



Utilities

APPROVED FY19 BUDGET

\$26,235,746

FULL TIME EQUIVALENTS

0.00

 DAVID DISE, DIRECTOR

MISSION STATEMENT

The goals of the County Government relating to utility consumption are to:

- achieve energy savings by the elimination of wasteful or inefficient operation of building systems;
- continue improvements in energy efficiency in all County operations; and
- obtain required energy fuels at the most favorable cost to the County.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Department of General Services manages the payment for 1,504 separately metered utility accounts for these facilities, streetlights, and traffic-controlled signalized intersections.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

The FY19 Approved Budget for the tax supported Utilities non-departmental account (NDA) is \$26,235,746 an increase of \$101 or 0.0 percent from the FY18 Approved Budget of \$26,235,645. Allocation of these utilities expenditures is approximately: electricity, 80.0 percent; natural gas, 7.4 percent; water and sewer, 12.0 percent; fuel oil, 0.4 percent; and propane, 0.2 percent.

The FY19 Approved Budget includes County government utilities expenditures for both tax and non-tax supported operations. Tax supported utilities expenditures related to the General Fund departments are budgeted in the Utilities NDA, while utilities expenditures related to special fund departments are budgeted in those funds. Some of these special funds, such as Recreation and portions of the Department of Transportation, are tax supported. Other special funds, such as Solid Waste, are not supported by taxes, but through user fees or charges for services.

Utilities expenditures are also found in the budgets of other County agencies: Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), Montgomery College, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC), and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). The total utilities budget request for these "outside" agencies is \$71,903,356 which includes the entire bi-county area of WSSC.



The FY19 Approved tax supported budget for Utilities Management, including both the General Fund NDA (\$26,235,746) and the

other tax supported funds (\$3,758,445), is \$29,994,191, an increase of \$22,100 or approximately 0.1 percent from the FY18 Approved utilities budget. The FY19 Approved Budget for non-tax supported utilities expenditures is \$5,143,533, a decrease of \$127,359 or approximately 2.4 percent from the FY18 Approved Budget.

In both the tax and non-tax supported funds, utilities expenditures result primarily from commodity unit costs due to market price fluctuations; consumption changes due to new facilities, systems, or services; and in some cases, a more precise alignment of budgeted costs with actual prior-year expenditures by utility type. Energy conservation and cost-saving measures (e.g., new building design, lighting technology, and energy and HVAC management systems) are assumed to offset increased utility consumption for new facilities and higher unit costs.

LINKAGE TO COUNTY RESULT AREAS

While this program area supports all eight of the County Result Areas, the following are emphasized:

-  **An Effective and Efficient Transportation Network**
-  **Safe Streets and Secure Neighborhoods**

PROGRAM CONTACTS

Contact Angela Dizelos of the Department of General Services/Utilities Management at 240.777.6028 or Bruce Meier of the Office of Management and Budget at 240.777.2785 for more information regarding this department's operating budget.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Actual FY17	Budget FY18	Estimate FY18	Approved FY19	%Chg Bud/App
COUNTY GENERAL FUND					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	—
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	—
County General Fund Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	—
Operating Expenses	25,603,043	26,235,645	25,835,645	26,235,746	—
County General Fund Expenditures	25,603,043	26,235,645	25,835,645	26,235,746	—
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	—
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	—
FTEs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	—

FY19 APPROVED CHANGES

	Expenditures	FTEs
COUNTY GENERAL FUND		
FY18 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	26,235,645	0.00

FY19 APPROVED CHANGES

	Expenditures	FTEs
<u>Other Adjustments (with no service impacts)</u>		
Increase Cost: FY19 Increase due to unit costs and consumption changes [Utilities]	707,101	0.00
Decrease Cost: Savings from Energy Conservation CIP projects [Utilities]	(40,000)	0.00
Decrease Cost: Oaks Landfill Solar Savings [Utilities]	(150,000)	0.00
Decrease Cost: Utility Rate and Consumption Changes [Utilities]	(517,000)	0.00
FY19 APPROVED	26,235,746	0.00

FUTURE FISCAL IMPACTS

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Title	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
COUNTY GENERAL FUND						
EXPENDITURES						
FY19 Approved	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236
No inflation or compensation change is included in outyear projections.						
Subtotal Expenditures	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236	26,236

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