

Webster Public Schools

FY 23 Foundation Budget

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FY 23 Preliminary Chapter 70 Aid

Governors Baker proposed state budget represents an increase of \$485.3 million or 8.8%

Funding from \$5,503,268,225 to \$5,988,520,366

- Preliminary Estimates

The FY23 Chapter 70 program continues to implement the passage in November 2019 of [An Act Relative to Educational Opportunity for Students](#) - commonly known as the Student Opportunity Act.

This act made significant changes to the Chapter 70 formula largely based on the recommendations of the Foundation Budget Review Commission. (FBRC)

Five areas that impact Chapter 70

1. Benefits and fixed charges
2. Guidance and Psychological Services
3. Special Education OOD Tuition
4. English Learners
5. Low Income

This Act includes rate changes above inflation toward the goal rates in these 5 areas

- Proposed rate increases for benefits and fixed charges, guidance and psychological services, special education out of district tuition and English learners close 2/6th of the gap between the rates of FY2021.

Foundation Budget Changes

1. Benefits and fixed charges
2. Guidance and Psychological Services
3. Special Education OOD Tuition
4. English Learners
5. Low Income

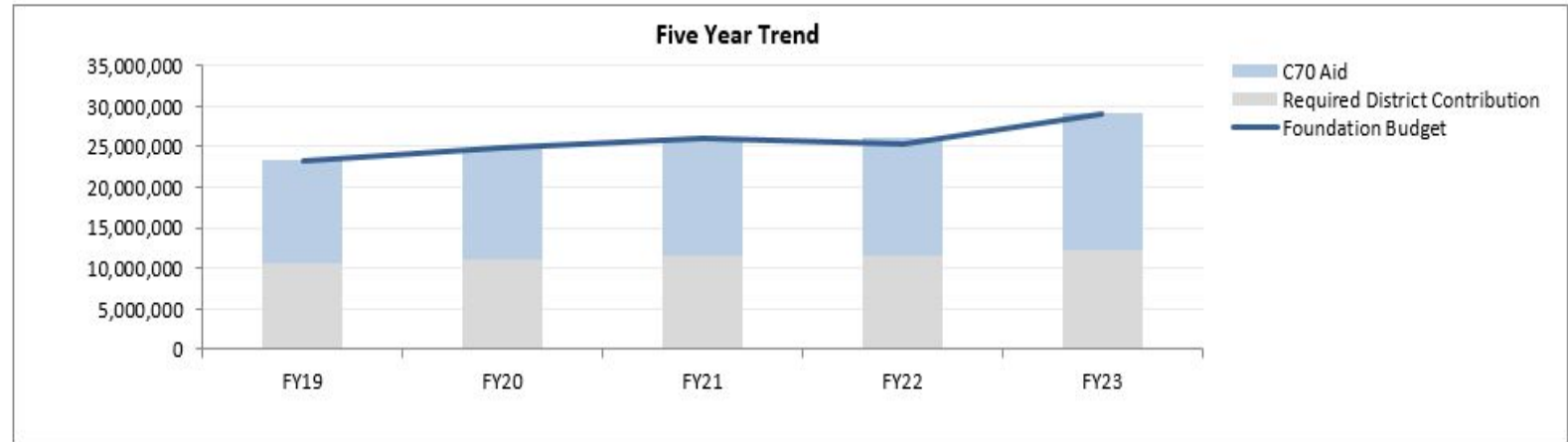
Benefits and Fixed Charges

- The new employee benefits inflation rate was applied. This was based on the 3 year average premium increase for all GIC plans. FY 23 is 4.51% (FY 22 is 2.78% & FY21 was 2.34%)
- For all other foundation budget rates, an increase of 4.5% (FY22 1.41% & FY21 was 1.99%). This was based on the US Department of Commerce's state and local government price deflator.

Benefits and Fixed Charges cont...

- Overall foundation enrollment decreased from 938,085 in FY21 to 907,506 in FY22 a decrease of 30,579 - FY 2023 decrease 903,751 (3,755 or .4%)
- Foundation Budgets declined in 153 operating districts, including 27 districts with a decline of more than 5% (last year Webster was in this 5% as we saw a -2.77%)
- The formulas minimum aid provision guarantees all operating districts receive at least the same amount of aid in FY 23 as they did in FY 22 plus at least the \$30 per pupil.

Webster's Five Year Trend



1. Benefits and fixed charges
2. Guidance and Psychological Services
3. Special Education OOD Tuition
4. English Learners
5. Low Income

Special Education

The Act increases the assumed in-district special education enrollment to 5% (previously 4.75%) and for vocational students and to 4% for non-vocational students (previously 3.75%). These rates have been increased by 2/6th of the gap being phased in over 7 years.

The rates for FY23.

- 4.86% Vocational (FY22 rates 4.82%, FY21 were held at the FY20 4.79%)
- 3.86% Non Vocational (FY22 rates 3.82%, FY21 were held at the FY20 3.79%)

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Low Income

For FY 23, The Act reinstates the definitions of low-income enrollment used prior to FY 2017, based on 185% of the federal poverty level. This replaces the economically disadvantaged designation used from FY2017 through FY2022 and was based on 133% of the federal poverty level) .

The districts low income is based on three eligibility categories.

Low Income

- 1. Students identified as participating in state public assistance programs. Ex. SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), MassHealth, TAFDC (Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children), Foster Care**
- 2. Students certified as low income through the new supplement data collection process or**
- 3. Students reported by a district as homeless through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistant Program**

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Low Income Tiers (Increased from 10-12 with Act)

| | | |
|----------|-----------|------------|
| Group 1 | 0-5.99% | \$3,973.71 |
| Group 2 | 6-11.99% | \$4,082.86 |
| Group 3 | 12-17.99% | \$4,192.02 |
| Group 4 | 18-23.99% | \$4,301.15 |
| Group 5 | 24-29.99% | \$4,410.30 |
| Group 6 | 30-35.99% | \$4,794.42 |
| Group 7 | 36-41.99% | \$5,056.46 |
| Group 8 | 42-47.99% | \$5,318.51 |
| Group 9 | 48-53.99% | \$5,580.59 |
| Group 10 | 54-69.99% | \$5,842.64 |
| Group 11 | 70-79.99% | \$6,159.62 |
| Group 12 | 80%+ | \$6,476.57 |



Webster's rate is group 11: 75.20% - \$6,159.62
FY 22 Rate - \$5,108.63

What does this mean for Webster?



Increase in Chapter 70 Aid

\$2,124,677 or 14.49%

Increase in Local Contribution

\$710,032 or 6.15%

The are 6 factors that work together to determine a districts chapter 70 aid.

Foundation Budget

- Enrollment
- Wage Adj Factor
- Inflation

Local Contribution

- Property Value
- Income
- Municipal Growth 3.99%

FY23 Chapter 70 Summary

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Aid Calculation FY23

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Prior Year Aid | |
| 1 Chapter 70 FY22 | 14,666,956 |
| Foundation Aid | |
| 2 Foundation budget FY23 | 29,048,367 |
| 3 Required district contribution FY23 | 12,256,734 |
| 4 Foundation aid (2 -3) | 16,791,633 |
| 5 Increase over FY22 (4 - 1) | 2,124,677 |
| Minimum Aid | |
| 6 Minimum \$30 per pupil increase | 56,910 |
| 7 Minimum aid amount (if line 6 - line 5 > 0, then line 6 - line 5, otherwise | 0 |
| Subtotal | |
| 8 Sum of 1,5,7 | 16,791,633 |
| Minimum Aid Adjustment | |
| 9 Minimum aid adjustment | 14,947,271 |
| 10 Aid adjustment increment (if line 9 - line 8 > 0, then line 9 - line 8, otherwise | 0 |
| Non-Operating District Reduction to Foundation | |
| 11 Reduction to foundation | 0 |
| FY23 Chapter 70 Aid | |
| 12 Sum of 1,5,7,10 minus 11 | 16,791,633 |

Comparison to FY22

| | FY22 | FY23 | Change | Pct Chg |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|
| Enrollment | 1,870 | 1,897 | 27 | 1.44% |
| Foundation budget | 25,360,639 | 29,048,367 | 3,687,728 | 14.54% |
| Required district contribution | 11,546,702 | 12,256,734 | 710,032 | 6.15% |
| Chapter 70 aid | 14,666,956 | 16,791,633 | 2,124,677 | 14.49% |
| Required net school spending (NSS) | 26,213,658 | 29,048,367 | 2,834,709 | 10.81% |
| Target aid share | 53.19% | 54.02% | | |
| C70 % of foundation | 57.83% | 57.81% | | |
| Required NSS % of foundation | 103.36% | 100.00% | | |



Note on Minimum Aid Adjustment on lines 9 and 10:
The minimum aid adjustment is the sum of (a) the

Determination of Town Required Contribution

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FY23 Chapter 70 Determination of City and Town Total Required Contribution

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Effort Goal

| | |
|--|---------------|
| 1) 2020 equalized valuation | 1,844,205,900 |
| 2) Uniform property percentage | 0.3624% |
| 3) Local effort from property wealth | 6,683,017 |
| 4) 2019 income | 513,696,000 |
| 5) Uniform income percentage | 1.5242% |
| 6) Local effort from income | 7,829,546 |
| 7) Combined effort yield (3 + 6) | 14,512,563 |
| 8) FY23 Foundation budget | 31,561,964 |
| 9) Maximum local contribution (82.5% * 8) | 26,038,620 |
| 10) Target local contribution (lesser of 7 or 9) | 14,512,563 |
| 11) Target local share (10 as % of 8) | 45.98% |
| 12) Target aid share (100% minus 11) | 54.02% |

[See a listing of all 351 communities](#)

FY23 Increments Toward Goal

| | |
|---|------------|
| 13) FY22 required local contribution | 12,684,376 |
| 14) Municipal revenue growth factor (DOR) | 3.99% |
| 15) FY23 preliminary contribution (13 raised by 14) | 13,190,483 |
| 16) Preliminary contribution pct of foundation (15 / 8) | 41.79% |

If preliminary contribution is above the target share:

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|---|--|
| 17) Excess local effort (15 - 10) | |
| 18) 100% reduction toward target (17 x 100%) | |
| 19) FY23 required local contribution (15 - 18), capped at 90% of foundation | |
| 20) Contribution as percentage of foundation (19 / 8) | |

If preliminary contribution is below the target share:

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|---|------------|
| 21) Shortfall from target local share (10 - 15) | 1,322,080 |
| 22) Shortfall percentage (11 - 16) | 4.19% |
| 23) Added increment toward target (13 x 1% or 2%)* | 126,844 |
| <i>*1% if shortfall is between 2.5% and 7.5%; 2% if shortfall > 7.5%</i> | |
| 24) Special increment toward 82.5% target** | 0 |
| <i>**if combined effort yield > 175% foundation</i> | |
| Combined effort yield as % of foundation | |
| 25) Shortfall from target after adding increments (10 - 15 - 23 - 24) | 1,195,236 |
| 26) FY23 required local contribution (15 + 23 + 24) | 13,317,327 |
| 27) Contribution as percentage of foundation (26 / 8) | 42.19% |

Local Contribution - Regional Allocation

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FY23 Chapter 70 Apportionment of Local Contribution Across School Districts

| 316 Webster | Webster | Southern Worcester | Combined Total for All Districts |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| <u>Prior Year Data (for comparison purposes)</u> | | | |
| 1 FY22 foundation enrollment | 1,870 | 140 | 2,010 |
| 2 FY22 foundation budget | 25,360,639 | 2,498,734 | 27,859,373 |
| 3 Each district's share of municipality's combined FY22 foundation | 91.03% | 8.97% | 100.00% |
| 4 FY22 required contribution | 11,546,702 | 1,137,674 | 12,684,376 |
| <u>FY23 apportionment of contribution among community's districts</u> | | | |
| 5 FY23 total unapportioned required contribution ('municipal contribution' tab row 19 or 25) | | | 13,317,327 |
| 6 FY23 foundation enrollment | 1,897 | 132 | 2,029 |
| 7 FY23 foundation budget | 29,048,367 | 2,513,597 | 31,561,964 |
| 8 Each district's share of municipality's total FY23 foundation | 92.04% | 7.96% | 100.00% |
| 9 FY23 Required Contribution | 12,256,734 | 1,060,593 | 13,317,327 |
| 10 Change FY23 to FY22 (9 - 4) | 710,032 | -77,081 | 632,951 |

The combined totals on lines 5 and 9 may differ due to rounding.

FY23 Chapter 70 Foundation Budget

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| | Base Foundation Components | | | | | | | Incremental Costs Above the Base | | | | | | | TOTAL |
|---|----------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--|---------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | |
| | Pre-school | ----- Kindergarten ----- Half-Day Full-Day | | Elementary | Junior/ Middle | High School | Vocational | Special Ed In-District | Special Ed Tuitioned-Out | English learners PK-5 | English learners 6-8 | English learners High School/Voc | Low income | | |
| Foundation Enrollment | 41 | 0 | 132 | 747 | 475 | 483 | 39 | 73 | 18 | 126 | 36 | 48 | 1,284 | 1,897 | |
| 1 Administration | 8,684 | 0 | 55,917 | 316,437 | 201,215 | 204,604 | 16,521 | 213,424 | 58,730 | 12,746 | 3,844 | 4,782 | 107,368 | 1,204,270 | |
| 2 Instructional Leadership | 15,684 | 0 | 100,991 | 571,515 | 363,413 | 369,534 | 29,838 | 0 | 0 | 22,305 | 6,726 | 8,368 | 508,695 | 1,997,068 | |
| 3 Classroom & Specialist Teachers | 71,916 | 0 | 463,069 | 2,620,513 | 1,466,373 | 2,192,733 | 300,992 | 704,243 | 0 | 156,125 | 47,082 | 58,577 | 4,965,819 | 13,047,442 | |
| 4 Other Teaching Services | 18,444 | 0 | 118,768 | 672,121 | 307,653 | 260,434 | 21,029 | 657,542 | 897 | 22,305 | 6,726 | 8,368 | 0 | 2,094,286 | |
| 5 Professional Development | 2,844 | 0 | 18,323 | 103,706 | 71,483 | 70,479 | 9,409 | 33,972 | 0 | 6,372 | 1,922 | 2,390 | 240,917 | 561,817 | |
| 6 Instructional Materials, Equipment & Technology | 10,409 | 0 | 67,024 | 379,297 | 241,186 | 392,389 | 55,446 | 29,652 | 0 | 15,930 | 4,804 | 5,977 | 36,928 | 1,239,042 | |
| 7 Guidance & Psychological Services | 6,280 | 0 | 40,438 | 228,843 | 172,278 | 205,729 | 16,612 | 0 | 0 | 9,558 | 2,883 | 3,586 | 201,087 | 887,294 | |
| 8 Pupil Services | 2,081 | 0 | 13,406 | 113,783 | 118,185 | 277,121 | 22,376 | 0 | 0 | 3,188 | 961 | 1,196 | 1,044,881 | 1,597,177 | |
| 9 Operations & Maintenance | 19,970 | 0 | 128,588 | 727,690 | 501,648 | 494,592 | 74,742 | 238,403 | 0 | 38,235 | 11,530 | 14,345 | 0 | 2,249,743 | |
| 10 Employee Benefits/Fixed Charges* | 26,715 | 0 | 172,017 | 973,483 | 650,517 | 592,235 | 65,246 | 270,377 | 0 | 35,049 | 10,569 | 13,150 | 803,258 | 3,612,617 | |
| 11 Special Education Tuition* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 557,611 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 557,611 | |
| 12 Total | 183,027 | 0 | 1,178,541 | 6,707,388 | 4,093,949 | 5,059,850 | 612,211 | 2,147,613 | 617,238 | 321,813 | 97,046 | 120,741 | 7,908,952 | 29,048,367 | |
| 13 Wage Adjustment Factor | 100.0% | | | | | | | | | | | | | Foundation Budget per Pupil | 15,313 |
| *The wage adjustment factor is applied to underlying rates in all functions except instructional equipment, benefits and special education tuition. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 Low-income percentage | 75.20% | | | | | | | | | | | | | English learner foundation budget as % total foundation budget | 1.9% |
| 15 Low-income group | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | | Low-income foundation budget as % total foundation budget | 27.2% |

Foundation Budget - Minimum Contribution

| FY 23 Foundation Budget | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| | FY20 Actual | | | FY21 Actual | | | FY 22 - Budgeted | | | FY 23 - Projected | | | |
| Chapter 70 Funding: | FY20 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY21 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY22 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY23 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | |
| Foundation Budget | \$24,776,508 | \$1,429,844 | 6.12% | \$26,082,448 | \$1,305,940 | 5.27% | \$25,360,639 | -\$721,809 | -2.77% | \$29,048,367 | \$3,687,728 | 14.54% | |
| Minimum Town Contribution | \$11,062,193 | \$425,329 | 4.00% | \$11,471,908 | \$409,715 | 3.70% | \$11,546,702 | \$74,794 | 0.65% | \$12,256,734 | \$710,032 | 6.15% | |
| Chapter.70 State Aid | \$13,714,015 | \$1,004,215 | 7.90% | \$14,610,856 | \$896,841 | 6.54% | \$14,666,956 | \$56,100 | 0.38% | \$16,791,633 | \$2,124,677 | 14.49% | |
| Required Net School Spending | \$24,776,208 | \$1,429,544 | 6.12% | \$26,082,764 | \$1,306,556 | 5.27% | \$26,213,658 | \$130,894 | 0.50% | \$29,048,367 | \$2,834,709 | 10.81% | |
| Schedule 19 Town Services | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Deducted from Town Contribution) | FY20 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY21 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY22 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY23 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | |
| Tuitions (Charter, School Choice) | \$1,108,212 | \$82,223 | 8.01% | \$1,330,576 | \$222,364 | 20.07% | \$1,370,493 | \$39,917 | 3.00% | \$1,799,840 | \$429,347 | 31.33% | |
| Town Salaries | \$166,116 | \$4,749 | 2.94% | \$166,750 | \$634 | 0.38% | \$171,753 | \$5,003 | 3.00% | \$176,905 | \$5,153 | 3.00% | |
| Operating & Maintenance. | \$8,029 | \$2,011 | 33.42% | \$7,684 | -\$345 | -4.30% | \$7,915 | \$231 | 3.00% | \$8,152 | \$237 | 3.00% | |
| Employee Insurance | \$3,353,555 | \$50,426 | 1.53% | \$3,492,618 | \$139,063 | 4.15% | \$3,597,397 | \$104,779 | 3.00% | \$3,705,318 | \$107,922 | 3.00% | |
| Employer Retirement Contributions | \$1,271,490 | \$67,871 | 5.64% | \$1,316,987 | \$45,497 | 3.58% | \$1,356,497 | \$39,510 | 3.00% | \$1,397,192 | \$40,695 | 3.00% | |
| Other Insurance | \$71,409 | \$1,705 | 2.45% | \$70,708 | -\$701 | -0.98% | \$72,829 | \$2,121 | 3.00% | \$75,014 | \$2,185 | 3.00% | |
| Total Schedule 19 Town Services | \$5,978,811 | \$208,985 | 3.62% | \$6,385,323 | \$406,512 | 6.80% | \$6,576,883 | \$191,560 | 3.00% | \$7,162,421 | \$585,538 | 8.90% | |
| | FY20 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY21 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY22 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | FY23 | \$ Inc/Dec | % Inc/Dec | |
| Minimum Town Contribution | \$11,062,193 | \$425,329 | 4.00% | \$11,471,908 | \$409,715 | 3.70% | \$11,546,702 | \$74,794 | 0.65% | \$12,256,734 | \$710,032 | 6.15% | |
| Less Schedule 19 Town Services | -\$5,978,811 | -\$208,985 | 3.62% | -\$6,385,323 | -\$406,512 | 6.80% | -\$6,576,883 | -\$191,560 | 3.00% | -\$7,162,421 | -\$585,538 | 8.90% | |
| Required Town Contribution | \$5,083,382 | \$216,344 | 4.45% | \$5,086,585 | \$3,203 | 0.06% | \$4,969,819 | -\$116,766 | -2.30% | \$5,094,313 | \$124,494 | 2.50% | |
| Chapter.70 State Aid | \$13,371,722 | \$661,922 | 5.21% | \$14,610,856 | \$1,239,134 | 9.27% | \$14,666,956 | \$56,100 | 0.38% | \$16,791,633 | \$2,124,677 | 14.49% | |
| Required Town Contribution | \$5,083,382 | \$216,344 | 4.45% | \$5,086,585 | \$3,203 | 0.06% | \$4,969,819 | -\$116,766 | -2.30% | \$5,094,313 | \$124,494 | 2.50% | |
| Minimum Budget Requirement | \$18,455,104 | \$878,266 | 5.00% | \$19,697,441 | \$1,242,337 | 6.73% | \$19,636,775 | -\$60,666 | -0.31% | \$21,885,946 | \$2,249,171 | 11.45% | |
| Town Approved Budget | \$21,815,850 | \$846,173 | 4.04% | \$21,683,533 | -\$132,317 | -0.61% | \$22,456,864 | \$773,331 | 3.54% | \$23,462,394 | \$1,005,530 | 4.48% | |
| Total Local Contribution | \$8,444,128 | \$184,251 | 2.23% | \$7,072,677 | -\$1,371,451 | -16.24% | \$7,789,908 | \$717,231 | 10.14% | \$6,670,761 | -\$1,119,147 | -14.37% | |
| Local Contribution over Minimum | \$3,360,746 | -\$32,093 | -0.95% | \$1,986,092 | -\$1,374,654 | -40.90% | \$2,820,089 | \$833,997 | 41.99% | \$1,576,448 | -\$1,243,641 | -44.10% | |
| % Above NSS | 13.56% | | | % Above NSS | 7.61% | | % Above NSS | 10.76% | | % Above NSS | 5.43% | | |

Webster Chapter 70 History

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|-------|---|--------|
| FY 15 | - | 1.88% |
| FY 16 | - | 5.14% |
| FY 17 | - | 8.44% |
| FY 18 | - | 2.22% |
| FY 19 | - | 3.71% |
| FY 20 | - | 7.90% |
| FY 21 | - | 6.54% |
| FY 22 | - | 0.38% |
| FY 23 | - | 14.49% |

FY 22 Budget vs FY 23 Budget

FY 22 Budget: \$22,456,864

Increase of 3.54% from FY 21

Current FY 23 Budget Request: \$23,462,394

Increase of 4.48%

Thoughts, Questions, Concerns!