

Pinellas County FY13 Budget Development
Budget Summary Analysis

Fund 0101 (MSTU) - East Lake Community Library

- The East Lake Community Library serves residents of Pinellas County in the northeastern unincorporated area. The library is operated by an independent board, receiving monetary support from the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative through the Palm Harbor Community Services Agency and the County General Fund (MSTU portion), and limited administrative support from the Palm Harbor Library Division. The staff members at East Lake are not Pinellas County employees.
- General Fund support from unincorporated area (MSTU) revenues was \$200,000 from FY02 through FY06. In FY07, General Fund support was increased by \$116,500 to \$316,500. This increase funded additional staff and programs at the library. In FY08, General Fund support remained unchanged. In FY09, a 10% reduction consistent with the MSTU property tax revenue decrease, reduced County support to \$284,850. In FY10, a 20% reduction consistent with the MSTU property tax revenue decrease that reduced support to \$227,880. In FY11, an 8.6% reduction consistent with the MSTU property tax revenue decrease that reduced support to \$208,280.

During the FY12 budget process, a 3.5% reduction (consistent with the MSTU property tax revenue decrease) reducing support to \$200,990 was proposed. On August 23, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners approved a \$42,000 adjustment for the next two years until the new Interlocal agreement with the Pinellas County Library Cooperative is updated. This resulted in General Fund total support of \$242,990 for FY12. A reduction of 4.0% in the collections of FY13 MSTU revenues is anticipated. However, due to the approved adjustment the FY13 proposed revenue support for East Lake Community Library remains the same as FY12, \$242,990.