

Humboldt County Community Meeting

Fiscal Year Budget 2013-14

Budget Process

- February 26 – Budget parameters developed
- February 28 – Community Meetings
- March 8 – Board considers strategic priorities
- March 11 – Budget instructions to departments
- June 4 – Presentation of Proposed Budget
- June 10 – Budget Hearings on Proposed Budget
- June 25 – Adoption of County Budget
- July 1 – New Fiscal Year begins

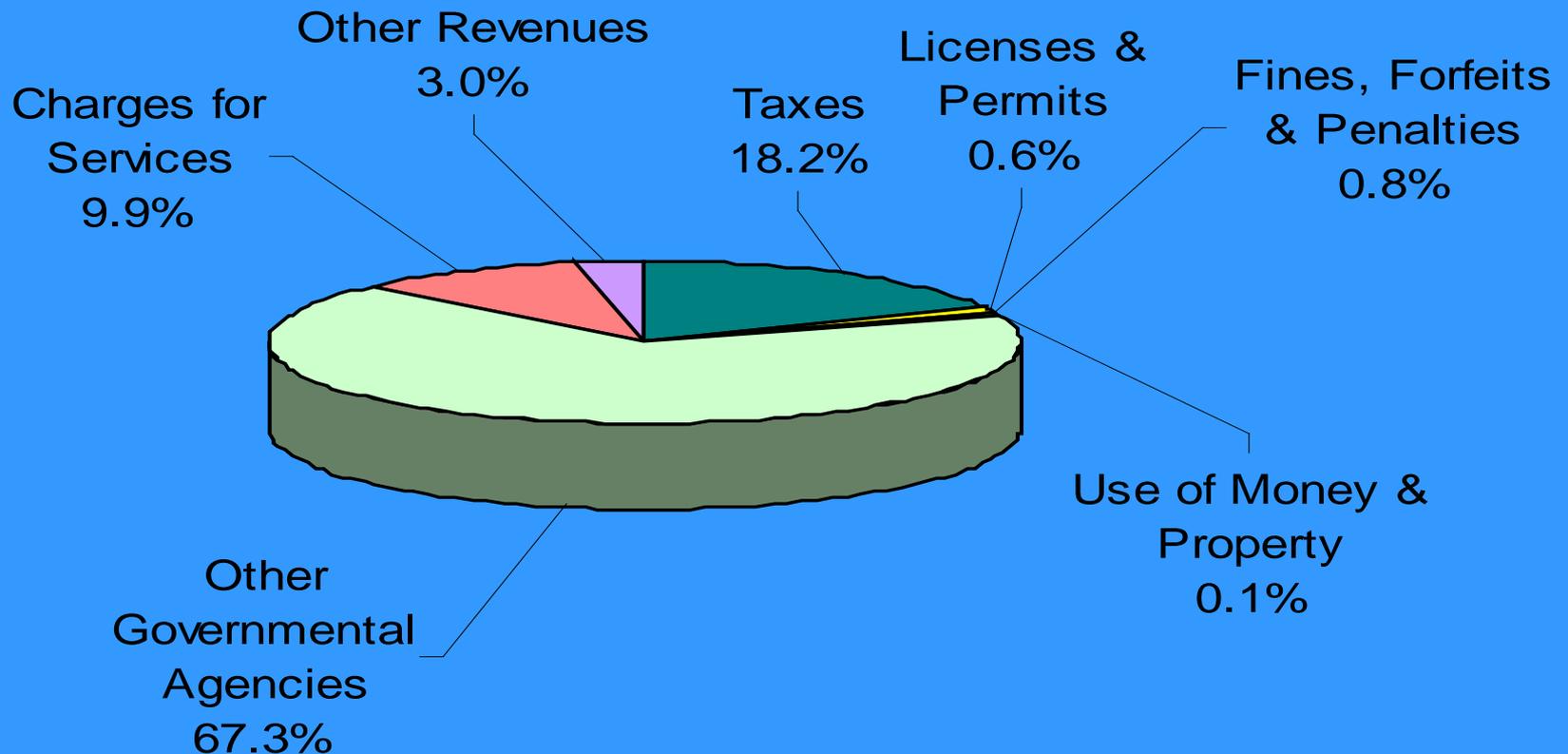
Revenues



Revenues

Revenue by Source – All Funds

Humboldt County's total FY 2012-13 budget for current revenue is \$274,681,081 and is obtained from the revenue sources shown below. The balance of funds necessary to support expenditures, \$6,300,799 is derived from fund balances and prior year receivables.

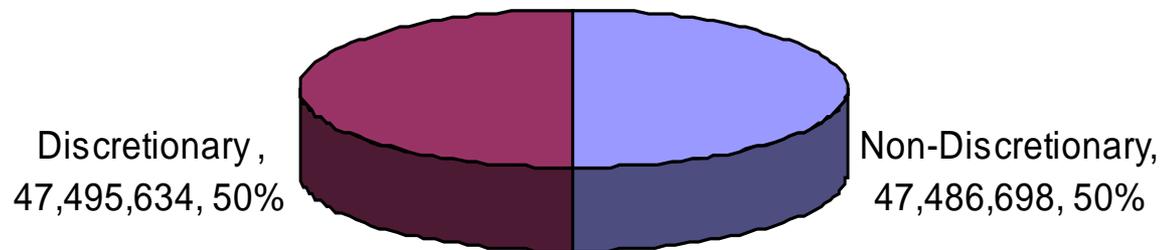


Discretionary Revenues

Countywide discretionary revenue includes income that is not directly related to any particular county activity or function and is available to be spent on local needs. Discretionary revenue is allocated to departmental budgets is determined by the Board of Supervisors.

Non-discretionary or dedicated revenue includes income that is directly related to a specific activity and can only be used for that purpose.

General Fund \$94,982,332



Revenues

Discretionary revenues we rely on to fund County services:

Property Taxes

- A 1% rate on value of real property. There is an annual adjustment for inflation which cannot exceed two percent per year.
- Represents 74.7% of General Fund discretionary revenue.

Sales Tax

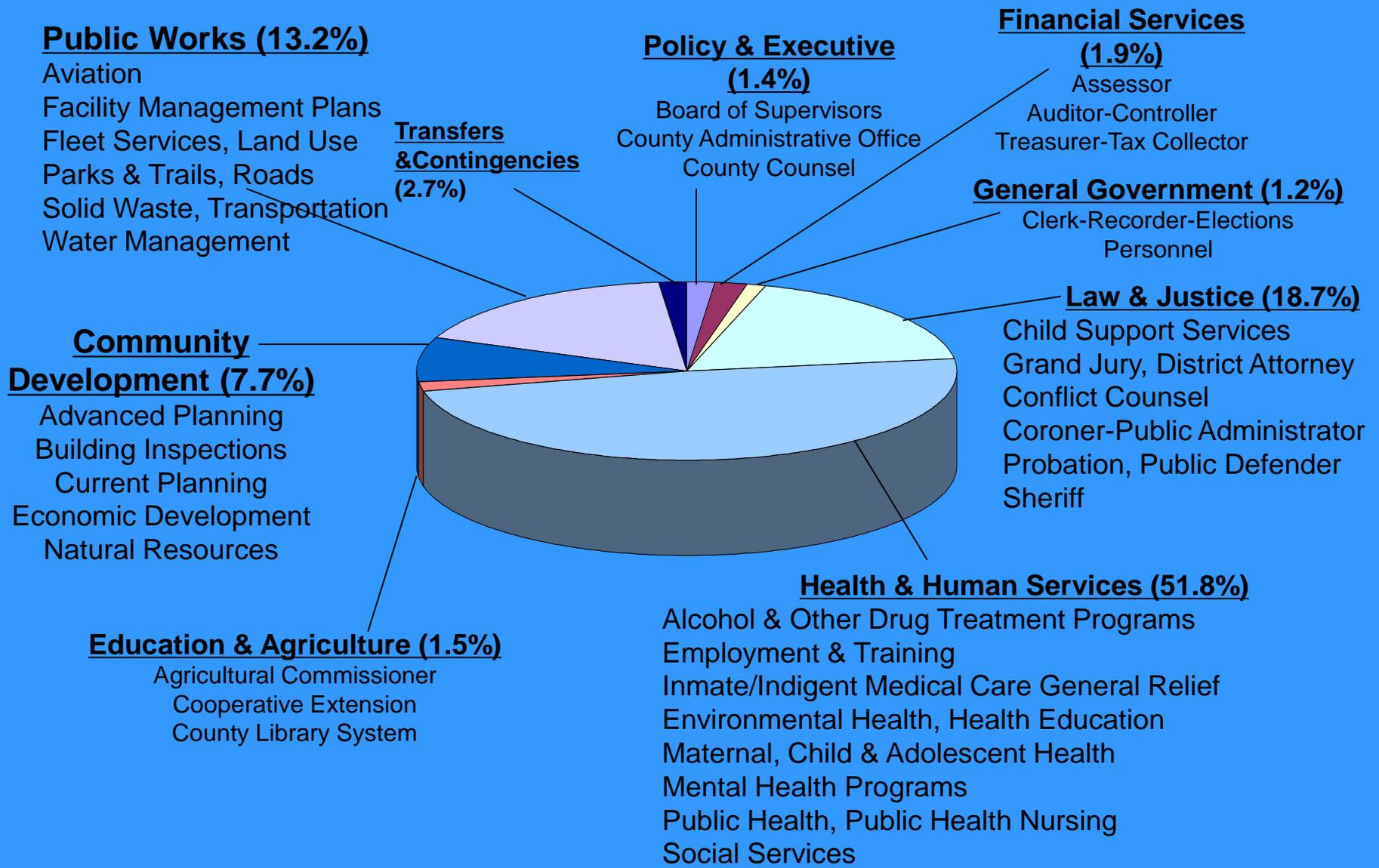
- Represents 8% of General Fund discretionary revenue.
- Sales and Use Tax Rate:
 - Eureka/Arcata/Trinidad – 8.25%
 - All other regions of Humboldt County – 7.50%

Other discretionary revenue sources are Franchise Fees, A-87, Vehicle License Fees, Hotel Tax, Timber Yield Tax, and Interest.

Expenditures

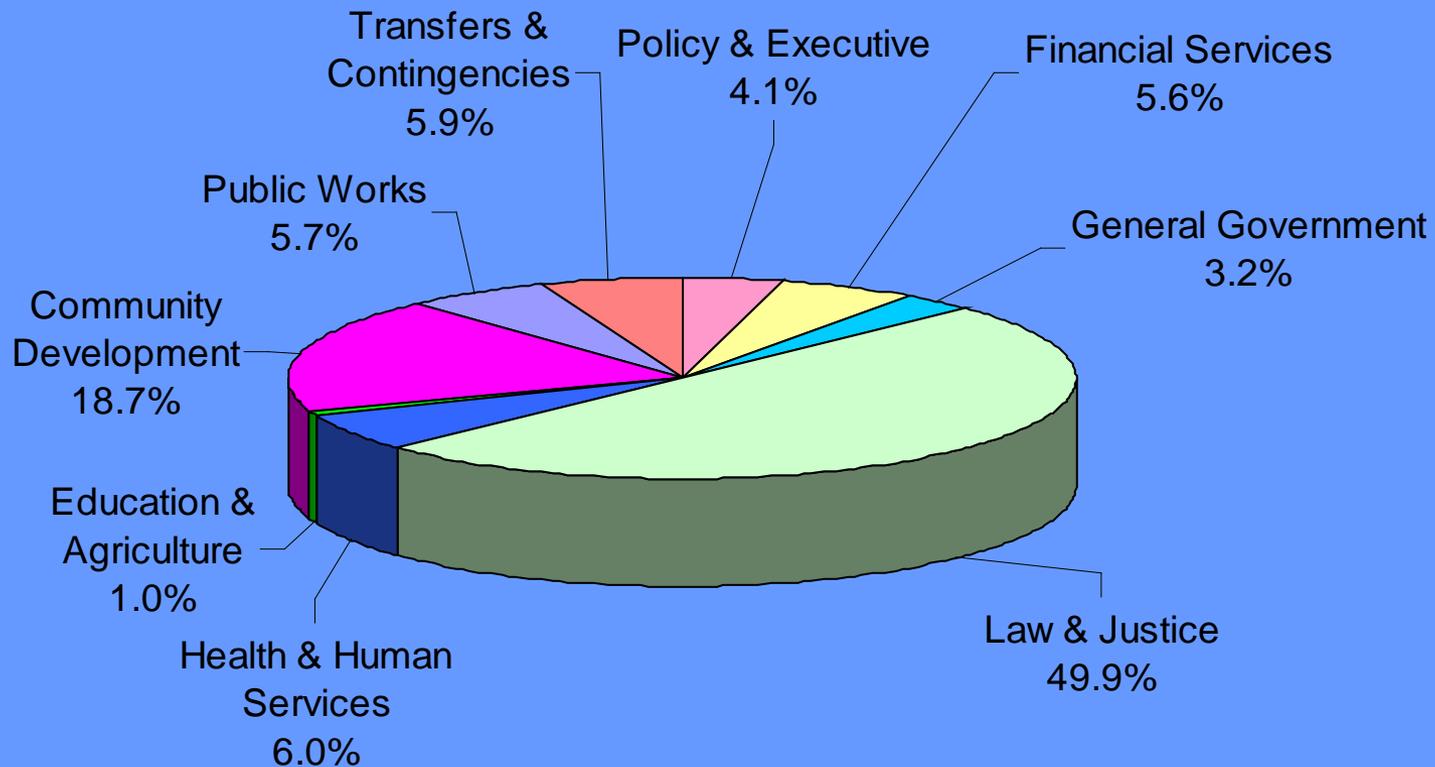


Services Provided by Expenditure

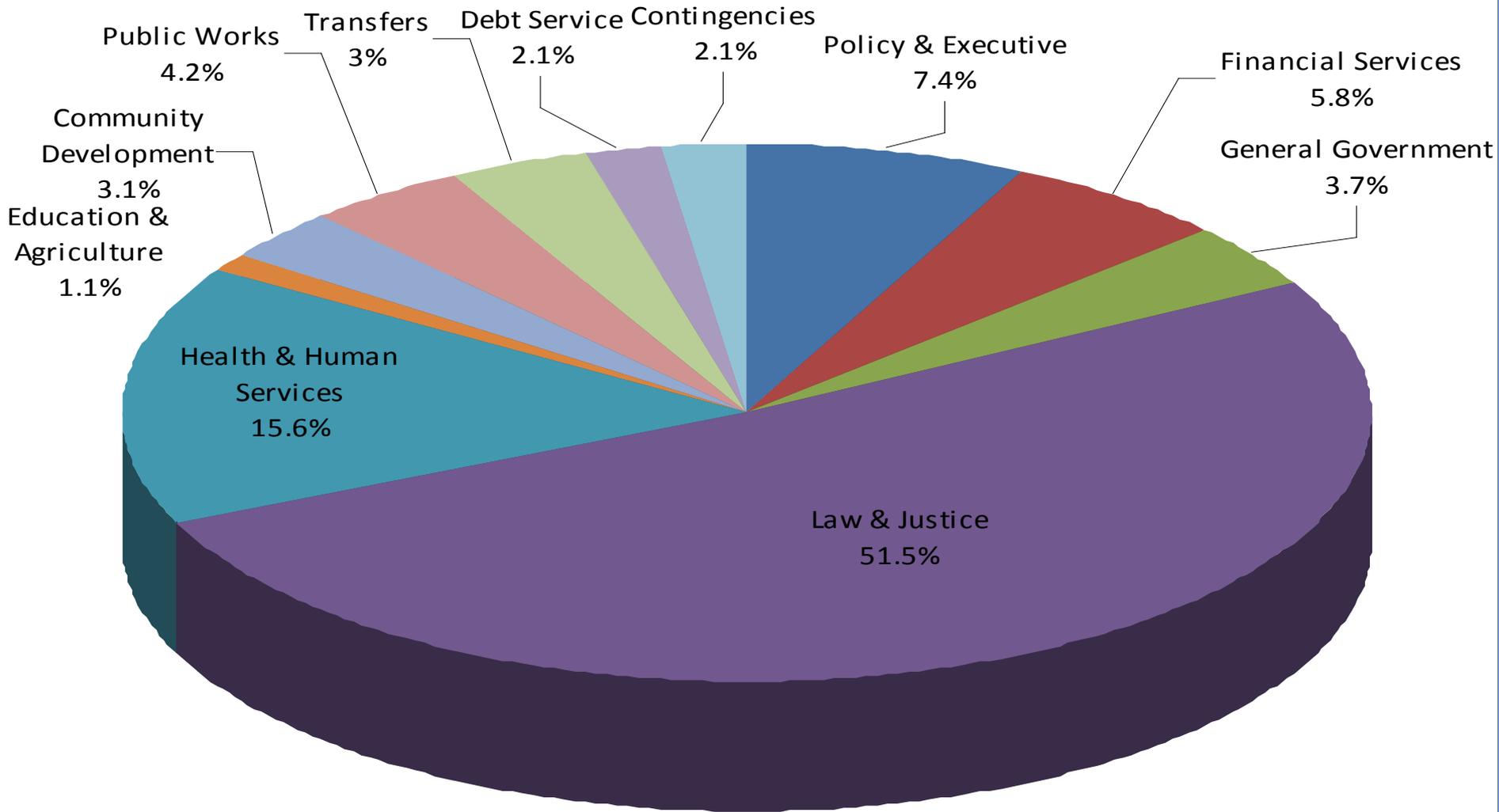


General Fund

The total distribution of \$94,982,332 in County General Fund expenditures is shown below.



Discretionary Funds



Five Year Forecast



Five Year Forecast

Taxable Sales

- Growth in state 7% over the next year
- Growth in Humboldt County 3% to 5% in future fiscal years

Home Prices

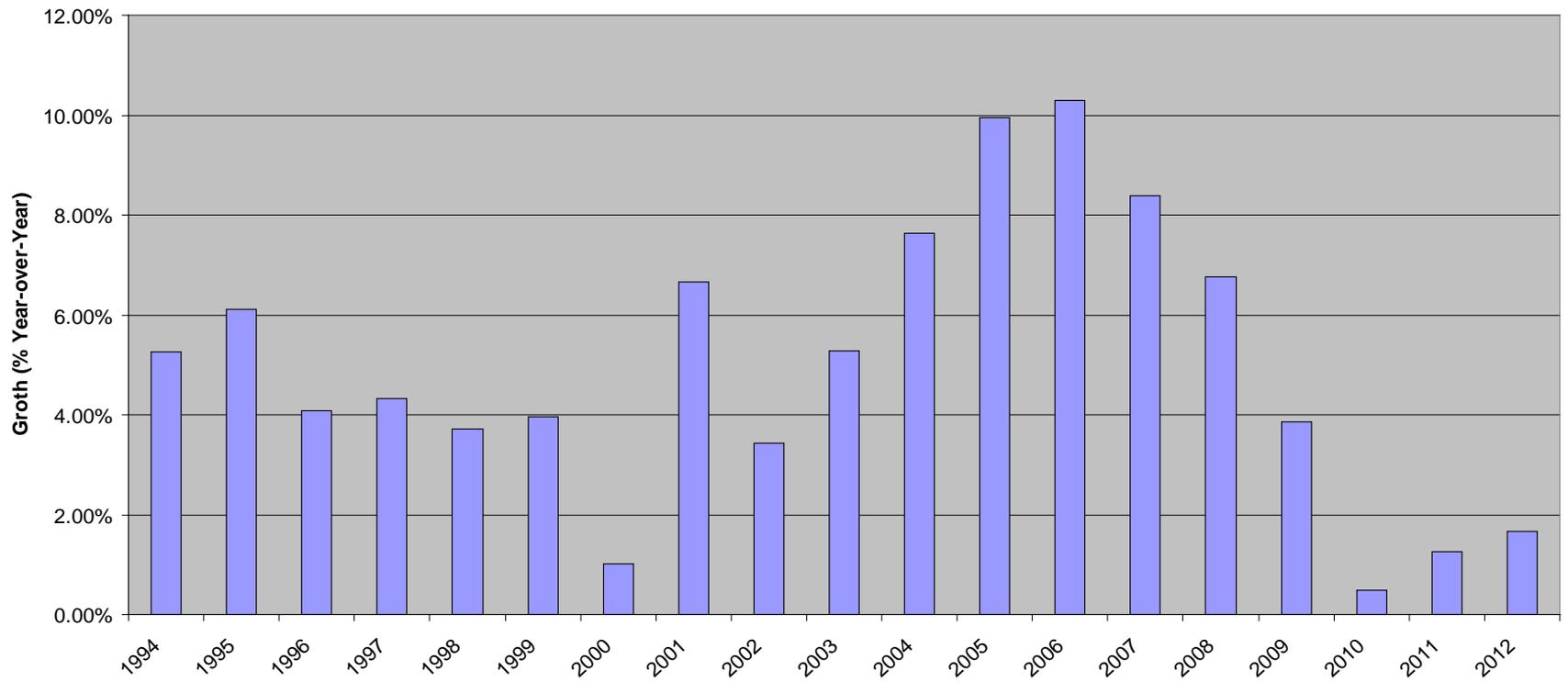
- Growth in state 5% in 2013. Settling at mid-3% in 2016 and 2017

Local Property Tax Revenue

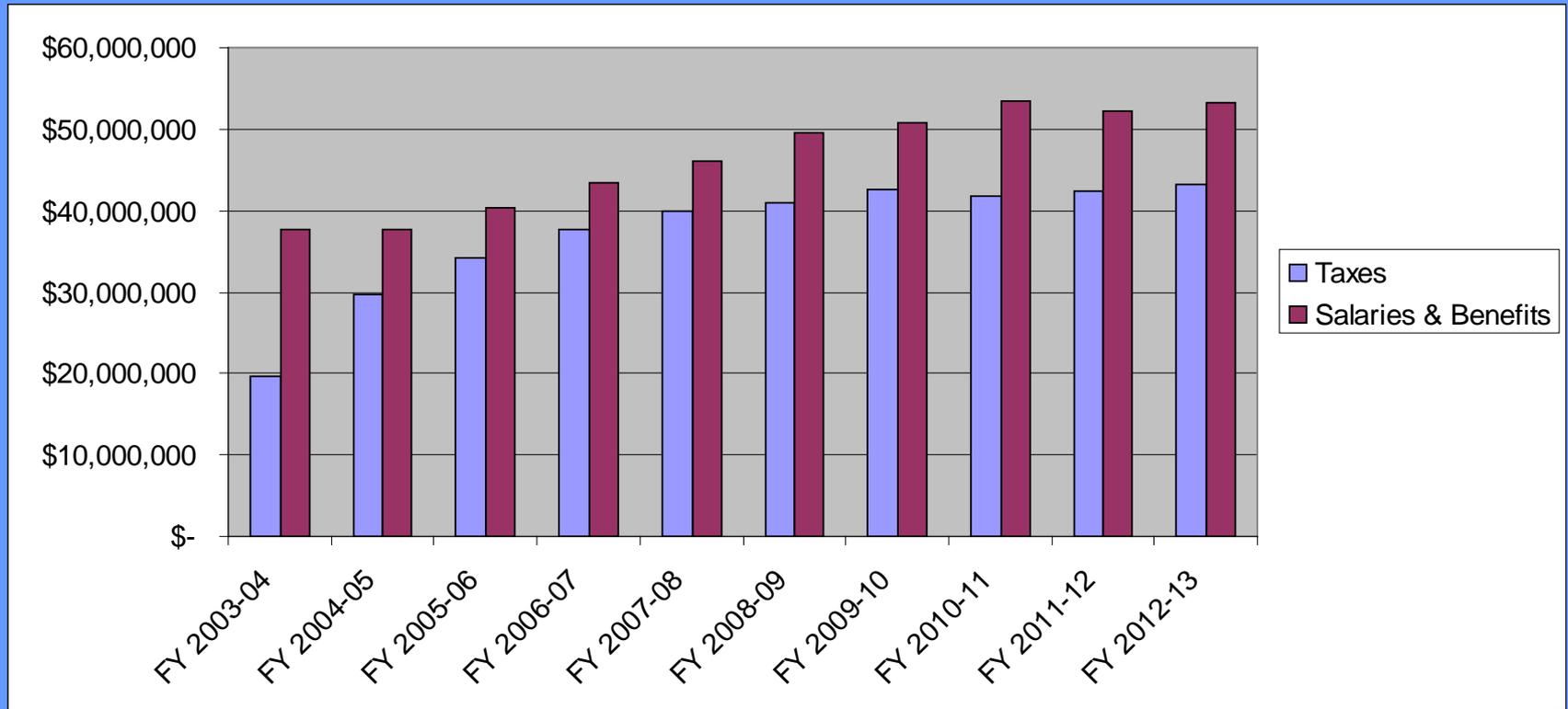
- Increase 1.7% to 5% over the next 5 years

Property Taxes

Change in Humboldt County Assessed Property Tax Value



General Fund Taxes, Salaries & Benefits



General Fund Forecast Results

- Under moderate scenario it looks okay
- Reserves and contingencies still below policy
- Property tax increases play an important role
- Probably not cuts but not much available for supplemental funding

Even the most optimistic scenario does not result in sufficient monies to fully restore services.

Budget Outlook



County Budget Outlook

- General Fund actual balance for June 30, 2012: \$5.7 million
- Anticipated General Fund balance for June 30, 2013: \$4.1 million
- Benefit costs increases
- Estimating \$1.3 million in increased revenues but loss of \$223 thousand in property tax admin fee revenue
- No “excess” (invest in reserves, infrastructure, staffing)

State Budget Outlook

- Balanced budget
- Prop 30
 - Increased personal income taxes
 - Increased sales and use tax by one-quarter percent for four years
 - Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012.
- Prop 39
 - Tax treatment for multistate businesses.
Clean energy and energy efficiency funding.
- Healthcare Reform

Economy

- County unemployment: 9.6%
- California unemployment: 9.7%
- National unemployment: 7.8%
- Humboldt Composite Economic Index
 - 0.7% higher in January 2013 than in January 2012
- Areas of Concern for U.S. Economy
 - Federal Deficit
 - Uncertain economic recovery
 - Potential increases in health care costs

Challenges

- Reserves
 - The Future
- Infrastructure
 - Buildings
 - Roads
- Managing expectations with slow revenue growth
- Medi-Cal expansion
- Needs of our local community

Strategic Framework



Strategic Framework

Mission Statement:

The County of Humboldt, through the dedication and excellence of its employees is committed to serve the needs and concerns of the community and enhance the quality of life.

Focus:

To promote a Safe, Healthy, Economically Vibrant Community.

Strategic Framework

Core Roles

- Enforce laws and regulations and protect residents
- Provide for and maintain infrastructure
- Create opportunities for improved safety and health
- Encourage new local enterprise and ensure proper operations of markets
- Support business and workforce development
- Protect vulnerable populations

Strategic Framework Priorities for New Initiatives

Provide our core services in ways that:

Match service availability with residents' needs

- Provide community-appropriate level of service
- Support self reliance of citizens

Safeguard the public trust

- Manage our resources to ensure sustainability of services
- Invest in County employees
- Invite civic engagement and awareness of available service

Strategic Framework

Priorities for New Initiatives

Make proactive decisions to:

Partner to promote quality service

- Foster transparent, accessible, welcoming and user friendly services
- Seek outside funding sources to benefit Humboldt County needs
- Facilitate public/private partnerships to solve problems
- Build inter-jurisdictional and regional cooperation

Be an effective voice for our community in areas outside traditional mandates

- Advance local interests in natural resource discussions
- Engage in discussions of our regional economic future
- Engage new partners

Strategic Framework Priorities for New Initiatives

In both core services and proactive decisions, seek to:

Engage and influence issues of statewide concern

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Welcome Karen

[PRIVATE] How would you prioritize the County Government's budget in fiscal year 2013-2014?

Priorities

Drag items to prioritize
Click item name to view details

- Enforcing laws and regulations to protect residents
- Providing for and maintaining infrastructure
- Creating opportunities for improved safety and health
- Encouraging new local enterprise and ensuring proper operations of markets
- Supporting business and workforce development
- Protecting vulnerable populations.

Restore Defaults

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2014 Budget Priorities

How would you prioritize the County Government's budget in fiscal year 2013-2014?

Increases to Programs

There may be small increases to some County programs in the coming year. If so, what areas of government should be restored or expanded? Expand your ideas on this topic at www.peakdemocracy.com/1189.

Share Your Thoughts

Point your browser to www.peakdemocracy.com/1189 - or text 'subscribe' to 707.832.4114 - or scan the QR code to the left. All point to Open Humboldt where you can share your thoughts with decision makers.



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