

FY2027 BUDGET QUESTIONS

- **What is the total general fund budget for FY2027?**

The FY2027 general fund budget totals \$2.20 billion, divided into: \$1.12 billion allocated to schools and \$1.08 billion to County public safety, operations, infrastructure, and other services.

- **How do my taxes change under the adopted budget?**

The real estate tax rate decreased to \$0.865 per \$100 of assessed value. Assuming a single-family home, the average residential tax bill will decrease by \$33 to \$5,114, despite increased property values. Personal property tax rates remain unchanged.

- **What are the FY2027 Budget priorities?**

The budget prioritizes education funding (12.5% school transfer increase), public safety (police/fire staffing & crisis services), transportation improvements, and affordable housing investments. It also includes a \$19.5 million investment in both existing and new parks and recreation capital facilities.

- **Are there any new fees or changes in existing fees?**

Yes, the budget includes an increase in the stormwater management fee, which supports environmental initiatives and flood resilience projects. The landfill will continue to be open seven days a week, however, landfill fees will increase in FY27 to support long-term financial stability of the site. Land Development, Building Development, Planning, and Fire Marshal's fees are increasing to align development-related revenues with the actual cost of service delivery. The budget reduced both Fire levy and the Mosquito and Forest Pest levy rates.

- **How many positions are added?**

The budget includes the addition of 127.28 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions across various county departments to enhance service delivery and meet the growing needs of the community.

- **What funding is provided for schools?**

The County's general revenue transfer is proposed to be \$1.12 billion to Prince William County Schools (PWCS), an increase of \$123.8 million (12.5%) from FY26. The budget also maintains funding for class size reduction grants, school security officers, and debt service funding support for Gainesville High School.

- **What transportation and mobility projects are included?**

Initiatives include continued support for OmniRide, increased investment in pedestrian and mobility safety, and road maintenance projects.

- **What investments are being made in affordable housing?**

The County is contributing \$5.0 million to the Affordable Housing Trust Reserve. This investment aims to incentivize the construction of affordable housing units and expand housing assistance programs.

- **How did residents provide input on the budget?**

The County offered multiple engagement opportunities, including public hearings, community meetings, and an online budget Question & Answer (Q&A) feature that allows residents to submit questions and view responses online. Two public hearings were held for residents to provide input on the budget on March 17 and April 7. The budget was adopted April 21, 2026. Visit the [Budget Timeline Web Page](#) for details.

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