



FY 2024-2025 COMMONWEALTH BUDGET – GOVERNOR’S PROPOSAL
County Impact Analysis

Program/Line Item	FY 2023-2024 Allocation	County Increase Ask	FY 2024-2025 Total Requested	Governor Proposed Total	Notes	Purpose/Use	Status
Department of Agriculture							
Agricultural Preparedness and Response	\$34,000,000	-	-	\$34,145,000	Additional \$145,000 proposed for pest detection using canines	Combines prior funding for avian flu preparedness, spotted lanternfly control and rapid response readiness	
Farmland Preservation Programs		-	-	TBA	Threshold set annually by State Farmland Preservation Board, anticipated to be >\$40M	To preserve farm and prime agricultural land	
State Food Purchase Program	\$26,688,000	-	-	\$20,188,000	Funding shift to PA Agricultural Surplus System and Senior Food Box Program	Emergency food assistance - To reduce food insecurity and increase access to healthy meals	
Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)							
Center for Local Government Services	\$4,424,000	-	-	\$5,320,000	Increase for continuation of program	One-stop shop for local government officials and provides a wealth of knowledge and expertise on all matters affecting local	

						government operations throughout Pennsylvania	
Election Integrity Grant Program (Act 88 of 2022)	\$45,000,000	\$5,000,000 (10%)	\$50,000,000	\$45,000,000	Noted as an annual set aside in DCED budget (is a restricted account derived from Personal Income Tax)	Currently only substantial source of election administration funding for counties, tied to strict grant requirements	
Main Street Matters (formerly Keystone Communities)	\$37,666,000 (Keystone Communities)	-	-	\$25,000,000	Evolved Keystone Communities Program, consistent with SEDS (coupled with other new ED programs to off-set decrease)	Economic development program to stabilize and revitalize communities	
Marketing to Attract Business	\$2,064,000	-	-	\$5,084,000	New initiative to enhance site selection and business attraction marketing, consistent with SEDS	Business marketing	
Marketing to Attract Tourists	\$31,365,000	-	-	\$19,437,000	Funding shifted and aligned with other tourism initiatives in the SEDS, including increasing the marketing reach of Pennsylvania's tourism offices	Tourism marketing	
Municipal Assistance Program (MAP)	\$2,000,000	-	-	\$2,000,000	Flat funded	Assists local governments with community planning and exploring shared services opportunities	
Office of Open Records	\$3,895,000	-	-	\$4,592,000	General program increase, new	Oversees Right-to-Know Law and Sunshine Act	

					initiative to aid in RTKL processes		
Pennsylvania (PA) First	\$33,000,000	-	-	\$42,000,000	General program increase, new initiative to support individuals with ID, part of SEDS	Offers grants for job creation and retention, infrastructure projects, and workforce development	
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources							
State Forests Operations	\$44,431,000	-	-	\$59,448,000	General program increase, new initiative to improve trails in state forests and parks	Outdoor recreation funding	
Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP)							
Drug and Alcohol Base/SABG	\$48,138,000	-	-	\$48,241,000	These funds are state match for the federal block grant	Allocated to SCA's for treatment, prevention and recovery support services and DDAP operations	
Department of Education (PDE)							
Community Colleges	\$261,640,000	-	-	\$0	To be merged in Governor's Higher Education Plan (\$974.3M)	Public college and university funding	
Public Library Subsidy	\$70,470,000	-	-	\$70,470,000	Flat funded	The Commonwealth helps defray the cost of basic operations of Pennsylvania's local public libraries. Nearly two-thirds of the Public Library Subsidy goes directly to libraries and library systems. The other third is split between state resource	

						centers, district library centers, and to support county coordination efforts.	
Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)							
Black Fly Control and Research	\$7,712,000	-	-	\$8,435,000	General program increase	Pest management	
General Government Operations	\$20,221,000	-	-	\$33,181,000	General program increase and funding to modernize and speed up permitting (\$7M)	DEP operations	
Vector Borne Disease Management	\$6,285,000	-	-	\$6,548,000	General program increase	Contains funding for West Nile virus, Zika virus, Lyme and Tick testing	
Department of Human Services (DHS)							
County Mental Health Base Funds	Unknown (\$885,567,000)	\$250,000,000	+\$250,000,000	+\$20,000,000 (\$971,174,000)	Captured in Mental Health Services line (totals noted in parenthesis)	Provides community-based mental health services to provide crisis, residential, housing and other programs to serve Pennsylvanians where they are	
988 Crisis Line	\$5,000,000	-	-	\$10,000,000	There is no current dedicated funding stream for 988, however, crisis services depend on other mental health resources for stabilization	Provides dedicated funding to the 988 crisis hotline (federally mandated)	
Crisis Walk-In Centers	-	-	-	\$5,000,000	Currently only MH base funds pay for crisis centers, ought		

					to look at broader MH system and crisis response resources		
Community Hospital Integration Projects Program (CHIPP)	-	\$1,000,000	-	+\$1,600,000	Captured in Mental Health Services line – increase is for additional capacity, not additional funding needed for current capacity	Provides funding for community placements for state bed closures and diversions	
Early Intervention (birth-to-three)	\$185,541,000	-	-	\$202,205,000	\$1.25M increase to ensure one-time ARPA federal funds are replaced with sustainable investments to ensure funding does not fall short.		
Child Welfare	\$2.102 billion	-	-	\$2.105 billion	This proposed budget represents only a \$2 million increase in state child welfare funding, which effectively flat funds child welfare for the second year in a row.	The limited increase in child welfare funding is to be a replacement for federal funds that will no longer be available.	
Homeless Assistance Program (HAP)	\$18,469,000	\$20,000,000	\$38,470,000	\$28,496,000	Additional funding is needed to meet increased demand, especially after the expiration of one-time federal funding for Emergency Rent	Allows counties to provide case management, emergency shelter, bridge housing, innovative supporting housing, and rental assistance to those in	

					and Utility Assistance that provided \$1 billion in assistance to 200,000 households in Pennsylvania.	immediate danger of becoming homeless.	
Human Services Development Fund (HSDF)	\$13,460,000	\$20,000,000	\$33,460,000	\$13,460,000	An increase to this fund is critical to meet service demands following a decade of level funding.	Allows counties to be flexible in the design and provision of programs and services for low-income adults, older adults, and other vulnerable populations.	
Long-Term Care/Nursing Homes	\$91,000,000	\$70,000,000	\$70,000,000	\$72,900,000	There was an increase in the Medical Assistance CHC line item while decreasing the FFS line item on Medical Assistance equating to the increase.	Provides for increased aging population demands and new regulatory requirements	
Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP)	\$67,485,000	-	-	\$69,532,000	This increase reflects changes in caseload and utilization along with replacing COVID-19 response funding in 2023-2024.	Provides transportation to medical appointments for Medical Assistance recipients who do not have transportation available to them.	
Department of State (DOS)							
General Government Operations	\$9,275,000	\$1,855,000 (20%)	\$11,130,000	\$11,682,000	Received \$250,000 for operations, election security, and voter integrity	County ask would support for DOS to ramp up training and resources for election directors	
Statewide Uniform	\$13,474,000	\$1,374,400 (10%)	\$14,821,400	\$13,948,000	Nominal increase only	Counties want to ensure funding to support the	

Registry of Electors (SURE)						legacy SURE system through the presidential election	
County Cybersecurity	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$0	Budget only contains federal IJJA cybersecurity grant program dollars	Provides funding for county cybersecurity initiatives as exposure increases	
Voter Registration and Education	\$546,000	-	-	\$5,751,000	Provides \$5M for new voter registration and education initiative		
Executive Offices							
Indigent Defense	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$15,000,000	10,000,000		County ask would enhance state support (FY 2023-2024 first year)	
Juvenile Probation Services	\$18,945,000	\$ 6,025,622 (+32%)	\$24,970,622	\$18,945,000	Flat funded	County ask would adjust for inflation going back to last increase in 2013-2014 budget	
Judiciary							
Adult Probation Services	\$16,222,000			\$20,222,000 (\$4,000,000 increase)	JRI 2 funding (expected program)	Evidence-based practice grants	
County Court Reimbursement	\$23,136,000	\$ 21,814,000 (+94%)	\$44,950,000*	\$23,136,000	Flat funded, does not account for additional 11 judges under Act 58 of 2023	County ask would restore 33% cut from 2016-17 and adjusts for inflation from 2016	
Court Interpreter County Grant	\$2,473,000	\$527,000 (+21%)	\$3,000,000	\$2,473,000	Flat funded	County ask would enhance language access in the courts	
District Attorney Salary Reimbursement	\$8,894,000	-	-	\$9,694,000	Funded through court document surcharge revenues deposited into the		

					Criminal Justice Enhancement Account (not General Fund). Provides for 65% reimbursement of DA salaries.		
Juvenile Justice Services		-	-	TBA	Funded through the needs-based budget and the Department of Human Services will provide a breakdown of the specific funding levels within the next few weeks		