

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Elected Officials include the Board of County Commissioners, the Judiciary, the State Attorney, the Public Defender and five Constitutional Officers: the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the Property Appraiser, the Sheriff, the Supervisor of Elections and the Tax Collector. The Constitutional Officers are elected to administer a specific function of County Government and are directly accountable to the public for its proper operation. The duties, responsibilities and powers of these officials are defined by the State Constitution and laws. For budgetary presentation, the Judiciary, State Attorney and Public Defender are included in the Court Support section.

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Total		298,176,111	330,932,870	332,704,310



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board of County Commissioners is the chief legislative and governing body for Pinellas County. The Commission formulates policy and directs the County Administrator to implement their directives. The Commission consists of seven commissioners elected by the voters of the County for terms of four years each. On November 2, 1999, the voters of Pinellas County approved a Charter amendment changing the composition of the Board from 5 at large members, to a Commission consisting of 4 members elected from single districts and 3 members elected as at large members. This amendment was effective with the election held in November 2000.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1101000 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	1,531,271	1,671,820	1,566,640
Total	1,531,271	1,671,820	1,566,640

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	1,531,271	1,671,820	1,566,640
Total	1,531,271	1,671,820	1,566,640

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	16	15
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (1101000)**GENERAL FUND (0101)**

The Board of County Commissioners is an elected, seven member legislative body, responsible for policy making in Pinellas County government.

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5110000 EXECUTIVE SALARIES	1,082,902	1,122,510	1,087,020
0101 5120000 REGULAR SALARIES & WAGES	35,562	37,400	36,890
0101 5130000 OTHER SALARIES & WAGES	0	21,640	0
0101 5200000 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	343,313	391,570	382,460
PERSONAL SERVICES	1,461,777	1,573,120	1,506,370
0101 5340000 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0	2,500	0
0101 5365000 INTRGOV SVCS-RISK FINANCING	20,790	20,900	24,380
0101 5400000 TRAVEL AND PER DIEM	17,220	22,550	10,000
0101 5410000 COMMUNICATION SERVICES	8,639	8,000	3,040
0101 5440000 RENTALS AND LEASES	9,815	12,000	11,650
0101 5460000 REPAIR & MAINTENANCE SVCS	1,714	3,500	4,250
0101 5470000 PRINTING AND BINDING	438	4,000	1,750
0101 5490000 OTHR CURRENT CHGS&OBLIGAT	1,505	0	0
0101 5510000 OFFICE SUPPLIES	9,075	8,000	5,000
0101 5540000 BOOKS, PUB, SUBS & MEMBERSHIPS	298	1,250	200
OPERATING EXPENSES	69,494	82,700	60,270
0101 5640000 MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	0	16,000	0
CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	16,000	0
Total	1,531,271	1,671,820	1,566,640

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is the ministerial officer that summons prospective jurors for both circuit and county courts, maintains custody of all court records and evidence presented at trials and is responsible for collecting fines and court costs imposed. The Clerk's Office handles collection of various traffic and parking fines for the municipalities and county government and serves as Accountant and Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, Custodian of county funds and Ex-Officio County Auditor. The Clerk serves as Recorder of Deeds and maintains the official records for the county, issues marriage licenses and acts as an agent for the federal government in processing applications for passports.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1201000 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570
Total	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570
Total	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	144	144
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT (1201000)

GENERAL FUND (0101)

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is Clerk of the County Court, Recorder of Deeds, Clerk and Accountant for the Board of County Commissioners, Custodian of County Funds, and Ex-Officio County Auditor. The Clerk's functions to the Board of County Commissioners are funded by a transfer from the County's General Fund. The Clerk's recording functions and Court functions are fee-based operations. the Clerk's functions to the Board are reflected in the budget, but the Clerk's functions to the Court System are not reflected pursuant to Revision 7 of Article V of the Florida Constitution.

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5919512 TRANSFER TO CLK BRD-PERSONAL	7,982,740	9,557,730	9,749,120
0101 5919522 TRANSFER TO CLK BRD-OPERATING	4,896,730	4,850,010	3,713,460
0101 5919532 TRANSFER TO CLK BRD-CAPITAL	161,550	600,980	291,990
TRANSFERS	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570
Total	13,041,020	15,008,720	13,754,570

PROPERTY APPRAISER

The Property Appraiser is responsible for placing a fair, equitable, and just value on all property in Pinellas County. While the Property Appraiser determines the value on over 424,000 parcels and 88,000 tangible personal property accounts, for the purpose of levying taxes, the Property Appraiser does not set tax rates. These tax rates are set by the Board of County Commissioners, by municipalities, by the School Board and other tax levying boards. The Property Appraiser also administers any tax exemptions granted by statute such as widows, and disabled exemptions and the \$25,000 Homestead Exemption. The amount noted reflects an estimate of the Property Appraiser Statutory fees to be paid by the County. The Property Appraiser's total budget is approved by the State Department of Revenue.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1301000 PROPERTY APPRAISER	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950
Total	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950
Total	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	156	148
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PROPERTY APPRAISER (1301000)

GENERAL FUND (0101)

This cost center accounts for the funds associated with the Property Appraiser fees allocated to the Countywide millage and the Unincorporated area millage (MSTU). In addition, in accordance with Florida Statute 192.091, the fees associated with the Municipalities and School Board are paid for by the County and are included in the appropriations shown below. (Note: The Property Appraiser's total budget request to the State Department of Revenue for FY08 was not final at the time this budget document was prepared.)

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5919300 TRANSFER TO PROP APPRAISER	9,939,748	10,951,880	10,266,930
0101 5919301 TRANSFER TO PROP APPR.-MSTU	423,846	449,290	425,020
TRANSFERS	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950
Total	10,363,594	11,401,170	10,691,950

SHERIFF

The Florida Constitution and Florida Statutes designate the Sheriff of each county as the chief law enforcement officer within his or her respective jurisdiction. As such, the Sheriff is obligated to provide a base level of service to all citizens residing within Pinellas County. These services include tracking of sexual predators/offenders, operation of the county jail, flight operations, child protection investigations, service of civil process, management of pre-trial services and court security. The Sheriff also provides primary law enforcement services to the unincorporated areas of Pinellas County and to 13 of the county's 24 municipalities. Additionally, the Sheriff provides a variety of law enforcement services to the other 11 municipalities and contracts with many of these departments for specialized services. The Sheriff's services include uniformed patrol, community policing, specialized criminal investigative units, vice and narcotics investigations, marine patrol, major accident investigation teams, canine teams, specialized traffic units, forensics, latent print examination, and special weapons and tactics (SWAT) teams. All of these services are available, under mutual aid, to any municipality requiring assistance.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1601000 SHERIFF	248,895,060	273,862,860	278,413,270
Total	248,895,060	273,862,860	278,413,270

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	248,895,060	273,761,210	278,251,750
0216 SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD TRUST FUND	0	101,650	161,520
Total	248,895,060	273,862,860	278,413,270

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	2865	2897
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SHERIFF

Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
TRANSFERS	248,895,060	273,771,210	278,811,520
RESERVES	0	91,650	87,870
Total	248,895,060	273,862,860	278,899,390

Account#	Account Name	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
5919110	TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-PERSONAL	209,365,410	227,833,840	235,956,190
5919120	TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-OPERATING	31,567,760	37,810,030	36,799,450
5919130	TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-CAPITAL	3,982,650	3,577,340	2,791,230
5919140	TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-DEBT SERVICE	3,979,240	4,550,000	3,264,650
TRANSFERS		248,895,060	273,771,210	278,811,520
7995000	RESERVE-CONTINGENCIES	0	10,160	16,150
7996000	RESERVE-FUND BALANCE	0	20,320	32,300
7997000	RESERVE-FUTURE YEARS	0	61,170	39,420
RESERVES		0	91,650	87,870
Total		248,895,060	273,862,860	278,899,390

SHERIFF (1601000)**GENERAL FUND (0101)**

The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office provides law enforcement, corrections and judicial services to the residents of Pinellas County. The Sheriff's operation is funded with a transfer from the Board's General Fund and proceeds from the School Crossing Guard Fund.

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5919110 TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-PERSONAL	209,365,410	227,833,840	235,956,190
0101 5919120 TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-OPERATING	31,567,760	37,800,030	36,725,800
0101 5919130 TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-CAPITAL	3,982,650	3,577,340	2,791,230
0101 5919140 TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-DEBT SERVICE	3,979,240	4,550,000	3,264,650
TRANSFERS	248,895,060	273,761,210	278,737,870
Total	248,895,060	273,761,210	278,737,870

SHERIFF (1601000)
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD TRUST FUND (0216)

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
5919120 TRANSFER TO SHERIFF-OPERATING	0	10,000	73,650
TRANSFERS	0	10,000	73,650
7995000 RESERVE-CONTINGENCIES	0	10,160	16,150
7996000 RESERVE-FUND BALANCE	0	20,320	32,300
7997000 RESERVE-FUTURE YEARS	0	61,170	39,420
RESERVES	0	91,650	87,870
Total	0	101,650	161,520

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

The Supervisor of Elections is responsible for preparing and conducting all County, Municipal, State and Federal elections in the County. The office registers and maintains the records for all County voters and qualifies all candidates for County elections. The Supervisor of Elections appoints and trains all poll workers, obtains polling locations, and maintains all polling equipment. During the 2001 Florida Legislative session, the punch card voting system was decertified. Funds to acquire replacement technology were accounted for within the General Government cost center in FY02.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1504000 SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490
Total	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490
Total	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	40	40
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SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS (1504000)

GENERAL FUND (0101)

The Supervisor of Elections Office provides the residents of Pinellas County election services and comprehensive voter education programs. During the 2001 Florida Legislative Session, the punch card system was decertified. Funds to acquire replacement technology were accounted for within the General Government cost center in FY02.

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5919410 TRANSFER TO SOE-PERSONAL	3,285,200	4,044,240	3,644,940
0101 5919420 TRANSFER TO SOE-OPERATING	2,602,270	2,604,670	2,589,860
0101 5919430 TRANSFER TO SOE-CAPITAL	518,630	450,050	309,690
TRANSFERS	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490
Total	6,406,100	7,098,960	6,544,490

TAX COLLECTOR

The Tax Collector bills, collects and distributes all taxes for the County, Municipalities, Tourist Development Council, School Board, and taxing districts - including the sales tax on vehicles, vessels, and mobile homes. This office also collects delinquent taxes and sells certificates for unpaid taxes. As the agent for state government, the Tax Collector issues licenses and titles for cars, trucks, boats and mobile homes, collects fees for fishing and hunting licenses, issues Drivers Licenses, and makes application for voter ID cards.

The amount noted reflects an estimate of the Tax Collector statutory fees to be paid by the County. The Tax Collector's total budget is submitted to and approved by the State Department of Revenue.

Department Expenditures By Cost Center	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
1401000 TAX COLLECTOR	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270
Total	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270

Department Expenditures By Fund	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 GENERAL FUND	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270
Total	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270

Personnel Summary

Total Permanent Positions	295	295
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TAX COLLECTOR (1401000)

GENERAL FUND (0101)

This cost center accounts for the funds associated with the Tax Collector fees related to the collection of the Countywide and Unincorporated area (MSTU) millage. In addition, in accordance with Florida Statute 192.091, the fees associated with the School Board are paid for by the County and are included in the appropriations shown below. (Note: The Tax Collector's total budget request is made to the Florida Department of Revenue and was not final at the time this budget document was prepared.)

Expenditure Summary	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY08 Request
0101 5919200 TRANSFER TO TAX COLLECTOR	17,181,725	20,999,120	20,399,090
0101 5919201 TRANSFER TO TAX COLL-MSTU	757,341	890,220	848,180
TRANSFERS	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270
Total	17,939,066	21,889,340	21,247,270