

SUPPORT FUNDING

Support funding is provided by the Board of County Commissioners for those activities for which costs do not apply solely to any specific county department's function, but are either applicable to the operation of county government as a whole, or are provided for the public good. Included within Support Funding are various Special Dependent Districts such as the Public Library Cooperative, Palm Harbor Recreation and Library, and Feather Sound Community Services Agency which rely upon the general taxing powers of the Board of County Commissioners to levy an ad valorem tax. These ad valorem taxes, approved by voter referendum, are levied upon properties within their respective districts to provide specific amenities. Also included with Support Funding are the costs associated with the County's self-insurance program, the County's vehicle replacement, and the County's self-insured portion of the employee benefits program. No County employees are associated with Support Funding entities. The County employees responsible for the administration of these various programs are presented as part of either the County Administrator's section or in the Independent Agencies' section.

Page #	Department Name	FY03 Actual	FY04 Budget	FY05 Request
I-3	DRUG ABUSE TRUST	66,000	166,600	129,910
I-5	EMPLOYEE LIFE/HEALTH BENEFITS	48,115,207	67,918,080	73,209,170
I-9	FEATHER SOUND COMMUNITY SVCS DISTRICT	239,743	386,320	328,550
I-11	FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS	14,354,983	19,787,870	21,085,110
I-25	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	10,871,280	63,754,380	77,124,600
I-33	HEALTH DEPARTMENT	2,917,890	3,767,600	4,334,740
I-35	MEDICAL EXAMINER	2,755,438	2,998,990	3,207,960
I-39	PALM HARBOR RECREATION & LIBRARY DIST	1,474,582	2,077,360	2,218,280
I-43	PINELLAS ARTS COUNCIL	912,300	912,300	912,300
I-45	PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE	5,021,101	5,514,500	5,883,780
I-47	RISK FINANCING LIAB/WKRS COMP	12,228,763	21,175,940	21,413,330
I-51	STREET LIGHTING DISTRICTS	883,138	1,455,560	1,155,520
Total		99,840,425	189,915,500	211,003,250