

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
PUBLIC FORUM  
FY 2026 BUDGET**

Wednesday, October 2, 2024  
7:00 p.m.  
Virtual Meeting

**AGENDA**

- I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS  
Peter A. Shapiro, Chair
- II. M-NCPPC OVERVIEW PRESENTATION  
Terri Charles, Corporate Budget Director
- III. COMMENTS BY ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS
- IV. COMMENTS BY INTERESTED CITIZENS
- V. CLOSING REMARKS

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**NOTE:** A time limit of three (3) minutes per individual speaker is imposed.

The record will remain open until Wednesday, October 16, 2024, for additional comments.

Please send written statements to:

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M-NCPPC

BUDGET for Prince George's County

Fiscal Year 2026

Prince George's County  
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September 25 and October 2, 2024

# What is the M-NCPPC ?



- The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
  - Bi-county agency serving Prince George's and Montgomery Counties
  - Created in 1927 by the Maryland General Assembly
- Operations in Prince George's County are overseen by the **Prince George's County Planning Board**:
  - Department of Parks and Recreation
  - Planning Department

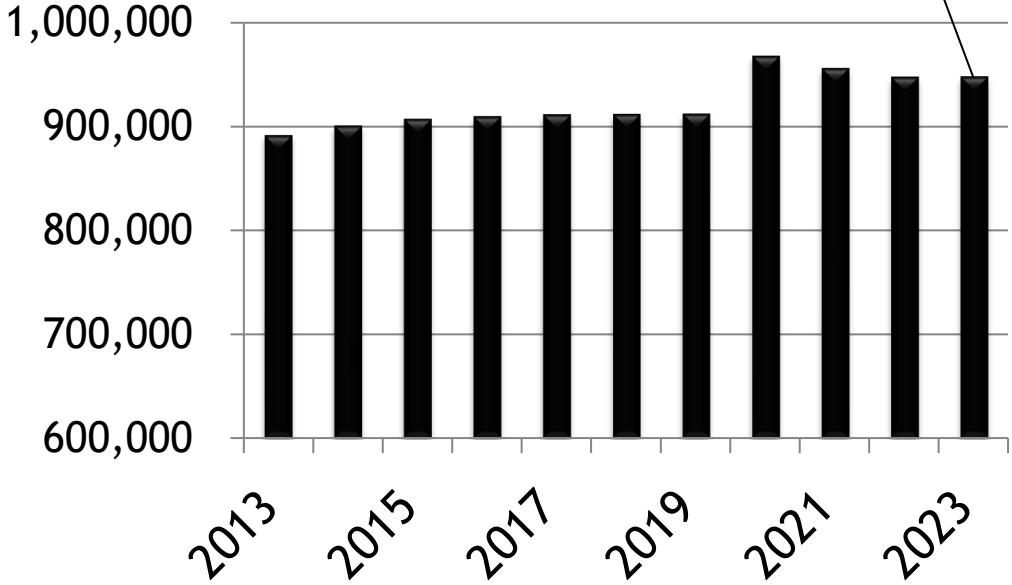
# Who does M-NCPPC serve in Prince George's County?

- Our services are available to all residents of Prince George's County

### Prince George's County Population

(Source: U.S. Census Bureau)

947,430



# What Services are Provided?

Our mission is to:

- Manage physical growth and plan communities
- Protect and steward natural, cultural and historic resources
- Provide leisure and recreational experiences.

*Excellent Parks, Recreation, and Land Use Planning for Prince George's County enhances the quality of life making our community an attractive place to live, work, and do business.*

M-NCPPC maintains natural areas and parks throughout the County. These locations offer residents opportunities to recreate and enjoy the open space and natural resources in one of the best parks and recreation systems in the nation.

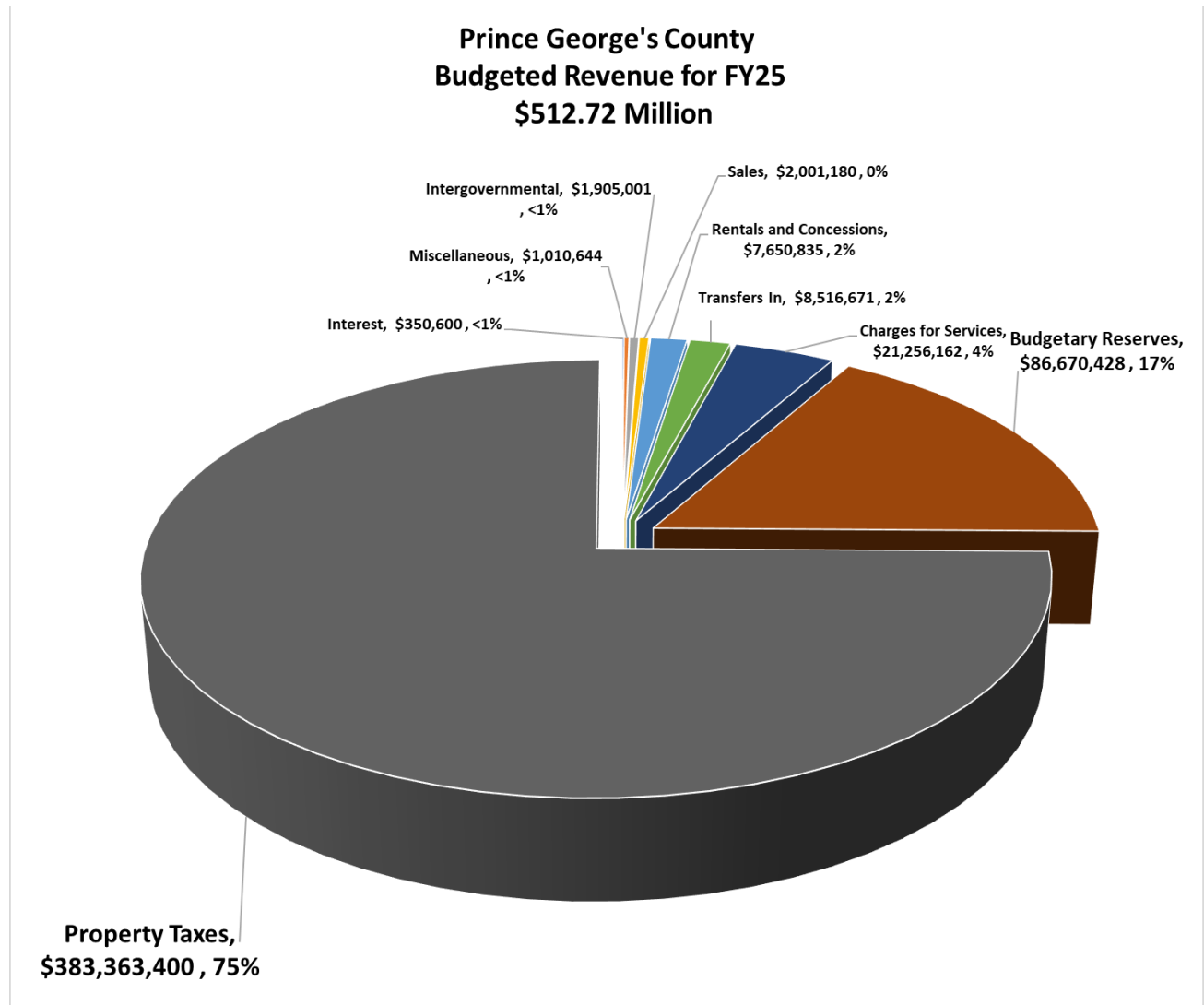
*The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission is an unprecedented **six-time National Gold Medal Award winner** for excellence in park and recreation management from the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration. No other park system in the country has won more gold medals.*



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# How are Services Funded?

- If the use of reserves were not included, property taxes would make up 91% of the revenue to pay for services
- The property tax rate (unchanged since FY16) is
  - 29.40 cents per \$100 of assessed value for real property
  - 73.50 cents per \$100 of assessed value for personal property



# What Does it Cost the Average Homeowner?

- It costs the average homeowner \$3.28 a day in property taxes for all the recreation, park and planning services delivered by the Commission
- That's \$1,198 per year
  - Based on the average value of a Prince George's County home of \$407,321 (July 2024 Assessable Base data files)



# What Your Investment Brings



## FACTS ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

Total owned park acreage in the County - 33,365



\*Includes Public Private Partnerships on MNCPPC land. Information is accurate as of 09/2024.

An investment in our community and quality of life



# CIP HIGHLIGHTS

Marlow Heights Community Center



Sport Court, Mural, Playground  
Palmer Park Community Center



Fairland Pickleball Courts



Dog Park at Kentland Community Center





# Grand Openings

## New Canter Creek Park



## Replaced 5 playgrounds

1. Oak Crest Playground
2. Lakeland Playground
3. Ft. Wash Forest Playground
4. Lanham Forest Playground
5. Madison Hill Playground



## Watkins Train Upgrade



## Prince George's Sports & Learning Complex (SPLEX) indoor track replacement



## Southern Area Aquatics and Recreation Complex (SAARC)

- pool lighting replacement
- adult changing station



## Kentland Dog Park



## 3 Athletic Field upgrades:

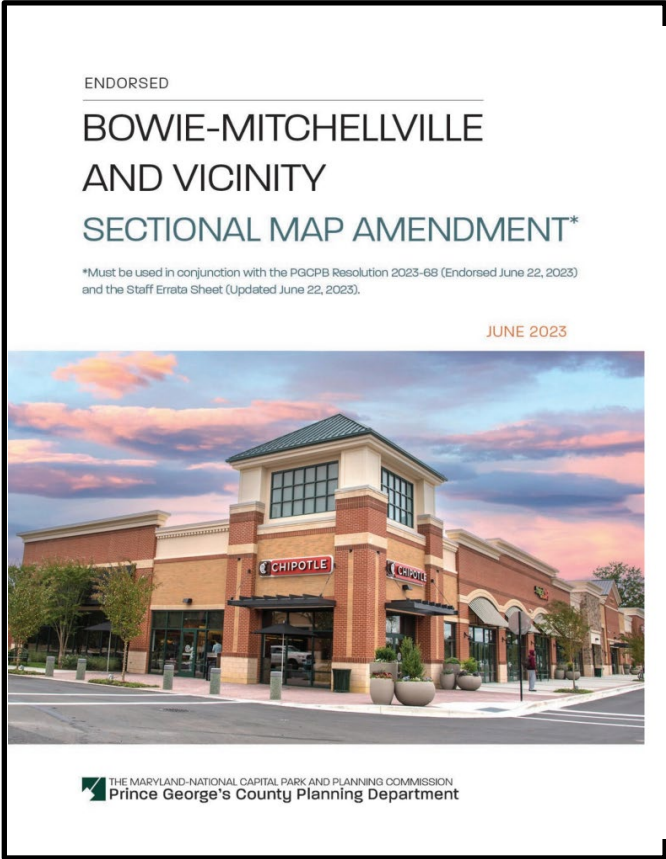
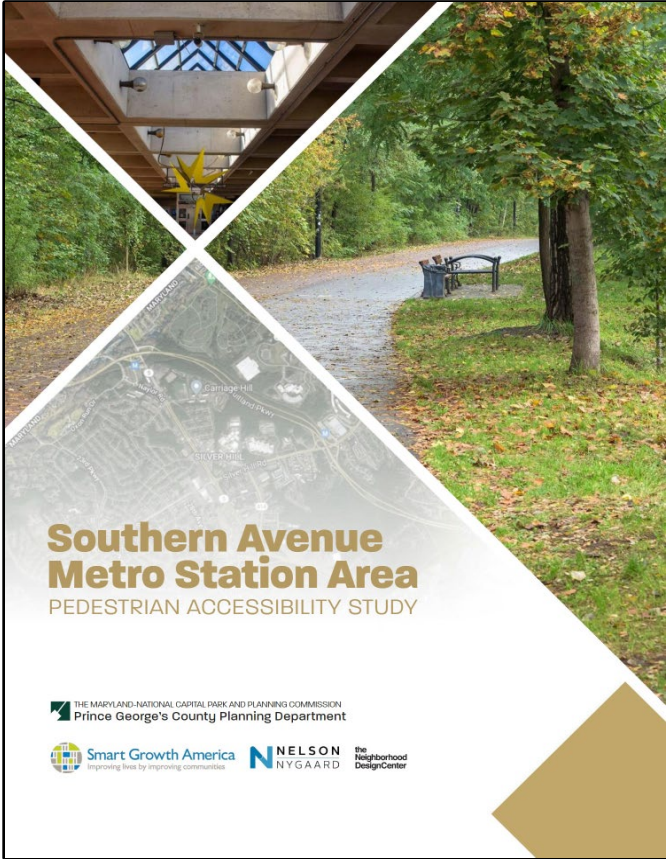
1. Riverdale Baseball Field Backstop replacement
2. Colmar Manor Field Renovation
3. Walker Mill Irrigation Repair





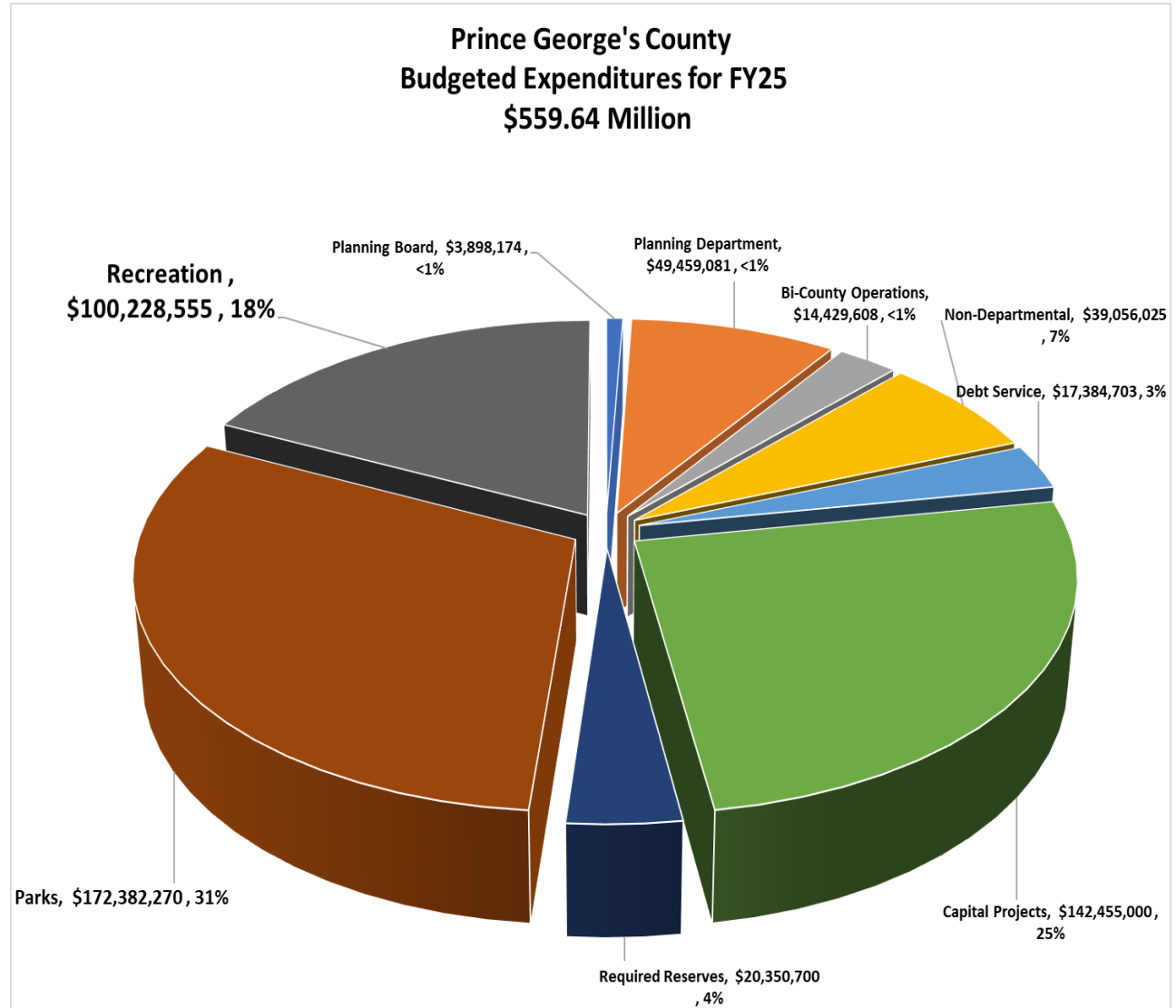
# Planning Highlights

## Completion of Various Plans and Studies



# How Much is the Budget?

- For fiscal year 2025, the budget for all operating funds is \$559.64 million
- Most of the budget (about 80%) is spent on Parks and Recreation services



# FY25-FY30 Capital Improvements Program

Summary of Proposed Amended FY25-30 CIP By Funding Source

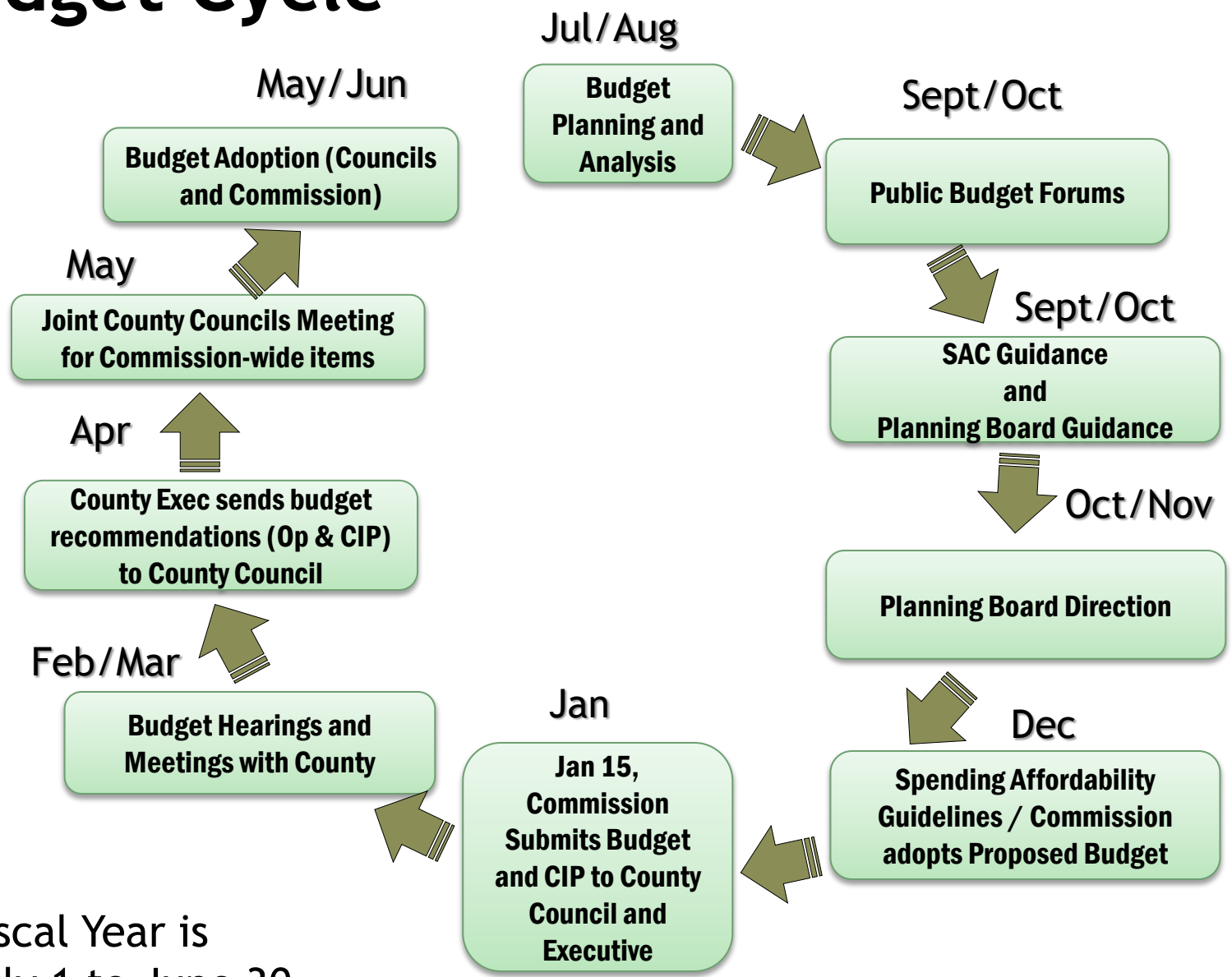
	FY25 Budget Year	FY26-FY30 Planned CIP	6YR Totals
<b>Commission General Obligation Bonds</b>	\$ 96,979,000	\$ 113,753,000	\$ 210,732,000
<b>Pay as You Go (PAYGO)</b>	32,346,000	126,147,000	158,493,000
<b>Grants</b>	4,750,000	-	4,750,000
<b>Program Open Space</b>	4,785,000	-	4,785,000
<b>Developer Contributions</b>	3,565,000	-	3,565,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 142,425,000</b>	<b>\$ 239,900,000</b>	<b>\$ 382,325,000</b>

Summary of Proposed FY25-30 CIP Funding by Project Type

	FY25 Budget Year	% of Total	FY26-FY30 Planned CIP	% of Total	6YR Totals	% of Total
Acquisition						
Acquisition-Parkland	\$ 5,000,000	4%	\$ -	0%	\$ 5,000,000	1%
Acquisition-HARP	-	0%	-	0%	-	0%
<b>Subtotal Acquisition</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>	<b>1%</b>
Infrastructure Maintenance						
Aquatic Facilities	20,300,000	14%	4,000,000	2%	24,300,000	6%
Historic Property	19,500,000	14%	52,500,000	22%	72,000,000	19%
Park-Playground-Fields	6,850,000	5%	30,650,000	13%	37,500,000	10%
Stormwater	21,280,000	15%	76,000,000	32%	97,280,000	25%
<b>Subtotal Infrastructure</b>	<b>67,930,000</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>168,150,000</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>236,080,000</b>	<b>62%</b>
New Construction/Development	62,712,000	44%	52,000,000	22%	114,712,000	30%
Other	1,330,000	1%	5,250,000	2%	6,580,000	2%
Trails	5,453,000	4%	14,500,000	6%	19,953,000	5%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 142,425,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 239,900,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 382,325,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

Only the first year, FY25, is funded. Subsequent years are subject to change.

# Budget Cycle

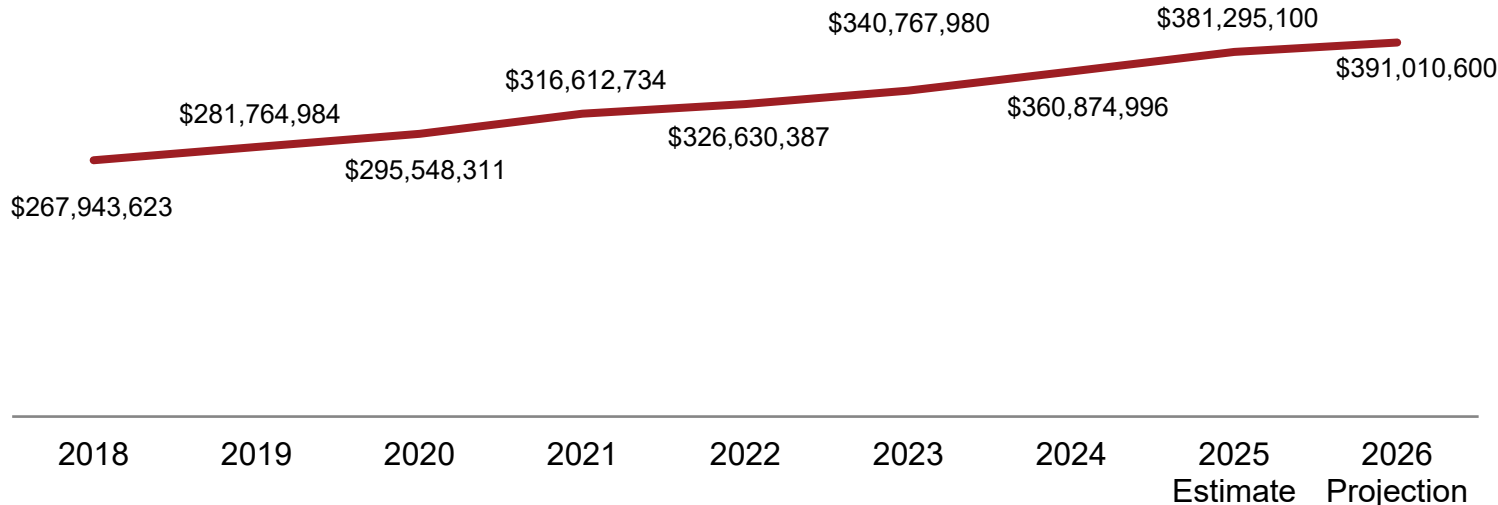


- Fiscal Year is July 1 to June 30

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# The Tax Revenue Picture

## Property Tax Revenue FY18 to FY26 (Admin Fund, Park Fund, Rec Fund)



As with the property valuations, property tax revenues continue to grow, with no tax rate increase since FY16.

# Budget Strategy

- Assuming property value projections are realized, projected to be in good fiscal shape through FY30
- Initiatives for FY26
  - Develop innovative arts and cultural programs and activities for teens, seniors, and youth emphasizing the County's diverse cultures
  - Increase Social Media outreach by utilizing new tools to connect with residents and visitors
  - Continue to address infrastructure improvement needs in our facilities utilizing pay-go from both the Park and Recreation Funds
  - Enhance maintenance standards for trails, ballfields, and playgrounds
  - Continue to focus on organizational stability and succession planning
  - Implement New County Zoning Ordinance
  - Continue investing in our IT infrastructure to improve critical parts of our IT environment to help support the Commissions mission
- Responsibly plan for the future:
  - Balancing community needs with fiscal reality



# Public Discussion

- M-NCPPC is committed to building strong, healthy, sustainable communities. With your help and input we will continue to do so.
- Thank you for participating in tonight's forum!