

# Department of Budget

2025 Executive Proposed Budget

# Core Programs & Functions

- The mission of the Department of Budget is to provide budgetary planning and control services to Westchester County departments and its agencies in order to ensure the overall fiscal integrity of Westchester County government and the provision of its services. It includes providing organizational and strategic planning leadership and consultation in order to effectuate well-informed policy and budgetary decisions.

# Budget Summary

| ITEM                       | 2024              | 2025             |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Operating Positions        | 15                | 15               |
| Trust Positions            | -                 | -                |
| <b>TOTAL POSITIONS</b>     | <b>15</b>         | <b>15</b>        |
|                            |                   |                  |
| Personal Service           | 2,126,580         | 2,109,599        |
| Equipment                  | -                 | -                |
| Materials & Supplies       | 3,650             | 3,650            |
| Contractual Expenses       | 17,075            | 208,075          |
| Inter-Departmental Charges | 420,947           | 589,581          |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>  | <b>2,568, 252</b> | <b>2,910,905</b> |
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# Budget Summary

| ITEM                       | 2024             | 2025              |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Inter-Departmental Revenue | -                | -                 |
| Departmental Revenue       | 1,020,000        | 1,040,000         |
| State & Federal Aid        | -                | -                 |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>       | <b>1,020,000</b> | <b>1,040,000</b>  |
|                            |                  |                   |
| <b>DEPARTMENT TAX LEVY</b> | <b>1,548,252</b> | <b>1,870, 905</b> |
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# New Initiatives/Program Highlights

## **HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2024:**

- Made budget recommendations that resulted in increasing unrestricted fund balance to a projected \$527.6 million
- Prepared quarterly forecasts of expenditures and revenues to monitor fiscal condition and make recommendations for adjustments to spending
- Oversee the allocation, reporting and spending of ARPA funds
- Key partner with Emergency Services for the administration of FEMA claims
- Review and approve all vacancy releases, short form and A&C contracts, travel authorizations and position recertifications
- Played a key role in the procurement of a new Bus Operating contract.
- Prepare and oversee the 5 year capital plan.
- Working with consultant to streamline Capital Planning Process.
- Upgrading the budget system software to new version (ongoing).
- Played key role along with Finance in rating agency presentations to obtain an upgrade to AAA from Fitch, a positive outlook from S&P and affirmed the Aa1 rating from Moody's.