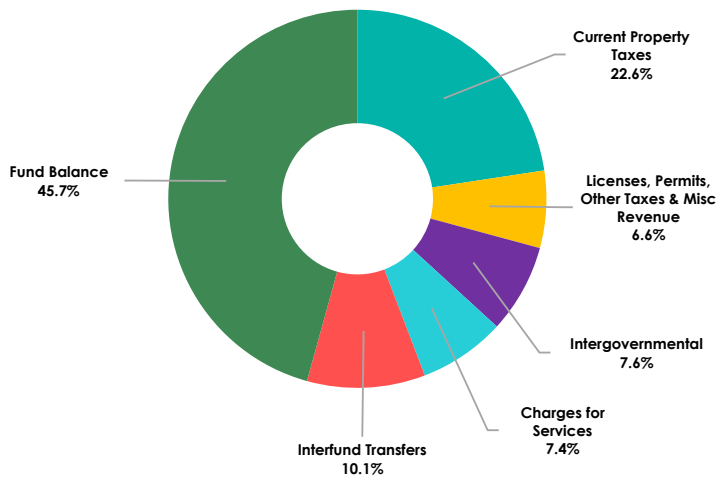




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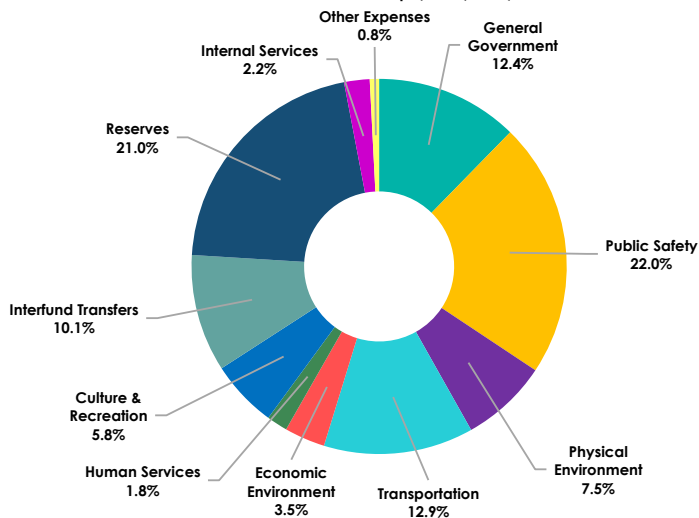
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**Where the Money Comes From**  
Total of all Funds \$9,606,627,411



Palm Beach County Revenues (in millions)			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	% Change
Current Property Taxes	\$2,012.2	\$2,167.2	7.7%
Licenses, Permits, Other Taxes & Misc Revenue	587.2	629.9	7.3%
Intergovernmental	923.8	734.1	-20.5%
Charges for Services	691.9	713.5	3.1%
Interfund Transfers	971.6	968.0	-0.4%
Fund Balance	3,868.3	4,393.9	13.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,055.0</b>	<b>\$9,606.6</b>	<b>6.1%</b>

**Where the Money Goes**  
Total of all Funds \$9,606,627,411



Palm Beach County Expenditures (in millions)			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	% Change
General Government	\$1,112.1	\$1,184.1	6.5%
Public Safety	1,887.9	2,112.2	11.9%
Physical Environment	721.9	721.5	-0.1%
Transportation	1,053.9	1,241.4	17.8%
Economic Environment	315.4	338.0	7.2%
Human Services	192.7	171.4	-11.1%
Culture/Recreation	498.0	559.2	12.3%
Interfund Transfers	971.6	968.0	-0.4%
Reserves	2,025.6	2,021.2	-0.2%
Internal Services	194.6	207.9	6.8%
Other Expenses	81.3	81.7	0.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,055.0</b>	<b>\$9,606.6</b>	<b>6.1%</b>

The review and adoption of the annual budget is one of the most important policy-making responsibilities of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). At the February 4th, 2025 BCC meeting, the BCC agreed to continue with their previously approved seven strategic priorities. The priorities are: Economic Development, Environmental Protection, Housing Development, Unsheltered Residents, Infrastructure, Public Safety, and Substance Use and Behavioral Disorders. This budget reflects the BCC's commitment of continuing to enhance the quality of life in Palm Beach County.

The increase in Licenses, Permits, Other Taxes and Miscellaneous Revenue is primarily due to the anticipated reimbursement for presidential protection and issuance of bonds for Animal Care & Control Belvedere Expansion, South County Administrative Complex Redevelopment, and the 810 Datura Building Replacement. The decrease in Intergovernmental Revenues is due to the sunset of the One-Penny Sales Surtax and spending down the C-51 Reservoir Phase II Grants. The increase in Fund Balance is due to the carryforward of funding for previously budgeted capital projects, bond proceeds in the Housing Bond Program Fund, and Concourse B Expansion Project at Palm Beach International Airport (PBI).

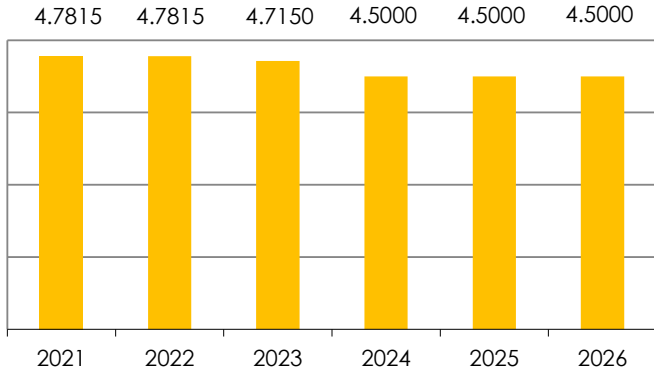
Significant changes in expenditures include an increase in Public Safety primarily related to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office budget request and 145 new positions for Fire Rescue. The increase in Transportation is primarily due to the bond issuance for the Concourse B Expansion Project at PBI. The increase in Culture/Recreation is primarily due to capital projects within the County Library Expansion Program and Parks and Recreation.



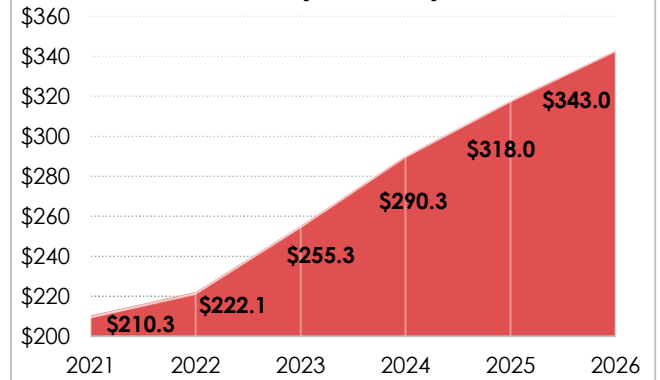
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**Countywide Operating Millage History  
(tax per \$1,000 in taxable value)**

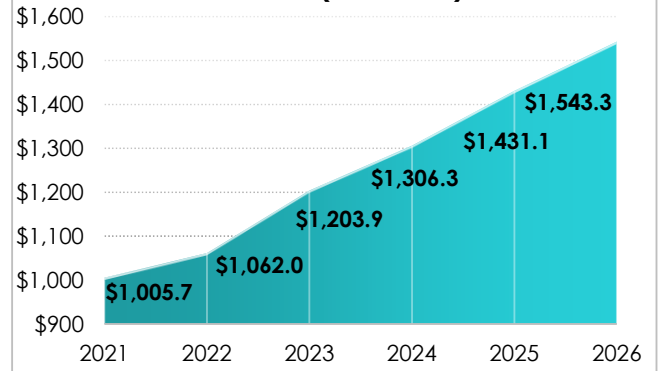


**Taxable Values History  
(in billions)**



Taxing District	Millage Rate
Countywide	4.5000
Library District	0.5491
Fire Rescue:	
Main MSTU	3.4581
Jupiter MSTU	1.7251
Countywide Voted Debt	0.0330

**Countywide Ad Valorem Tax History  
(in millions)**



The BCC approved a budget with a property tax rate of 4.5000 per \$1,000 of taxable value, which is 0.2587 above the calculated rollback rate. Florida Statutes limit the countywide millage rate to a maximum of 10 mills, excluding voter approved debt service millage rates.

For the FY 2026 budget, County departments were directed to submit budgets with service levels status quo with additional requests only for critical needs. The Sheriff's budget is funded at \$1.084 billion. The Sheriff submitted a request for a carry forward of funds totaling \$8.5 million for computer equipment and software, fleet vehicles including equipment, operational and training equipment, and weapons and accessories that will not be received in FY 2025.

The budget includes \$207.8 million in Ad Valorem funded capital projects. This reflects \$52.7 million for Fire Rescue, \$41.1 million for repair and renovation of County buildings, \$31.1 million for County Library, \$30 million for Parks & Recreation, \$26.7 million for roadway improvement, \$25.3 million for Information Technology Systems, \$685 thousand for other miscellaneous projects, and \$250 thousand for environmental restoration. In addition to Ad Valorem funding, capital projects are funded by infrastructure surtax, impact fees, bonds, and other funding sources. Department of Airports and Water Utilities Department capital projects are funded by enterprise revenues.

A total of 12,767 positions are included in the FY 2026 budget: BCC 7,378; Sheriff 4,563; Tax Collector 358; Property Appraiser 228; Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller 154; and Supervisor of Elections 86.

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