

2026-2027 General Fund Revenue Overview



Analysis of Funding Sources & Real Estate Tax Proposal

February 24, 2026

Executive Summary



Total Projected Revenue: \$90,438,141



Total Proposed Expenditures: \$92,576,759



Fund Balance Usage: \$2,138,618

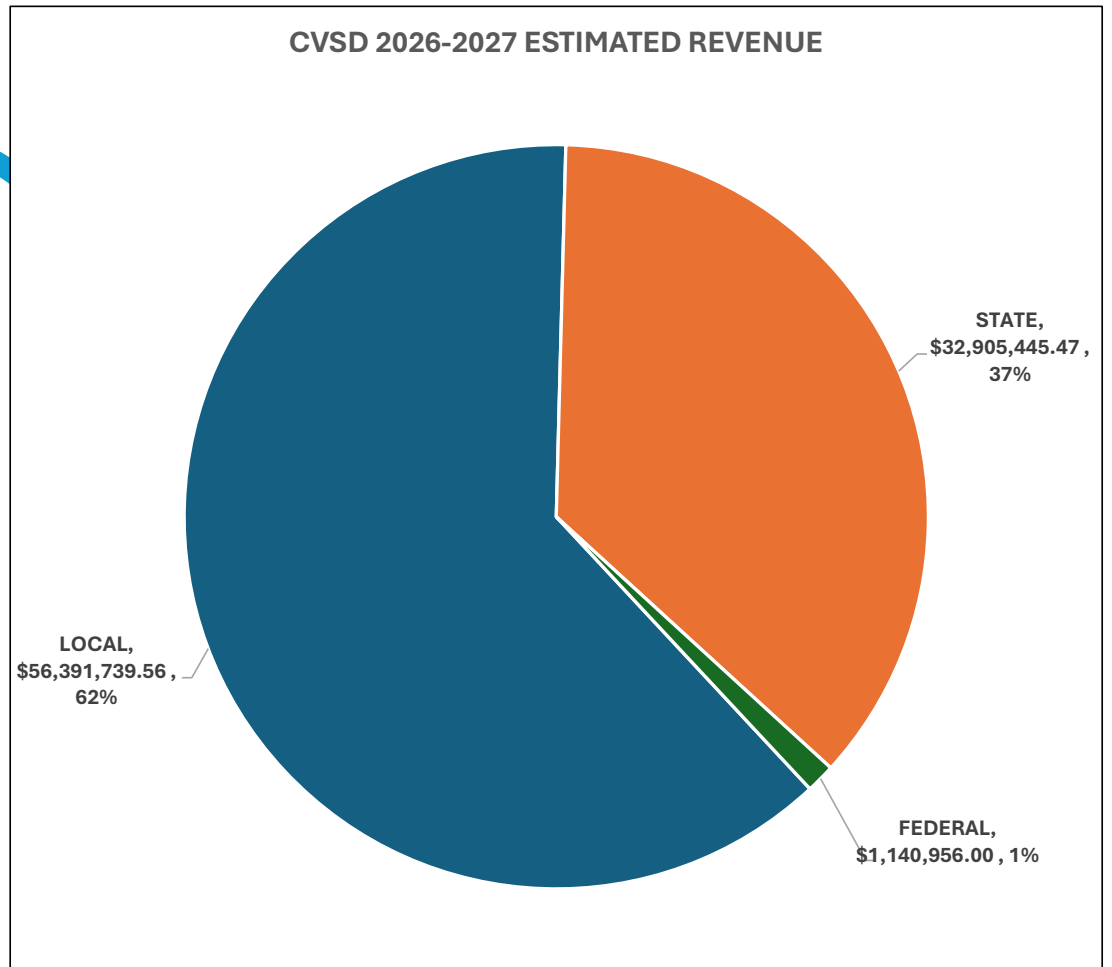


Revenue Proposal: A Real Estate Tax Increase of 2.58% (.4449 mills)



Note: This revenue plan continues multiyear commitment to cover debt services for NOE/CTE renovations and ACTI expansion

Revenue Composition





Local Revenue

Real Estate Tax: \$42,409,430

- Driven by assessment growth and proposed real estate tax adjustment

Earned Income Tax (EIT): \$9,250,000

- Projecting a 2.75% increase based on wage growth trends.

Interest Earnings: \$1,036,494

- Remains strong due to current balance levels, though rates expected to decline.

Real Estate Transfer Tax: \$650,000

- Steady projection based on 5-year collection history.

Real Estate Tax Options

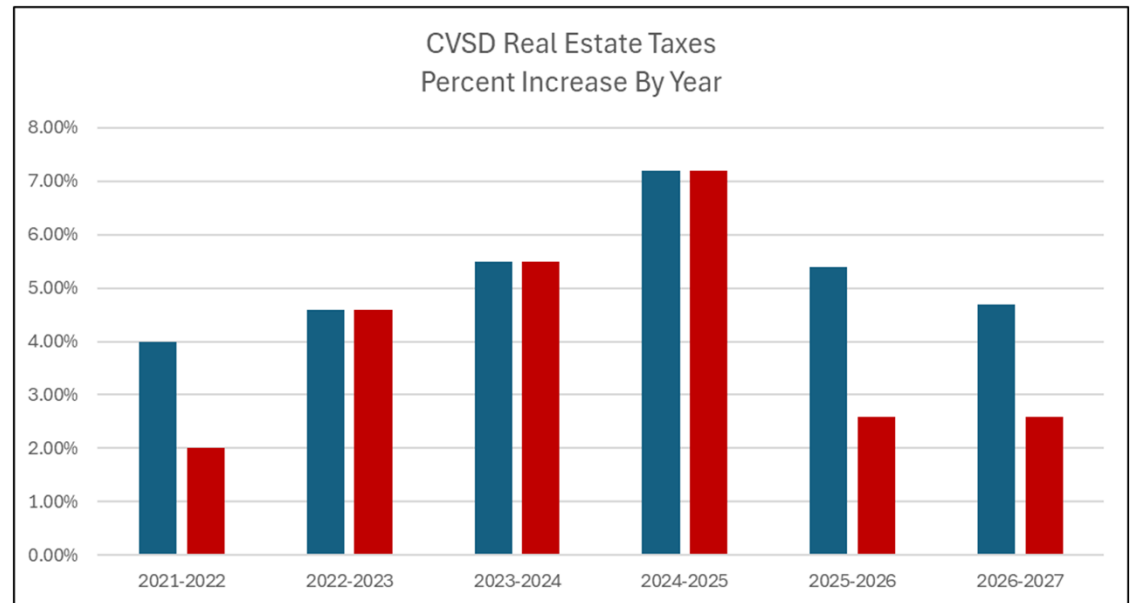
	Index	Total Millage	Additional Cost per \$100K of Assessed Value	Total Cost per 100K of Assessed Value	Estimated Value of Increase	Total Millage Value	Change
0%	0.0000	17.2324	\$ -	\$ 1,723.24	\$ -	\$ 42,976,759.22	\$ 246,271.22
25%	0.2025	17.4349	\$ 20.25	\$ 1,743.49	\$ 505,025.05	\$ 43,481,721.92	\$ 751,233.92
50%	0.4050	17.6374	\$ 40.50	\$ 1,763.74	\$ 1,010,050.11	\$ 43,986,684.63	\$ 1,256,196.63
54.93%	0.4449	17.6773	\$ 44.49	\$ 1,767.73	\$ 1,109,558.75	\$ 44,086,317.97	\$ 1,355,829.97
75%	0.6074	17.8398	\$ 60.74	\$ 1,783.98	\$ 1,514,825.77	\$ 44,491,647.34	\$ 1,761,159.34
100%	0.8099	18.0423	\$ 80.99	\$ 1,804.23	\$ 2,019,850.82	\$ 44,996,610.04	\$ 2,266,122.04

Real Estate Tax Proposal

- Recommended Increase: 0.4449 Mills (2.58% increase).
- Total Proposed Millage: 17.6773
- Context:
 - Act 1 Index Limit: 4.7% (0.8099 mills)
 - Requesting 54.93% of the allowable limit.
- What is for?
 - 0.3285 mills: Debt Service requirements for NOE/CTE renovations
 - 0.1163 mills: Future ACTI construction expenses

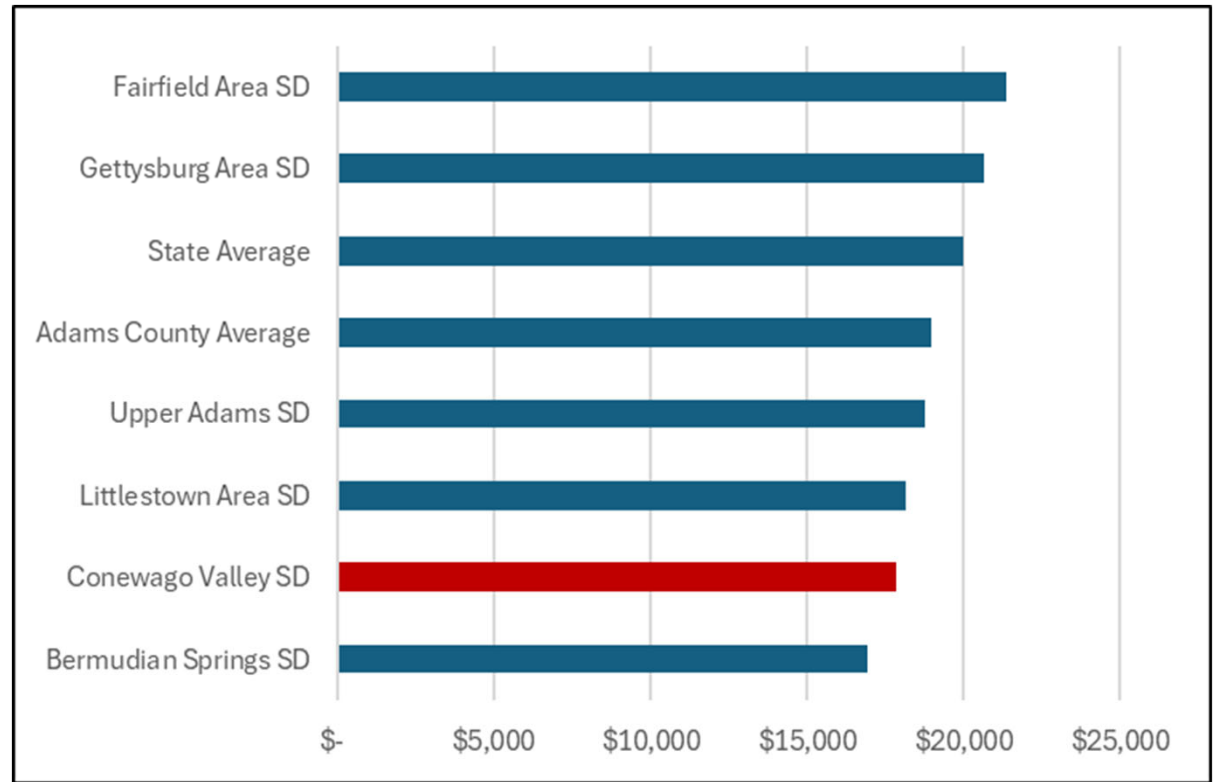
Historical Tax and Act 1 Index Comparison

- 2026-2027 Proposal: The proposed 2.58% increase utilizes 54.93% of the state-allowed 4.7% Act 1 Index limit.
- Historical Utilization: From 2022 to 2025, the District utilized 100% of the allowable Act 1 Index. For the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 budgets, the proposed increases fall below the state maximum.
- Dedicated Funding: The 0.4449 mill request is allocated specifically to prior commitments for NOE/CTE debt service and anticipated ACTI construction costs.



Per-Pupil Expenditures

- Lean Operations: CVSD spends \$17,880 per pupil, maintaining operations significantly below the state average of \$19,980.
- Statewide Ranking: Out of 499 school districts in Pennsylvania, CVSD currently ranks 366th in per-pupil expenditures.
- Comparative Efficiency: If CVSD operated at the state average cost per pupil, the District's budget would need to increase by \$8,425,284.
- Local Context: CVSD operates efficiently below the Adams County average of \$18,973 per pupil, maximizing the return on taxpayer investment.



**Based on 2023-2024 Data as record by the PDE*

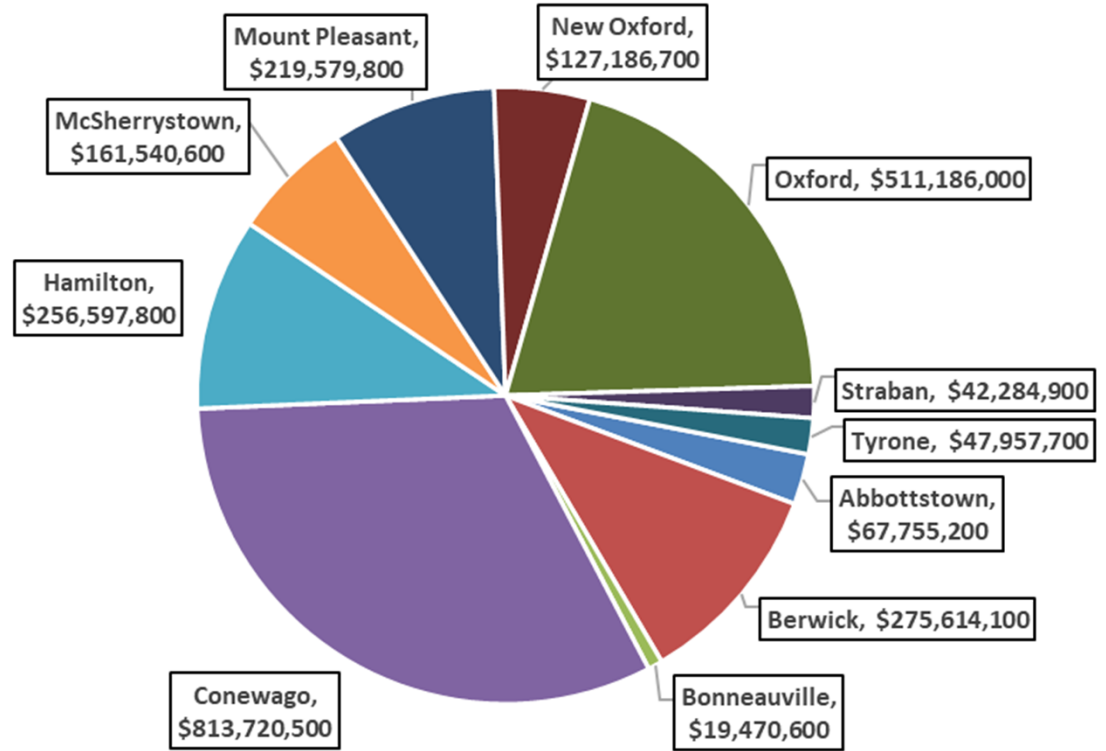


Tax Impact Analysis

- Impact on Taxpayer:
 - Additional cost per \$100k of assessed value: \$44.49
 - Total cost per \$100k of assessed value: \$1,767.73
- Value of a Mill:
 - 1.0 mills generates approximately \$2,493,950 (Assuming a historical 98% tax collection rate)
- Revenue Generated:
 - A 0.4449 mill increase will generate \$1,109,558 in new revenue.

Assessment Breakdown by Municipality

CVSD - Assessed Value by Municipality



State Revenue Overview



Basic Education
Funding: \$13,074,071

Budgeted based on 2025-2026 amount, but Governor's proposed budget shows an increase of \$103K



Special Education
Funding: \$3,021,960

Again budgeted on 2025-2026, Governor's budget proposes a 4.5% increase or about \$136K.



Transportation Reimbursement:
\$2,185,568



Retirement/FICA
Reimbursement:
\$7,992,148

Minimum of 50% reimbursement of PSERS and FICA expenses

Ready to Learn

Proposed Budget: Includes \$3,778,974 in Ready to Learn Foundation funds

Unbudgeted:

- The Pa Governor's budget includes an additional \$1,602,577 in Adequacy Funds.
- Excluded from the revenue budget

If awarded, would greatly reduce projected \$2.1M funding gap

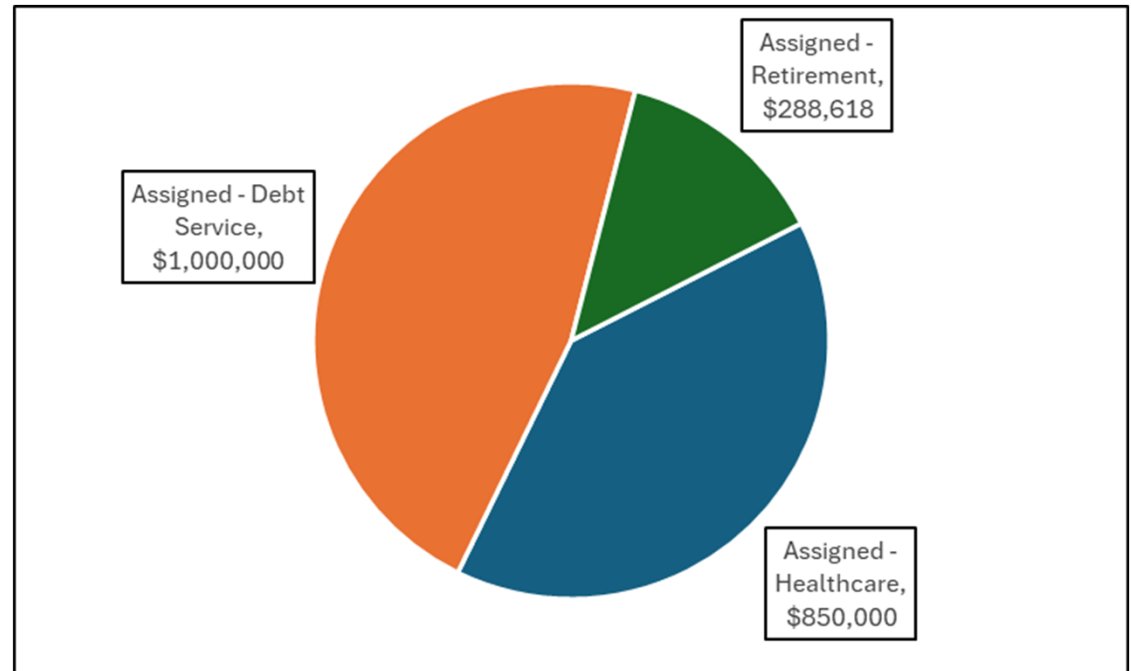
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Federal Revenue

- Total Federal Funding: \$1,140,956
 - Title Grants (ESSA): \$1,013,006.
 - Title I (Improving Basic Programs): \$817,227 (Increase of \$104,769)
 - Title II (Supporting Effective Instruction): \$128,973.
 - Title III (Language Instruction): \$16,685.
 - Title IV (Student Support): \$50,121.
 - ACCESS / Medical Assistance: \$127,950
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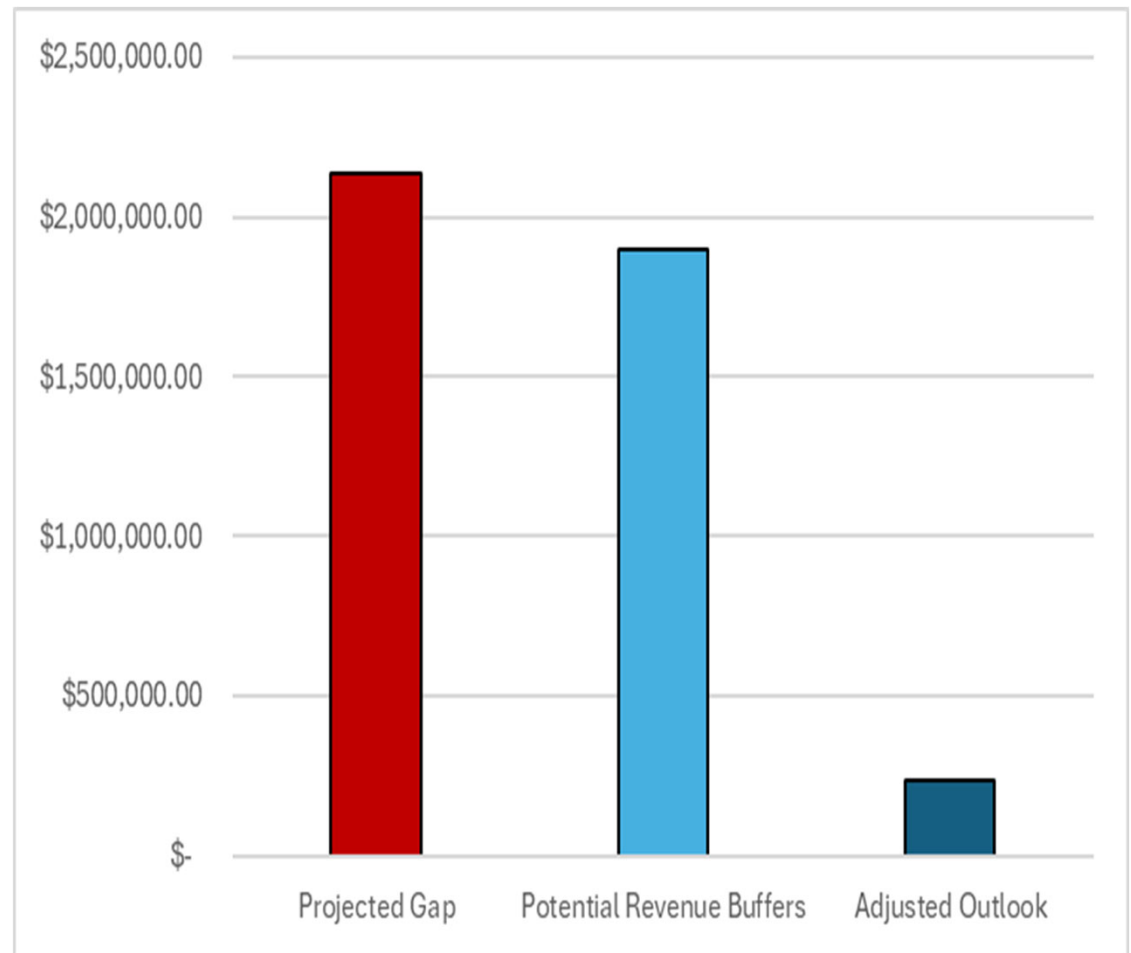
Proposed Fund Balance Utilization

- The projected \$2,138,618 revenue gap is proposed to be funded entirely through dedicated, assigned reserves, leaving the District's Unassigned Fund Balance untouched.
- Proportional Drawdown: Proposed diversified allocation tied to specific cost drivers:
 - Healthcare Reserve: Utilizing \$850,000 to absorb the specific health benefit increases for current and proposed staff, preserving over \$1M for future needs.
 - Debt Reserve: Utilizing \$1,000,000 to offset capital debt service pressures.
 - Retirement Reserve: Utilizing \$288,618 to absorb PSERS obligations.
- Long-Term Stability: This calculated approach leaves healthy balances in all assigned categories to protect the District in future budget cycles.



Fund Balance Usage Analysis

- Projected Gap (Current Draft): (\$2,138,618).
 - Built on 2025-2026 State Funding levels (Conservative Baseline).
 - Budgets all 23 new positions (12 autistic support and 11 misc.) at the highest possible salary and benefit tiers.
- Potential Revenue Buffers:
 - +\$1,899,898: Governor's Proposed Adequacy & Basic Education Funding Increases.
 - +\$227,303: Projected net savings from Autistic Support classroom takebacks (per classroom).
- Adjusted Outlook:
 - If state funding holds, the adjusted budget gap reduces to (\$238,720).
 - Actual hiring costs and finalized healthcare renewals will continue to narrow this gap through the June final adoption.





Preliminary Budget Overview: General Fund Revenue



- Reserve Allocation: The projected \$2.1M gap is covered by a proportional drawdown from Assigned Reserves (Healthcare, Debt, Retirement).
 - Fund Balance: The Unassigned Fund Balance remains intact under this preliminary draft.
 - Proposed Revenue: The draft includes a 2.58% tax increase, matching prior year commitments.
 - Timeline: Upcoming meetings will review specific expenditure categories and refine these initial projections.
 - Current Action: Review preliminary revenue figures to inform upcoming budget discussions.
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