



## FY 2015 Recommended Budget at a Glance

### Budget Focus

- Maintain priority services – education, public safety, transportation
- Maintain all fiscal policy guidelines
- Fund commitments (jail, juvenile center, regional agencies, existing debt service)
- Funding for the new public safety radio system
- Additional Firefighter/Medic positions at a net zero cost due to an offsetting reduction in overtime
- Funding to increase the number of Detectives and Emergency Communication positions

### Budget Highlights

#### **Schools –**

- The local transfer to the School Operating Fund is maintained at the same \$114.8 million budgeted in FY 2014. Due to School debt retirement and minimal new issuances, the \$114.8 million provides approximately \$2.7 million in additional funding for school operations in FY 2015.

#### **Public Safety –**

- Six Firefighter/Medic positions added, the cost of which is offset fully by a reduction in overtime.
- Four Emergency Communication positions are added to the Sheriff's department to enhance E911 staffing.
- One Detective position is added to address work load increase.

#### **Transportation –**

- VRE revenue allows suspension of transfer of decal and set-aside revenue for fifth year
- Intersection improvements, signal installation at Balls Bluff and improvements to exits 118 and 126 are included in the CIP

#### **Staff –**

- Estimated 4.6% increase in overall health insurance costs
- The Health Insurance premium holiday approved in FY 2014 is not extended to FY 2015.
- State mandated 1% pay increase to help offset the additional 1% VRS contribution employees must pay
- Estimated increase in overall VRS rate from 16.32% to 17.28%
- 19 new full-time positions added, all are related to public safety except four positions for Utilities

### Advertised Rates

- Real Property tax rate advertised at \$0.87 per \$100 in value
- Personal Property tax rate advertised at \$6.80 per \$100 in value (valued at 50%)
- No changes to other advertised property tax rates

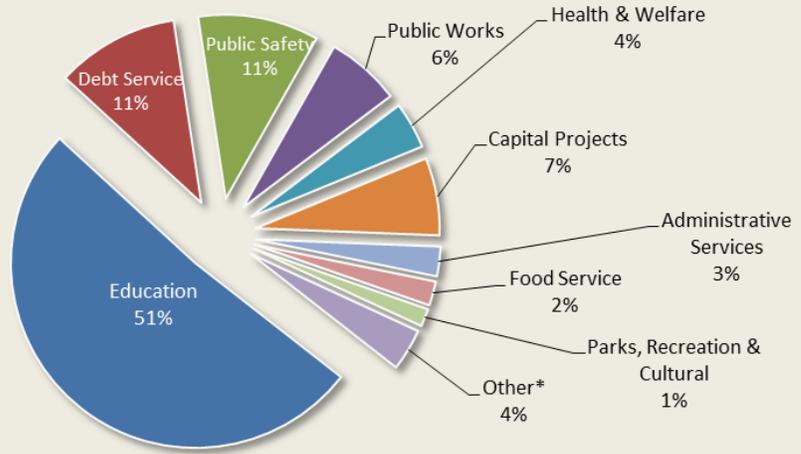
	FY 2014 Adopted	FY 2015 Recommended*	Difference	
			\$	%
General Fund	\$106,886,654	\$114,993,038	\$8,106,384	7.6%
Economic Dev. Opportunities Fund	748,467	566,960	(181,507)	(24.3%)
Code Compliance Fund	3,088,259	3,614,795	526,536	17.0%
Transportation Fund	8,091,602	9,086,399	994,797	12.3%
School Operating	248,266,081	253,631,671	5,365,590	2.2%
School Food Service	10,044,365	9,530,213	(514,152)	(5.1%)
Utilities	<u>29,980,372</u>	<u>31,615,872</u>	<u>1,635,500</u>	5.5%
<b>Sub-Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$407,105,800</b>	<b>\$423,038,948</b>	<b>\$15,933,148</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
Capital Projects Fund	\$13,473,585	\$9,927,051	(\$3,546,534)	(26.3%)
School Capital Projects	377,608	7,686,461	7,308,853	1,935.6%
Utilities Capital Projects	<u>18,021,000</u>	<u>13,091,666</u>	<u>(4,929,334)</u>	(27.4%)
<b>Sub-Total Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$31,872,193</b>	<b>\$30,705,178</b>	<b>(\$1,167,015)</b>	<b>(3.7%)</b>
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$438,977,993</b>	<b>\$453,744,126</b>	<b>\$14,766,133</b>	<b>3.4%</b>

\*General Fund figure includes additional \$3.6 million associated with advertised real and personal property tax rates.

This page reflects the Recommended Budget. Changes occurring since the presentation of the Recommended Budget and the \$3.6M associated with the advertised tax rates are not included.

## Expenditures by Function – All Funds

\$450,166,126 excluding transfers out



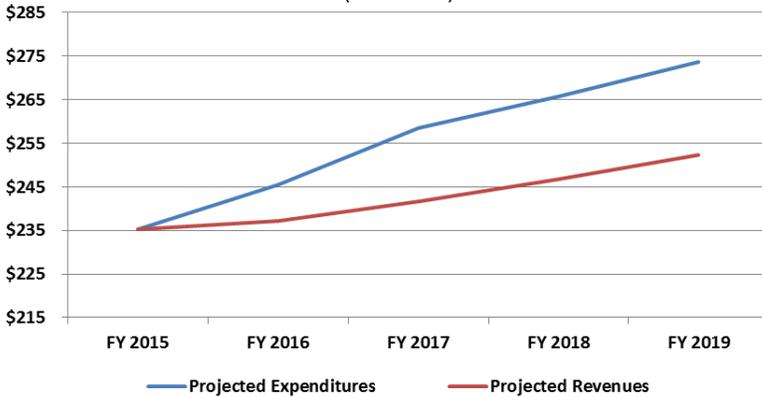
\*"Other" includes Community Development, Executive Services, Judicial Administration, Transportation and Voter Services functions

### Personnel Full Time Equivalent (FTE)

	FY 2014	FY 2015
County	949.26	967.76
Schools	3,010.50	3,021.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,959.76</b>	<b>3,989.26</b>

### General Fund Forecast

(in millions)



### Breakdown of General Fund Transfer to Schools

	2014 Adopted	2015 Recommended
• Required Local Effort	\$44,116,544	\$51,849,984
• Required Local Match for Opt. Programs	\$1,650,255	\$1,599,490
• Debt Service	\$25,622,391	\$22,865,604
• Additional Local Transfer	\$43,441,149	\$38,515,261
<b>Total Local Transfer</b>	<b>\$114,830,339</b>	<b>\$114,830,339</b>

### Average Residential 2014 Real Estate Tax Bill = \$1,545

Average value of residential property: \$177,546

School Transfer \$855 (55.3%)

Public Safety \$270 (17.5%)

Admin Services \$72 (4.7%)

Health/Welfare \$66 (4.3%)

Debt Service \$66 (4.3%)

Public Works \$57 (3.7%)

Parks/Rec/Cultural \$47 (3.0%)

Other\* \$112 (7.2%)



\*"Other" includes Capital Projects, Executive Services, Community Development, Judicial Administration and Voter Services

Tax Bills for Median Residential Property Owner			
Year	Median AV*	Rate	Bill
2012	\$146,600	\$0.88	\$1,290
2013	\$147,800	\$0.88	\$1,301
2014 - equalized rate	\$157,600	\$0.86	\$1,355
2014 - advertised rate	\$157,600	\$0.87	\$1,371

\*Based on original land book values. Because this represents each year's median value, it cannot be assumed that a residential property valued at \$146,600 in 2012 is valued at \$157,600 in 2014. There is no correlation from year to year in terms of values or bill amounts.

Comparison of Prior and Current Assessments			
Property Type	2012 AV*	Preliminary 2014 AV	% Change
Residential	\$9,705,672,400	\$10,351,867,900	6.7%
Commercial	<u>\$2,627,385,100</u>	<u>\$2,578,540,900</u>	-1.9%
Total	\$12,333,057,500	\$12,930,408,800	4.8%

\*Based on original land book values

Tax Rates			
Taxes	2013 Adopted	2014 Advertised	2014 Equalized
Real Estate	\$0.88	\$0.87	\$0.87 <sup>2</sup>
Personal Property	\$6.37	\$6.80	\$7.03 <sup>3</sup>
Business Furniture & Fixtures	\$5.95	\$5.95	\$6.10 <sup>4</sup>
Machinery & Tools	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50 <sup>5</sup>
Heavy Duty Equipment	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00 <sup>5</sup>
Mobile Homes <sup>1</sup>	\$0.88	\$0.87	\$0.87

<sup>1</sup> Per State Code, the Mobile Homes rate must match rate for Real Estate.

<sup>2</sup> State Code specifies the calculation of the equalized rate to be the rate necessary to yield 101% of the prior year's levy excluding new construction occurring during the previous year.

<sup>3</sup> State Codes neither requires calculation of nor specifies the calculation for an equalized personal property tax rate. When staff equalizes against the application of NADA, \$7.03 is the resulting equalized rate. New/newer vehicles are not excluded from the calculation.

<sup>4</sup> Business F&F returns are not due until Feb. 1 and many requested extensions giving them until May 1 to file. As such, we have assumed the same \$3M decrease in AV for 2014 as occurred from 2012 to 2013 for budget purposes, so the **estimated** equalized rate is \$6.10. The **estimated** equalized rate here is backed into based on achieving the same levy as prior year and does not pull out any assumed new equipment.

<sup>5</sup> Machinery & Tools and Heavy Duty Equipment returns are not due until Feb. 1 and many requested extensions giving them until May 1 to file. AV is assumed same in 2014 as in prior year for budget purposes. The **estimated** equalized rate here is backed into based on achieving the same levy as prior year and does not pull out any assumed new equipment.