

# RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Denton County, Texas

July 18, 2017

FISCAL YEAR

2017-2018



# Budget Process Calendar

- January Preparation for Budget Process Begins
- February Budget Kickoff Meeting
- March-April Department Completed Requests
- May-June Recommended Budget Prepared
- July 18th Presentation of Recommended Budget

# Initial Budget Requests/ Summary of Tax Levies & Projected Fund Balances

- Page S-13 – S-21 totaled \$293 million
- Increase of \$27.2 million
- Tax Rate of \$0.242038 would be required
- 3.43% Tax Rate Increase would be needed

# New Positions Requested – 32.25

<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u># of Requests</u></b>
Human Resources	1
Technology Services	3
Department of Public Works	1
Office of History and Culture (PT to FT)	.25
Probate Court	2
County Criminal Court #3	.5
District Clerk	1
Justice of the Peace, Pct. #5	1
Death Investigations	1
Criminal District Attorney	2.5
Facilities Management	3
Sheriff's Department	7
DISD School Resource Officer	1
Copper Canyon Interlocal Contract	1
Constable, Pct. #3	1
Constable, Pct. #6	1
Emergency Services	1
Road and Bridge, Pct. #1	1
Road and Bridge, Pct. #4	1
Public Health Clinical	2

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**DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2017-2018**  
**BUDGET SUMMARY BY FUND**

<b>FUNDS</b>	<b>BUDGET 2013-2014</b>	<b>BUDGET 2014-2015</b>	<b>BUDGET 2015-2016</b>	<b>BUDGET 2016-2017</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2017-2018</b>	<b>VARIANCE BUDGET 2018 VS 2017</b>	<b>% INCREASE</b>
General Fund	\$131,675,269	\$141,649,664	\$150,339,681	\$159,247,336	\$171,334,515	\$12,087,179	8.04%
Road & Bridge Fund	\$12,352,940	\$12,488,486	\$12,862,973	\$13,165,387	\$13,984,396	\$819,009	6.37%
District Clerk Records Management Fund	\$121,186	\$139,145	\$177,995	\$213,014	\$177,311	(\$35,703)	-20.06%
County Clerk Records Management Fund	\$3,441,480	\$3,449,903	\$2,750,787	\$2,765,250	\$2,767,042	\$1,792	0.07%
Courthouse Security Fund	\$402,823	\$402,500	\$475,800	\$646,959	\$650,481	\$3,522	0.74%
JP Courthouse Security Fund	\$14,588	\$19,900	\$10,376	\$37,000	\$10,000	(\$27,000)	-260.22%
Juvenile Probation Fund	\$12,096,919	\$12,927,084	\$13,713,365	\$14,863,874	\$15,840,572	\$976,698	7.12%
Fire Code Enforcement Fund	\$280,434	\$192,869	\$202,323	\$186,018	\$197,981	\$11,963	5.91%
JP Technology Fund	\$236,859	\$226,089	\$214,114	\$196,783	\$132,403	(\$64,380)	-30.07%
Public Health Fund	\$4,473,141	\$4,606,856	\$4,839,095	\$5,429,156	\$6,284,464	\$855,308	17.67%
Indigent Care Fund	\$2,517,447	\$2,527,195	\$2,531,582	\$2,538,690	\$2,559,899	\$21,209	0.84%
Medicaid DSRIP Fund	\$800,747	\$828,668	\$825,535	\$970,236	\$1,012,611	\$42,375	5.13%
Health Care Relief Fund	\$295,000	\$250,000	\$330,000	\$262,000	\$335,000	\$73,000	22.12%
County and District Court Technology Fund	\$5,670	\$22,377	\$69,008	\$30,464	\$29,224	(\$1,240)	-1.80%
Records Management and Preservation Fund	\$423,448	\$368,903	\$337,091	\$318,879	\$353,112	\$34,233	10.16%
Public Health Preparedness Grant Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund	\$225,000	\$384,907	\$387,850	\$368,116	\$437,232	\$69,116	17.82%
Vehicle Inventory Tax Interest Fund	\$27,238	\$25,684	\$25,000	\$42,310	\$25,648	(\$16,662)	-66.65%
Law Library Fund	\$401,628	\$407,414	\$403,945	\$410,091	\$440,719	\$30,628	7.58%
District Attorney Hot Check Fund	\$112,353	\$117,251	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
District Attorney Chapter 59 Fund	\$247,421	\$303,843	\$364,603	\$387,293	\$891,814	\$504,521	138.38%
Jury Fund	\$475,500	\$475,500	\$475,500	\$475,500	\$475,500	\$0	0.00%
Debt Service Fund	\$46,905,806	\$49,420,782	\$52,277,086	\$53,750,667	\$59,704,983	\$5,954,316	11.39%
Capital Replacement Fund	\$6,577,236	\$7,677,236	\$11,276,811	\$9,308,409	\$12,743,013	\$3,434,604	30.46%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$224,110,133</b>	<b>\$238,912,256</b>	<b>\$254,890,520</b>	<b>\$265,613,432</b>	<b>\$290,387,920</b>	<b>\$24,774,488</b>	<b>9.72%</b>

# Recommended Budget

## Summary of Budget Requests

- Recommended Totals by Department
- Historical Data, Current Budget Status by Department
- Recommended Budget = \$290,387,920
- Reduced Departmental Requests by \$2.5 million
- Increase = \$24.8 million above current budget
- Detailed budgets by line item starting on page 1 behind “Recommended” tab

# **Recommended Budget Summary of Tax Levies & Projected Fund Balances**

- **Includes Breakdown by Fund**
  - Beginning & Ending Fund Balance Projections
  - Non-Tax and Tax Revenues Totals
  - Expenditures
  - Tax Levy by Fund
  - Tax Rate Information

# Recommended Budget

## Summary of Tax Levies & Projected Fund Balances

- Estimated effective tax rate = \$0.234  
(rate that will generate the same tax revenue on existing property as the prior year)
- Proposed tax rate = \$0.239132
- Current tax rate = \$0.248409
- Variance (Current vs. Proposed) = \$0.0093 less
- 2.193370% above projected effective tax rate
- Estimated ending fund balance = \$68.3 million



# Revenue Analysis

Local Government Code 111.063 requires the County Auditor to provide estimates of funds available and funds expected to be received and submitted to the Budget Officer during the budget preparation process.

**•Full Revenue Report Provided on Page S-4 - S-12**

# Revenue Analysis

8 Major Funding Sources

# Property Taxes

- Largest single source of revenue
- 2017 fiscal year collections have been strong – averaging 98.64% per year, slightly higher than last year's rate
- Revenue from new construction expected @ approximately \$9 million which is significantly more than last year and prior years
- Revenue from increase in current tax roll @ \$2.5 million, an increase above last year of approximately \$1.8 million
- Final values will be received in late July
- Approximately \$5.3 million in additional taxes will fund voter approved debt and tax note debt service payments

# Motor Vehicle Registration

- Optional \$10 fee authorized by Transportation Code will generate \$6.45 million per year – an increase of \$50,000
- Additional 5% auto registration fee is projected @ \$4.86 million, which is an increase of \$660,000

# Intergovernmental Revenues

- Primarily State and Federal Grants and payments from City and State governments
- Includes Mixed Beverage Taxes, Out of County Prisoner Housing and Transportation, County Court Salary Reimbursements, Communication Contract Fees, Child Safety Fee, Medicaid DSRIP Funds, TJJD and other grant funding. Most grant revenues and expenses are not included and budgets will be amended as grants are received or contracts are renewed

# Fees of Office

- Fees for services provided to the public
- Most fees are set by statute and budgeted in the General Fund
- Fees are projected at \$20.8 million or an increase of \$1 million primarily for County Clerk, Tax Office, Tax Collection Contract Fees, Records Management and Records Archive fees
- Various increases and decreases in other fees county-wide

# Fines

- Received from Justices of the Peace, County Criminal Courts and District Courts – deposited in General Fund
- Projected to generate \$3.165 million; an increase of \$70,000 in two JP Courts, and County and District Courts
- Expected Revenue by Court:

J. P. Courts	\$1,475,000
County Courts	\$1,140,000
District Courts	\$ 550,000

# Interest

- Most volatile revenue source for the county for the last nine years
- Interest revenues are projected to be \$1.2 million
- FY2018 revenue estimates include an increase of \$480,400, which is less than actual revenues in budgeted funds in 2008



# Miscellaneous

- Primarily refunds/ reimbursements for services not connected with a specific office (inmate phone fees, operating cost reimbursement for the CPS building, Sheriff and DA forfeiture revenues, court appointed attorney refunds, bail bond forfeitures, etc.)
- Overall increase of \$400,000

# Fund Balance / Reserve Funds

- General Fund balance draw-down for FY2018 = (\$10.3 million)
- General Fund draw-down includes \$6 million transfer to the Capital Replacement Fund
- Projected ending fund balance (\$68.3 million for all funds) and should be exceeded since we generally spend approximately 96% of budget and collect more revenues than estimated
- Adequate to protect county in event of unforeseen occurrences
- Complies with Fund Balance Policy

# Revenue Summary

## Taxes

**\$9** million increase from new property / **\$2.5** million in additional tax money from supplemental roll this year

## Vehicle Registration

Increase of **\$710,000** due to an increase in registrations and a stronger market for vehicle sales

## Intergovernmental

Slight increase in 2018 from the 2017 budget of **\$65,000** due to various increases and decreases. Most grants and contracts have been excluded from the budget pending final award and contract approval

## Fees

Increase of **\$1** million with overall fees increasing by at least 5%. County Clerk, various JP's and Constables, Public Health, Records Management and Records Archive fees, etc. increasing by greater amounts.

## Fines

Increase of **\$70,000** – Overall, revenue sources are trending down in recent years

## Interest

Increase of **\$480,000** - Interest rate increases by the Federal Reserve since late 2015 allows for us to assume interest rates will increase in FY2018

## Miscellaneous Revenue

Increase of **\$400,000** due to an increase in bail bond forfeiture funds, inmate phone fees and other miscellaneous revenues

# FY 2017-2018 Expenditure Changes

• <b>Debt Service Payments</b>	<b>\$ 5,954,000</b>
• <b>Salary and Benefits 5% for Raises + Turnover</b>	<b>\$ 5,400,000</b>
• <b>Parking Lot Repairs</b>	<b>\$ 2,288,000</b>
• <b>New Hires (23.25 new positions)</b>	<b>\$ 2,221,000</b>
• <b>Transfers</b>	<b>\$ 1,932,000</b>
• <b>Buildings (Loop 288 outdoor area)</b>	<b>\$ 1,800,000</b>
• <b>Employee Health Insurance (county paid portion)</b>	<b>\$ 1,759,000</b>
• <b>Employee Market Adjustments and Reclassifications</b>	<b>\$ 1,059,000</b>
• <b>Road Projects (Capital Replacement Fund)</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000</b>
• <b>Construction of Courtroom Space (previous Law Library)</b>	<b>\$ 906,000</b>
• <b>Deferred Hires and New Positions Added During Year</b>	<b>\$ 816,000</b>
• <b>Capital Equipment</b>	<b>\$ 671,000</b>
• <b>Computers and Software</b>	<b>\$ 610,000</b>
• <b>Fire and Ambulance Funding (increase per call rate from \$525 to \$550)</b>	<b>\$ 314,000</b>
• <b>Miscellaneous Court Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 281,000</b>

# FY 2017-2018 Expenditure Changes (Cont.)

• Appropriations (MHMR, Appraisal Dist, Child Safety Program, etc.)	\$ 211,000
• Training and Education	\$ 109,000
• Contract Labor	\$ 100,000
• Utilities	\$ 96,000
• Social Service Agencies	\$ 73,000
• Supplies and Miscellaneous	\$ (13,000)
• Insurance Expense	\$ (33,000)
• Prisoner Expenses (less medical)	\$ (79,000)
• Professional Services	\$ (182,000)
• Gasoline	\$ (204,000)
• Contingency and Miscellaneous Services	\$ (299,000)
• Rental Expense	\$ (489,000)
• Repairs and Maintenance (ADA Maint. & Repairs/Remodeling)	\$ (1,527,000)
• <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$24,774,000</u></b>

# FY 2018 Summary of New Positions Recommended

## 22 Full-Time /2 Part Time to Full Time/1 Part Time

### General Administration

Human Resources	1
Technology Services	2
Office of History and Culture	.25

### Judicial

Probate Court	.50
County Criminal Court #3	.50
District Clerk	1
Death Investigations	1

### Legal

Criminal DA	2
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# FY 2018 Summary of New Positions Recommended

## 22 Full-Time / 2 Part Time to Full Time / 1 Part Time

### Facilities

Facilities Management	3
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### Public Safety

Sheriff's Department	5
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Constable, Pct. #3	1
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Constable, Pct. #6	1
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Emergency Services	1
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### Road and Bridge

Road and Bridge, Pct. #1	1
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Road and Bridge, Pct. #4	1
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### Health and Welfare

Public Health Clinical	2
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**Detailed Report on page S-48 – S-50**

# 4 New Employees Included in Contingency

- **County Clerk** — (Flower Mound & Frisco) 2
- **Tax Office** — (Flower Mound & Frisco) 2

(For new buildings as workload warrants)



# 3 New Employees-New Buildings/Workload

- **Facilities Management**

3

- (2) Maintenance Repair Specialist I's
- (1) Contract Administrator

# 16.75 New Employees for Workload Increases

- **Human Resources** 1
  - HRIS Administrator
- **Technology Services** 2
  - Software Administrator
  - Cyber Security Risk and Compliance Admin.
- **Office of History and Culture** .25
  - Tourism Coordinator (PT to FT)
- **Probate Court** .50
  - Senior Paralegal (PT)

# 16.75 New Employees for Workload Increases

- **District Clerk** 1
  - Senior Clerk
- **Death Investigations** 1
  - Medical Investigator
- **Criminal District Attorney** 2
  - Felony Prosecutor II A (Mental Health)
  - Felony Prosecutor I
- **Sheriff's Department** 2
  - Deputy Sheriff (Sex Offender Registration)
  - Research Crime Analyst (Transfer from DPS)

# 16.75 New Employees for Workload Increases

- **Constable, Pct. #3** 1
  - Deputy Constable
- **Constable, Pct. #6** 1
  - Deputy Constable
- **Emergency Services** 1
  - Emergency Mngmt. Officer II-Volunteer Coord.
- **Road and Bridge, Pct. #1** 1
  - Lead Mechanic
- **Road and Bridge, Pct. #4** 1
  - Driver/Equipment Operator III

# 16.75 New Employees for Workload Increases

- **Public Health Clinical** 2
  - (2) Program Coordinators

## 3.5 Expiring Grant/Contract Positions

- **County Criminal Court #3** .5
  - (1) Veteran's Court Grant (Governor's Grant) not awarded – Previously funded 50% of position by County. Proposing County to fully fund position.
- **Sheriff's Department** (expiring law enfcmnt. contracts) 3
  - (3) Deputy Sheriff Patrol positions
    - (2) Freshwater Providence
    - (1) Vehicle Emissions Grant

# **Total Salary Revisions/Title Changes Requested**

**489 Requested**

**470 Recommended**

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# **Employee Reclassification and Job Title Change Recommendations**

**10 Job Title Changes Recommended**

**31 Reclassifications Requested**

**14 Reclassifications Recommended**

**2 Equity Adjustments Requested**

**0 Equity Adjustments Recommended**

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# Employee Market Reclassifications

## **445 Market Reclassifications Recommended**

**(329) DO I's – County Jail**

**(2) DO I Crewmen – R & B #1**

**(2) DO I Crewmen – R & B #4**

**(78) Juvenile Supervision Officers- Juvenile Departments**

**(24) Administrative Managers – Various Departments**

**(6) Mechanic Welders-Road and Bridge**

**(2) Diesel Mechanics-Road and Bridge**

**(2) Assistant Directors-Human Resources & County Auditor**

# **Market Salary Adjustments**

**1 Market Salary Adjustment Recommended  
Chief Deputy – Tax Assessor Collector**

# Deleted Slots

**1 Slot Deleted at Request of Department  
Criminal District Attorney-Hot Check Division  
Administrative Specialist II – Slot #002-HO**

# **Number of Positions by Department 10 Year History**

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# Breakdown of County Services

• Mandated	\$166,068,255	57%
• Essential	\$93,938,227	32%
• Non-Mandated	\$29,984,709	11%

**Complete Breakdown – Pages S-31-39**

# Summary of Non-Departmental Contingency Funds

• <b>Regular Unappropriated Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 1,200,000</b>
• <b>Vehicle Repair Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
• <b>Court Ordered Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 2,329,000</b>
• <b>Insurance Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>
• <b>Lawsuit Settlement Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
• <b>Grant Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 675,000</b>
• <b>Utilities &amp; Gasoline Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>
• <b>Fire Call Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>
• <b>Out of County Prisoner Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
• <b>Homeless Funding Contingency</b>	<b>\$ 35,000</b>
• <b>Personnel Contingency</b>	<b><u>\$ 333,000</u></b>
• <b>Grand Total General Fund Contingencies</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,297,000</u></b>

# Fixed Car Allowance Summary

- **Current Adopted Budget - \$375,397**
- **Initial Request - \$396,772**
- **Recommended Budget - \$396,772**

The increase is due to the addition of fixed car allowance for:

Department Manager – County Clerk

Assistant Director of Facilities –Facilities Management

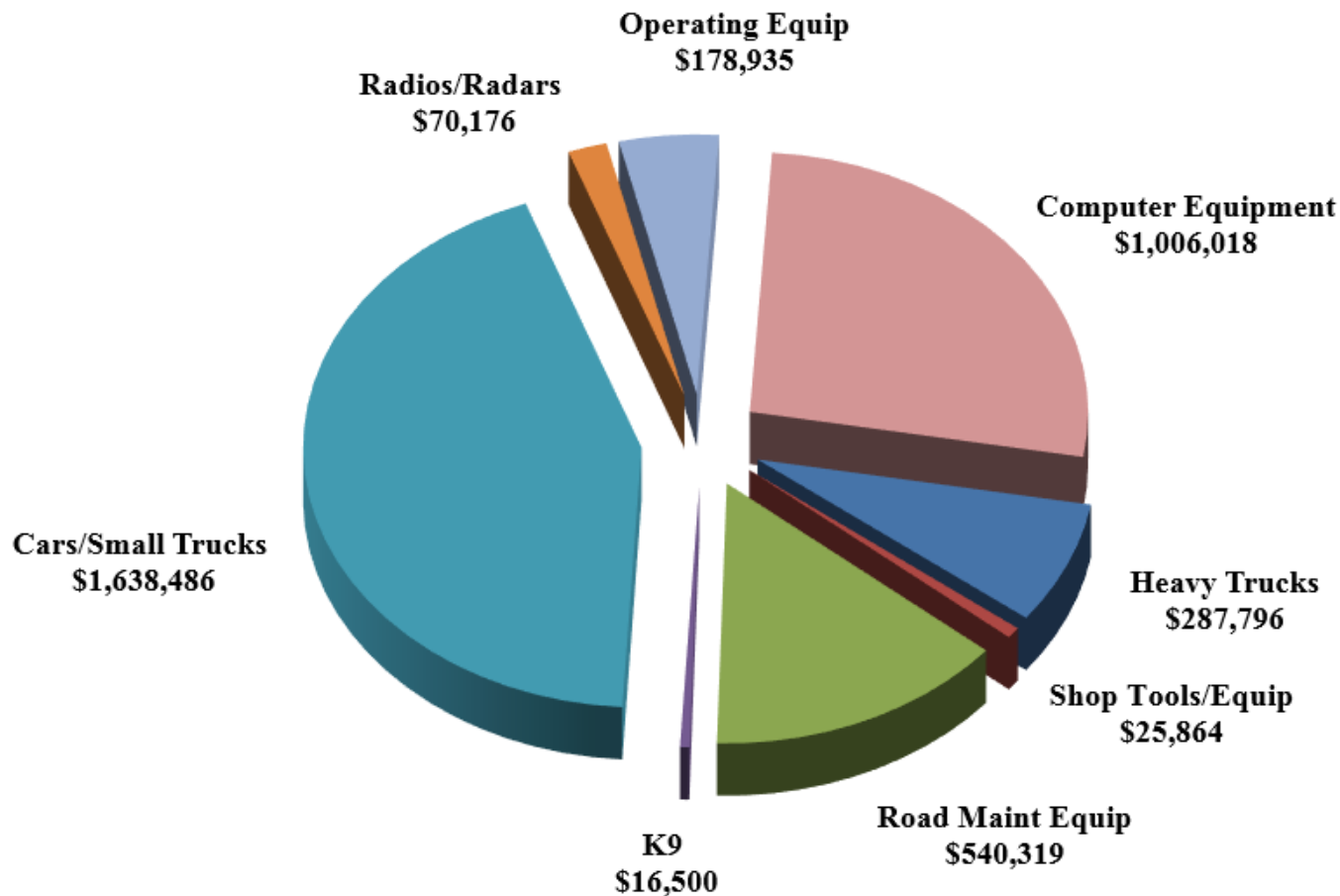
Assistant Chief Deputy – County Jail (approved mid-year ‘17)

Assistant Purchasing Director (approved mid-year ‘17)

Economic Development Director (increased mid-year ‘17)

**See Page S-63 - S-70 for Detailed Report**

# FY 2018 Recommended Capital Summary By Account Object \$3,764,094





# Vehicle Assessment Committee Recommendations

- **\$253,346 in direct savings recommended (vehicles and equipment)**
  - Reviewed condition, mileage and usage
  - Transfer of vehicles within county as appropriate
- **43 Replacement Vehicles Requested**
- **35 Replacement Vehicles Recommended by Committee**
- **35 Replacement Vehicles Included in Recommended Budget**
  
- **7 New Vehicles Requested for New Hires**
- **5 New Vehicles Included in Recommended Budget (for new hire)**
  
- **1 Surplus Vehicles Requested**
- **3 Surplus Vehicles Recommended** \*(2 replacements requested – Committee recommended surplus)
  
- **Recommended budget includes \$100,000 for vehicle repair contingency for self-funded insurance costs**

**See Page S-87 – S-110 for complete report**

# Standardization of Equipped Law Enforcement Costs

- Committee approved the following:
  - Two years ago the Committee and Commissioners Court established a base price for Constables, Sheriff patrol and Emergency Service (Patrol SUV including emergency operating equipment - radios, radars, video systems, camper shells and modems are excluded from the base price).
  - Department can request less than base price.
  - Requests over base price require Commissioners Court approval
  - Departments have flexibility to purchase equipment of their choice up to the budgeted amount per vehicle
  - Other vehicles would require a quote (Jail, Mental Health, Vans, etc.)

# Standardization of Equipped Law Enforcement Costs

- **Committee recommended a base price based on the following:**
  - **Sheriff Patrol = \$48,000**
  - **Emergency Services = \$44,000**
  - **Constables = \$44,000**
  - **Other Vehicles = Jail, Mental Health, Vans, etc. require a quote**

# Social Service Agency Funding

- **Social Service Agencies requested funding at \$419,182**
- **Social Service Agency Committee recommended funding at \$335,000 (equal to revenue projection for FY2018), an increase of \$73,000 above current funding**
- **Requests reduced by \$84,182**
- **Recommended Budget totals \$335,000**
- **Agencies have been notified of the committee's recommendation**

**See Page S-111 –S114 for full report/historical funding info.**

*Denton County Funding History*  
*Denton County Social Service Agencies*

Description	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017-2018		Increase
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Requested	Comm Rec	
Adult Day Care of North Texas	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
AIDS Services of North Texas	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Ann's Haven Hospice	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
ARC	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Boys & Girls Club of Denton County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Boys & Girls Clubs of North Central Tx	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
CASA (Court Appt. Special Advocates)	\$45,263	\$65,220	\$65,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$15,000
Christian Community Action-Clinic	\$25,500	\$34,962	\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0
Denton City-County Day School	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Denton Family Resource Center	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Children's Advocacy Center	\$31,874	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$63,182	\$70,000	\$10,000
Family Health Care, Inc.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Friends of the Family	\$15,938	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$5,000
Interfaith Ministries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Metrocrest Social Service Center	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
*Metroport Meals On Wheels, Inc. (JURY)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Nelson Children's Residential Tr. Ctr	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pediplace	\$28,948	\$40,299	\$41,000	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$14,000
*Project Access Denton County	\$0	(\$98)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RSVP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
***SPAN	\$10,042	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$16,000	\$5,000
** Health Services of North Texas	\$73,045	\$55,000	\$40,000	\$125,000	\$54,000	\$14,000
Youth & Family Services - Lewisville	\$12,750	\$18,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$10,000
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$243,360</b>	<b>\$299,383</b>	<b>\$262,000</b>	<b>\$419,182</b>	<b>335,000</b>	<b>73,000</b>

\* Agency requested to be put on the list for juror donations and met the criteria for that. They are not requesting any County money.

\*\* Previously funded through The People's Clinic prior to FY 2010.

\*\*\*Span transportation funding is included in General Fund/Appropriations as of FY2013

# Library Funding

- **FY 2017 Adopted Budget = \$340,000 (11 libraries)**
- **Library Board Request**
  - FY2018 Initial Request = \$340,000 + \$14,737 for on-line library subscription service for those who participate in county funding
  - 6 libraries did not request county funding  
(Denton, Coppell, Roanoke, Plano, Frisco and Lake Cities)
- **Recommended Budget**
  - Included at \$340,000

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# Building Projects

- 18 Building Remodel Projects requested at \$131,280  
18 recommended at a cost of \$102,280
- 32 Preventative Maint. Projects requested at \$383,890  
32 recommended at a cost of \$344,890

Cost reduced by Facilities with the addition of 2 new positions recommended

**Detail Report Page S-117 through S-127**

# Capital Replacement Fund Summary

<b>Furniture</b> (Lee Walker Govt. Center)	\$348,800
<b>Computers</b> (replacement computers in lieu of leasing)	\$1,135,600
<b>Architect Fees</b> (CIP architect fees if needed)	\$ 50,000
<b>Miscellaneous Building Maintenance</b>	\$275,000
Restack of courts @ \$75,000	
Construction for temp. space for Agri-Life @ \$200,000	
<b>Unappropriated Contingency</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>Road Project Planning</b>	\$2,000,000



# Capital Replacement Fund Summary- (cont.)

• <b>Buildings</b> - (construction of new court in old Law Library)	\$905,985
• <b>Buildings/Loop 288</b> (outdoor area)	\$1,800,000
• <b>Parking Lot Repairs</b> (expansion for courts bldg.)	\$2,288,000
• <b>Computers</b> (Network-Telephone Refresh)	\$939,628
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$12,743,013</u></b>

# Recap Summary

- This budget lowers the tax rate by almost one penny
- Various salary/benefit increases
- Market adjustments/reclassifications/deferred hires
- 23.25 new employees for various departments
- Buildings/parking lot repairs/courtroom space
- Debt service payments for voter approved debt and tax notes
- Capital Replacement Fund—buildings/roads/parking lot
- Health insurance for employees
- Capital equipment
- Computers, software, software maintenance
- Fire call rate increase
- Miscellaneous court expense
- MHMR

# Recap Summary (continued)

- Guardianship services
- Child Safety Program
- Security Guard Service for additional locations
- Drug Court Expense
- Training
- Contract labor
- Utilities
- Social Service Agencies
- Road Maintenance Equipment
- Cars and Small Trucks
- Postage
- Less gasoline

# Requested Information / Upcoming Meetings

- Next meeting has been reserved for appeals: July 25th
- Regular Budget Workshops will be held on Tuesdays – August 1<sup>st</sup>, and August 8<sup>th</sup> (if needed) immediately following Commissioners Court
- Public Hearings on Proposed Tax Rate will be required and will be held on:
  - August 22<sup>nd</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing 7:00 pm
  - August 29<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing 10:00 am
- Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and Adoption: September 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm
- Questions/Comments/Additional Information for future budget workshops

# Acknowledgements

- **Denton County Budget Office Staff**
- **County Auditor and Staff**
- **Director of Purchasing and Staff**
- **Director of Human Resources and Staff**
- **Director of Technology Services and Staff**
- **Vehicle Assessment Committee**
- **Billy Willis, Radio Information**
- **Department Heads and Elected Officials**
- **Commissioners Court**
- **Tax Assessor Collector and Staff**

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