



FY 2019 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 10

BUDGET QUESTION: Clarify what the funding gap is for the Schools.

RESPONSE: Please see the table below. Had the Superintendent and School Board assumed level on-going funding from the County, the gap at this point in the budget process would have been \$4,998,835. (See Gap at Level On-Going Funding line in table.) However, per communication between County and Schools staff that the County Administrator's Recommended Budget would include funding for net new debt service, the Superintendent assumed level on-going funding plus \$1.467 million in funding for net new debt service. (See Gap Net of Added Transfer for Debt Service line in table.)

School Op. Revenue	\$281,285,810 = A
School Op. Expenditures	\$286,284,645 = B
Gap at Level On-Going Funding	(\$4,998,835) = C = A - B
Added Funding for Net New Debt Service	\$1,466,911 = D
Gap Net of Added Transfer for Debt Service	(\$3,531,924) = E = C + D
Added Transfer Above D.S. in County Administrator's Recommended Budget	\$1,533,089 = F
Gap in School Board's Proposal – current gap	(\$1,998,835) = G = E + F

Subsequent to presentation of the County Administrator's Recommended Budget which included a total of \$3.0 million in on-going funding (an increase of \$1,533,089 beyond the funding for Schools' net new debt service), the School Board included the full \$3.0 million increase in its proposed budget. As such, the current difference between projected School Operating Fund revenues and expenditures is a shortfall of \$1,998,835. (See Gap in School Board's Proposal – current gap line in table.)