participants to alternative therapeutic models with Equine Enrichment Therapy through Harmony Family Center.
- ❑ We have also established a time on Friday morning where treatment staff introduce participants to activities in the community like pickleball, hikes, and other activities in the area.
- ❑ Staff continues to take advantage of trainings to continue education and licensing for Treatment staff.
- ❑ We had additional security updates to our front door.



FY26-27 Goals

- ☐ Work with District Attorney General's Office to address referrals and increase the number of individuals we offer services to.
- ☐ Continue to offer trainings and educational opportunities to staff as the trends and treatment options continue to evolve.
- ☐ Expand drug testing options that allow testing for the new synthetic drugs that are more difficult to detect in urine drug screens.
- ☐ Continue to provide a transparent program that addresses participants needs while offering regular contact with the court, supervision and drug screening.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

We are requesting an additional \$10,000.00 from the Opioid Grant so that we can continue to use OpAns DBS as another option for accountability in drug testing. This is a blood test that gives levels for all substances including gas station synthetic drugs and allows us to continue to hold participants accountable at a higher level.

These test are \$100 per test and not only test for illegal or abused substances but allow us to see if prescribed medication is being taken as directed. I have added an example of a test community corrections recently completed for us with identifying information marked out for confidentiality.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53200	Criminal Court							
10100530	510500 00000 Supervisor	85,228.07	88,637.00	91,987.00	63,302.11	88,637.00	95,380.44	
10100530	511100 00000 Probation	349,025.27	405,984.77	402,584.77	273,850.73	405,984.77	415,733.09	
10100530	516100 00000 Secretary	93,075.98	102,241.99	102,241.99	70,057.13	102,241.99	106,065.75	
10100530	520100 00000 Social Sec	31,894.62	37,097.44	37,097.44	24,311.56	37,097.44	38,265.12	
10100530	520400 00000 State Reti	31,331.43	44,416.69	44,416.69	27,041.31	44,416.69	49,004.03	
10100530	520600 00000 Life Ins E	536.16	559.20	609.20	430.89	559.20	618.72	
10100530	520700 00000 Health Ins	66,655.00	93,024.00	93,024.00	66,878.50	93,024.00	94,548.00	
10100530	520800 00000 Dental Ins	2,332.87	2,824.80	2,824.80	1,883.20	2,824.80	2,542.32	
10100530	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	309.36	1,795.04	1,795.04	244.36	1,795.04	1,851.54	
10100530	521200 00000 Employer M	7,459.23	8,676.01	8,676.01	5,685.77	8,676.01	8,949.10	
10100530	530700 00000 Communicat	5,393.40	3,063.00	3,683.00	3,550.58	3,063.00	3,574.00	
10100530	532000 00000 Dues and M	1,535.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	970.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100530	533000 00000 Lease Paym	7,393.78	8,000.00	9,000.00	7,273.44	8,000.00	8,150.00	
10100530	533300 00000 Licenses	7,560.00	7,560.00	7,560.00	7,560.00	7,560.00	7,560.00	
10100530	535500 00000 Travel	7,543.25	10,000.00	9,000.00	6,826.35	11,265.09	9,000.00	
10535050	535500 00000 Travel	2,785.53	7,000.00	7,000.00	.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	
10100530	535600 00000 Tuition	6,033.50	7,500.00	4,880.00	2,546.13	7,500.00	6,880.00	
10535050	535600 00000 Tuition	4,275.17	10,000.00	10,000.00	6,716.88	10,000.00	10,000.00	
10100530	539900 00000 Other Cont	3,031.20	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,500.00	
10535050	539900 00000 Other Cont	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00	
10100530	541300 00000 Drugs and	93,820.94	95,000.00	95,000.00	64,529.11	95,000.00	95,000.00	
10100530	542200 00000 Food Suppl	40.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	300.00	
10100530	542500 00000 Gasoline	833.72	.00	1,000.00	443.53	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100530	542900 00000 Instr Supp	982.47	1,000.00	1,000.00	31.77	1,000.00	500.00	
10535050	542900 00000 Instr Supp	4,765.72	12,000.00	12,000.00	5,773.17	12,000.00	12,000.00	
10100530	543500 00000 Office Sup	4,570.16	4,500.00	4,500.00	2,472.90	4,500.00	4,500.00	
10100530	545100 00000 Uniforms	.00	.00	1,000.00	.00	.00	1,000.00	
10100530	551300 00000 Workers Co	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,790.67	
10100530	571100 00000 Furniture	8,299.97	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
	TOTAL Criminal Court	948,577.51	1,079,945.65	1,079,945.65	767,445.13	1,082,210.74	1,108,712.78	

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

53200/Recovery Court

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Amy Galyon

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Synthetic drugs sold legally at gas stations and tobacco shops that can cause opioid like high’s and are difficult to detect through urine drug testing.

Request from County Commission:

Additional \$10,000 from the Opioid Grant for lab confirmations using OpAns DBS.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

It cost \$100.00 for every valid DBS sample we send.

Benefit:

With each valid sample we get a comprehensive result for illicit drugs, over the counter/prescribed medication, synthetic drugs(gas station drugs).

Return on Investment:

This is another step toward accountability for the participants we serve. It also allows us to increase the safety we offer to the community to ensure those we are serving are practicing complete sobriety and address issues when they are struggling.

Budget Impact:

2026 Original Budget:	\$1,079,945.65	Revenue Request:	\$ or Use of FB
2026 Budget Estimate:	\$1,079,945.65	Expense Request:	\$10,000
2027 Requested Budget:	\$*293,964		

GENERAL SESSIONS JUDGES

WILLIAM R. BREWER, JR., DIVISION III

MICHAEL A. GALLEGOS, DIVISION I

ROBERT L. HEADRICK, DIVISION IV

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

General Sessions Judges preside over all of the cases filed in the General Sessions Court of Blount County. These include civil cases with monetary disputes up to \$25,000.00; misdemeanor criminal cases and preliminary hearings for felony cases; domestic relations including divorce, child custody, and co-parenting; probate cases; domestic violence cases and emergency involuntary judicial mental health commitments.

We assist attorneys and the general public with setting cases and general information regarding court matters.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

FINANCIAL IMPACT ON OTHER OFFICES

General Session Court Clerk	All Revenue
Probation	Projected \$380,000.00 fiscal year 2025/26
Animal Shelter and Other Community Service Partners	11 participants for community service so far for fiscal year 2025/26, 489 hours ordered, 436 hours completed.
Clerk & Master	General Sessions & Probate - \$148,217.50 (July 2025-February 2026)
Sheriff (Jail)	Probation pretrial release with monitoring for those that qualify and/or suspended sentence reduce jail population therefore reducing costs



FY26-27 Goals

Continue to serve the citizens of Blount County and all users of the Blount County General Sessions Courts in a fair and efficient manner.



Thank You



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PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53310 General Sessions Judge							
10100540 510200 00000 Judges	806,636.52	844,139.47	844,139.47	606,559.80	844,139.47	852,439.76	
10100540 516100 00000 Secretary	157,553.26	193,438.66	193,438.66	117,020.52	193,438.66	176,320.87	
10100540 518900 00000 Other Sala	.00	9,900.00	9,900.00	.00	9,900.00	9,900.00	
10100540 520100 00000 Social Sec	51,895.76	64,329.84	64,329.84	37,993.66	64,329.84	64,681.63	
10100540 520400 00000 State Reti	66,528.68	77,195.81	77,195.81	53,834.42	77,195.81	82,834.22	
10100540 520600 00000 Life Ins E	406.95	415.44	415.44	303.77	415.44	416.64	
10100540 520700 00000 Health Ins	87,426.00	88,152.00	88,152.00	65,883.00	88,152.00	87,468.00	
10100540 520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,969.80	1,977.36	1,977.36	1,483.02	1,977.36	1,977.36	
10100540 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	62.98	580.32	580.32	63.02	580.32	528.96	
10100540 521200 00000 Employer M	13,414.88	15,044.88	15,044.88	10,064.31	15,044.88	15,127.16	
10100540 530700 00000 Communicat	6,404.92	6,190.00	6,190.00	5,618.28	5,710.00	6,190.00	
10100540 532000 00000 Dues and M	3,798.73	4,150.00	4,150.00	1,835.68	3,901.50	4,150.00	
10100540 533000 00000 Lease Paym	43.13	1,200.00	1,200.00	28.42	72.00	1,200.00	
10100540 533200 00000 Legal Noti	1,046.05	2,500.00	2,500.00	852.90	1,600.00	2,500.00	
10100540 533700 00000 Maint. And	540.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	555.00	555.00	1,500.00	
10100540 534900 00000 Printing S	118.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	.00	2,000.00	
10100540 535500 00000 Travel	4,099.81	7,000.00	6,790.00	3,330.90	2,556.52	7,000.00	
10100540 535600 00000 Tuition	875.50	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,030.00	927.00	1,450.00	
10100540 542200 00000 Food Suppl	36.00	500.00	500.00	36.20	50.00	500.00	
10100540 543200 00000 Library Bo	3,131.82	3,350.00	3,560.00	3,552.35	3,506.29	3,350.00	
10100540 543500 00000 Office Sup	5,850.68	8,500.00	8,500.00	3,212.03	6,677.00	8,500.00	
10100540 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,152.00	1,152.00	1,152.00	1,152.00	1,152.00	1,139.52	
10100540 571100 00000 Funiture a	2,759.49	1,500.00	1,500.00	72.99	.00	1,500.00	
TOTAL General Sessions Judge	1,215,750.96	1,336,165.78	1,336,165.78	914,482.27	1,321,881.09	1,332,674.12	

Judicial Commissioners

JUDGE WILLIAM R BREWER

ERIC L HINKLE - DIRECTOR

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The purpose of this classification is to perform operational work associated with General Sessions Court and the judicial process. Duties and responsibilities include preparing warrants and petitions, conducting probable cause hearings, issuing warrants and criminal summons, Orders of Protections, performing data entry, providing information and assistance to the public, filing court documents, processing documentation, maintaining files, and providing general support within the department. Reports to the General Sessions Judges.

We assist attorneys and the general public with setting cases and general information regarding court matters.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Adult Criminal Cases: total Arrest Warrants, Criminal Summons: 10,449
- Orders of Protection (Applied/Granted): 233 applied / 196 granted
- Juvenile Petitions fielded: 124 issued/executed



FY26-27 Goals

Continue to serve the citizens of Blount County and all users of the Blount County General Sessions Courts in a fair and efficient manner.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review COMMENT
53700 Judicial Commissioners						
10100590 516200 00000 Clerical P	235,122.23	280,396.14	280,396.14	176,599.64	280,396.14	278,187.40
10100590 518700 00000 Overtime P	150.63	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
10100590 520100 00000 Social Sec	14,285.75	18,897.40	18,897.40	10,713.03	18,897.40	17,247.62
10100590 520400 00000 State Reti	9,957.70	13,183.25	13,183.25	9,077.20	13,183.25	14,595.75
10100590 520600 00000 Life Ins E	148.96	164.16	164.16	115.92	164.16	165.36
10100590 520700 00000 Health Ins	22,902.00	23,832.00	23,832.00	17,676.00	23,832.00	23,496.00
10100590 520800 00000 Dental Ins	551.12	564.96	564.96	423.72	564.96	564.96
10100590 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	153.83	914.39	914.39	150.69	914.39	834.56
10100590 521200 00000 Employer M	3,341.04	4,419.55	4,419.55	2,505.47	4,419.55	4,033.72
10100590 530700 00000 Communicat	2,314.08	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,064.46	3,000.00	3,000.00
10100590 532000 00000 Dues and M	.00	800.00	800.00	.00	800.00	800.00
10100590 533000 00000 Lease Paym	248.87	1,000.00	1,000.00	149.85	1,000.00	1,000.00
10100590 543200 00000 Library Bo	.00	750.00	750.00	.00	750.00	750.00
10100590 543500 00000 Office Sup	3,666.58	5,000.00	5,000.00	985.67	5,277.40	5,000.00
10100590 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	1,526.49	488.37
TOTAL Judicial Commissioners	294,369.28	354,448.34	354,448.34	221,988.14	354,725.74	350,163.74

Blount County Emergency Communication District (911)

JUDGE WILLIAM BREWER, BOARD CHAIRMAN

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Total Phone Calls in 2025 – 182,525

Total Text Messages in 2025 – 1,742

Total Fire Calls (Including EMS) Processed in 2025 – 10,712

Total Law Enforcement Calls Processed in 2025 – 151,815

Total CAD Entries Processed in 2025 – 162,989

Total NCIC Transactions Processed in 2025 – 197,652



FY25-26 Accomplishments

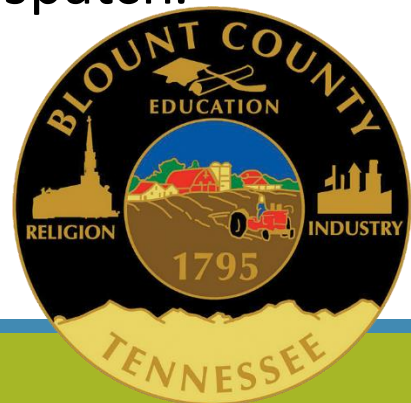
Partnered with Law Enforcement and stood up the Real-Time Operations Center

Enhanced Telecommunicator Quality Assurance Program – AI Assistance

Updated Telecom and Radio Recording System

CALEA 5th Re-Accreditation

Updated Critical Infrastructure-Data Center Climate Control, UPS Back-up Power Source, Added 3 Radio Console Positions to Dispatch Center and 1 to B/U Center. Raising total Dispatch Positions to 11 in Primary Dispatch and 6 in B/U Dispatch.



FY26-27 Goals

Addition of one dispatch position which will facilitate the opening of a records channel and a dedicated Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) to coordinate NCIC Transactions

Addition of one administrative position which will facilitate a dedicated Training Manager/ Accreditation Manager. This will begin to alleviate Supervisors being responsible for multiple functions which take them off the Dispatch Floor.



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Last increase in local govt funding was received in 2023.

SJR0048 is currently in committee at the state legislature. It passed the Senate last year and if it should pass the House and become law it will raise the 911 Cell Phone Surcharge from \$1.50 to \$1.86. Which will help 911 across the state and will provide additional funding for BCECD.

Should this legislation not pass, our district will not be able to address the goals for next year. Our additional budget request of \$100,000.00 will only serve to prevent the district from experiencing a negative budget in FY 26/27.



Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:								
Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
54490	Other Emergency Management							
10100730	530900 00000 Contracts	463,994.00	463,994.00	463,994.00	347,995.50	463,994.00	563,993.50	_____
	TOTAL Other Emergency Manage	463,994.00	463,994.00	463,994.00	347,995.50	463,994.00	563,993.50	_____



BLOUNT COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT

PO BOX 4609

MARYVILLE, TN 37802-4609

February 12, 2026

Brian Baldwin
Blount County Finance
341 Court St.
Maryville, TN 37804

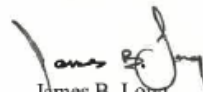
Subject: Request for Increase in Annual Funding Contribution

The Blount County Emergency Communications District (BCECD) Board of Directors has authorized me to respectfully request an increase in the annual funding provided by the Blount County Government.

Due to rising operating expenses and the continued need to maintain a high level of emergency communications services for our community, the BCECD is requesting an annual funding increase of \$100,000.00. This adjustment would bring the Blount County Government's total annual contribution to \$563,994.00.

We greatly value our partnership with the county and appreciate your continued support of emergency communications services. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,



James B. Long
Director

Juvenile Court

KENLYN FOSTER, JUDGE

SARAH DUNN, DIRECTOR

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Child Welfare (Dependency and Neglect)
 - Department of Children's Services
 - Emergency Foster Care or Transfer of Custody
 - Restraining Orders and Injunctions
 - Private Petitioners (e.g., grandparents)
- Termination of Parental Rights
- Parentage
 - Genetic Testing, Legitimation, Surname Determination
- Custody and Co-Parenting



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Delinquency
 - Crimes
- Unruliness
 - Offenses Only a Child Can Commit
- Child Support
 - Title IV-D Cases (gov't assistance)
 - Genetic Testing, Parentage, Surname Determination
 - Unmarried Couples
 - Other Caregivers



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Prevention Services

- YSOs

- Intake, Counseling
 - Referrals for Services, Referrals to DCS
 - Informal Adjustment, Youth Court
 - County Probation and Intensive Probation

- DCS Court Liaisons

- Family Crisis Intervention
 - Family Support Services
 - Referrals for Services, Referrals to DCS
 - State Probation



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Safe Baby Court + Safe Baby Court Coordinator
- 7,200 Court Hearings
- 11% Reduction of Blount County Children in Foster Care*

* *Calendar Year 2025*



FY26-27 Goals

- Continue to Improve Services to Our Community; Expand Safe Baby Court
- Decriminalize Behaviors, Rehabilitate Children
- Keep Families Together Whenever Possible



Thank You



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PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53500	Juvenile Court							
10100570	511200 00000 Youth Serv	265,175.07	295,651.85	295,651.85	212,218.56	295,651.85	306,203.72	
10536020	511200 00000 Youth Serv	420.40	63,000.00	50,437.00	35,061.27	50,437.00	52,828.61	
10536010	514000 00000 SalSupplmt	31,057.96	36,570.86	36,570.86	7,115.45	36,570.86	36,570.86	
10536020	514000 00000 Salary Sup	226.45	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,469.10	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100570	516100 00000 Secretary	43,764.27	50,285.00	50,285.00	35,912.05	50,285.00	54,110.39	
10100570	516800 00000 Temporary	.00	4,400.00	4,400.00	.00	4,400.00	4,400.00	
10100570	518900 00000 Other Sala	178,346.74	194,924.78	194,924.78	123,214.02	194,924.78	199,590.43	
10100570	520100 00000 Social Sec	29,227.27	37,701.60	37,701.60	22,234.77	37,701.60	34,714.08	
10536010	520100 00000 SocSecur	1,878.99	2,352.00	2,352.00	426.54	2,352.00	2,352.00	
10536020	520100 00000 Social Sec	39.66	3,866.75	3,437.09	2,335.19	3,437.09	3,275.37	
10100570	520400 00000 State Reti	27,988.65	45,242.02	45,242.02	20,578.39	45,242.02	44,456.42	
10536010	520400 00000 State Reti	2,063.53	2,720.87	2,720.87	529.45	2,720.87	2,720.87	
10536020	520400 00000 State Reti	31.25	1,621.93	4,124.51	1,132.53	4,124.51	4,194.59	
10100570	520600 00000 Life Ins E	383.06	455.52	455.52	302.49	455.52	476.16	
10536010	520600 00000 LifeInsER	23.55	59.52	59.52	5.33	59.52	59.52	
10536020	520600 00000 Life Ins E	.12	59.52	59.52	39.51	59.52	59.52	
10100570	520700 00000 Health Ins	67,151.52	78,480.00	78,480.00	54,718.84	78,480.00	84,660.00	
10536010	520700 00000 HealthER	3,693.00	7,176.00	7,176.00	1,197.16	7,176.00	7,176.00	
10536020	520700 00000 Health Ins	14.48	16,656.00	16,656.00	25.00	16,656.00	16,656.00	
10100570	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,883.58	1,412.40	1,412.40	1,549.38	1,412.40	2,259.84	
10536010	520800 00000 DentalER	109.19	282.48	282.48	28.90	282.48	282.48	
10536020	520800 00000 Dental Ins	.57	282.48	282.48	188.32	282.48	282.48	
10100570	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	180.35	1,615.39	1,615.39	207.05	1,615.39	1,679.71	
10536010	521000 00000 UnemplCmp	8.67	113.81	113.81	1.75	113.81	113.81	
10536020	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	.58	65.40	65.40	43.24	65.40	158.49	
10100570	521200 00000 Employer M	6,835.37	7,807.71	7,807.71	5,200.06	7,807.71	8,118.62	
10536010	521200 00000 ERMediCost	439.47	2,783.22	2,783.22	99.75	2,783.22	2,783.22	
10536020	521200 00000 Employer M	9.27	316.10	803.84	546.15	803.84	766.01	
10100570	530700 00000 Communicat	8,082.32	10,000.00	10,000.00	6,056.46	10,000.00	10,000.00	
10536010	530700 00000 Communicat	820.44	1,000.00	1,000.00	556.04	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10536010	531000 00000 Contracts	13,891.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	4,944.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	
10100570	531700 00000 Data Proce	.00	350.00	350.00	.00	350.00	350.00	
10100570	532000 00000 Dues and M	2,534.47	5,930.00	3,430.00	2,215.00	5,930.00	3,430.00	
10536010	532000 00000 Dues and M	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2,500.00	
10100570	533000 00000 Lease Paym	1,323.89	2,500.00	2,500.00	682.95	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100570	534000 00000 Medical an	6,400.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,600.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	
10536010	534000 00000 Medical an	4,900.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
10100570	534800 00000 PostalChg	.00	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
10100570	534900 00000 Printing S	326.81	400.00	400.00	337.92	400.00	400.00	
10100570	535500 00000 Travel	11,228.60	15,500.00	26,787.62	21,812.08	16,640.00	26,787.62	
10536010	535500 00000 Travel	4,553.89	5,850.00	5,850.00	4,358.83	6,290.00	5,850.00	

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PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
10536020 535500 00000 Travel	.00	2,631.82	2,631.82	2,284.75	2,631.82	2,631.82	
10100570 535600 00000 Tuition	3,883.50	7,700.00	9,519.17	8,469.38	7,736.00	9,519.17	
10536020 535600 00000 Tuition	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	160.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100570 539900 00000 Other Cont	163,815.41	220,000.00	220,000.00	201,666.63	220,000.00	220,000.00	
10536020 539900 00000 Other Cont	942.02	3,000.00	5,793.00	.00	5,793.00	5,793.00	
10100570 541100 00000 DataProcSu	324.41	500.00	500.00	175.49	500.00	500.00	
10100570 541300 00000 Drugs and	1,187.92	5,000.00	2,553.21	450.00	5,000.00	2,553.21	
10536010 541300 00000 Drugs and	1,033.92	3,259.24	3,259.24	28.00	3,259.24	3,259.24	
10100570 542200 00000 Food Suppl	717.66	1,000.00	1,000.00	648.25	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100570 542900 00000 InstrSuppl	.00	300.00	300.00	.00	300.00	300.00	
10100570 543200 00000 Library Bo	899.25	2,049.04	2,049.04	824.70	2,100.94	2,100.94	
10100570 543500 00000 Office Sup	4,331.68	4,500.00	4,500.00	1,960.39	4,596.63	4,596.63	
10536010 543500 00000 Office Sup	930.64	1,000.00	1,000.00	276.03	1,058.88	1,058.88	
10536020 543500 00000 Office Sup	49,253.44	2,000.00	8,500.34	431.57	9,624.44	9,624.44	
10100570 545100 00000 Uniforms	.00	706.05	706.05	527.92	706.05	706.05	
10100570 547100 00000 Comp Softw	6,000.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	
10536010 547100 00000 Computer S	750.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100570 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,356.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,465.10	
10536010 559900 00000 Other Char	.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
10100570 570700 00000 Building I	9,253.49	10,160.00	2,200.00	105.25	10,496.77	2,286.76	
10100570 571100 00000 Furniture	526.83	1,000.00	800.00	.00	1,073.17	1,073.17	
TOTAL Juvenile Court	960,221.49	1,220,008.24	1,219,299.24	794,020.77	1,222,656.69	1,248,935.23	

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Serving Blount County

Plan & execute Local, State and Federal Elections in Blount County

Manage Database of approx. 100,000 voters – Registration & Maintenance

Recruit, appoint, train and manage Poll Workers for each Election

Administer the Candidate Petition process

Oversee the Voting Machine Certification process

Verify Balloting & Results for each Election

GIS Coordination with Voter Registration & Balloting

Ensure all current Election Law is upheld



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Performed extensive Voter List Maintenance process as mandated including:
 - Legislative changes
 - additional information sources
 - revised processes
- Identified & Procured new and improved Poll Book application for Election Day
- Identified & Procured more efficient Poll Worker organization tools
- Worked closely with the I.T. Department to guarantee continuing Election Integrity
- Undertaken steps to streamline the efficiency of the Election Office



FY26-27 Goals

- Successful execution of 2026 Election cycle
- Continuing efficiency and streamlining of internal processes of the Election Office
 - Learning from 2026 Elections
 - Working within climate of potential changing Election Legislation
- Revisit the possibility of Convenience Voting Centers for Election Day



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NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51500 Election Commission							
10100350 510100 00000 County Off	107,131.00	110,344.93	110,344.93	76,392.72	110,344.93	113,247.00	
10100350 516200 00000 Clerical P	119,134.16	135,433.96	135,433.96	88,200.00	135,433.96	139,816.83	
10100350 516800 00000 Temporary	46,291.80	30,000.00	30,000.00	536.25	30,000.00	30,000.00	
10100350 518700 00000 Overtime P	7,212.59	7,000.00	7,000.00	138.40	7,000.00	7,000.00	
10100350 519200 00000 Election C	30,111.89	26,500.00	26,500.00	17,445.78	26,500.00	26,500.00	
10100350 519300 00000 Election W	235,970.99	145,000.00	145,000.00	.00	145,000.00	145,000.00	
10100350 519600 00000 InServce	10,950.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
10100350 520100 00000 Social Sec	26,578.67	25,849.03	25,849.03	10,757.34	25,849.03	17,386.17	
10100350 520400 00000 State Reti	14,812.71	18,285.95	18,285.95	10,662.14	18,285.95	22,265.51	
10100350 520600 00000 Life Ins E	194.00	211.68	211.68	139.22	211.68	215.28	
10100350 520700 00000 Health Ins	54,612.00	66,624.40	66,624.40	39,451.00	66,624.40	66,492.00	
10100350 520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,090.29	1,129.92	1,129.92	776.82	1,129.92	1,129.92	
10100350 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	715.00	1,025.76	1,025.76	130.32	1,025.76	497.87	
10100350 521200 00000 Employer M	6,335.36	5,972.84	5,972.84	2,515.80	5,972.84	4,066.12	
10100350 530700 00000 Communicat	4,276.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	2,185.16	7,500.00	5,000.00	
10100350 532000 00000 Dues and M	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	900.00	1,000.00	
10100350 533000 00000 Lease Paym	1,093.46	2,400.00	2,400.00	1,400.00	2,983.78	3,000.00	
10100350 533200 00000 Legal Noti	20,673.45	20,000.00	20,000.00	909.09	20,000.00	20,000.00	
10100350 533300 00000 Licenses	36,627.18	50,000.00	50,000.00	40,920.16	50,000.00	50,000.00	
10100350 533400 00000 Maintenanc	.00	20,000.00	55,000.00	39,490.67	55,000.00	25,000.00	
10100350 534800 00000 PostalChg	15,617.08	18,000.00	18,000.00	8,850.16	18,000.00	18,000.00	
10100350 534900 00000 Printing S	6,088.65	7,500.00	7,500.00	3,635.38	7,500.00	7,500.00	
10100350 535100 00000 Rentals	1,368.75	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,665.10	2,000.00	
10100350 535500 00000 Travel	1,690.58	6,000.00	6,000.00	1,125.60	6,000.00	3,000.00	
10100350 535600 00000 Tuition	700.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,200.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100350 541100 00000 Data Proce	115.98	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100350 542200 00000 Food Suppl	2,245.07	2,000.00	2,000.00	480.46	2,000.00	2,500.00	
10100350 542500 00000 Gasoline	166.99	600.00	600.00	.00	600.00	600.00	
10100350 543500 00000 Office Sup	12,786.70	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,417.79	5,065.00	7,500.00	
10100350 549900 00000 Other Supp	.00	16,000.00	41,000.00	32,582.62	16,000.00	16,000.00	
10100350 551300 00000 Workers Co	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	1,865.71	488.37	
TOTAL Election Commission	766,456.06	752,244.18	812,244.18	383,208.59	788,958.06	751,705.07	

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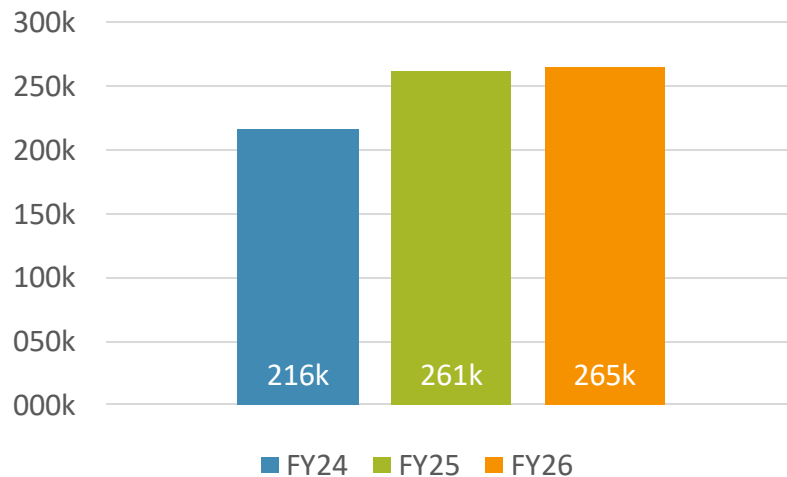
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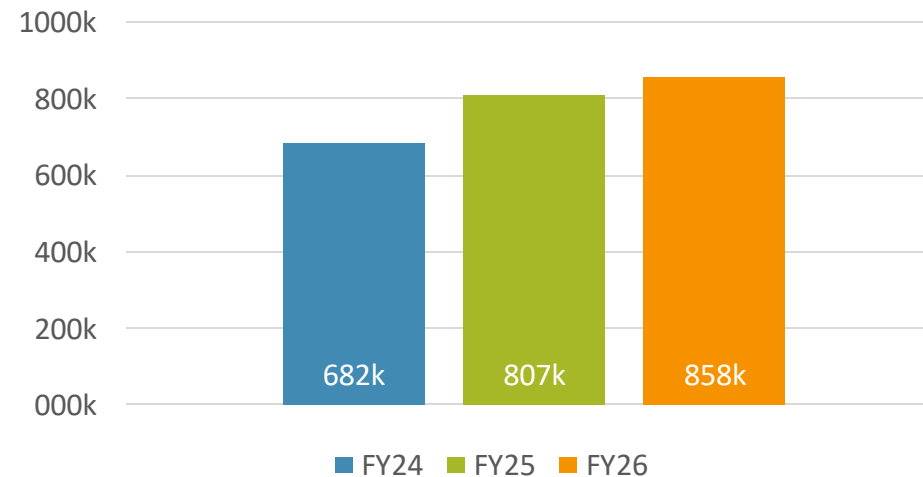
What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Blount County Public Library serves as a dynamic community hub for the County. It primarily focuses on lifelong learning, vocational growth, and cultural development. Our materials, programs, and spaces help parents teach their children to love literacy and education, houses resources for teachers and homeschoolers, and helps to preserve the collective memory of the county via our special collections and partnerships.

Projected Library Visits

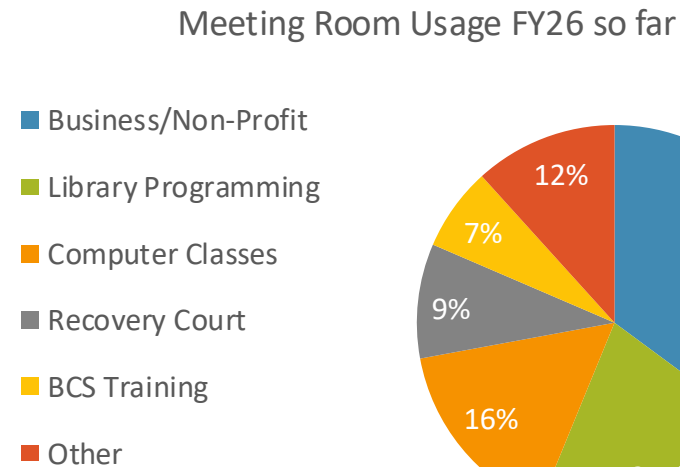
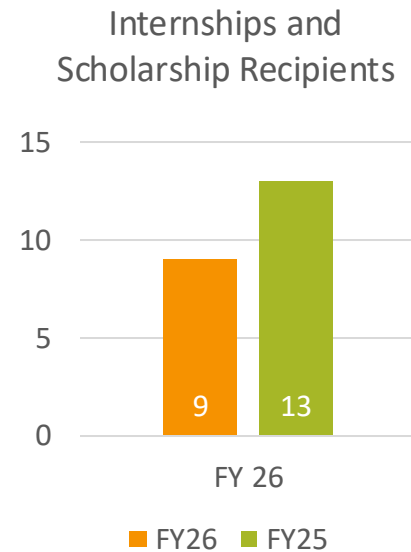
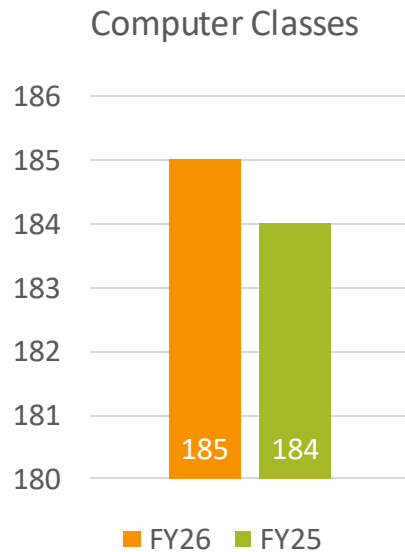


Projected Library Circulation



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

We've played a critical role in local economic development through strategic partnerships and workforce training via internships, vocational training, computer literacy training, and meeting rooms available to local businesses. Specific partnerships have included Arconic Grants, Bonner Scholars from Maryville College, workforce hiring days, philanthropic efforts with the Giving Tree, Project Hope, and with the Blount Partnership.



What we do (How we serve Blount County)



We help reduce the 'Summer slump' to keep literacy rates up in the summer, and offer more than 400 programs just for children to advance interest in literacy and STEAM.

Almost 1 out of every 2 Blount County residents have a library card.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

1. Hosted six bestselling authors, including a high-profile national book tour launch.
2. Launched a Teen Advisory Board that has already reached maximum facility capacity due to rapid growth.
3. Partnered with local schools and colleges to provide internships and vocational training for students.
4. Hosted the Giving Tree which was so popular that it had to be restocked multiple times
5. Increased our circulation numbers, programs, and partnerships compared to this time last year
6. Unveiled a Middle Grade area for Tweens.
7. Rolled out the Automated Materials Handler.



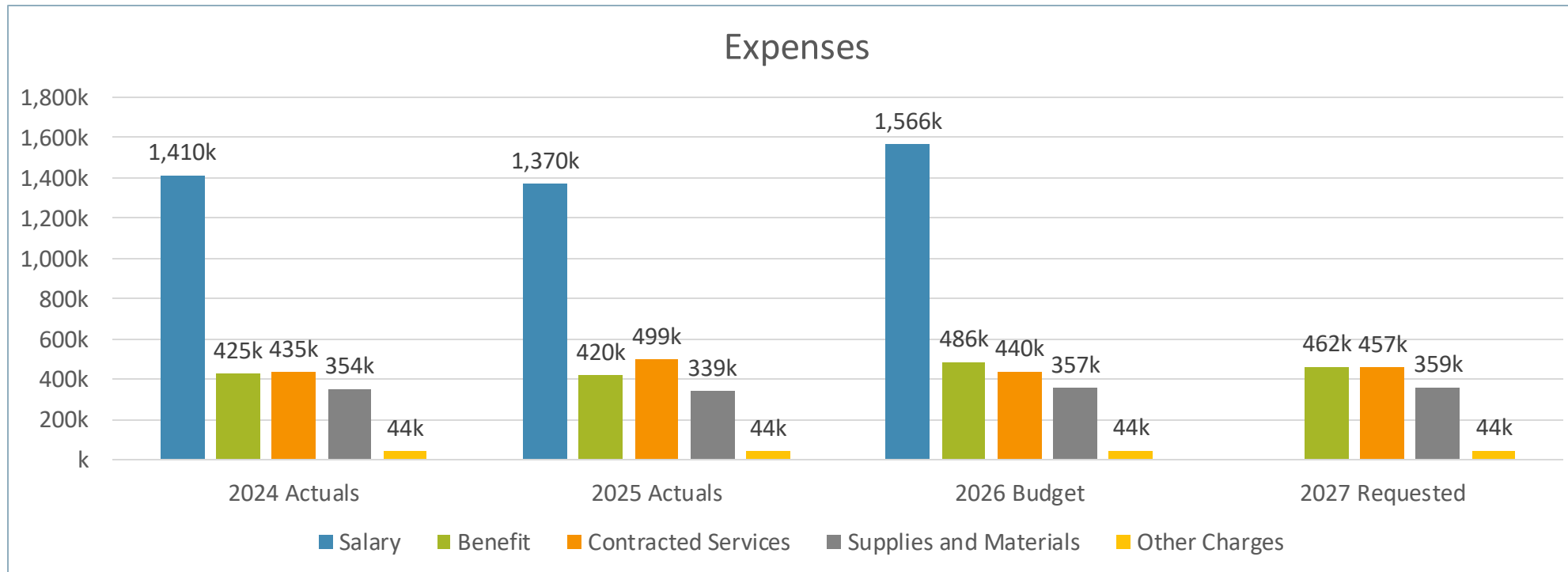
FY26-27 Goals

1. Develop a 3 year strategic plan that addresses better long-term planning, adapting our space and facilities for continued growth, and investigating staff training and efficiency growth.
2. Increase revenue in the café to cover expenses for a second café support member.
3. Increase and Develop our local partnerships and relationships
4. Create a new historical event celebrating Blount County's history



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

The library requests a minor increase of 2% mostly to cover increases in demand for electronic materials.



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NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Library		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
00000	No Department							
000	No Program							
11500010	433500 00000 Copy Fees	-19,528.46	-15,000.00	-15,000.00	-14,311.14	-15,000.00	-17,000.00	
11500010	433600 00000 Fines/Fees	-37,268.69	-46,500.00	-46,500.00	-21,810.98	-46,500.00	-46,500.00	
11500010	441100 00000 Investment	-82,932.52	-57,000.00	-57,000.00	-46,703.63	-57,000.00	-57,000.00	
11500010	445700 00000 Contributi	-253,629.00	-80,080.52	-80,080.52	.00	-80,080.52	.00	
11500010	449901 00000 Misc	.00	.00	.00	-5.00	.00	.00	
11500010	449904 00000 Resale	-1,396.97	-1,180.00	-1,180.00	-222.62	-1,180.00	-1,180.00	
11500010	449908 00000 Cafe	-74,700.17	-60,000.00	-60,000.00	-61,603.62	-60,000.00	-85,000.00	
11500010	449909 00000 Meet Rooms	-24,369.18	-30,000.00	-30,000.00	-15,786.61	-30,000.00	-30,000.00	
11500010	481401 00000 Maryville	-877,026.00	-877,026.00	-877,026.00	-657,769.50	-877,026.00	-877,026.00	
11500010	481403 00000 Alcoa	-264,117.80	-264,117.80	-264,117.80	-198,088.35	-264,117.80	-264,117.80	
11500010	486100 00000 Donations	-37.00	.00	.00	-10.00	.00	.00	
11500010	498002 00000 Transfers	-1,462,000.00	-1,462,000.00	-1,462,000.00	-1,096,500.00	-1,462,000.00	-1,462,000.00	
TOTAL No Department		-3,097,005.79	-2,892,904.32	-2,892,904.32	-2,112,811.45	-2,892,904.32	-2,839,823.80	

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ACCOUNTS FOR:				2025	2026	2026	2026	2026	2027
Library				ACTUAL	ORIG BUD	REVISED BUD	ACTUAL	PROJECTION	Req Review COMMENT
56500	Libraries								
11500030	510100	00000	County Off	107,369.61	116,205.30	116,205.30	79,295.81	116,205.30	115,729.80
11500030	510500	00000	Supervisor	106,656.47	157,224.23	157,224.23	105,720.46	157,224.23	163,095.17
11500030	512900	00000	Librarians	557,462.58	591,960.23	591,960.23	397,291.92	591,960.23	610,204.02
11500030	513300	00000	Paraprof	147,579.75	161,008.80	161,008.80	113,305.23	161,008.80	155,640.00
11500030	513600	00000	OnlineSer	41,501.85	45,501.45	45,501.45	26,994.15	45,501.45	47,209.76
11500030	516100	00000	Secretary	123,728.31	144,810.16	144,810.16	98,771.22	144,810.16	149,708.45
11500030	516500	00000	Cafeteria	45,769.08	49,414.42	49,414.42	34,024.31	49,414.42	51,266.17
11500030	516800	00000	Temporary	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	6,846.44
11500030	516900	00000	Part time	239,826.64	300,203.37	300,203.37	179,887.16	300,203.37	300,203.37
11500030	518700	00000	Overtime P	69.57	.00	.00	42.67	.00	.00
11500030	520100	00000	Social Sec	80,147.80	97,112.33	97,112.33	60,495.56	97,112.33	101,472.25
11500030	520400	00000	State Reti	93,741.29	111,672.19	111,672.19	70,075.50	111,672.19	106,491.64
11500030	520600	00000	Life Ins E	1,104.18	1,225.84	1,225.84	838.94	1,225.84	1,062.48
11500030	520700	00000	Health Ins	190,900.67	207,588.00	207,588.00	157,291.06	207,588.00	184,008.00
11500030	520800	00000	Dental Ins	5,135.34	5,649.12	5,649.12	4,025.34	5,649.12	5,084.64
11500030	521000	00000	Unemp Comp	772.73	4,698.98	4,698.98	702.28	4,698.98	4,562.76
11500030	521100	00000	Retiree Be	29,377.47	35,000.00	35,000.00	12,355.78	35,000.00	35,000.00
11500030	521200	00000	Employer M	19,181.58	22,711.76	22,711.76	14,468.07	22,711.76	23,731.41
11500030	530600	00000	Bank Charg	4,219.25	4,650.00	4,968.81	4,092.31	4,650.00	4,836.00
11500030	530700	00000	Communicat	27,436.58	28,900.00	20,567.00	17,823.99	28,900.00	30,056.00
11500030	531700	00000	Data Proce	29,687.41	26,612.00	28,771.31	21,181.15	26,612.00	27,676.00
11500030	531800	00000	Debt Colle	504.70	782.00	1,782.00	638.60	782.00	782.00
11500030	532000	00000	Dues and M	4,871.52	5,000.00	4,696.31	4,331.31	5,000.00	5,000.00
11500030	533000	00000	Lease Paym	5,583.22	6,250.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,722.49	5,250.00
11500030	533300	00000	Licenses	100,815.33	92,000.00	110,821.51	96,033.40	94,293.17	110,000.00
11500030	534800	00000	Postal Cha	215.69	450.00	314.75	310.75	450.00	450.00
11500030	534900	00000	Printing S	283.23	700.00	391.85	91.85	700.00	700.00
11500030	535500	00000	Travel	7,038.45	6,000.00	1,444.05	853.64	6,000.00	6,000.00
11500030	535600	00000	Tuition	2,549.00	2,600.00	4,263.10	2,973.10	2,600.00	2,600.00
11500030	536100	00000	Permits	.00	130.00	130.00	.00	130.00	130.00
11500030	539900	00000	Other Cont	.00	500.00	.00	.00	500.00	500.00
11500030	541000	00000	Custodial	936.15	400.00	38.64	38.64	400.00	400.00
11500030	541100	00000	Data Proce	371.00	6,950.00	307.00	307.00	6,950.00	6,950.00
11500030	542100	00000	Food Prepa	4,820.79	5,000.00	393.16	343.16	5,171.80	5,000.00
11500030	542200	00000	Food Suppl	36,629.63	37,500.00	39,119.22	34,727.68	38,323.15	40,500.00
11500030	543200	00000	Library Bo	85,444.58	110,000.00	72,154.46	40,727.93	120,674.42	100,000.00
11500030	543500	00000	Office Sup	12,485.80	13,000.00	14,000.00	11,582.00	13,000.00	15,000.00
11500030	543700	00000	Periodical	12,481.66	14,262.14	14,112.14	14,073.65	15,759.89	14,262.14
11500030	545200	00000	Utilities	185,265.21	170,000.00	207,410.83	136,175.80	170,000.00	177,000.00
11500030	549900	00000	Other Supp	210.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
11500030	550600	00000	Liability	36,000.00	36,000.00	36,000.00	36,000.00	36,000.00	36,000.00

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ACCOUNTS FOR:											
Library				2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT	
11500030	551000	00000	Trustee Co	1,368.67	1,600.00	1,600.00	810.56	1,600.00	1,600.00		
11500030	551300	00000	Workers Co	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00		
TOTAL Libraries				2,355,742.79	2,627,472.32	2,627,472.32	1,790,901.98	2,643,405.10	2,658,208.50		

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PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99	
ACCOUNTS FOR:								
Library		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
91110	General Administration Project							
11500050	533500 00000 Maint. And	315,327.90	265,432.00	265,432.00	3,004.37	265,432.00	263,332.00	_____
11500050	570700 00000 Building I	246,759.60	.00	.00	.00	6,870.00	.00	_____
	TOTAL General Administration	562,087.50	265,432.00	265,432.00	3,004.37	272,302.00	263,332.00	_____
	TOTAL Library	-179,175.50	.00	.00	-318,905.10	22,802.78	81,716.70	_____

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The library will be 25 years old in 2027, and there are several needs for general repairs due to its aging infrastructure. Current specific issues include interior paint in certain areas, the retaining wall in the Shakespeare Garden is failing, and the handrails overlooking the Greenway.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County fund Capital Repairs for the library

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

The Library requests \$119,026 for FY27, \$75,000 for FY28, FY29, and FY30.

Return on Investment:

The library will be able to use the building for a longer amount of time with less incurred costs due to neglecting the space.

Benefit:

Continual updates on the structure will ensure that damage due to wear will not lead to a more expensive update in the future.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	N/A	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	N/A	Expense Request:	\$344,026
2026 Requested Budget:	\$119,026		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Acoustic spillover from the children’s area is a continuous complaint within the library due to the open space design. Children also have run away from their parents quickly towards exits, warranting a safety concern.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund the construction of a wall to enclose the children’s area.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Current estimates are \$50,000 for FY27.

Return on Investment:

The library would be able to create a safer environment while concurrently allowing a quieter experience for the rest of the public.

Benefit:

Children would be less able to run away from their parents, and there would be less noise coming into the quieter spaces of the library.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	N/A	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	N/A	Expense Request:	\$50,000 (FY27)
2026 Requested Budget:	N/A		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The Library’s HVAC vents are showing significant accumulation, with debris reported falling from vents in several areas.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund our Capital request to clean the ducts

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Prior funding requests in FY25 esitimated the cost at \$50,000

Return on Investment:

Cleaner vents would prevent debris from falling in various areas, helping to keep the spaces cleaner and reduce the accumulation on areas that must be cleaned by janitorial staff.

Benefit:

The library is a heavily trafficked building by the public, and clean ducts would improve the air quality for the public and staff.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$50,000	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$50,000	Expense Request:	\$50,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$50,000		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The current intercom system operates on an analog signal that is unrepairable if it breaks. In the event of an emergency notice, staff would have to reach the intercom system in Patron Services. There are also no speakers in the basement or Learning Lab. Audio quality is also noticeable when the library is occupied, and a transition to a digital system is requested.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund our capital request to replace our intercom with a digital setup.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Current estimates are \$50,000 for FY27.

Return on Investment:

The library would be a safer environment as announcements could reach all areas of the library. A digital setup would also allow announcements from other departments and could be heard more clearly. Closing announcements could also be recorded for better consistency.

Benefit:

Responses to emergencies would be faster, and announcements could be reached in places currently unavailable.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	N/A	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	N/A	Expense Request:	\$50,000 (FY27)
2026 Requested Budget:	N/A		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The Library’s carpeting is showing wear due to age. Several areas are stained and frayed and are in need of replacement. In several places, frayed carpeting has been a potential tripping hazard, and loose strings have caused damage to the Library’s vacuums.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund our capital request to replace the carpeting

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:
Prior funding estimates in FY25 \$350,000. We request a phased replacement to begin in heavily trafficked areas with minimal public disruption.

Benefit:
The library would have a better appearance, and would replace the existing rolled carpet with carpet squares which would be more easily able to replace trouble areas.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$350,000	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$350,000	Expense Request:	\$350,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$35,000		

Return on Investment:
Phased carpeting in areas such as the meeting rooms would cause less disruption and give a more attractive space for the meeting room clients. Squares would reduce the chance of loose strings damaging vacuums and causing a tripping hazard.

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Library space is a challenge during some programming, and some story times in the children’s area have caused an issue with space. Moving current shelving may require the County to outsource the work, while shelving on wheels would allow the library to adapt to a maneuverable setup that can change without effort.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund our capital request to purchase mobile shelving in the library at a phased rate based on need.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:
We would purchase mobile shelving at \$25,000 intervals for two years.

Benefit:
The Library could adjust its space to expand programming areas and/or adjust its layout when the need for adjusted public services is desired.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	N/A	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	N/A	Expense Request:	\$50,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$25,000		

Return on Investment:
Mobile shelves can move based on the library’s need, and would allow the library to save taxpayer’s money when needing to adjust the layout of it’s space. Adjustments based on need could also be more quickly adjusted and at a lesser/no cost.

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☐ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The cost and consumption of materials paid for in our license line have risen due to a inflation and increasing customer requests. This rise has led to a need to deny customer requests for eMaterials to stay within budget parameters.

Request from County Commission:

We request an increase to the Licenses Line item of 16% to cover expenses.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Rising demand for electronic media, inflation, and increased operational demand are the significant drivers to the cost.

Benefit:

Currently one third of all materials checked out are electronic. This increase would allow us to keep up with demand.

Return on Investment:

Due to inflation, supplier increases, and higher customer requests, the current budget for Licenses is no longer sufficient to cover all requests and expenses. Increasing this will maintain productivity, allow the library to deny less customer requests, and ensure that licensed products are available to the public.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$92,000	Revenue Request:	115-56500-533300
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$110,822	Expense Request:	\$18,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$110,000		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☒ Capital Request

☐ Personnel Request

☐ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

Acoustic spillover continues to be the largest complaint at the BCPL due to the open-spaced design of the interior; particularly in the children’s area. Phase one would be the immediate installation of sound mitigation barriers in study areas with exposed ceilings to provide relief to users in Adult Services.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission fund our capital request explore sound mitigation in the current study rooms next fiscal year.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

Phase one would be funding for sound mitigation, which is estimated at \$15,000.

Benefit:

The Library would have spaces available to the public that desire a quieter place to study or hold meetings.

Return on Investment:

Acoustic barriers in the current spaces would attract more professional groups and individuals looking for a quieter place to hold a meeting. It would also allow students and researchers have a space that would be quieter without having to use personal noise cancelling devices such as headphones.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	N/A	Revenue Request:	115-91110-533500
2025 Budget Estimate:	N/A	Expense Request:	\$15,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$15,000		

BUDGET REQUEST

Fund and Department:

Blount County Public Library

☐ Capital Request

Elected Official or Department Head:

Dustin Goforth

☐ Personnel Request

☒ Operational Request

SUMMARY

Bottom Line / Problem Statement:

The wear of the office chairs in the Adult Services warrants the need for their replacement. We are requesting an increase to cover the cost of the replacement of 7 chairs.

Request from County Commission:

We are requesting the County Commission increase our budget for Office Supplies by \$2,000.

BUSINESS CASE

Cost:

This one-time expense will be offset from a reduction of costs in the Capital Line item

Return on Investment:

Increasing the office supplies for this expense will increase the morale within the Adult Services department and prevent any potential injuries related to staff using chairs that are beyond their life-cycle.

Benefit:

This will prevent further deterioration of the chairs in the Adult Services department.

Budget Impact:

2025 Original Budget:	\$13,000	Revenue Request:	115-56500-543500
2025 Budget Estimate:	\$13,000	Expense Request:	\$18,000
2026 Requested Budget:	\$110,000		



PARKS & REC

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STAFF

22 Full Time Employees

- 9 Maintenance

- 5 Rec Center/ Senior Center

- 8 Administrative Office

7 Part Time Employees

As Many as 200 Seasonal Employees

FACILITIES

Approximately 200 Acres

2 Outdoor Pools

3 Rec Centers

1 Senior Center

1 Disc Golf Course

1 Dog Park

16 Parks

14 Pavilions

Louisville Point Park

Singleton Park



Programming

Over 5700 registrations for programs in 2025

- Camps
- Youth Athletics
- Adult Athletics
- Fitness
- Arts
- Aquatics
- Outdoor Recreation



Special Events

Hometown Christmas

Songs By the Brook

Triple Crown of Running

Halloween Spooktacular

Kids Fishing Derby

Smoky Mountain Classic

Paws in the Pool

Gotta Tri Kids Triathlon





Louisville Point Park

Over 100,000 visitors annually



Louisville Point Park

Everett Recreation Center





Everett Football Field



Budget Request

10% increase Health Insurance

18% increase IT services

Increase in Seasonal and Part Time Employee Pay

Cost of Living Raise Full Time employees

Small increase TCRS contribution

No additional employees

No Capital Requests

NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget							FOR PERIOD 99
ACCOUNTS FOR:							
Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review COMMENT
56700	Parks and Fair Boards						
10100810	530900 00000 Contracts	2,306,675.00	902,147.00	902,147.00	676,610.25	902,147.00	948,768.00 _____
	TOTAL Parks and Fair Boards	2,306,675.00	902,147.00	902,147.00	676,610.25	902,147.00	948,768.00 _____

Community Tennessee Rehabilitation Center (CTRC) and
Community Services Unit (CSU) at Maryville, a unit of
Vocational Rehabilitation/ Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is a state agency that exists to help individuals with disabilities obtain and maintain competitive and integrated employment in the community.
- VR serves employers as they look to diversify their workforce with qualified employees.
- VR Units include Field Services, Community Services Unit, Business Services Unit, Pre-Employment Training Services and Sensory (Deaf and Blind Services).
- The CTRC/ CSU is a community-based program that offers individualized, person- centered employment training and support services to customers based on their goals



What we do (continued)

- Career training and support services, including job shadowing, job searching, interest inventories, assistance with job applications, resumes, interviewing skills, communication skills, understanding your paycheck, conflict resolution, workplace safety, organizational skills, personal life skills
- Pre employment services can help customers with driver's license test prep
- Job support services include short term job coaching, job retention, and job retention visits
- CTRC/CSU additionally partners both internally and externally to develop support and training opportunities for our customers, such as tours, job shadowing, work -based learning, etc.

What we do (continued)

Customer success story:

A customer was referred to the CSU after missing a TCAT welding orientation due to organizational challenges. He actively participated in CSU services, such as interview practice, resume building, attitude and work ethic, conflict resolution and communication, and a business etiquette class. He learned to implement organizational strategies such as using reminders and a calendar, and he began arriving to meetings on time, prepared, and without reminders. While he was not initially looking for work, he began to express interest in getting his first job. He applied to jobs both independently and in meetings with the coordinator and was invited to interview at Food City and Publix. He started working at Publix in February and proudly reports that he loves working there.

FY25-26 Accomplishments

- The Region 2 CSU team has provided 880 career related training and support services to 151 VR customers. These services have contributed to 16 successful closures with competitive integrated employment with another 13 customers currently in employment status, meaning that they are employed but haven't reached 90 days of employment. Interview Skills training, application assistance, mock interviews, resume building and job search training were among the most frequent services provided to those customers who have gained employment.
- Potential Economic Impact for Blount County from 41 VR successful closures with average earnings of \$21.75:
 - 20hrs/ week= \$927, 420
 - 40hrs/week=\$1,854,840



FY26-27 Goals:

- The CSU will contribute to the statewide goal of 2,000 Tennesseans with disabilities exiting with competitive integrated employment by June 30, 2026 by providing career training and support services
- The CSU will develop and implement a new training program based on customer and community needs to assist VR customers in preparing for, gaining and maintaining employment



Thank You



Agricultural Extension

JOHN WILSON

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

We provide education that produces solutions to societal, economic and environmental issues. Our efforts are based on local needs, research and a commitment to improve the quality of life of Blount County residents. We teach Blount Countians using research-based information and education methods in the following program areas:

- ▶ Agriculture, Natural Resources, Farm Management and Gardening
- ▶ 4-H Youth Development to include Life Skills
- ▶ Family and Consumer Sciences
- ▶ Nutrition and Health Education
- ▶ Community Economic/Resource Development



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Our Staff:

- ▶ John Wilson- Agriculture Agent & Director
- ▶ Nancy Peek- Administrative Associate
- ▶ James McMillion- 4-H Youth Development
- ▶ Mary Beth Lima- Family & Consumer Sciences
- ▶ Amy Berger- 4-H Youth Development
- ▶ Caitlin Dalton - Ag. & Natural Resources & 4-H Youth Development
- ▶ Sheri Arden- Nutrition Educator
- ▶ Danielle Trotter- Nutrition Educator
- ▶ Interns / Volunteers



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Our educational outreach includes the following methods:

- ▶ On-Farm Visits, Home Visits and Office Visits
- ▶ Social Media
- ▶ Group Meetings
- ▶ On-site Demonstrations
- ▶ Classes
- ▶ Camps
- ▶ Field Days and Tours



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Agriculture & Natural Resources Programs:

- 59 farmers/producers completing the Master Producer program series are approved for and receiving \$276,000.00 in cost-share assistance generating an estimated additional \$1,932,000.00 in economic activity.
- Eighteen, 18, livestock producers completed the Master Beef Producer program
- Seven, 7, farmers completed the Small Ruminant course.
- Three, 3, farm producers completed the Master Farm Manager course and reported an impact of \$20,000.00.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Agriculture & Natural Resources Programs continued:

- 12 Master Gardener Interns completed 40 hours of educational training.
- 103 Master Gardeners drove over 44,000 miles and volunteered 8,560 hours for a combined value of \$295,864.00.
- Master Gardeners gained 1430 hours of continuing education for a value of \$47,852.00
- Master Gardeners have implemented over 3327 community outreach projects in Blount County.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Master Beef Producer Class



FY25-26 Accomplishments

4-H Youth Programs: Hippology, Horse & Horse Judging

Junior Team:

- 6th place in Hippology at State
- 4th High Individual at State

Junior High Teams:

- 1st place in Horse Judging at State
- 5th place in Horse Judging at State
- 5 High Individuals out of the top 10 at State

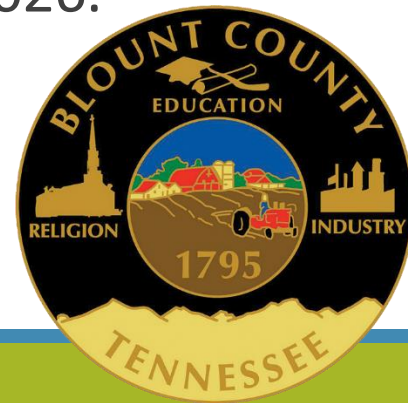


FY25-26 Accomplishments

4-H Youth Programs: Hippology & Horse Bowl Competitions

Senior Team:

- 1st place in Hippology at Region
- 3rd place in Horse Bowl at State
- 7th place in both Hippology & Horse Bowl at the US Southern Region
- Qualified again for Southern Regional Contest to be held summer of 2026.

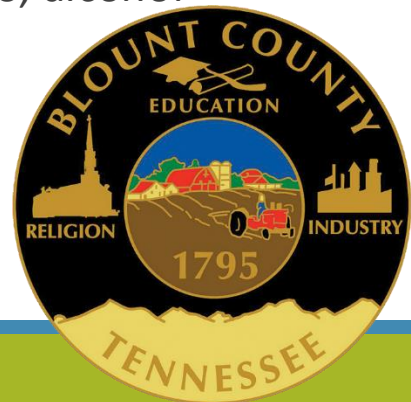


FY25-26 Accomplishments

4-H Youth Programs continued:

4-H Health Rocks

- 92 Youth completed this substance abuse prevention program and reported the following:
 - 75% increased knowledge and improved understanding of the consequences of tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use
 - 37% are better prepared to deal with peer pressure
 - 54% indicated they have gained confidence to make better choices with regard to tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use
 - 65% now consider the impact of their decisions on others



FY25-26 Accomplishments

4-H Youth Programs continued:

- 4-H Natural Resources and Shooting Sports programs:
 - Nine (9) youth are participating in the outreach program known as 4-H WOLF club. This acronym stands for Wildlife Outdoor Leadership Focus.
 - A partnership with private corporation, Brookfield Renewables garners support and sponsorship for this youth initiative.
 - Twelve (11) youth are training in safe use and care of firearms, i.e., shotgun and rifle as well as competing in archery skills competition.



FY25-26 Accomplishments



My name is Charlotte and I've been a sewing club member for over a year. I began with little to no experience in sewing. So far I have completed six projects. Such as a dragon plushie, embroidery, appliqué, macrame, bookmarks for Meals On Wheels - service project, and knitting. My favorite project was knitting. I enjoy sewing club because I am learning things that other kids might not. I get to be taught by people with a lot of sewing experience and I have so much fun!



Dragon Plushie



Embroidery



Appliqué



Knitting



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Family & Consumer Sciences:

Home Buyer Education:

- 29 first-time home owners were taught financial and decision-making skills of which 24 have closed on home purchase as of year-end. Of these, 27 were rural and 2 were urban homes.
- The associated value/economic impact of above is \$29,405 in property taxes and \$5.4 million property revenue for Blount County financial impact in 2025.

Co-Parenting Education:

- As a result of teaching co-parenting 88% of the participants plan to avoid exposing their children to conflict and 58% have reported changing their feeling of resentment to no resentment. Also, participants indicated an estimated reduction in health care and criminal justice costs of \$5,720.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Family & Consumer Sciences continued:

Nutrition Education & Life Skills:

- **TNCEP Food Waste Awareness-** During this food campaign over 1000 pounds of food was collected equaling 2,000 meals with the entire food drive estimated to have a market value of between \$8,000.00 and \$9,000.00.
- **Food Preservation-** Participants, numbering over 40, shared statements to include: “I can’t believe I am doing what I always remembered my grandmother doing. I will continue to can and teach my children.” “Wait, we sanitize jars for jellies and jams? I thought we just fill hot jars and flip them over. We process them too?” Participants reported reducing their risk of foodborne illness, which resulted in potential savings in medical costs, productivity losses, and illness related mortality of \$92,000.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Nutrition Education & Life Skills:

- **Matter of Balance-** As a result of the Matter of Balance program, a local Physical Therapist whose focus is fall prevention came as a guest speaker. She brought with her a device to assist in getting in and out of a car. Participant stated, “This has changed my fear of going places because getting in and out of a car is so difficult.” Matter of Balance competition resulted in estimated medical cost savings of \$16,884.
- **Food Resource Guide-** A newly revised guide to direct residents to food resources accompanied with a map to farms, pantry boxes, et cetera has been published for widespread distribution.



FY26-27 Goals

- Improved service and learning resources for clientele at the Blount County Operations Center
 - Develop demonstration gardens and landscape for hands-on learning
 - Obtain grants and in-kind donations for development of gardens
- Train sixteen (16) Master Gardener Interns to increase outreach to the public in horticulture knowledge and skills
- Master Gardener volunteers to develop vegetable garden site at the Blount County Operations Center to provide a hands-on teaching/demonstration site for both youth and adults.
- Provide Master Farm Programs training for 30 or more farmers to obtain certification and eligibility of cost-share assistance to improve farm income.
- Conduct agricultural program “Living on a Few Acres’ for new and/or beginning farmers and landowners to teach basic farm management skills.



FY26-27 Goals

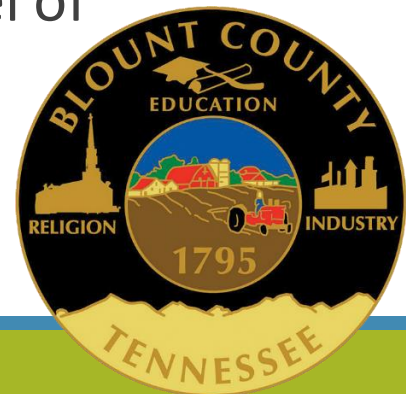
- Increase social media presence to enhance outreach for additional audiences to include a monthly 'podcast' on a variety of farm and home topics.
- Increase virtual education and on-line platforms to meet the needs of the community in Housing, Food Preservation, Financial Management and Parenting Education.
- Enhance partnerships with TN 4-H Foundation, local business and alumni for funding to enhance educational programs for youth, e.g., camps, leadership development.
- Increase 4-H judging team participation and volunteer leader development



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

Requesting a total additional increase of \$10,671.96 to be considered. Of which, \$3,390.00 is for operating expense. The remaining \$7,281.96 is for salaries & benefits to fund cost-of-living and merit compensation for all current staff members with a satisfactory performance review. It's been two years since any salary or benefits increase and with rising cost of living and insurance premiums this is deemed to be justified.

The amount of increase in operating is to improve funding of office equipment, e.g., computers on a rotating basis every 4 to 5 years. Also, increased travel cost and a nominal amount for maintenance and repairs. This additional \$3,390.00 would bring our total operating to \$9,813.00 which is still below our level of operating expense in the 2011-2012 time period.



Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
57100 Agricultural Extension Service							
10100820 530700 00000 Communicat	3,185.16	2,063.00	2,063.00	2,063.00	2,063.00	2,063.00	_____
10100820 530900 00000 Contracts	222,491.78	313,877.87	313,877.87	151,878.29	313,877.87	321,159.83	_____
10100820 533000 00000 Lease Paym	841.49	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,752.40	2,958.51	2,000.00	_____
10100820 535500 00000 Travel	.00	1,359.00	1,359.00	.00	1,359.00	4,750.00	_____
10100820 571900 00000 Office Equ	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	_____
TOTAL Agricultural Extension	227,518.43	320,299.87	320,299.87	155,693.69	321,258.38	330,972.83	_____

Industrial Development Board

BRYAN DANIELS

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NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

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Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review COMMENT
58120 Industrial Development							
10100840 536400 00000 Contracts		1,668,181.00	2,312,333.00	2,956,485.00	1,750,105.70	2,312,333.00	1,575,000.00 _____
TOTAL Industrial Development		1,668,181.00	2,312,333.00	2,956,485.00	1,750,105.70	2,312,333.00	1,575,000.00 _____

Thank You



Veterans Affairs

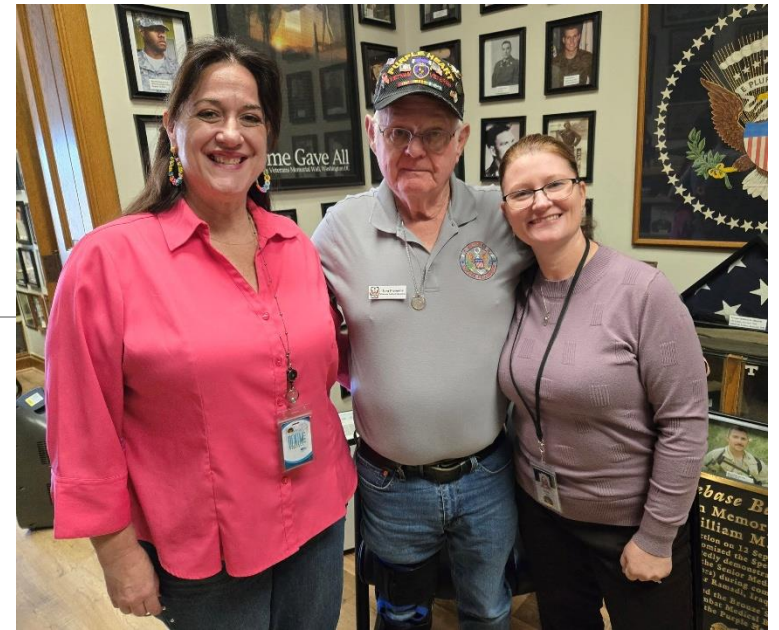
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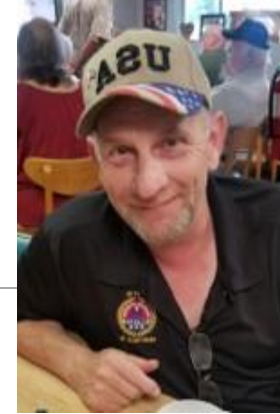
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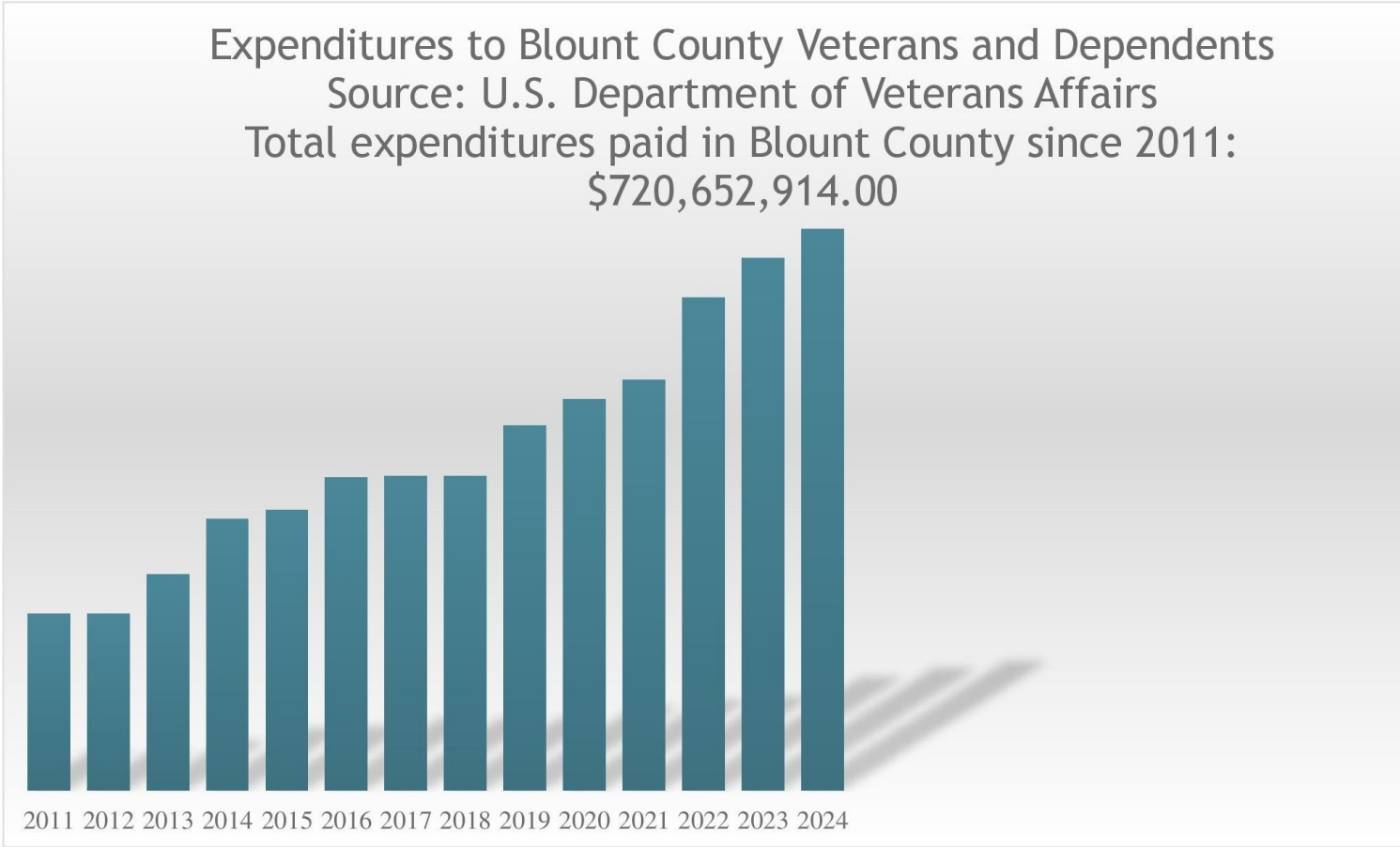
What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- The Blount County Veterans Affairs Office provides accredited representation in regards to VA benefits to Veterans and their dependents.
- Our staff provides assistance in filing the necessary forms for benefits as required by the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- The Blount County Veterans Affairs Office will never charge for any assistance provided to Veterans and their family members.
- Our office is located at the Blount County Courthouse
- Veterans parking is available at the Blount County Courthouse
- We offer a food pantry for Veterans in need

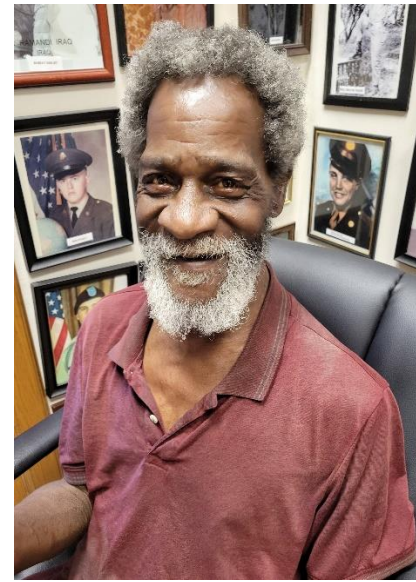
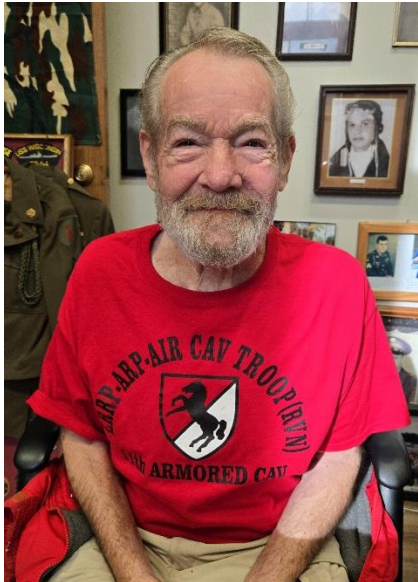


Veteran population in Blount County
9,608
Source: VA.GOV

Year	Expenditures
2011	\$26,426,000.00
2012	\$26,433,000.00
2013	\$32,272,000.00
2014	\$40,632,000.00
2015	\$41,986,000.00
2016	\$46,853,000.00
2017	\$47,012,000.00
2018	\$47,073,000.00
2019	\$54,627,000.00
2020	\$58,536,000.00
2021	\$61,478,000.00
2022	\$73,723,000.00
2023	\$79,618,000.00
2024	\$83,983,914.00



FY25-26 Accomplishments



Assisting just one Veteran and or dependent is a success to us



FY26-27 Goals

Integrity: Act with high moral principle. Adhere to the highest professional standards. Maintain the trust and confidence of all with whom we engage.

Commitment: Work diligently to serve Veterans and other beneficiaries. Be driven by an earnest belief in VA's mission. Fulfill our individual responsibilities and organizational responsibilities.

Advocacy: Be truly Veteran-centric by identifying, fully considering, and appropriately advancing the interests of Veterans and other beneficiaries.

Respect: Treat all those we serve and with whom we work with dignity and respect. Show respect to earn it.

Excellence: Strive for the highest quality and continuous improvement. Be thoughtful and decisive in leadership, accountable for my actions, willing to admit mistakes, and rigorous in correcting them.



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
58300	Veterans Services							
10100850	510300 00000 Assistant	85,427.56	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100850	510500 00000 Supervisor	78,478.26	84,665.30	84,665.30	58,300.57	84,665.30	87,826.70	
10100850	516200 00000 Clerical P	49,076.85	103,584.62	103,584.62	70,887.58	103,584.62	106,554.85	
10100850	520100 00000 Social Sec	12,770.43	11,671.50	11,671.50	7,679.08	11,671.50	12,051.66	
10100850	520400 00000 State Reti	13,778.98	14,005.79	14,005.79	7,864.84	14,005.79	15,433.90	
10100850	520600 00000 Life Ins E	166.16	178.56	178.56	121.12	178.56	174.96	
10100850	520700 00000 Health Ins	25,252.00	33,312.00	33,312.00	23,647.00	33,312.00	33,384.00	
10100850	520800 00000 Dental Ins	679.60	564.96	564.96	211.86	564.96	282.48	
10100850	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	75.91	564.75	564.75	75.55	564.75	583.14	
10100850	521200 00000 Employer M	2,986.63	2,729.62	2,729.62	1,795.92	2,729.62	2,818.53	
10100850	530700 00000 Communicat	3,361.20	1,307.00	3,342.00	2,681.80	3,342.00	3,342.00	
10100850	532000 00000 Dues and M	.00	100.00	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
10100850	533000 00000 Lease Paym	218.51	1,500.00	1,500.00	500.00	1,781.49	1,781.49	
10100850	533200 00000 Legal Noti	.00	100.00	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
10100850	533400 00000 Maintenanc	.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	
10100850	533800 00000 Maint. And	167.12	800.00	800.00	.00	800.00	800.00	
10100850	534800 00000 PostalChg	168.51	500.00	500.00	94.39	500.00	500.00	
10100850	534900 00000 Printing S	165.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100850	535500 00000 Travel	2,026.39	4,100.00	2,065.00	1,537.19	3,092.23	4,100.00	
10100850	535600 00000 Tuition	.00	100.00	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
10100850	541400 00000 Duplicatin	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	.00	1,555.00	1,555.00	
10100850	542200 00000 Food Suppl	-499.60	.00	.00	.00	499.60	.00	
10100850	542500 00000 Gasoline	811.62	1,750.00	1,750.00	531.53	1,750.00	1,750.00	
10100850	543500 00000 Office Sup	847.67	700.00	700.00	100.00	795.42	700.00	
10100850	551300 00000 Workers Co	508.83	288.00	288.00	288.00	288.00	488.37	
10100850	559900 00000 Other Char	.00	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
10100850	571100 00000 Funiture a	.00	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
	TOTAL Veterans Services	276,467.63	267,222.10	267,222.10	176,316.43	269,180.84	277,627.08	

Thank You



Health Department

CARISSA BLACKWELL

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Blount County Health Department protects, promotes, and improves the health and well-being of all people in Blount County.

We offer Primary Care, General Clinic (Immunization, STI's), Family Planning (Birth Control), Dental, and WIC (Women Infant Children) services.

We offer tobacco education to the local schools.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Fiscal State audit, came back 100% with no errors.
- 45% increase in Primary Care patients, compared to last year
- Our Care Coordinator processed 680 referrals, which was the most in East Region.
- Partnered with Blount Benefits to form the Blount County Food Resource Website
- We were recognized as one of the top 3 counties in the State for giving out Hypertension kits to patients to monitor at home, for the new SMBP program.
- We hired a new RN4, Nursing Supervisor, Michelle Moore
- We now have 2 providers 5 days a week, 3 providers 2 days a week
- We received the Community Champion Award from BeWare Blount



FY26-27 Goals

- Get settled into our remodeled space!
- Begin offering Diabetes Education courses
- Promote more about Telehealth
- Engage with more community groups for outreach.



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
55110	Local Health Center								
10100750	513100	00000 Medical Pe	576,887.58	947,339.00	947,339.00	466,676.17	947,339.00	947,339.00	
10100750	516900	00000 Part time	16,116.04	40,361.00	40,361.00	10,118.80	40,361.00	40,361.00	
10100750	518700	00000 Overtime P	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100750	520100	00000 Social Sec	34,674.50	74,325.25	74,325.25	28,046.45	74,325.25	74,325.25	
10100750	520400	00000 State Reti	33,204.09	78,642.03	78,642.03	30,494.29	78,642.03	78,642.03	
10100750	520600	00000 Life Ins E	539.20	1,758.99	1,758.99	455.40	1,758.99	1,758.99	
10100750	520700	00000 Health Ins	124,719.50	303,965.70	303,965.70	84,721.00	303,965.70	303,965.70	
10100750	520800	00000 Dental Ins	2,696.03	5,574.20	5,574.20	2,000.90	5,574.20	5,574.20	
10100750	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	319.92	722.21	722.21	337.58	722.21	722.21	
10100750	521200	00000 Employer M	8,109.33	24,979.43	24,979.43	6,559.25	24,979.43	24,979.43	
10100740	530700	00000 Communicat	35,603.15	34,000.00	34,000.00	15,946.51	34,000.00	34,000.00	
10100740	530900	00000 Contracts	96,810.00	96,810.00	96,810.00	.00	96,810.00	96,810.00	
10100740	532000	00000 Dues and M	375.00	400.00	400.00	.00	400.00	400.00	
10100740	533500	00000 Maint. And	.00	.00	.00	396.92	.00	.00	
10100750	535500	00000 Travel	4,638.20	10,500.00	10,500.00	4,419.80	10,500.00	10,500.00	
10100740	535600	00000 Tuition	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100740	542200	00000 Food Suppl	750.30	800.00	800.00	502.64	800.00	800.00	
10100740	543500	00000 Office Sup	831.06	1,000.00	1,000.00	26.74	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100750	551300	00000 Workers Co	2,204.98	2,204.98	2,204.98	2,204.98	2,204.98	2,279.04	
10100740	559900	00000 Other Char	499.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100750	559900	00000 Other Char	1,061.00	31,400.00	31,400.00	1,061.00	31,400.00	31,400.00	
TOTAL Local Health Center			940,038.88	1,656,282.79	1,656,282.79	653,968.43	1,656,282.79	1,656,356.85	

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Blount County Soil & Water Conservation District



ERICH HENRY, DIRECTOR
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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

District Staff:

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Partnerships (25+ Organizations):

- ✓ Natural Resources Conservation Service
- ✓ TN Department of Agriculture
- ✓ Appalachian State University
- ✓ TN Valley Authority
- ✓ Blount County Land Users !!!

Our Goal: Sustain and Improve the Natural Resources within Blount County, including:

- ❖ Soil
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Air
- ❖ Wildlife Habitat
- ❖ Threatened & Endangered Species

- ❖ **The district provides conservation programming by request to private (& public) land users. Programming includes:**

- 1. Technical Assistance (i.e. Engineering, Biology, & Forestry Expertise)**
- 2. Funding to Implement On-the-Ground Conservation Practices**



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Agricultural & Forestland

Best Management Practices



The district continues to partner with private and public land users to implement on-the-ground conservation practices that improve:

- ✓ Food Security
- ✓ Clean Water
- ✓ Stormwater Runoff
- ✓ Wildlife Habitat



FY25-26 Accomplishments



Removal of Williams Mill Dam—Pistol Creek

Dam Removal Project by TDOT:

The conservation district played a crucial role in initiating the project

Benefits of removing the dam include:

- Reduced flooding along the greenway
- Reduced flooding at Clayton-Bradley Academy
- Improved water quality
- Aquatic habitat enhanced (connectivity & quality)
- Removes Dangerous Structure



FY25-26 Accomplishments



Removal of Williams Mill Dam—Pistol Creek

Geo-morphic Surveys

Changes in:

- ❖ Water level
- ❖ Water quality
- ❖ Streambank erosion
- ❖ Habitat quality

Significant scientific study



FY25-26 Accomplishments



Attendee Feedback:

"This was a very well executed event. Great location, setting and speakers. I learned a lot!"

"Success- looking forward to the next one."

"Very informative. Good to learn about available resources."



Goals:

- To educate producers on grazing management that protect natural resources and increase profit for farmers.
- To help create a resilient and vibrant farming community in Blount County

Topics:

- ✓ Soil Health,
- ✓ Agroforestry,
- ✓ Forage Management,
- ✓ Direct Marketing



FY26-27 Goals

Continuation of Existing Programming

Implementation of Agricultural Best Management Practices

Forest Land Stewardship

Septic System Repair and Restoration for Low-income Households

Homeowner Outreach & Education

Watershed Planning

Public/Private Stormwater Infrastructure

Outdoor Learning Areas

Highway 411 Steep Bank Erosion Control

Social Media Presence

Outreach:

- ✓ Annual Calendar
- ✓ Annual Tree/Shrub Sale
- ✓ Training Events

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57500 Soil Conservation						
10100830 510500 00000 Supervisor	89,649.62	96,716.95	96,716.95	66,585.85	96,716.95	100,328.37
10100830 516300 00000 Educationa	7,520.64	29,751.16	19,751.16	.00	29,751.16	29,751.16
10100830 516900 00000 Part time	17,694.31	22,478.65	32,478.65	22,206.65	22,478.65	22,478.65
10100830 520100 00000 Social Sec	7,064.01	9,234.70	9,234.70	5,462.46	9,234.70	8,988.06
10100830 520400 00000 State Reti	6,704.66	11,081.64	11,081.64	4,954.00	11,081.64	7,966.07
10100830 520600 00000 Life Ins E	64.48	59.52	59.52	41.92	59.52	59.52
10100830 520700 00000 Health Ins	7,146.00	7,176.00	7,176.00	5,364.00	7,176.00	7,080.00
10100830 520800 00000 Dental Ins	281.40	282.48	282.48	211.86	282.48	282.48
10100830 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	42.00	446.84	446.84	40.40	446.84	434.91
10100830 521200 00000 Employer M	1,652.07	2,159.73	2,159.73	1,277.52	2,159.73	2,102.05
10100830 530700 00000 Communicat	1,763.16	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,544.26	1,700.00	1,500.00
10100830 532000 00000 DuesMember	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	200.00
10100830 533000 00000 Lease Paym	771.83	800.00	800.00	771.83	800.00	800.00
10100830 533800 00000 Maint. And	652.03	1,000.00	1,000.00	4.96	1,000.00	1,000.00
10100830 534800 00000 Postal Cha	553.97	400.00	400.00	389.88	400.00	500.00
10100830 535500 00000 Travel	1,181.70	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,262.62	2,400.00	2,400.00
10100830 535600 00000 Tuition	1,774.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,195.00	1,800.00	1,700.00
10100830 539900 00000 Other Cont	535.50	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
10100830 542500 00000 Gasoline	336.62	600.00	600.00	350.26	600.00	600.00
10100830 543500 00000 Office Sup	3,382.67	504.00	504.00	377.20	504.00	504.00
10100830 551300 00000 Workers Co	508.83	288.00	288.00	288.00	288.00	162.79
TOTAL Soil Conservation	149,279.50	193,879.67	193,879.67	113,328.67	193,879.67	193,838.06

Thank You



Blount County GIS Group

RAY BOSWELL

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

“It is estimated that 80% of the informational needs of local government policymakers are related to geographic location”

GIS allows users to visualize information sourced from spreadsheets, databases, GPS or drones in a map to make informed decisions.

Our staff of 3, supports users throughout county government, the City of Alcoa, the City of Maryville, and the citizens of Blount County with desktop software, mobile apps, and online web apps.



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

County departments
supported by GIS

- Accounting & Budgeting
- Blount County 911 Communications
- Development Services
- District Attorney General
- Election Commission
- Emergency Management
- Highway Department
- Library
- Property Assessor
- Sheriff's Office
- Schools
- Soil Conservation



FY25-26 Accomplishments

1. Countywide LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) Project. Joint project with USGS, Blount County, City of Alcoa, City of Maryville, South Blount County Utility District, Industrial Development Board, and McGhee-Tyson Airport.
2. Server migration and workflow update for 911
3. Update of public facing GIS applications
4. Update of Sex Offender Registry Exclusion Zone web application



FY26-27 Goals

1. Work w/IT to utilize Windows Active Directory to simplify logins for users
2. Imagery acquisition to support new 2-year reappraisal efforts
3. Complete migration of existing Blount County GIS Group website
4. Update of My Government Services web application



FY26-27 Additional Budget Requests

New request – Imagery acquisition to support 2-year reappraisal cycle



Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
52220	Central Services							
10100440	521100 00000 Retiree Be	368,355.66	470,000.00	470,000.00	235,143.64	470,000.00	470,000.00	
10100440	530500 00000 Audit Serv	59,523.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	30,000.00	60,000.00	70,000.00	
10100440	530700 00000 Communicat	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	4,595.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	
10100440	530800 00000 Consultant	210,009.29	25,000.00	88,597.02	60,000.00	88,597.02	100,000.00	
10100440	530900 00000 ConGovtAgc	231,349.68	250,000.00	724,036.64	455,652.38	250,000.00	1,050,000.00	
10100440	531000 00000 ConOthGovA	196,826.00	285,000.00	285,000.00	83,935.00	285,000.00	300,000.00	
10528010	531200 00000 Contracts	.00	.00	1,073,567.00	881,247.00	.00	300,000.00	
10100440	531600 00000 Contributi	1,500.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	1,500.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
10100440	532000 00000 DuesMember	32,063.88	35,500.00	35,500.00	32,329.88	35,500.00	37,000.00	
10100440	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	184,200.60	150,000.00	150,000.00	112,093.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	
10100450	533200 00000 Legal Noti	1,056,897.84	1,125,000.00	1,125,000.00	714,028.45	1,125,000.00	1,150,000.00	
10100440	534100 00000 Pauper Bur	3,600.00	7,200.00	7,200.00	1,800.00	7,200.00	.00	
10100440	534800 00000 Postal Cha	5,442.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	3,600.00	10,000.00	8,000.00	
10100440	539900 00000 Other Cont	33,240.13	35,000.00	35,000.00	24,751.00	42,581.87	35,000.00	
10100440	543500 00000 Office Sup	1,406.90	6,800.00	6,800.00	.00	6,800.00	5,000.00	
10100440	551000 00000 Trustee Co	1,139,903.08	1,150,000.00	1,150,000.00	1,033,450.23	1,150,000.00	1,200,000.00	
10100440	559900 00000 Other Char	39,810.62	102,000.00	102,000.00	82,512.00	128,100.00	100,000.00	
10100440	572400 00000 Site Devel	372,138.17	700,000.00	962,006.36	818,303.45	1,103,153.53	200,000.00	
	TOTAL Central Services	3,944,266.85	4,434,500.00	6,307,707.02	4,574,941.03	4,934,932.42	5,198,000.00	

Mayor's Office

MAYOR ED MITCHELL

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Adult Probation
- Animal Center
- Archives/Records
- Custodial
- Emergency Management
- Finance & Accounting
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Maintenance
- Project Management
- Purchasing
- Recovery Court
- Risk Management



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51300	County	Mayor							
10100330	510100	00000	County Off	181,479.24	189,040.87	189,040.87	136,598.03	189,040.87	191,840.42
10100330	516100	00000	Secretary	73,378.00	89,216.43	89,216.43	60,395.33	89,216.43	91,000.76
10100330	516200	00000	Clerical P	45,571.99	52,026.75	52,026.75	35,057.52	52,026.75	53,968.65
10100330	520100	00000	Social Sec	17,793.37	20,477.61	20,477.61	13,723.08	20,477.61	20,882.21
10100330	520400	00000	State Reti	20,608.08	24,573.13	24,573.13	17,264.57	24,573.13	26,742.70
10100330	520600	00000	Life Ins E	152.66	178.56	178.56	105.16	178.56	148.80
10100330	520700	00000	Health Ins	39,327.62	40,488.00	40,488.00	30,032.92	40,488.00	40,188.00
10100330	520800	00000	Dental Ins	828.50	847.44	847.44	630.13	847.44	847.44
10100330	521000	00000	Unemp Comp	39.90	423.73	423.73	40.79	423.73	434.91
10100330	521200	00000	Employer M	4,229.19	4,789.12	4,789.12	3,270.01	4,789.12	4,883.74
10100330	530700	00000	Communicat	2,059.11	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,725.78	2,500.00	2,500.00
10100330	532000	00000	Dues and M	165.00	165.00	195.00	195.00	165.00	165.00
10100330	534800	00000	PostalChg	66.36	100.00	100.00	62.77	100.00	100.00
10100330	534900	00000	Printing S	377.00	650.00	650.00	121.00	650.00	650.00
10100330	535500	00000	Travel	290.00	750.00	720.00	.00	750.00	750.00
10100330	535600	00000	Tuition	750.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00
10100330	542200	00000	Food Suppl	735.76	750.00	750.00	621.53	750.00	750.00
10100330	542500	00000	Gasoline	444.54	750.00	750.00	187.23	750.00	750.00
10100330	543500	00000	Office Sup	671.43	1,000.00	1,000.00	753.53	1,000.00	1,000.00
10100330	551300	00000	Workers Co	508.83	508.83	508.83	508.83	508.83	488.37
TOTAL County Mayor				389,476.58	429,735.47	429,735.47	301,293.21	429,735.47	438,591.00

Blount County Animal Center

RON CROW, DIRECTOR

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Kennel

- Provide shelter, warmth, and daily care for animals 365 days a year, including holidays, weekends, and during inclement weather.
- Ensure hands-on care, enrichment, and visual health checks for every animal daily.
- On an average day, serve over 300 meals, clean more than 200 kennels, complete 10 commercial-sized wash loads, and wash hundreds of food and water dishes.

Vetting

- Partner with Friends of BCAC to provide a full-time veterinarian and vet staff.
- Conduct hands-on assessments for every animal upon intake.
- Provide spay/neuter services, medical examinations, vaccinations, health certs, surgeries, etc.
- Perform humane euthanasia when necessary.
- Operate as a licensed Veterinarian Facility under TN State Law.



What we do continued

Animal Control

- Provide animal control services for all unincorporated Blount County and by contract with the City of Louisville.
- Respond to 5–10 service calls daily, patrol problem areas, provide trapping services, and conduct humane euthanasia when necessary.
- Two Animal Control Officers provide on-call services 24/7, 365 days a year.
- Serve as a standard in the industry and collaborate with other animal care and control agencies whenever possible.
- Maintain all required licenses for Chemical Capture, Euthanasia, and Animal Control operations.

Intake

- Operate as an open-admission animal center, accepting stray and owner-surrendered animals as space allows.
- Take dozens of calls and walk-ins for information daily
- Intake and process approximately 2,000 animals annually.
- Open to the public 250+ days per year.



What we do continued

Volunteers

- Contributed over 22,000 volunteer hours last year.
- Assist with enrichment, walking, cleaning, fostering, adoptions, transport, photography, administrative work, follow-ups, medical care, and more.
- Provide community involvement opportunities for students in TN Promise, as well as community service hours for McGhee Tyson Air National Guard, Clayton Homes, Amazon, local colleges, and high schools, along with local and state agencies.

Community Support & Partnerships

- Provide a pet community food bank for those in need through partnerships with Amazon, Walmart, Second Harvest, and more.
- Maintain high professional standards with all necessary licenses for Animal Control and Center operations.

Friends of BCAC

- Raise funds to support daily veterinary operations, medication and including covering the salary of our on-site veterinarian.
- Collaborate with outside rescues, nonprofits, and programs like CatSnip.
- Pledged financial support for future building expansion.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- **Adoptions & Reunifications** – Successfully adopted out 1400+ animals and reunited lost pets with their owners.
- **Expanded Spay/Neuter Services** – Provided spay and neuter free days to reduce overpopulation.
- **Handled High Call Volume** – Managed approximately 6,500 calls into the center lobby.
- **Improved Community Relations** – Food Pantry for pet parents in need. Working on a community vaccination day.
- **Maintained Fiscal Responsibility** – Stayed within budget, demonstrating strong financial stewardship.
- **Invested in Training & Development** – Partnered with local trainers to provide education for staff and volunteers, improving service quality.
- **Implemented Inventory Control** – Ongoing project to streamline and improve inventory management.
- **Facility Improvements** – New roof on the main building stopping leaks and holding temperatures better
- **Maintained an Intake Diversion Program** to help keep animals in their homes and reduce shelter intake through trusted partners:
 - Provided food assistance for pet owners in need.
 - Offered housing support for kennel needs.
 - Assisted with behavioral challenges to prevent surrenders.
 - Supported medical needs to help owners keep their pets.
 - Spay and Neuter services



FY26-27 Goals

- **Expand & Modernize Facilities** – Through a collaborative effort with Friends of BCAC, public donations and Blount County to address the need for updated infrastructure and additional space to improve animal care and operations.
- **Install Property Fencing** – Implement large-dog fencing to prevent escapes and ensure the safety of animals and the surrounding community.
- **Create a Sensory Garden** – Once the property is fenced develop an enriched outdoor space with plants, trees, benches, interactive toys, and a walking path. This will provide dogs with mental stimulation and exercise while offering a calming, reflective space for visitors, including a Rainbow Bridge Memorial for the community.
- **Increase Adoption Events** – Host more public adoption events to boost visibility and find homes for more animals. Recently partnered with Pet Supply Plus, Rural King, Tri-Hop Brewery, Smoky Mountain Harley, Subs and Such, and more for adoption events.
- **Promote Spay/Neuter Awareness** – Expand education efforts on the importance of spaying and neutering to reduce unwanted animal births.
- **Maintain Licensing & Compliance** – Ensure continued adherence to all licensing and regulatory standards.



Additional Request – Office Assistant

REQUEST AMOUNT: \$41,262.96 **PERSON: Office Assistant (Project-Volunteer and Coordinator Position)**

DISCONNECT: The current **operations line item 101-55120-518900** does not contain sufficient funds to support additional personnel for center operations.

INITIATIVE: The addition of an **Office Assistant** who will serve as a backup for the current Office Manager. As the community continues to grow, the demands on the Center have surpassed the capacity of existing staff. This position will enhance volunteer engagement, improve communication of the Center's needs, and actively recruit within the community.

OFFSET: No offset is currently available for this request.

CURRENT OPERATIONS: The Office Supervisor currently relies solely on volunteers for front desk assistance while managing multiple critical responsibilities, including:

- Intakes, adoptions, cleaning, volunteer coordination, and nightly closing of the Center.
- Administrative duties such as preparing purchase orders, ordering supplies, training new employees, and answering phones.
- No paid staff backups exist for this role, leading to significant workload strain and operational inefficiencies.

IMPACT IF NOT FUNDED:

- **Increased burnout** for the Office Supervisor due to excessive workload.
- **Continued overtime**, leading to limited lobby hours and reduced public access.
- **Negative impact on animal care** and communication with the community.
- **Higher risk of "compassion fatigue"** among staff, affecting morale and retention.
- **Potential safety concerns** due to a lack of backup personnel in key operational areas.

The addition of an Office Assistant is essential to ensuring the long-term efficiency, sustainability, and effectiveness of the Center's operations.



Additional Budget Request Worksheet

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Salary Change/New Employee Request

Fund	Account	Expense Line Project	Amount	Justification
101	55120	518900	33,150.00	Other Salary and Wages
101	55120	520100	2,055.30	Social Security
101	55120	520400	2,287.35	State Retirement
101	55120	520600	39.38	Employee Insurance - Life
101	55120	520700	3,098.25	Employee Insurance - Health
101	55120	520800	52.56	Employee Insurance - Dental
101	55120	521000	99.45	Unemployment Compensation
101	55120	521200	480.67	Employer Medicare Liability
Total			41,262.96	

Additional Operating Request

Fund	Account	Expense Line Project	Amount	Justification
Total			-	

Additional Request – PT Kennel Assistant

REQUEST AMOUNT \$66,158 **PERSON**

DISCONNECT: Current operations line item 101-55120-516900 does not hold enough funds for the additional personnel for center operations.

INITIATIVE: Addition of **two part time** kennel operations assistants to assist with current growth we are experiencing and proposed expansion

OFFSET: Currently no offset is available for this request, strong possibility of decreased overtime with increased staffing.

CURRENT OPERATIONS: Staff is limiting time off. No backups exist with paid staff for positions. Every position from Director to kennel assistants perform multiple duties outside the defined duties. Staff members are clearly displaying signs of compassion fatigue.

IMPACT IF NOT FUNDED: Employee burnout, compassion fatigue and center intake and care capabilities. With the increased numbers comes increased demand from multiple avenues to include feeding, vetting, kennel cleaning, sanitization.

Additional Budget Request
Worksheet

FY26/27

Salary Change/New Employee
Request

Fund	Expense		Project	Amount	Justification
	Account	Line			
101	55120	516900		60,000.00	Part Time Personnel
101	55120	520100		3,720.00	Social Security
101	55120	521000		180.00	Unemployment
101	55120	521200		870.00	Employer Medicare
Total				64,770.00	
<u>Additional Operating Request</u>					
Fund	Expense		Project	Amount	Justification
	Account	Line			

FY26-27 Additional Budget Request

Dues and Memberships 101-55120-532000 Current \$690 Request \$750 Increase \$60

To cover Animal Control and Vetting memberships

Veh. Maintenance Repair 101-55120-533800 Current \$2,000 Request \$3,000 Increase \$1,000

To cover basic oil changes, tires and misc. service on four assigned vehicles

Communications 101-55120-530700 Current \$5,000 Request \$10,000 Increase \$5,000

One year increase to purchase new handheld radios for Animal Control, update to system

Uniforms 101-55120-545100 Current \$3,000 Request \$4,000 Increase \$1,000

To provide staff with slip resistant shoes, bite gloves, uniform shirts, rip resistant pants, rain gear

Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
55120		Rabies and Animal Center							
000		No Program							
10100770	510500	00000 Supervisor	79,671.55	85,952.12	85,952.12	62,492.47	85,952.12	89,161.57	
10100780	513100	00000 Medical Pe	93,266.73	99,322.50	99,322.50	38,833.34	99,322.50	117,300.00	
10100770	516900	00000 Part time	47,699.90	66,158.66	66,158.66	27,649.00	66,158.66	48,937.51	
10100770	518700	00000 Overtime P	11,985.31	15,500.00	15,500.00	13,936.24	15,500.00	15,500.00	
10100770	518900	00000 Other Sala	321,802.05	335,124.40	335,124.40	256,807.17	335,124.40	347,600.19	
10100770	520100	00000 Social Sec	27,650.89	29,133.36	29,133.36	21,609.71	29,133.36	30,113.35	
10100780	520100	00000 Social Sec	5,558.69	6,158.00	6,158.00	2,329.04	6,158.00	7,272.60	
10100770	520400	00000 State Reti	24,714.28	31,328.09	31,328.09	24,604.03	31,328.09	34,678.88	
10100780	520400	00000 State Reti	4,402.63	7,389.59	7,389.59	2,756.92	7,389.59	9,313.62	
10100770	520600	00000 Life Ins E	391.56	379.20	379.20	302.46	379.20	434.64	
10100780	520600	00000 Life Ins E	59.52	59.52	59.52	22.08	59.52	59.52	
10100770	520700	00000 Health Ins	71,054.00	76,344.00	76,344.00	57,060.00	76,344.00	75,588.00	
10100780	520700	00000 Health Ins	16,332.00	16,656.00	16,656.00	6,840.00	16,656.00	16,692.00	
10100770	520800	00000 Dental Ins	2,203.04	2,259.84	2,259.84	1,483.02	2,259.84	2,259.84	
10100780	520800	00000 Dental Ins	304.76	282.48	282.48	117.70	282.48	282.48	
10100770	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	256.91	1,409.68	1,409.68	226.24	1,409.68	1,457.10	
10100780	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	21.00	297.97	297.97	5.34	297.97	351.90	
10100770	521200	00000 Employer M	6,466.75	6,813.45	6,813.45	5,053.89	6,813.45	7,042.64	
10100780	521200	00000 Employer M	1,300.01	1,440.18	1,440.18	544.70	1,440.18	1,700.85	
10100770	530700	00000 Communicat	5,290.08	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,908.11	5,000.00	10,000.00	
10100770	532000	00000 Dues and M	-190.00	500.00	500.00	469.00	690.00	750.00	
10100770	533000	00000 Lease Paym	14,366.76	16,024.94	16,024.94	10,326.00	16,558.18	16,558.18	
10100770	533300	00000 Licenses	220.00	750.00	900.00	517.15	750.00	750.00	
10100770	533500	00000 Maint. And	3,717.63	9,500.00	9,500.00	560.53	9,500.00	9,500.00	
10100770	533600	00000 Maint. And	3,791.05	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,626.85	5,913.10	5,913.00	
10100770	533800	00000 Maint. And	1,663.35	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,950.22	2,000.00	3,000.00	
10100770	535400	00000 Transporta	757.96	1,500.00	1,500.00	240.48	1,500.00	1,500.00	
10100770	535500	00000 Travel	5.76	1,000.00	1,000.00	735.74	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100770	535600	00000 Tuition	170.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	690.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100770	539900	00000 ContractSv	3,575.80	6,100.00	6,100.00	3,555.66	6,100.00	6,100.00	
10100770	540100	00000 Animal Foo	24,438.72	30,328.43	30,328.43	30,283.48	33,590.18	33,590.18	
10100770	541000	00000 Custodial	8,156.92	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,999.99	8,266.29	8,266.29	
10100770	541300	00000 Drugs and	66,946.37	75,365.00	75,365.00	41,705.89	77,461.43	77,461.43	
10100780	541300	00000 Drugs and	38,149.67	50,000.00	50,000.00	37,650.02	58,816.29	58,816.29	
10100770	542500	00000 Gasoline	7,680.17	12,371.00	12,221.00	4,254.60	12,371.00	12,371.00	
10100780	542500	00000 Gasoline	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100770	543500	00000 Office Sup	2,866.06	3,500.00	3,500.00	2,410.49	4,123.97	4,111.87	
10100770	545100	00000 Uniforms	1,412.02	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,999.93	3,000.00	4,000.00	
10100770	551300	00000 Workers Co	2,035.32	2,035.32	2,035.32	2,035.32	2,035.32	1,627.88	
10100780	551300	00000 Workers Co	169.61	169.61	169.61	169.61	169.61	162.79	
TOTAL Rabies and Animal Cent			900,364.83	1,017,153.34	1,017,153.34	676,762.42	1,033,854.41	1,064,225.60	

PURCHASING

KARI BARRETT

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What we do to serve Blount County

- Ensure the timely and effective provision of goods and services to Blount County Government in support of its mission to serve citizens with accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility
- Customer & Vendor Relations
- Complete Purchasing Cycle
- Competitive Bids and Proposals
- Contract Management
- Management of Surplus Property



FY25-26 Accomplishments

1. Processed 3,300 purchase & change orders to date--Estimate 5,800 by FY end
2. Managed 787 active vendor contracts
3. Improved communication with FMIS team; information share posts every 2mo
4. Invited vendors to provide training to departments to improve knowledge and foster partnerships between vendors, purchasing, and departments
 - Amazon
 - Omnia and Opus
 - Pavilion



FY25-26 Accomplishments

5. Revamped surplus property program

- Implemented ticket system for departments to identify and submit items for surplus
- Trained surplus captains for general county departments and schools (4 in-service trainings)
- Reduced time to hold property from 25 days to 12 days
- Implemented 'hold in place' practice and freed 1103 square footage space for county use
- Revenue from sales = \$93,014 (Vehicles: \$54,445 / Surplus property: \$38,569)



FY25-26 Accomplishments

6. Department restructure; rewrote job descriptions to foster career growth, continuity and retention
7. Leveraged centralized purchasing with Fleetio contract
 - Software to manage vehicle maintenance, service records, and fuel usage
 - BCSO found the vendor; partnered with Highway for volume pricing consideration
8. Hosted vendor day with 80 attendees
9. Participated in the annual business expo with East Tennessee Purchasing Association (ETPA) with over 300 attendees
10. Integrated AMR Administrative function into the Purchasing Department



FY26-27 Goals

- Leverage technology; implement contract tracking program for active contracts
 - Set notifications for 60 days within expiration date
 - Improve tracking for contracts that require a rebid
- Get fully staffed with the right people in the right positions
- Increase number of vendors on Electronic Fund Transfer EFT payment)
- Grow attendance at the next vendor event and improve supplier outreach
- Update policy and procedures
- Increase job knowledge for team members to ensure we stay up to date with the latest laws and guidelines from our State and Federal partners
- Provide County-wide training for departments to maximize their utilization of Procurement functions
 - Enterprise leases
 - Other Training Opportunities as they become available



Thank You For Your Support!



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
52200	Purchasing								
10100430	510500	00000 Supervisor	92,210.85	99,323.01	99,323.01	74,890.89	99,323.01	113,997.44	
10100430	512200	00000 Purchasing	307,074.56	340,477.56	340,477.56	224,255.47	340,477.56	382,308.98	
10100430	518700	00000 Overtime P	1,182.12	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100430	520100	00000 Social Sec	23,885.42	28,055.87	28,055.87	17,864.54	28,055.87	30,771.00	
10100430	520400	00000 State Reti	22,224.24	33,667.04	33,667.04	21,206.94	33,667.04	39,406.73	
10100430	520600	00000 Life Ins E	348.32	409.44	409.44	257.80	409.44	357.12	
10100430	520700	00000 Health Ins	51,669.00	80,976.00	80,976.00	38,980.23	80,976.00	53,544.00	
10100430	520800	00000 Dental Ins	1,220.12	1,694.88	1,694.88	941.60	1,694.88	1,412.40	
10100430	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	209.99	1,357.54	1,357.54	147.01	1,357.54	1,488.92	
10100430	521200	00000 Employer M	5,586.11	6,561.45	6,561.45	4,178.01	6,561.45	7,196.44	
10100430	530700	00000 Communicat	4,193.19	4,500.00	4,500.00	2,713.27	4,500.00	4,500.00	
10100430	531200	00000 Contracts	16,000.00	18,500.00	18,500.00	16,250.00	18,500.00	18,500.00	
10100430	532000	00000 Dues and M	1,195.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,122.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
10100430	533000	00000 Lease Paym	882.22	2,000.00	2,000.00	900.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100430	533200	00000 Legal Noti	2,816.32	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,187.20	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100430	533700	00000 Maint. And	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
10100430	534800	00000 PostalChg	49.70	1,000.00	1,000.00	9.43	1,000.00	250.00	
10100430	534900	00000 Printing S	370.47	750.00	750.00	237.92	750.00	750.00	
10100430	535500	00000 Travel	4,365.42	5,200.00	5,200.00	1,982.45	5,200.00	5,200.00	
10100430	535600	00000 Tuition	6,841.18	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,189.27	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100430	539900	00000 Other Cont	200.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100430	541100	00000 Data Proce	1,540.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,590.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100430	542200	00000 Food Suppl	728.71	2,000.00	2,000.00	664.26	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100430	542500	00000 Gasoline	33.48	500.00	500.00	197.47	500.00	500.00	
10100430	543500	00000 Office Sup	1,939.26	2,200.00	2,200.00	913.92	2,200.00	2,200.00	
10100430	549900	00000 Other Supp	234.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100430	551300	00000 Workers Co	1,187.27	1,187.27	1,187.27	1,187.27	1,187.27	976.73	
10100430	559900	00000 Other Char	13.29	275.00	275.00	.00	275.00	275.00	
10100430	570900	00000 Data Proce	.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	
TOTAL Purchasing			548,200.24	655,635.06	655,635.06	414,866.95	655,635.06	692,634.76	

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

JUSTIN MCCLURE

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Who We Are

Department of (8) full-time staff and (1) Supplemental Staff

- (1) IT Director
- (1) Senior System Administrator
- (1) Senior Network Engineer (Supplemental)
- (1) Network Engineer
- (1) Business Analyst
- (1) Application Analyst
- (2) Senior Helpdesk Technicians
- (1) Helpdesk Technician



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- Advise and support all County Departments technology needs.
- Support End Users and Applications.
- Manage Infrastructure: Network and Server
 - Manage three fiber networks throughout the County.
 - Manage two Datacenters.
- Manage Security: Cyber and Physical
 - Manage cybersecurity for over 2,200 devices.
 - Manage security cameras and access control.
- Technology Vendor Management



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Resolved over 1800 support tickets (7/1/2025 – 3/1/2026)
- Implemented a new backup system for data and servers.
Giving us the ability to backup more backup increments with faster recovery time.
- Implemented (2) new cybersecurity solutions County-wide.
 - Including utilizing Behavioral-AI to provide protection from external attacks.
- Implemented a new (5) camera system for public meetings.
 - Meetings are streamed live and available for immediate playback on the Blount County Government YouTube Channel.
- Was chosen by Dell Technologies for a case study on how we use data centers to provide full redundancy for the County.



FY26-27 Goals

- Complete our migration from Google Workspace to Microsoft 365.
- Research ways County staff can utilize AI in a safe manner.
 - Create an AI Advisory Group with members from multiple departments.
 - AI Advisory Group will help build policies and guidelines for safe AI use.
- Continue our network device refresh.
- Focus on moving Blount County Schools to the County network.
 - We will be managing the following for BCS:
 - Network and Internet service
 - Cybersecurity
 - Server Infrastructure



Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
52600	Data Processing							
10100500	510500 00000 Supervisor	99,982.50	107,864.59	107,864.59	74,260.65	107,864.59	111,892.24	
10100500	512100 00000 Data Proce	306,290.63	368,968.90	398,716.13	254,049.18	368,968.90	437,079.19	
10100500	516900 00000 Part time	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100500	518700 00000 Overtime P	63.92	.00	.00	152.10	.00	.00	
10100500	520100 00000 Social Sec	23,907.73	29,563.68	31,408.00	19,254.86	29,563.68	34,036.23	
10100500	520400 00000 State Reti	27,204.27	35,476.41	40,222.51	23,535.27	35,476.41	43,588.33	
10100500	520600 00000 Life Ins E	343.36	416.64	456.96	293.41	416.64	476.16	
10100500	520700 00000 Health Ins	61,792.00	80,736.00	87,396.00	56,300.61	80,736.00	70,764.00	
10100500	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,455.16	1,977.36	2,251.20	1,412.40	1,977.36	1,977.36	
10100500	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	147.00	1,430.50	1,519.74	146.98	1,430.50	16,646.91	
10100500	521200 00000 Employer M	5,591.33	6,914.09	7,345.42	4,503.15	6,914.09	7,960.09	
10100500	530700 00000 Communicat	23,102.43	75,394.20	75,394.20	61,295.61	91,559.09	77,670.00	
10100500	531700 00000 Data Proce	718,118.58	1,031,022.92	1,092,022.92	1,037,937.82	1,112,861.89	1,082,899.76	
10100500	533300 00000 Licenses	186,987.69	187,499.41	187,499.41	95,372.08	187,499.41	125,881.24	
10100500	533600 00000 Maint. And	.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	2,050.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	
10100500	535500 00000 Travel	4,091.68	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,377.75	10,000.00	10,000.00	
10100500	535600 00000 Tuition	4,812.94	18,000.00	18,000.00	12,434.85	18,000.00	24,730.00	
10100500	539900 00000 Other Cont	391,615.50	403,438.23	290,605.85	262,950.91	403,438.23	497,438.23	
10100500	541100 00000 Data Proce	14,517.51	20,000.00	20,000.00	18,779.42	20,000.00	20,000.00	
10100500	541700 00000 Equipment	.00	.00	.00	5,339.06	.00	.00	
10100500	543500 00000 Office Sup	4,761.71	1,500.00	7,000.00	1,012.24	1,500.00	2,340.00	
10100500	551300 00000 Workers Co	1,187.27	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,068.88	1,139.52	
10100500	571100 00000 Furniture a	3,446.60	2,000.00	4,500.00	4,441.17	2,000.00	.00	
	TOTAL Data Processing	1,879,419.81	2,395,771.81	2,395,771.81	1,937,968.40	2,493,775.67	2,579,019.26	

Accounting & Budgeting

BRIAN BALDWIN

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Responsibilities:

- Perform central accounting duties for all county departments, including Blount County Schools and Highway Department
- Maintain the system of fiscal procedure and control
- Coordinate annual audit with the State of Tennessee Comptroller's office
- Work with Elected Officials, Department Directors, the Mayor and Budget Committee to create the annual budget



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Accounts payable reduction in paper checks
- Continued workflow efficiencies
- New budget book for annual budget process
- Integration of analytics into everyday process evaluations

Number of Invoices: 28,264

Amounts of Invoices: \$163,922,823



FY26-27 Goals

- Enhanced focus on Grants and Restricted Funds
- Continued efforts toward electronic payments
- Increased use of analytics to help inform decision making
- Policies and procedures that encourage value and efficiency
- Continued collaborations



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
52100	Accounting and Budgeting							
10100420	510500 00000 Supervisor	114,657.03	122,605.02	122,605.02	85,055.56	122,605.02	127,183.09	
10100420	511900 00000 Accountant	395,282.08	429,725.59	429,725.59	268,560.78	429,725.59	444,039.32	
10100420	516900 00000 Part time	.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	
10100420	518700 00000 Overtime P	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100420	520100 00000 Social Sec	30,464.09	34,244.50	34,244.50	21,529.37	34,244.50	34,795.79	
10100420	520400 00000 State Reti	33,483.28	41,093.40	41,093.40	23,707.05	41,093.40	44,561.06	
10100420	520600 00000 Life Ins E	382.18	415.44	415.44	266.96	415.44	391.23	
10100420	520700 00000 Health Ins	68,798.61	73,800.00	73,800.00	54,752.91	73,800.00	82,310.31	
10100420	520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,337.19	1,694.88	1,694.88	1,132.18	1,694.88	1,574.29	
10100420	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	142.36	1,656.99	1,656.99	164.63	1,656.99	1,683.67	
10100420	521200 00000 Employer M	7,124.68	8,008.79	8,008.79	5,035.06	8,008.79	8,137.72	
10100420	530700 00000 Communicat	4,220.04	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,099.62	5,000.00	5,200.00	
10100420	531700 00000 Data Proce	.00	400.00	400.00	.00	400.00	.00	
10100420	532000 00000 Dues and M	314.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	355.00	2,000.00	2,400.00	
10100420	533000 00000 Lease Paym	1,527.82	3,514.15	3,514.15	2,200.00	3,776.85	4,000.00	
10100420	533200 00000 Legal Noti	1,123.20	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	2,600.00	
10100420	534800 00000 Postal Cha	3,287.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,021.58	5,000.00	5,000.00	
10100420	534900 00000 Printing S	1,081.96	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,035.38	4,000.00	4,000.00	
10100420	535500 00000 Travel	3,112.14	7,000.00	7,000.00	.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	
10100420	535600 00000 Tuition	9,518.30	7,000.00	7,000.00	3,030.00	7,999.00	11,000.00	
10100420	542200 00000 Food Suppl	3,012.62	1,800.00	1,800.00	646.35	1,800.00	2,500.00	
10100420	543500 00000 Office Sup	2,090.41	3,600.00	3,600.00	744.33	3,600.00	3,600.00	
10100420	551300 00000 Workers Co	1,356.88	1,255.69	1,255.69	1,255.69	1,255.69	1,139.52	
	TOTAL Accounting and Budgeti	682,315.87	765,814.45	765,814.45	475,592.45	767,076.15	802,616.00	

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA Fund 127)

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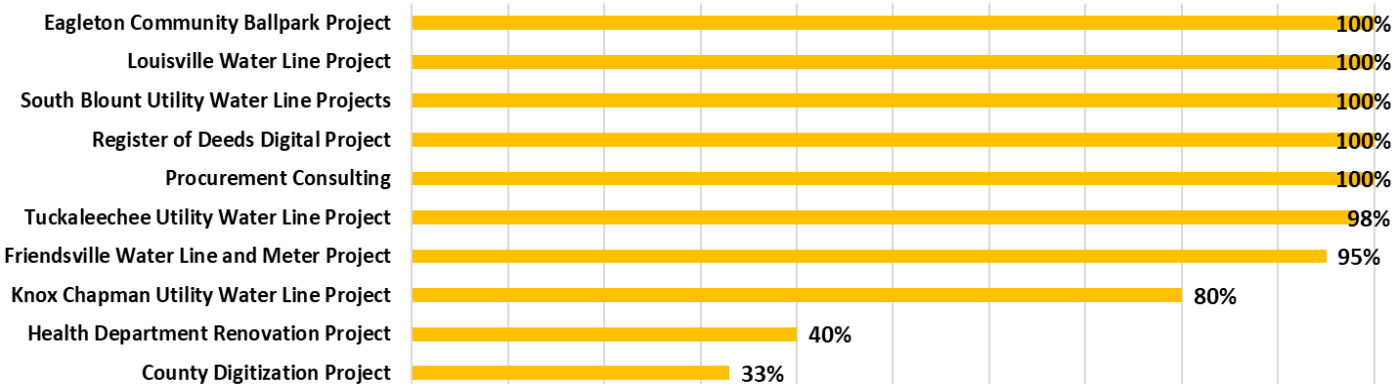
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ARPA Project Status



Projects by Percent Complete



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Other Gen Govt Special Revenue		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
00000	No Department							
000	No Program							
12000010	441100 00000 Investment	-832,415.99	.00	.00	-290,325.15	.00	.00	
12008060	474010 00000 ARP	.00	-1,419,454.32	-1,419,454.32	-1,162,291.69	-1,419,454.32	.00	
12008070	474010 00000 ARP	.00	-2,631,816.94	-2,631,816.94	.00	-2,631,816.94	.00	
12008080	474010 00000 ARP	.00	-6,632,720.00	-6,632,720.00	-5,600,433.78	-6,632,720.00	.00	
12008090	474010 00000 ARP	.00	-1,189,650.29	-1,189,650.29	.00	-1,189,650.29	.00	
12008110	474010 00000 ARP	.00	-4,875,000.00	-4,875,000.00	.00	-4,875,000.00	.00	
12000010	489900 00000 Use of FB	.00	-550,000.00	-550,000.00	.00	-550,000.00	.00	
12000010	498000 00000 Transfer I	.00	.00	.00	-15,529,489.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL No Department		-832,415.99	-17,298,641.55	-17,298,641.55	-22,582,539.62	-17,298,641.55	.00	
58831	AmericanRescuePlanActGrant1							
12580010	511900 00000 Accountant	53,023.08	56,645.30	56,645.30	39,382.31	56,645.30	29,669.68	
12580010	520100 00000 Social Sec	3,202.75	3,512.01	3,512.01	2,379.12	3,512.01	1,839.52	
12580010	520400 00000 State Reti	3,658.50	4,214.41	4,214.41	2,930.05	4,214.41	2,355.77	
12580010	520600 00000 Life Ins E	57.04	59.52	59.52	41.92	59.52	29.76	
12580010	520700 00000 Health Ins	7,116.00	7,176.00	7,176.00	5,364.00	7,176.00	3,540.00	
12580010	520800 00000 Dental Ins	281.40	282.48	282.48	211.86	282.48	141.24	
12580010	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	20.99	169.94	169.94	21.00	169.94	89.01	
12580010	521200 00000 Employer M	749.02	821.36	821.36	556.41	821.36	430.21	
12580010	531700 00000 Data Proce	.00	.00	943,232.00	564,030.00	943,232.00	.00	
12580010	539900 00000 Other Cont	-110,720.00	.00	.00	.00	110,720.00	.00	
12580010	551300 00000 Workers Co	169.61	169.61	169.61	169.61	169.61	.00	
12588010	579100 00000 Other Cons	3,538,882.16	.00	.00	.00	752,181.84	.00	
12588020	579100 00000 Other Cons	928,227.64	.00	.00	.00	2,029,952.36	.00	
12588030	579100 00000 Other Cons	3,427,585.95	.00	.00	.00	4,656,882.05	.00	
12588040	579100 00000 Other Cons	826,349.90	.00	23,995.00	23,995.00	790,812.70	.00	
12588070	579100 00000 Other Cons	269,495.65	.00	6,172,505.00	2,635,000.00	6,230,504.35	.00	
12588050	579900 00000 Other Capi	-69,065.13	550,000.00	1,033,538.95	618,179.63	1,564,002.13	.00	
TOTAL AmericanRescuePlanActG		8,879,034.56	623,050.63	8,246,321.58	3,892,260.91	17,151,338.06	38,095.19	
TOTAL Other Gen Govt Special		8,046,618.57	-16,675,590.92	-9,052,319.97	-18,690,278.71	-147,303.49	38,095.19	

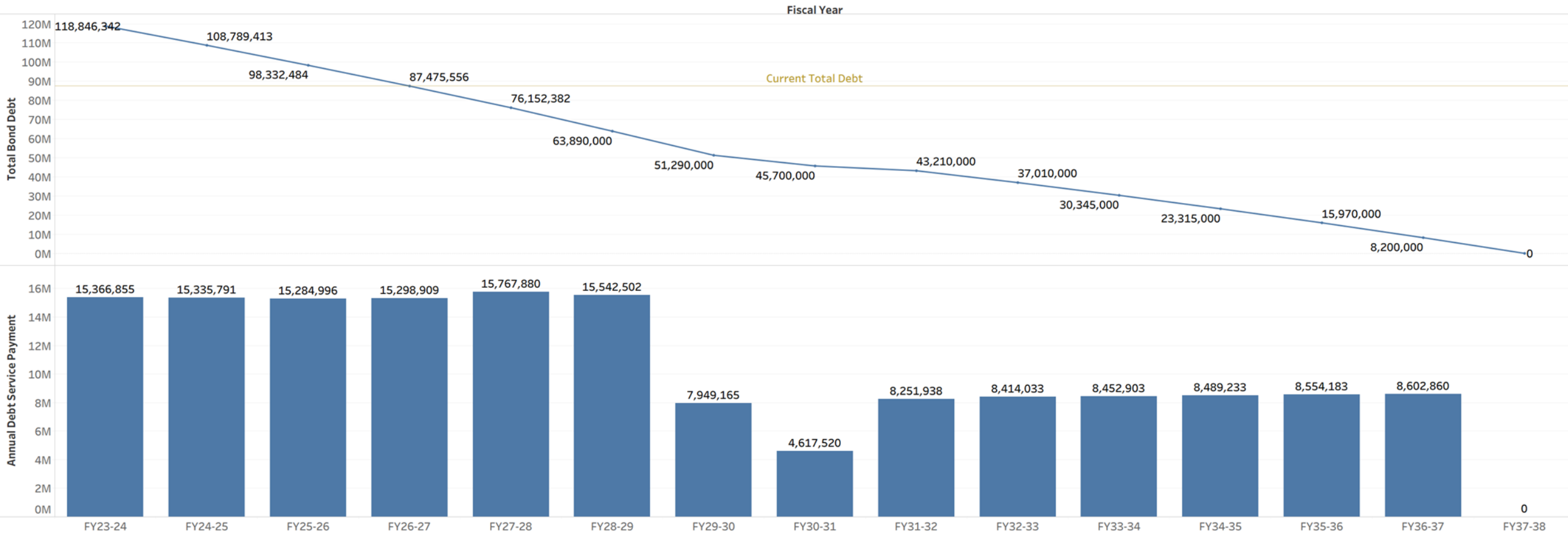
Debt Service (Fund 151)

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FY26-27 Projected EoY Debt: \$87.5M



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen Debt Service		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
00000	No Department							
000	No Program							
15100010	401100 00000 Prop Tax	-14,061,475.95	-14,113,400.00	-14,113,400.00	-13,756,157.92	-14,113,400.00	-11,915,000.00	
15100010	401150 00000 Disc. Prop	231,603.21	250,000.00	250,000.00	235,118.32	250,000.00	250,000.00	
15100010	401200 00000 PY Trustee	-210,171.85	-150,000.00	-150,000.00	-100,475.62	-150,000.00	-150,000.00	
15100010	401250 00000 Bankrup Tr	-14,862.03	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	-14,282.54	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	
15100010	401300 00000 PY C.M Col	-91,215.62	-80,000.00	-80,000.00	-30,482.38	-80,000.00	-80,000.00	
15100010	401400 00000 Interest P	-39,035.34	-35,000.00	-35,000.00	-13,285.15	-35,000.00	-35,000.00	
15100010	401620 00000 PLT Local	-140,688.72	-50,000.00	-50,000.00	.00	-50,000.00	-50,000.00	
15100010	401630 00000 PLT other	-42,362.16	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
15100010	402100 00000 Local Sale	-2,164,345.47	-2,200,000.00	-2,200,000.00	-1,360,391.66	-2,200,000.00	-2,500,000.00	
15100010	402700 00000 Bus. Tax	-480,664.53	-400,000.00	-400,000.00	-100,180.68	-400,000.00	-520,000.00	
15100010	441100 00000 Investment	-1,386,550.38	-450,000.00	-450,000.00	-642,325.23	-450,000.00	-1,000,000.00	
15100010	445100 00000 Accr Int	-37,802.50	-35,000.00	-35,000.00	-32,593.46	-35,000.00	-35,000.00	
15100010	468521 00000 TeleCommTx	-19,102.64	-10,000.00	-10,000.00	-10,798.02	-10,000.00	-20,000.00	
15100010	492000 00000 NotesIssue	-1,366,297.15	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
15100010	498000 00000 Transfer I	-682,063.52	-680,000.00	-680,000.00	-339,560.34	-680,000.00	-680,000.00	
TOTAL No Department		-20,505,034.65	-17,973,400.00	-17,973,400.00	-16,165,414.68	-17,973,400.00	-16,755,000.00	
82110	Principal on Debt Gen Govt							
15100020	560100 00000 Principal	10,456,928.84	11,800,000.00	11,800,000.00	695,196.63	11,800,000.00	11,400,000.00	
TOTAL Principal on Debt Gen		10,456,928.84	11,800,000.00	11,800,000.00	695,196.63	11,800,000.00	11,400,000.00	
82210	Interest on Debt Gen Govt							
15100040	560300 00000 Interest o	5,599,032.44	5,250,000.00	5,250,000.00	2,737,794.07	5,250,000.00	4,875,000.00	
TOTAL Interest on Debt Gen G		5,599,032.44	5,250,000.00	5,250,000.00	2,737,794.07	5,250,000.00	4,875,000.00	
82310	Other Debt Service Gen Govt							
15100060	532400 00000 Financial	12,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	6,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	
15100060	533100 00000 Legal Svcs	.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	
15100060	551000 00000 Trustee Co	328,921.83	400,000.00	400,000.00	301,362.14	400,000.00	350,000.00	
15100060	559000 00000 Transfers	.00	.00	15,529,489.00	15,529,489.00	.00	.00	
15100060	559900 00000 Other Char	16,893.96	30,000.00	30,000.00	13,122.97	30,000.00	30,000.00	
TOTAL Other Debt Service Gen		357,815.79	530,000.00	16,059,489.00	15,849,974.11	530,000.00	480,000.00	
TOTAL Gen Debt Service		-4,091,257.58	-393,400.00	15,136,089.00	3,117,550.13	-393,400.00	.00	

County Buildings and Projects

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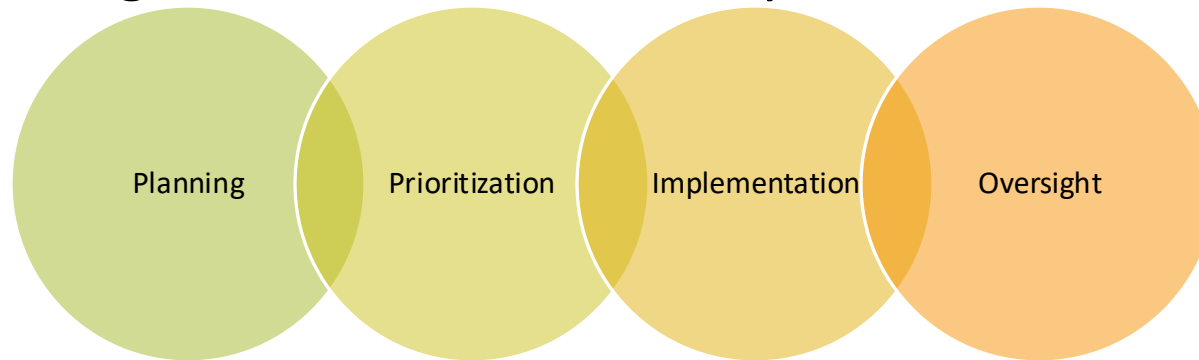
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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Responsibilities:

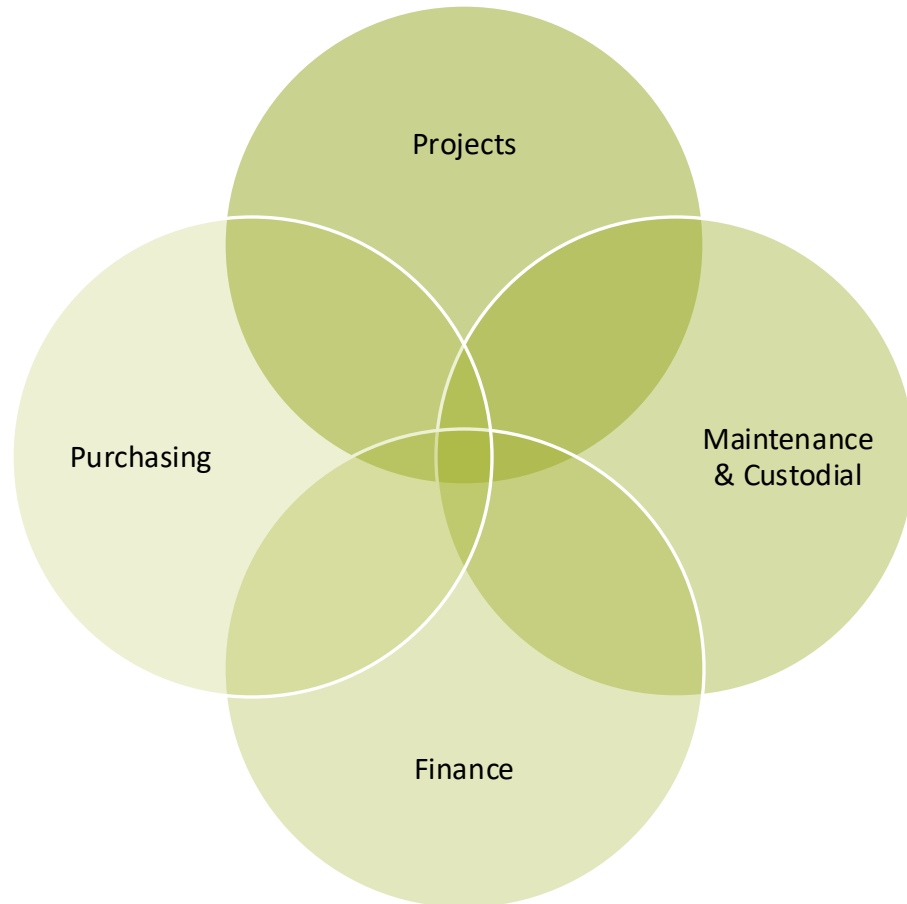
- Project management for Blount County Government and Blount County Schools



- Maintain 13 Blount County Government buildings
 - Preventative maintenance
 - Repair and upkeep
 - Custodial services



How we do it



- General County Partnerships
- Blount County Schools Partnerships
- Realign Budgets 51800, 51900, and 52220
- Shifts budget priority from emergency expenditures to front end planning



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Maintenance:

- Review and inspection of all county buildings
- Re-evaluated existing maintenance program
- Creating holistic preventative maintenance program
- Elevators (repurposed generator from KUB building)
- HVAC replacements



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Projects:

- Reviewed and inspected of all county buildings
- Developed detailed scope of work for needs of each county building
- Enhanced emphasis to planning stages of projects
- Partnered with Purchasing for streamlined processes and cost savings
- Partnered with Blount County Schools on Capital Projects and Planning
- Developed full 5-year Capital Plan



FY26-27 Goals

Maintenance:

- Implement full preventative maintenance programs
- Implement maintenance software for tracking tickets and jobs
- Leverage efficiencies of maintenance and custodial staffs
- Participate in Capital Plan and building improvements



FY26-27 Goals

Projects:

- Standardization of solutions, materials, and approach for maximum efficiencies
- Implementing best practices in construction industry
- Continued evaluation of buildings and project needs
- Cultivate vendor relationships for best value
- Execute approved Capital Plan



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51800	County	Buildings							
10100380	510500	00000 Supervisor	40,844.70	46,223.20	46,223.20	39,554.67	46,223.20	80,000.00	
10100380	516600	00000 Custodial	243,273.03	257,566.06	257,566.06	169,320.13	257,566.06	264,942.77	
10100380	516700	00000 Maintenanc	218,407.33	233,701.89	213,046.65	96,601.95	233,701.89	141,569.52	
10100380	516900	00000 Part time	31,870.56	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,267.94	35,000.00	35,000.00	
10100380	518700	00000 Overtime P	10,291.83	8,000.00	8,000.00	6,217.98	8,000.00	8,000.00	
10100380	520100	00000 Social Sec	32,169.87	32,460.49	32,460.49	20,354.27	32,460.49	33,505.33	
10100380	520400	00000 State Reti	31,788.42	38,952.59	38,952.59	20,700.82	38,952.59	34,830.96	
10100380	520600	00000 Life Ins E	506.77	521.52	521.52	324.70	521.52	528.72	
10100380	520700	00000 Health Ins	101,433.21	102,504.00	102,504.00	59,043.00	102,504.00	92,556.00	
10100380	520800	00000 Dental Ins	2,606.98	2,824.80	2,824.80	1,871.43	2,824.80	2,824.80	
10100380	521000	00000 Unemp Comp	332.86	1,570.67	1,570.67	268.51	1,570.67	1,621.23	
10100380	521200	00000 Employer M	7,523.67	7,591.57	7,591.57	4,760.28	7,591.57	7,835.92	
10100380	530700	00000 Communicat	5,126.48	5,300.00	5,300.00	4,547.34	5,300.00	6,000.00	
10100380	531700	00000 Data Proce	.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	.00	8,500.00	.00	
10100380	533000	00000 Lease Paym	10,251.18	11,392.00	11,392.00	10,260.00	11,392.00	.00	
10100380	533200	00000 Legal Noti	.00	20.00	20.00	.00	20.00	.00	
10100380	533400	00000 Maintenanc	111,381.77	159,862.86	173,862.86	173,826.58	183,132.09	236,000.00	
10100380	533500	00000 Maint. And	90,781.73	109,955.60	109,955.60	109,086.65	121,393.28	115,000.00	
10100380	533600	00000 Maint. And	62,145.79	79,329.00	79,329.00	49,938.67	88,111.16	85,000.00	
10100380	533800	00000 Maint. And	535.00	2,653.00	2,653.00	634.30	2,653.00	3,000.00	
10100380	534700	00000 Pest Contr	170.00	7,410.00	7,410.00	6,720.00	8,140.00	7,600.00	
10100380	535500	00000 Travel	-2.97	1,350.00	1,350.00	.00	1,350.00	.00	
10100380	535600	00000 Tuition	.00	1,180.00	1,180.00	.00	1,180.00	1,500.00	
10100380	536100	00000 Permits	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,780.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	
10100380	539900	00000 Other Cont	-263,332.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
10100380	541000	00000 Custodial	54,249.42	56,556.00	56,556.00	38,263.71	58,691.96	65,000.00	
10100380	542500	00000 Gasoline	1,247.28	9,000.00	9,000.00	3,568.76	14,000.00	7,500.00	
10100380	543400	00000 Natural Ga	79,275.97	93,000.00	93,000.00	74,769.67	93,000.00	100,000.00	
10100380	543500	00000 Office Sup	.00	500.00	500.00	111.45	500.00	500.00	
10100380	545100	00000 Uniforms	-6.92	7,990.00	7,990.00	7,500.00	7,990.00	8,000.00	
10100380	545200	00000 Utilities	730,156.25	770,000.00	770,000.00	489,098.54	770,000.00	775,000.00	
10100380	551300	00000 Workers Co	2,713.76	2,713.76	2,713.76	2,713.76	2,713.76	1,627.88	
10100380	570700	00000 Building I	140,533.84	108,647.00	108,647.00	.00	171,560.36	25,000.00	
10100380	570900	00000 Data Proce	.00	3,265.50	3,265.50	.00	3,265.50	2,000.00	
10100380	571700	00000 Maint Equi	.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	3,675.00	.00	
10100380	571800	00000 Motor Vehi	.00	.00	6,655.24	6,655.24	.00	.00	
TOTAL County Buildings			1,746,275.81	2,210,041.51	2,210,041.51	1,429,760.35	2,325,484.90	2,144,943.13	

Capital Planning and Projects (Fund 189)

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Overall Priorities

Building Envelopes

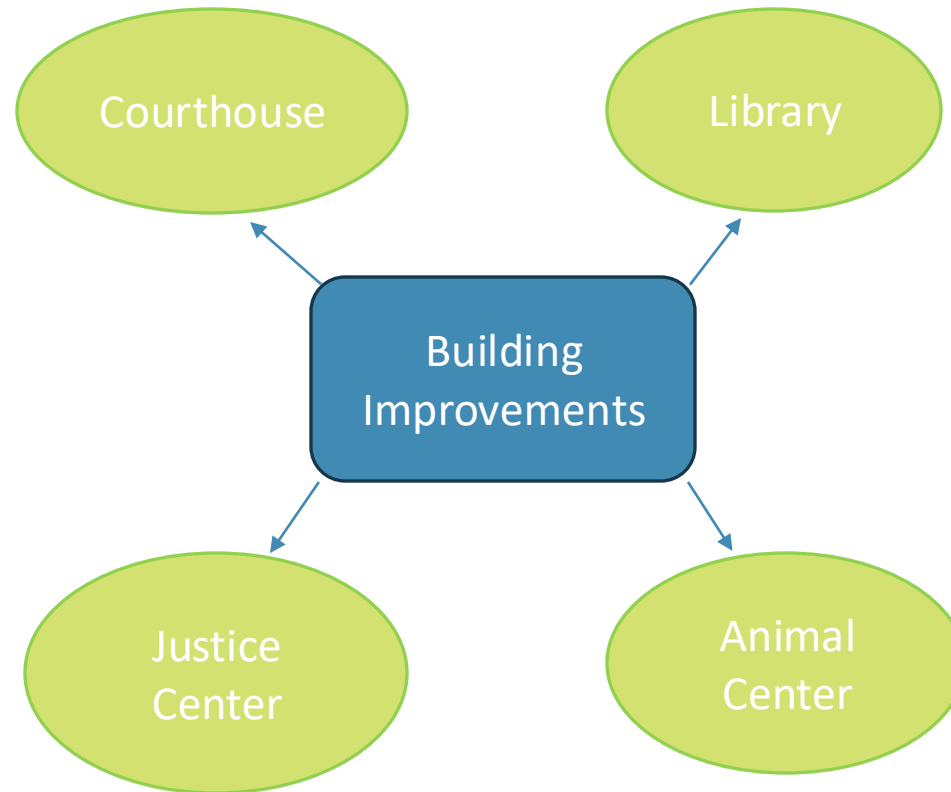
- Roofs
- Doors/Windows

Building Systems

- HVAC
- Plumbing

Finishes

- Flooring
- Paint
- Ceilings

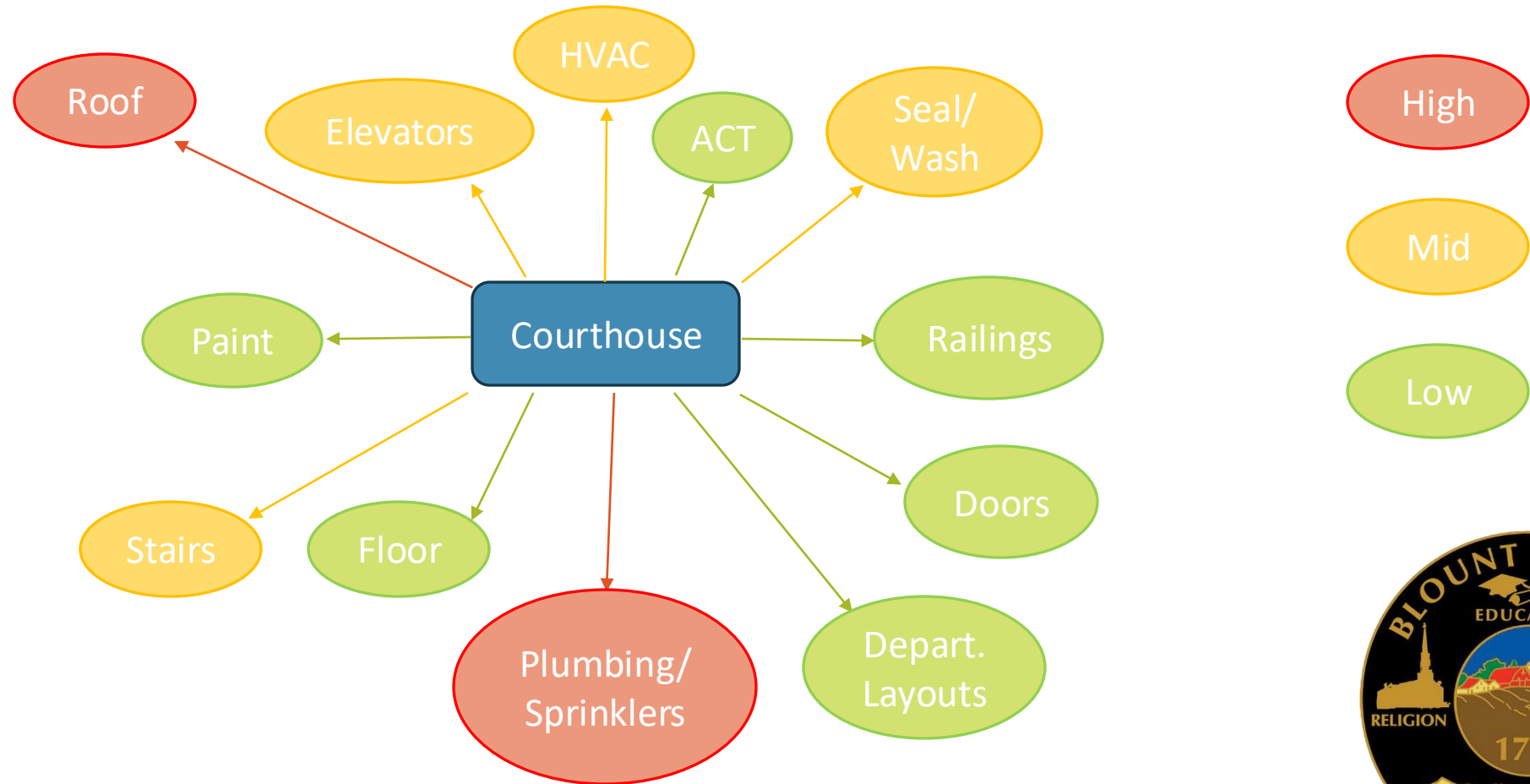


FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Inspected each County and School building to identify areas for improvements
- Completed energy analysis of select County buildings – including schools
- BCS partnership to continue necessary improvements on school buildings
- Overhauled the existing Capital Plan to identify key needs countywide



FY26-27 Goals



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20272 FY 26-27 Capital Budget

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen Construction		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
00000	No Department							
000	No Program							
18900010	401100 00000 Prop Tax	-2,008,792.34	-2,020,200.00	-2,020,200.00	-1,965,183.06	-2,020,200.00	-2,515,000.00	
18900010	401150 00000 Disc. Prop	33,100.56	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	33,603.34	-20,000.00	-53,603.34	
18900010	401200 00000 PY Trustee	-29,325.45	-20,000.00	-20,000.00	-17,076.02	-20,000.00	-7,049.23	
18900010	401250 00000 Bankrup Tr	-2,120.24	-6,000.00	-6,000.00	-2,040.40	-6,000.00	-5,000.00	
18900010	401300 00000 PY C.M Col	-13,030.92	-5,000.00	-5,000.00	-4,354.65	-5,000.00	-1,319.81	
18900010	401400 00000 Interest P	-5,329.59	-3,000.00	-3,000.00	-1,889.03	-3,000.00	-1,844.70	
18900010	401620 00000 PLT Local	-19,791.62	-7,000.00	-7,000.00	.00	-7,000.00	-7,000.00	
18900010	401630 00000 PLT other	-6,051.78	-2,500.00	-2,500.00	.00	-2,500.00	-2,500.00	
18900010	402700 00000 Bus. Tax	-68,654.95	-50,000.00	-50,000.00	-14,308.05	-50,000.00	-38,485.17	
18900010	441100 00000 Invest Inc	-162,587.19	-50,000.00	-50,000.00	-103,153.06	-50,000.00	24,585.29	
18005020	441100 00000 Invest Inc	-7,959.94	-5,000.00	-5,000.00	-1,882.51	-5,000.00	-3,117.49	
18005040	441100 00000 Invest Inc	-3,860.61	-3,500.00	-3,500.00	-2,291.53	-3,500.00	-1,725.15	
18900010	468521 00000 TeleCommTx	-2,728.97	-2,000.00	-2,000.00	-1,542.59	-2,000.00	-876.96	
18900010	475900 00000 Other	.00	.00	.00	-16,960.10	.00	.00	
18005020	498000 00000 Transfer I	.00	.00	.00	-176,925.61	.00	.00	
TOTAL No Department		-2,297,133.04	-2,194,200.00	-2,194,200.00	-2,274,003.27	-2,194,200.00	-2,612,936.56	
91110	General Administration Project							
18915040	570900 00000 Data Proce	125,426.50	127,106.64	127,106.64	127,047.88	137,421.19	145,000.00	
TOTAL General Administration		125,426.50	127,106.64	127,106.64	127,047.88	137,421.19	145,000.00	
91130	Public Safety Projects							
18900120	551000 00000 Trustee Co	41,061.30	65,000.00	65,000.00	39,731.75	65,000.00	65,000.00	
18900120	570700 00000 Building I	371,796.35	-111.60	-111.60	-1,670.02	30,766.40	.00	
18900120	571800 00000 Motor Vehi	93,498.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
18900120	579900 00000 Other Capi	.00	.00	559,556.20	559,556.19	.00	.01	
TOTAL Public Safety Projects		506,355.65	64,888.40	624,444.60	597,617.92	95,766.40	65,000.01	
91190	Other General Government Proje							
18915010	572300 00000 RightofWay	.00	.00	.00	125.59	.00	.00	
18915020	572300 00000 RightofWay	66.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
18910030	579900 00000 Other Capi	93,222.21	156,271.22	156,271.22	156,271.22	284,373.22	.00	
18918060	579900 00000 Other Capi	643,240.69	.00	.00	.00	138,361.49	.00	
TOTAL Other General Governme		736,528.90	156,271.22	156,271.22	156,396.81	422,734.71	.00	
TOTAL Gen Construction		-928,821.99	-1,845,933.74	-1,286,377.54	-1,392,940.66	-1,538,277.70	-2,402,936.55	

Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center

FRANCIS GRAFFEO, CEO

A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)



A HERITAGE CENTER
CHRISTMAS

Lighting Up the Holidays in Townsend







70,000 Annual Visitors

- History Museum
- Smoky Mountain Village
- Heirloom Gardens and Orchard
- History Bus Tours of Cades Cove
- Amphitheater Concert Series
- Festivals
- Civic Events



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Robust Turnaround in Donors. YTD Donor Numbers, Giving Through 3/24 Beating Prior Years by Far

Fundraising Totals

Year (ytd)

Month

	2024 (ytd)	2025 (ytd)	2026 (ytd)
Gifts	7 / \$27,958	24 / \$44,521.39	42 / \$70,034.65
In Kind	0 / \$0	0 / \$0	0 / \$0
Other Income	0 / \$0	0 / \$0	0 / \$0
Pledges	0 / \$0	4 / \$21,000 (\$0)	1 / \$5,000 (\$5,000)
Installments	0 / \$0	0 / \$0	0 / \$0

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FY25-26 Accomplishments

Strong Surge in Student Field Trips, Museum Attendance, Despite National Downturn



Student Field Trips, primarily serving **Blount County School Children** increased from 2024 to 2025 by 407 students. That is a **15 percent increase**.

Overall **Museum Attendance** shot up by 1,466 guests 2024 to 2025. That is a **12 percent increase**, and bucks the national downward trend.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

New Exhibits – Upgrades – Expanded Reach – Growing Community Connections



NEW – **Museum Exhibit**: The Photography of Carlos Campbell (GSMNP Founder). **Our most significant exhibit in SEVEN YEARS.**

NEW – Exterior Holiday **Lighting**, Interior Museum **Lighting**, Museum **Signage**, Gift Shop Displays, Historic Village **Guideway Signage**

NEW – National **Advisory Council** formed

NEW – **Fourth of July** Blockbuster American Heritage Band Amphitheater Concert with Salute to Veterans, the Flag, and the Declaration. Set to return even bigger and better in 2026.

NEW- Popular Family Event: **Heritage Center Christmas** and Lighting Ceremony



FY26-27 Goals



- 1. Establish and Seed a Permanent Endowment Fund**
- 2. Debut Civics and Pioneer Firearms Galleries**
- 3. Install Upgraded and Expanded Septic Sewer System**
- 4. Start Construction on New Music Gallery**
- 5. Expand All Music Offerings – Telling Our Stories in Song**



Thank You



Records Management & Archives

AMY COWDEN, DEPT. HEAD

JONI SERATT, RECORDS MANAGER

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Blount County Records Management and Archives Department is here to help serve the general public and Blount County Government Offices.

We receive and process both non-current, permanent records and temporary records created by Blount County Government.

Our Archives provide information on court records, genealogy and history of Blount County, Tennessee. Our records are accessible to the public unless deemed lawfully confidential.

We also are the Records Request Manager for all records requests received through our Department directory or through the Gov QA digital portal.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- ❖ Cameras Installed in Warehouse area for added security
- ❖ Mobile Shelving Unit Addition
 - ❖ **3,513 more box spaces**
 - ❖ With the relocation of existing stationary shelving units, and addition of these amazing new mobile shelving units















FY25-26 Accomplishments

❖ Digitization Project

- ❖ Funded with ARPA Grant money
- ❖ Bid project late 2025, project started January 2026
- ❖ Will be complete by September 30, 2026

- ❖ Scanning approximately 1,000 boxes of materials such as marriage licenses, Court records, Tax rolls & County commission records
- ❖ Ease of access to these Public Records
- ❖ Better preservation of our documents by reducing the physical touching of them less
- ❖ Preserved copies in the event of a natural disaster, flood, or fire.



FY26-27 Goals

❖ Digitization Project

- ❖ Completion of digitization project
- ❖ Implementation of a barcoding system for better inventory tracking

❖ Expanded Space

- ❖ Allows for us to receive records from our County Offices and alleviate their storage constraints (which we will actually begin in April of 2026)



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen	County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51910	Preservation of Records							
10100400	510500 00000 Supervisor	65,305.84	94,172.52	94,172.52	63,868.63	94,172.52	96,234.03	
10100400	518900 00000 Other Sala	32,108.37	34,630.22	34,630.22	23,860.55	34,630.22	35,925.16	
10100400	520100 00000 Social Sec	5,810.80	7,985.77	7,985.77	5,276.60	7,985.77	8,193.87	
10100400	520400 00000 State Reti	6,721.67	9,582.92	9,582.92	6,527.12	9,582.92	10,493.44	
10100400	520600 00000 Life Ins E	71.03	79.68	79.68	56.29	79.68	80.40	
10100400	520700 00000 Health Ins	15,207.45	16,656.00	16,656.00	12,564.00	16,656.00	16,692.00	
10100400	520800 00000 Dental Ins	256.68	282.48	282.48	211.86	282.48	282.48	
10100400	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	28.00	386.41	386.41	42.02	386.41	396.48	
10100400	521200 00000 Employer M	1,358.97	1,365.50	1,365.50	1,234.03	1,365.50	1,916.31	
10100400	530700 00000 Communicat	2,345.40	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,838.26	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100400	531700 00000 Data Proce	.00	5,250.00	5,250.00	.00	5,250.00	5,250.00	
10100400	532000 00000 Dues and M	89.00	425.00	425.00	89.00	425.00	425.00	
10100400	533000 00000 Lease Paym	40.29	906.00	906.00	906.00	906.00	906.00	
10100400	533400 00000 Maintenanc	.00	2,150.00	2,150.00	.00	2,150.00	2,150.00	
10100400	534800 00000 PostalChg	87.60	100.00	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
10100400	535600 00000 Tuition	.00	765.00	765.00	.00	765.00	765.00	
10100400	539900 00000 Other Cont	.00	3,066.00	3,066.00	.00	3,066.00	3,066.00	
10100400	543500 00000 Office Sup	592.13	650.00	650.00	551.84	650.00	650.00	
10100400	549900 00000 Other Supp	862.53	3,500.00	3,500.00	1,783.01	3,500.00	3,500.00	
10100400	551300 00000 Workers Co	339.22	339.22	339.22	339.22	339.22	325.58	
	TOTAL Preservation of Record	131,224.98	184,792.72	184,792.72	119,148.43	184,792.72	189,851.75	

BLOUNT COUNTY PROBATION

MARK SHELTON-DIRECTOR

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What we do

BCP is responsible for the supervision of individuals who have committed misdemeanor offenses and have been ordered to Supervised Probation by Blount County General Sessions Court.

BCP also supervises individuals who have pending criminal charges and have been released to Pre-Trial Release Supervision as a condition of their Bond.

BCP offers a (24) week Batterer's Intervention Class and a 12 Hour DUI School.

BCP manages a Community Service Program.

BCP supervises individuals through daily, weekly, or monthly meetings.

BCP contracts with an Electronic Monitoring Company for GPS/Drug Patch/Alcohol monitor needs.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

BCP was able to establish Credit Card use for the payment of fees with very positive feedback.

BCP reorganized the configuration of the probation building entry/exit and new security measures established

BCP was recertified by the Tennessee Domestic Violence State Coordinating Council for instruction of the Batterers Intervention Program



FY26-27 Goals

Our goal is to continue to help our clients become more productive members of society by continuing to use a firm and fair approach to our supervision.

Providing professional and positive leadership in Blount County with Probation responsibilities recognized throughout the state as the premiere agency.

Continue to be the leader in state with our Batterers Intervention Program.



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
53910	Probation Services							
10100610	510500 00000 Supervisor	83,130.50	83,103.34	83,103.34	56,871.59	83,103.34	86,205.03	
10100610	511100 00000 Probation	290,732.22	354,261.89	354,261.89	208,538.52	354,261.89	319,513.17	
10100610	511900 00000 Accountant	51,010.05	53,818.77	53,818.77	38,225.99	53,818.77	55,829.64	
10100610	516100 00000 Secretary	39,020.39	42,093.67	42,093.67	34,498.04	42,093.67	42,924.09	
10100610	518700 00000 Overtime P	689.50	1,000.00	1,000.00	274.31	1,000.00	1,000.00	
10100610	520100 00000 Social Sec	26,987.25	33,063.15	33,063.15	19,724.15	33,063.15	31,277.26	
10100610	520400 00000 State Reti	32,022.46	39,675.78	39,675.78	22,274.16	39,675.78	40,055.07	
10100610	520600 00000 Life Ins E	493.21	565.20	565.20	338.79	565.20	487.92	
10100610	520700 00000 Health Ins	125,679.55	140,424.00	140,424.00	86,036.00	140,424.00	129,912.00	
10100610	520800 00000 Dental Ins	2,392.54	2,542.32	2,542.32	1,506.56	2,542.32	1,977.36	
10100610	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	211.46	1,599.83	1,599.83	224.64	1,599.83	1,513.42	
10100610	521200 00000 Employer M	6,311.54	7,732.51	7,732.51	4,612.87	7,732.51	7,314.84	
10100610	530700 00000 Communicat	8,759.43	9,715.95	9,715.95	5,544.76	9,715.95	9,715.95	
10100610	530900 00000 Contracts	10,500.00	15,750.00	15,750.00	15,750.00	15,750.00	15,750.00	
10100610	531000 00000 Contracts	-32,980.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	152,980.00	60,000.00	
10100610	532000 00000 Dues and M	200.00	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	300.00	
10100610	533000 00000 Lease Paym	190.76	600.00	600.00	512.01	600.00	750.00	
10100610	533300 00000 Licenses	10,440.00	9,720.00	9,720.00	9,720.00	9,720.00	9,720.00	
10100610	534800 00000 PostalChg	23.64	75.00	75.00	12.88	75.00	75.00	
10100610	534900 00000 Printing S	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	690.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	
10100610	535500 00000 Travel	2,268.59	2,000.00	2,000.00	915.26	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100610	535600 00000 Tuition	460.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	309.00	1,250.00	1,350.00	
10100610	541300 00000 Drugs and	12,386.54	16,000.00	16,000.00	2,872.94	16,000.00	16,000.00	
10100610	543500 00000 Office Sup	5,909.13	5,400.00	5,400.00	1,676.00	6,211.43	6,500.00	
10100610	545100 00000 Uniforms	.00	600.00	600.00	183.72	600.00	600.00	
10100610	551300 00000 Workers Co	1,696.10	1,696.10	1,696.10	1,696.10	1,696.10	1,627.88	
	TOTAL Probation Services	680,234.86	884,587.51	884,587.51	573,008.29	978,378.94	844,098.63	

Emergency Management

LANCE COLEMAN/MAYOR ED MITCHELL

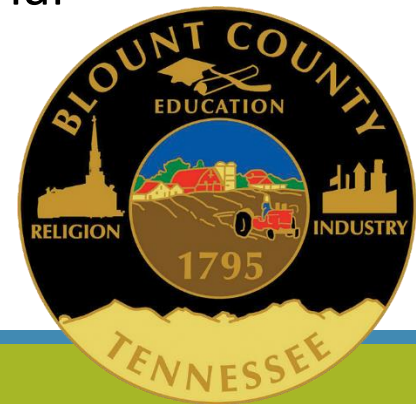
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What we do

Director Lance Coleman, Assistant Director Steven Cardwell and Operations Manager Brooks White work with law enforcement, fire and rescue agencies for planning, obtaining necessary training and resources. They assist in writing, requesting and managing grants and hazard mitigation initiatives. They manage emergency public/first responder notification through the IPAWS system and the ReadyOp Digital Communications System. They recruit for the Blount County Strong Long Term Disaster Recovery Team as well as the Emergency Food Delivery Team and the Hazard Mitigation Planning Team. They train and lead the Blount County Damage Assessment Teams and Storm Spotter Teams. They coordinate with the John 3:16/Family Promise Warming Center Team. They work with the municipalities, utilities, the Blount County Highway Department, Blount County, Maryville and Alcoa school systems, Blount Memorial Hospital emergency management, the National Weather Service and the community at large in implementing different safety initiatives.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Blount County Strong Long Term Disaster Recovery Team: Director and Assistant Director continued to address community organizations to recruit team members to the long term disaster recovery team and board. Recruited Rick Shepard and Trevis Gardner as board chair and vice chair, respectively.

Vice Presidential Visit: Deputy Director and Operations Manager assisted in coordinating communications for Vice President J. D. Vance's family weekend vacation at Blackberry Farm.

Back-up E-911 Facility: Assistant Director/operations manager assisted in building the back-up E-911 and the director was on hand for the fourth annual full-scale drill to test its capacity

Damage Assessment Team training added seven new members to the team.

Warming Center Team: Coordinated with Project 3:16 for warming center spool up for round-the-clock below 25-degree temps from December of 2025 to March 1st of 2026. The team members from different congregations non-profits opened the warming center a record 30 times in 2024-25 and are on pace to break that record this season.

Grants: Managed Emergency Management Performance Grant (\$54,966.00); Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant (HazMat drill - \$16,289.49); State Homeland Security Program Grant (\$48,537.50) for a total of \$119,792.99. Since 2015, managed/received \$997,521.01 in funds from these grants.

Space X: Emergency management used subscription for access to satellite-provided internet access as a redundancy for ReadyOP.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Grant: Assisted Alcoa City in 65-month effort that culminated in receiving approval for a \$903,000.00 grant to purchase two large scale generators for their water and we are currently awaiting the executed contract to begin the project. Awaiting an executed contract extension for a \$120,000.00 to Blount County Hwy Dept. for flood mitigation (Caldwell Road).

State Homeland Security Program Grant (2024): Submitted a reallocation request for \$34,000.00 in SHSP funds to upgrade technology in the Emergency Operations Center and the Back-up Emergency Operations Center.



FY26-27 Goals

Blount County Strong Long-Term Disaster Recovery Team and Board: Recruit members to implement the long-term disaster recovery plan and begin team training by fall of 2026.

Emergency Food Distribution Team: Recruit members to assist Blount County Community Action Agency/Meals on Wheels to deliver food during inclement weather to residents in remote or inaccessible locations in the county.

Local Emergency Planning Committee Annual Full-Scale HazMat Exercise: Facilitate full-scale hazmat drill at Newell Rubbermaid/BCSO Training Academy with BCFD as host agency – March 12 and 26th, 2026.

Pending Hazard Mitigation Grant Program applications: Using executed contracts, assist with grant purchases for Alcoa City Water Utility/Blount County Highway Department.

Basic Emergency Operations Plan: Work with our TEMA East Planner and local first responders and community and municipal leaders to do an annual update to our Basic Emergency Operations Plan. While TEMA requires this every five years, we plan to do this each year from May – July so as to keep everyone “on the same page” with regards to emergency planning. We will then present it to the county commission and the different councils/commissions of municipalities in Blount County for adoption annually.

Hazard Mitigation Grant: Complete application process with TEMA/FEMA for a \$381,945.00. grant to purchase three trailer-mounted 250-kW generators to power critical infrastructure.

State Homeland Security Grant (2024 and 2025): Use this grant funding to update tech in the main E.O.C. and the back-up E.O.C. and obtain five Canary Case mini portable cell towers to improve first responder communications when responding to emergencies in outlying areas where cell coverage is sparse.



FY26-27 Additional Requests

* Emergency Management is requesting an \$8,000.00 increase in the Other Contracted Services budget line to cover the annual cost of the CRD (portable cell phone tower) purchased by the Blount County Sheriff's Office in January of 2026.



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ACCOUNTS FOR:								
Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
54410	Civil Defense							
10100700	510300 00000 Assistant	35,683.97	34,748.59	34,748.59	26,007.25	34,748.59	39,760.20	
10100700	510500 00000 Supervisor	76,148.07	82,151.19	82,151.19	56,557.90	82,151.19	85,218.72	
10100700	520100 00000 Social Sec	6,807.69	7,247.79	7,247.79	5,027.02	7,247.79	7,748.69	
10100700	520400 00000 State Reti	7,716.54	8,697.34	8,697.34	6,142.89	8,697.34	9,923.33	
10100700	520600 00000 Life Ins E	87.19	119.04	119.04	62.74	119.04	89.28	
10100700	520700 00000 Health Ins	7,146.00	7,176.00	7,176.00	5,379.00	7,176.00	7,080.00	
10100700	520800 00000 Dental Ins	281.40	282.48	282.48	211.86	282.48	282.48	
10100700	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	31.92	350.70	350.70	31.29	350.70	374.94	
10100700	521200 00000 Employer M	1,592.10	1,695.05	1,695.05	1,175.68	1,695.05	1,812.19	
10100700	530700 00000 Communicat	9,301.26	11,582.15	11,582.15	11,424.49	11,587.15	16,187.15	
10100700	531700 00000 Data Proce	19,216.22	18,467.85	18,861.74	18,861.74	18,861.74	28,176.00	
10100700	532000 00000 Dues and M	.00	344.00	344.00	165.00	524.00	524.00	
10100700	533000 00000 Lease Paym	-519.26	700.00	700.00	165.52	1,233.30	.00	
10100700	534800 00000 Postal Cha	1.20	50.00	50.00	23.87	50.00	50.00	
10100700	535500 00000 Travel	1,857.86	2,630.00	2,630.00	2,247.79	2,630.00	2,000.00	
10100700	539900 00000 Other Cont	1,651.74	2,875.57	2,875.57	2,060.04	2,875.57	2,500.00	
10544030	539900 00000 Other Cont	.00	55,100.00	55,100.00	.00	55,100.00	.00	
10100710	539900 00000 Other Cont	48,549.20	46,125.00	77,125.00	47,333.31	46,125.00	46,125.00	
10100700	542200 00000 Food Suppl	13,041.02	11,000.00	11,000.00	7,256.99	12,231.13	12,231.00	
10100700	542500 00000 Gasoline	1,832.31	3,200.00	3,200.00	877.63	3,200.00	2,000.00	
10100700	543500 00000 Office Sup	.00	579.00	579.00	179.63	579.00	250.00	
10100700	545100 00000 Uniforms	1,578.00	1,440.00	1,440.00	881.71	1,488.00	1,488.00	
10100700	549900 00000 Other Supp	5,904.54	12,500.00	12,106.11	10,584.73	12,589.76	6,000.00	
10100700	551300 00000 Workers Co	339.22	288.00	288.00	288.00	288.00	162.79	
10100700	570800 00000 Communicat	-87.80	3,530.00	3,530.00	394.13	4,430.00	1,500.00	
10100720	571600 00000 Law Enf Eq	17,555.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL Civil Defense		255,715.39	312,879.75	343,879.75	203,340.21	316,260.83	271,483.77	

HR and Payroll

JACLYN JOHNSON

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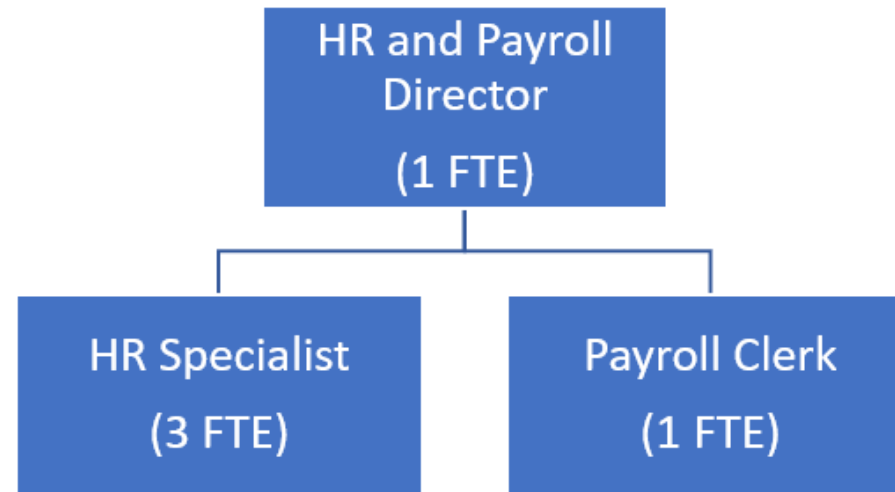
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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

The Blount County's HR Department provides support and serves as a business partner to the leadership team and County employees in the areas of:

1. Classification and Compensation
2. Benefits
3. Talent Acquisition
4. County-wide Training
5. Leave Administration
6. Payroll
7. Employee Relations



What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Recruitment and Hiring

- Workforce planning with departments
- Job postings and applicant screening
- Background checks, preemployment screenings & onboarding
- New employee orientation

Employee Support and Compliance

- Performance management guidance
- Workplace investigations
- Policy development and updates
- Compliance with:
 - FLSA (wage & hour), FMLA (leave), ADA (accommodations), EEOC regulations
- Unemployment claims management

Benefit Administration

- Manage self-funded Medical and Dental plans
- Open enrollment coordination
- Retirement plan coordination and reporting
- Leave tracking (FMLA and paid leave)
- COBRA and retiree support
- Employee benefits education and assistance

Payroll Administration

- Process bi-weekly payroll accurately and on time
- Manage direct deposits and deductions
- Tax filings and reporting
- W-2 preparation & year-end recon
- Audit documentation and reporting



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- Filled 96 vacancies (63 non BCSO)
- Converted to a new Annual Leave Plan effective October 5, 2025
- Payroll accuracy rate of 99+%
- Managed benefit renewal with no premium increase for Medical or Dental
- Maintained stable turnover rate of 13.2% in 2025 (public sector average 10-15%)
- Substantial progress in our internal I-9 audit
- Expanded cross-training within the HR Department



FY26-27 Goals

- Continue improving HR and payroll process efficiency
- Expand cross-training to ensure operational continuity
- Complete I-9 internal audit to ensure compliance
- Continue to provide excellent service to all County employees



Thank You



NEXT YEAR / CURRENT YEAR BUDGET ANALYSIS

PROJECTION: 20271 FY 26-27 Budget

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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County	2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51310 Personnel Office							
10100340 510500 00000 Supervisor	96,840.19	104,474.54	104,474.54	71,926.67	104,474.54	108,375.61	
10100340 516200 00000 Clerical P	187,315.91	238,490.69	238,490.69	163,486.16	238,490.69	245,387.45	
10100340 518700 00000 Overtime P	2,237.52	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100340 520100 00000 Social Sec	17,044.55	21,263.84	21,263.84	14,071.10	21,263.84	21,933.31	
10100340 520400 00000 State Reti	19,019.16	25,516.61	25,516.61	16,639.38	25,516.61	28,088.79	
10100340 520600 00000 Life Ins E	209.01	267.57	267.57	185.59	267.57	255.84	
10100340 520700 00000 Health Ins	47,662.50	47,664.00	47,664.00	35,406.00	47,664.00	63,156.00	
10100340 520800 00000 Dental Ins	1,137.28	1,129.92	1,129.92	847.44	1,129.92	1,412.40	
10100340 521000 00000 Unemp Comp	105.00	1,028.90	1,028.90	104.99	1,028.90	1,061.29	
10100340 521200 00000 Employer M	3,986.23	4,973.00	4,973.00	3,290.80	4,973.00	5,129.56	
10100340 530200 00000 Advertising	.00	750.00	750.00	.00	750.00	750.00	
10100340 530700 00000 Communicat	2,636.64	1,850.00	1,850.00	1,807.24	1,850.00	2,000.00	
10100340 531200 00000 ConPriAgcy	3,168.43	6,000.00	6,000.00	2,251.05	6,000.00	5,000.00	
10100340 532000 00000 Dues and M	1,131.89	1,900.00	1,900.00	982.00	1,900.00	2,000.00	
10100340 533000 00000 Lease Paym	198.98	300.00	300.00	182.90	300.00	350.00	
10100340 533100 00000 Legal Svcs	1,155.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	770.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100340 533300 00000 Licenses	184.40	500.00	500.00	189.40	500.00	500.00	
10100340 534800 00000 PostalChg	2,727.06	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,076.14	2,800.00	3,000.00	
10100340 535500 00000 Travel	.00	200.00	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
10100340 535600 00000 Tuition	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	.00	1,500.00	1,200.00	
10100340 539900 00000 Other Cont	-6,313.36	6,000.00	3,265.65	1,735.05	16,000.00	15,000.00	
10100340 542200 00000 Food Suppl	152.76	300.00	300.00	59.23	300.00	300.00	
10100340 542900 00000 Instr Supp	25,768.60	40,000.00	42,734.35	40,984.35	42,734.35	42,500.00	
10100340 543500 00000 Office Sup	2,719.77	3,250.00	3,250.00	2,844.02	3,460.00	4,000.00	
10100340 545100 00000 Uniforms	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	500.00	
10100340 549900 00000 Other Supp	7,827.78	8,000.00	8,000.00	841.71	5,265.65	8,500.00	
10100340 551300 00000 Workers Co	848.05	848.05	848.05	848.05	848.05	813.94	
10100340 559900 00000 Other Char	.00	375.00	375.00	226.53	375.00	.00	
TOTAL Personnel Office	417,763.35	523,882.12	523,882.12	361,755.80	534,092.12	565,914.19	

Risk Management

JACLYN JOHNSON/TIM TIPTON

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

Risk Management Staff

Tim Tipton-Risk Manager (19yrs of Service)

Lindsey Jackson-Work Comp Coordinator (20yrs of Service)

Manage self-insured Workers' Compensation plan for all County Departments and Offices. Our priority is to get our injured employees the necessary treatment to get them back to work in a timely manner at the most cost-effective savings possible for Blount County.

Manage self-insured General Liability and Auto Liability program for all County Departments and Offices. This includes investigations of each claim filed against the County to determine liability.



What we do (How we serve Blount County-continued)

Manage and oversee the Certificate of Insurance Program (COI) for Vendors doing business with Blount County.

Oversee the AED program for all County buildings including Library, Schools, Sheriff's Office and Highway Department. We have approximately ninety AED's across the County. We partner with Cintas on this project.

Risk Management conducts annual Playground Inspections for each Elementary School.

We work with our Insurance Broker to provide insurance coverage for forty-six buildings with combined values of over a half billion dollars.



What we do (How we serve Blount County-continued)

Primary contact for Tennessee OSHA (TOSHA) during required inspections and complaints.

Provide TOSHA required safety trainings annually for our Maintenance and Custodial Staff. Risk Management also coordinates AED/CPR training as requested in coordination with our School Nurses.

Coordinate annual Fire Drills and Severe Weather Drills for County buildings. Each department has a Captain and Co-Captain to help Risk Management coordinate the evacuation or lead their department to our established severe weather areas.

Provide preventative measures with our Rhus tox(poison ivy) and Rabies programs.



FY25-26 Accomplishments

Risk Management has processed over 200 claims in 2025 for both General Liability and Workers' Compensation.

- ❑ This process begins with the reporting of the claim to Risk Management. Each claim is reviewed and investigated. The claim is then determined to be accepted or denied.
- ❑ Once a Workers' Compensation claim is determined to be compensable, we work with our TPA to make sure the employee seeks treatment in a timely and cost-effective manner.
- ❑ For a not at fault General Liability Claim, we collect for damages caused to Blount County property which also includes vehicles. Since beginning this program in 2007, we have collected nearly one million dollars back for the taxpayers of Blount County.

The County recently conducted a competitive professional services process to evaluate insurance brokerage services. The selection committee felt Gallagher was the clear top-ranked firm.



FY26-27 Goals

Risk Management will continue to put measures in place to reduce exposure to the County and minimize the cost of the exposures we do encounter.

- ☐ We will be working with our new Insurance Broker, Gallagher, to reduce our exposure and identify any gaps in coverage Blount County may have.
- ☐ Gallagher will be working with Risk Management to ensure our building values are up to date to be sure that we have the proper amounts of coverage on each building.
- ☐ Gallagher will also be providing a new Certificate of Insurance (COI) tracking system to help advise and monitor the required insurance coverage from vendors that do business with Blount County.



Thank You



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ACCOUNTS FOR:

Gen County		2025 ACTUAL	2026 ORIG BUD	2026 REVISED BUD	2026 ACTUAL	2026 PROJECTION	2027 Req Review	COMMENT
51920	Risk Management							
10100410	510500 00000 Supervisor	81,169.81	87,568.74	87,568.74	60,287.72	87,568.74	90,838.55	
10100410	518900 00000 Other Sala	55,098.00	59,441.76	59,441.76	40,919.40	59,441.76	61,655.34	
10100410	520100 00000 Social Sec	7,935.95	9,114.65	9,114.65	5,896.07	9,114.65	9,454.62	
10100410	520400 00000 State Reti	9,402.50	10,937.58	10,937.58	7,529.81	10,937.58	12,108.01	
10100410	520600 00000 Life Ins E	114.08	.00	.00	83.84	.00	119.04	
10100410	520700 00000 Health Ins	23,844.00	23,832.00	23,832.00	17,973.00	23,832.00	23,772.00	
10100410	520800 00000 Dental Ins	562.80	564.96	564.96	423.72	564.96	564.96	
10100410	521000 00000 Unemp Comp	41.99	441.03	441.03	42.01	441.03	457.48	
10100410	521200 00000 Employer M	1,855.99	2,131.65	2,131.65	1,378.91	2,131.65	2,211.16	
10100410	530700 00000 Communictn	1,854.53	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,884.46	2,000.00	2,000.00	
10100410	532000 00000 Dues and M	425.00	660.00	660.00	565.00	660.00	660.00	
10100410	533000 00000 Lease Paym	5,239.05	7,542.77	7,542.77	4,553.29	7,542.77	7,542.77	
10100410	533800 00000 Maint. And	.00	500.00	500.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
10100410	534800 00000 PostalChg	13.43	50.00	50.00	6.42	50.00	50.00	
10100410	534900 00000 Printing S	.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	
10100410	535500 00000 Travel	2,792.11	4,577.55	4,577.55	2,034.34	5,338.57	5,338.57	
10100410	535600 00000 Tuition	865.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,040.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
10100410	539900 00000 Other Cont	339.98	750.00	750.00	419.98	1,225.00	1,225.00	
10100410	542500 00000 Gasoline	1,670.27	2,388.14	2,388.14	723.13	2,388.14	2,388.14	
10100410	543500 00000 Office Sup	1,430.92	1,000.00	1,000.00	201.52	1,139.58	1,139.58	
10100410	551300 00000 Workers Co	339.22	339.22	339.22	339.22	339.22	325.58	
10100410	570900 00000 Data Proce	1,199.99	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	6,186.81	6,186.81	
10100410	571100 00000 Funiture a	.00	750.00	750.00	.00	750.00	750.00	
	TOTAL Risk Management	196,194.62	220,540.05	220,540.05	146,301.84	226,102.46	233,237.61	

EDUCATION

JUSTIN RIDGE, DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

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What we do (How we serve Blount County)

- One of the largest employers in Blount County, supporting approximately 1,700 jobs
- Educates nearly 10,000 students who represent the county's future workforce
- Provides career, technical, and college-level opportunities for students
- Supports working families through transportation, health services, and extended school programs
- Partners with local businesses and postsecondary institutions
- Contributes to the long-term economic development of Blount County



FY25-26 Accomplishments

- 5 schools earned Level 5 designation for academic performance and growth
- 6 schools recognized as Tennessee Reward Schools
- 3 schools achieved both Level 5 and Reward School honors
- Renovation of the William Blount High School Career & Technical Education Center
- Implemented key recommendations from the CMSi Curriculum Audit and Human Resources Audit



FY26-27 Goals

- **Environment:** Provide safe, supportive, and well-equipped schools where students and staff can thrive.
- **Systems:** Strengthen district systems, leadership, and operations to effectively support schools.
- **Learning:** Advance high-quality instruction and academic support to improve student achievement.
- **Life Readiness:** Prepare every student for success after graduation through college, career, and life readiness opportunities.



FY26-27 Requested Appropriations

School Fund	Revenue	Expenditures	Budgeted Use of Fund Balance	Estimated Unassigned Fund Balance on 6/30/2026
Fund 141 - GPSF	\$128,933,520	\$128,933,520	\$1,500,000	\$12,493,262
Fund 142 - Federal Grants	\$6,633,800	\$6,633,800	\$0	\$213,214
Fund 143 - School Nutrition	\$6,880,530	\$6,880,530	\$382,030	\$2,039,984
Fund 146 - Extended Day	\$2,131,309	\$2,131,309	\$295,309	\$1,680,489
Fund 177 - Education Capital	\$8,256,500	\$1,953,530	\$0	1,724,676
Total School Funds	\$152,835,659	\$146,532,689	\$2,177,339	\$18,533,655



FY26-27 Budget Process Overview

- The goal of this budget was to produce a structurally sound budget by maximizing all available funding sources through proper expense allocations.
- All capital expenditures were shifted from Fund 141 to Fund 177.
- This budget was prepared based on actual spending patterns for the past three fiscal years and adjusted for any outliers.
- The entire BCS leadership team provided guidance on spending trends.



Fund 141 - Revenue

- Revenue Growth
 - \$1.3M additional TISA funds projected
 - TISA makes up 53% of the GPSF revenue budget
 - \$1.7M additional sales tax revenue based on FY26 performance
 - Additional property tax is likely based on the increased Value of the Penny
 - The Average Weighted Daily Attendance was unknown when this presentation was prepared.



Fund 141 - Prioritized Expenses

- Maintaining the integrity of the pay scales that were implemented in FY26
 - \$2M increase for certified teacher pay increases
 - \$670k increase for classified pay increases
- \$1.5M increase for social studies curriculum
- \$94,000 increase for security improvements
- \$20,000 increase for audit recommended professional development
- There is no tax increase or additional property tax penny allocations needed for the fund 141 budget.



Fund 142, 143, and 146

- Self contained school funds
- A small use of fund balance in 143 and 146 to cover the costs of programming.

School Fund	Expenditures	Budgeted Use of Fund Balance	Estimated Unassigned Fund Balance on 6/30/2026
Fund 142 - Federal Grants	\$6,633,800	\$0	\$213,214
Fund 143 - School Nutrition	\$6,880,530	\$382,030	\$2,039,984
Fund 146 - Extended Day	\$2,131,309	\$295,309	\$1,680,489
Total School Funds	\$15,645,639	\$677,339	\$4,315,717

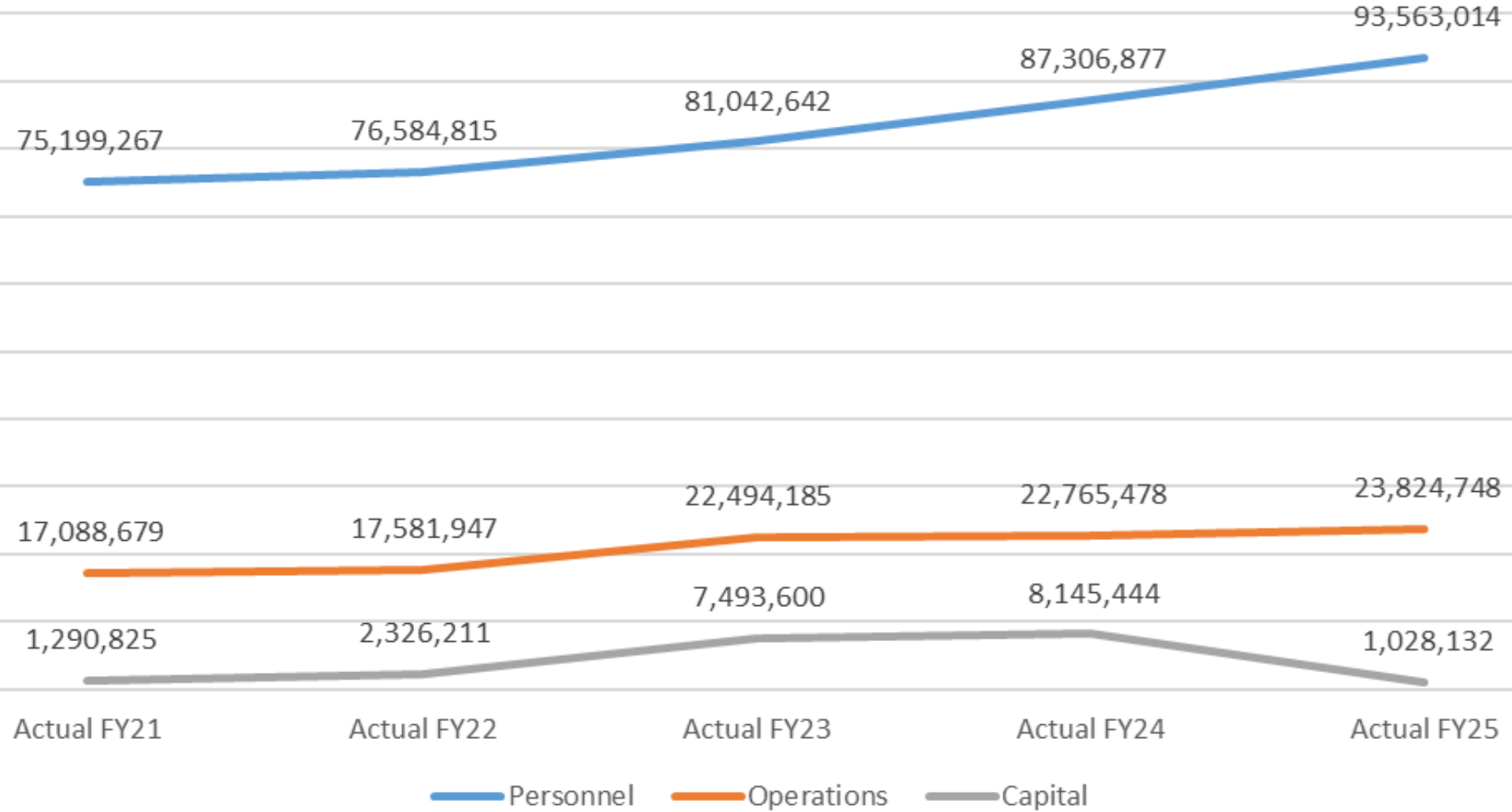


Fund 177 - Educated Capital Plan

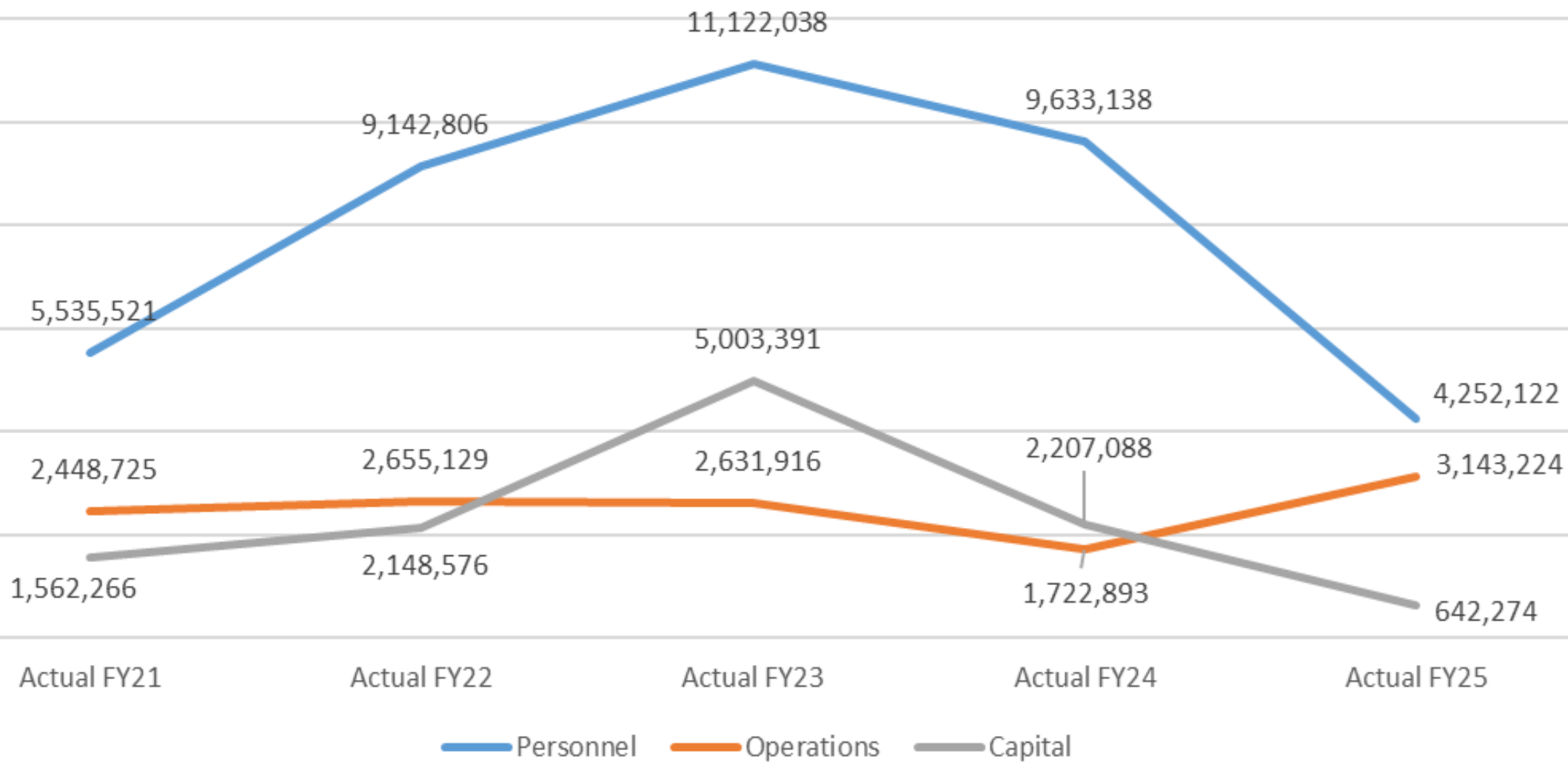
- A draft of the capital plan is included in your packet
- The BCS leadership team and the Board of Education are in the process of reviewing the plan to ensure that projects are being correctly prioritized
- The full revenue appropriation is being requested
- We are requesting that all regular expenditures be allocated in the initial budget appropriation.
 - This is to ensure that operations are not impeded at the beginning of the fiscal year.
 - When appropriations are excluded from the initial budget we are unable to allocate funding until the end of August because there is not a BOE meeting in July.
 - Major projects will still be brought to the BOE and BOC individually for approval.



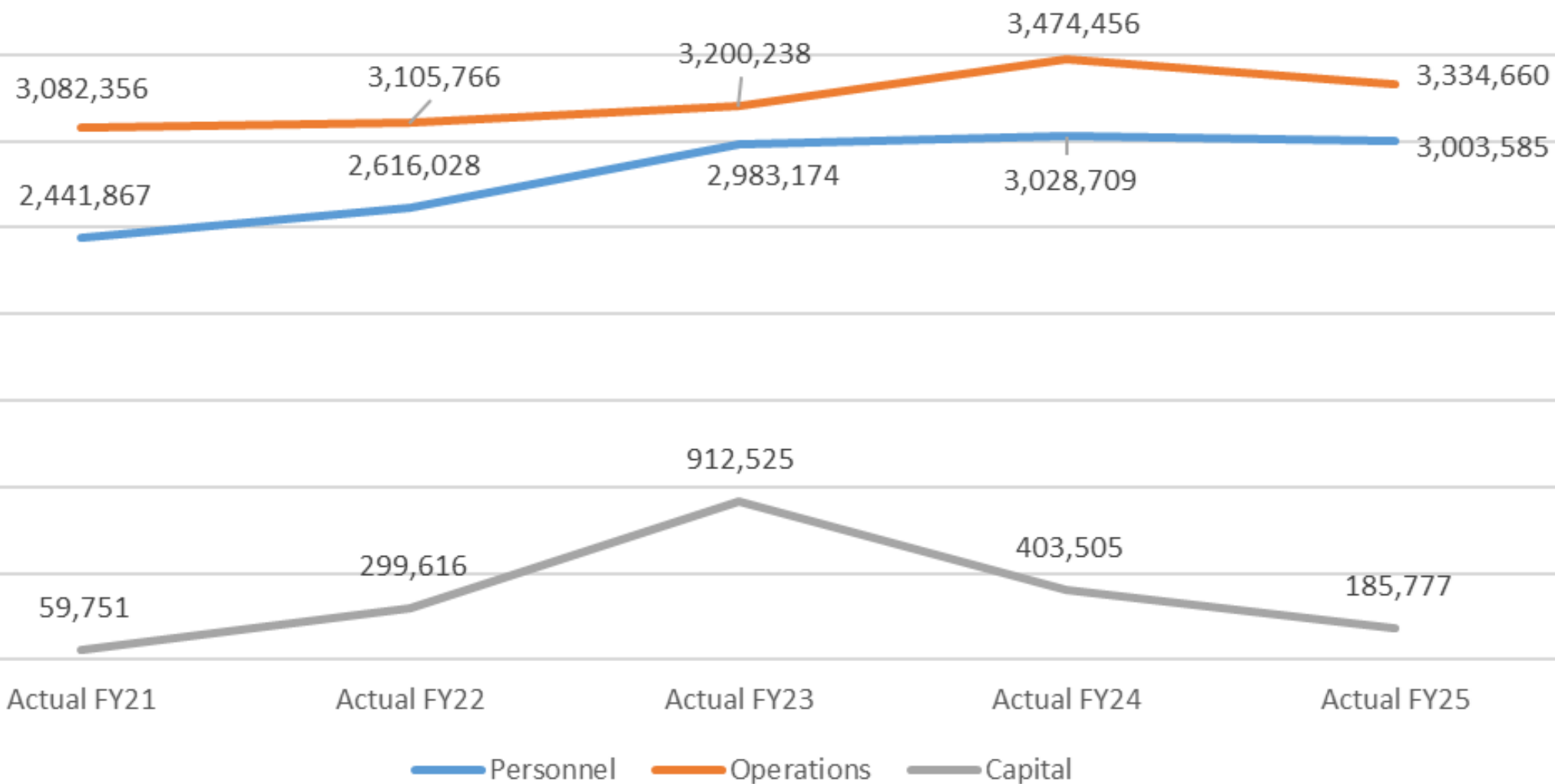
Budget Trend for Fund 141



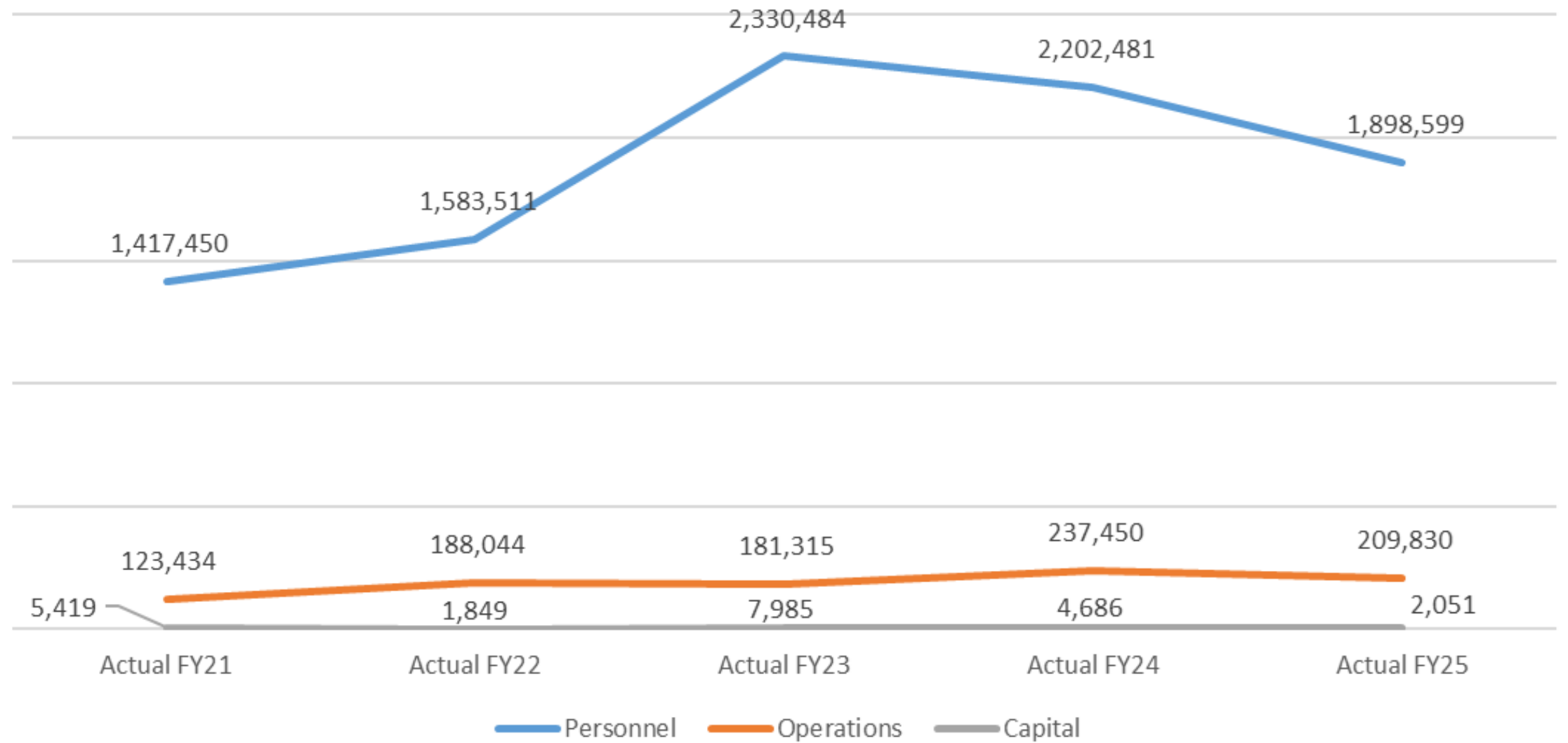
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Budget Trend for Fund 143



Budget Trend for Fund 146



Thank You

