

**Proposed FY 2015 Operating and Capital Budget** 

**UNION COUNTY** 

**NORTH CAROLINA** 

#### Operating Budget Principles & Process

- Fiscal Sustainability
- Transparency
- Stewardship
- Responsiveness
- Balanced

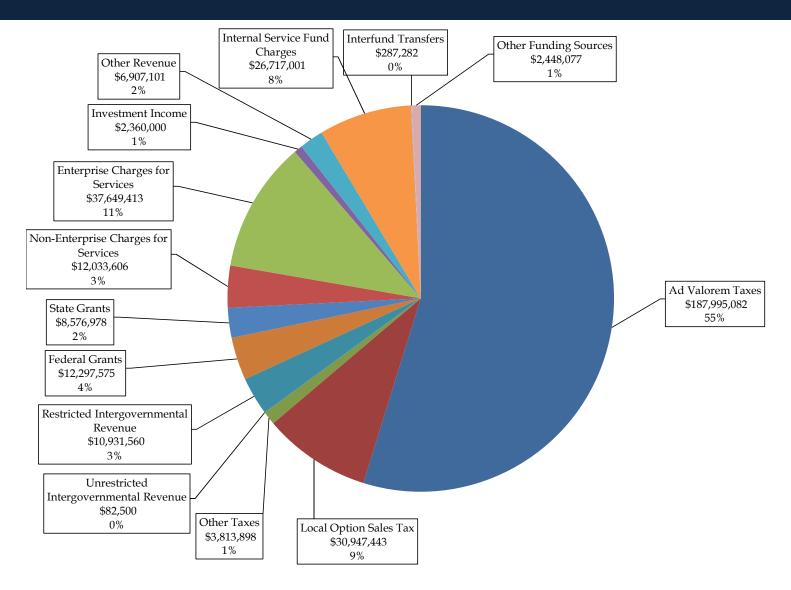
#### County Budget Process

- Development
  - Modified Zero-Base
    - Starting Over Each Year Building the Budget
    - Individual Meetings to Review Every Line Item
      - Included EMS, VFDs, and SPCC
      - Each Line Item was Individually Ranked as to Priority
    - Management Reduced Request to Balance the Budget within the Resources Available
  - The Outcome of the Zero-Base Process was then Modeled to Ensure Sustainability

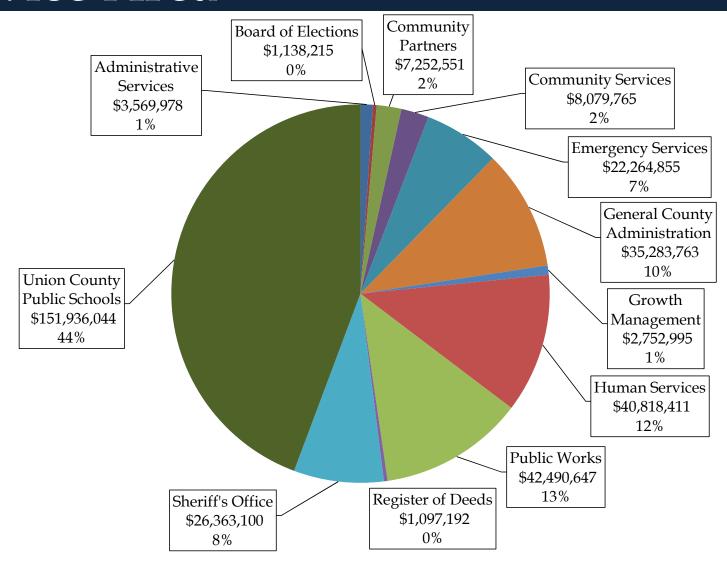
#### What about the verdict?

- For FY 2015 Budget Development it was not Considered.
- County cannot fund the remaining \$76.2 million of the verdict without a tax increase.
  - Cannot cut enough to fund the verdict.
  - Utility Funds should not be used for this purpose.
  - Projects are underway.
- Tax impact of remaining verdict = 32 cents

#### Countywide Revenues

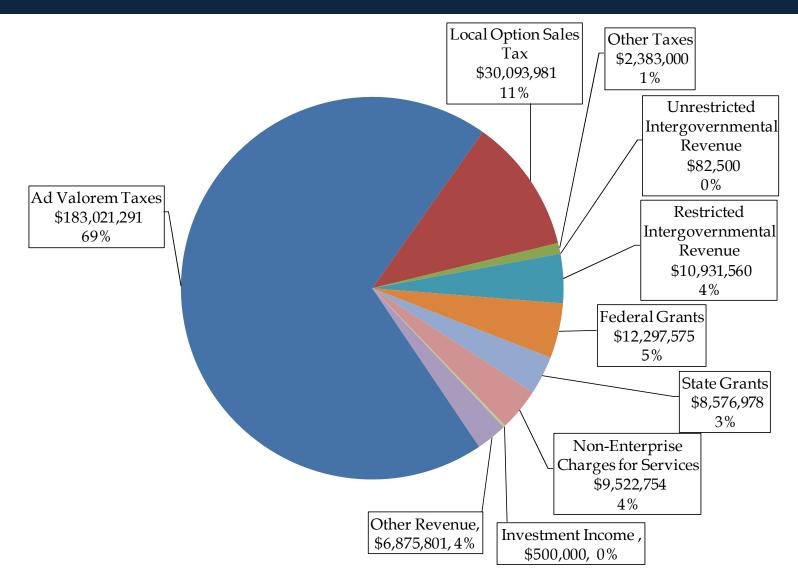


# Countywide Expenditures by Service Area

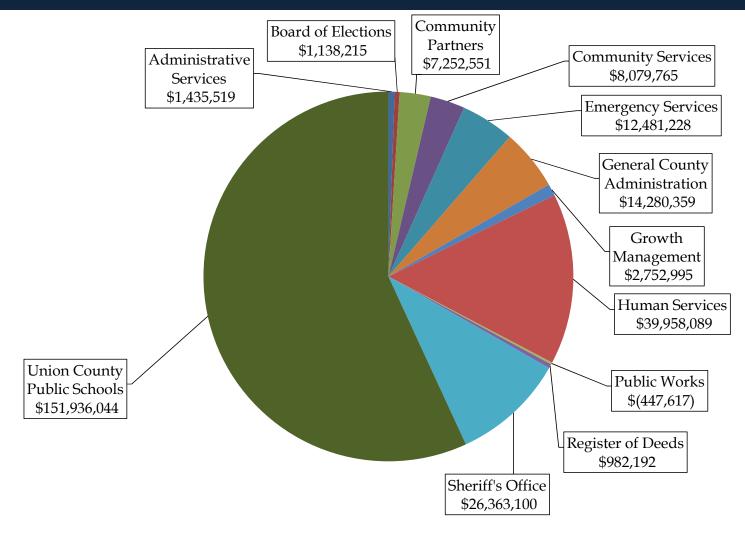


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#### General Fund Revenue



## General Fund Expenditures by Service Area



#### Significant GF Increases

Other than these increases and the mandated schools' funding the remainder of the General Fund was reduced by 1.11% or \$1.7 million.

#### Significant Increases for FY 2015

1st Year of Sheriff's Office Sworn Pay Plan Adjustment	\$ 618,695
Volunteer Fire Department Increase	1,009,128
Increased Funding for EMS	947,882
Increased Funding for SPCC	524,144
Economic Development Infrastructure Grant Program	125,000
Firearm's Training and Qualification Range PayGO	2,000,000
Performance Pay Pool	1,364,118
Significant Increases for FY 2015	\$ 6,588,967

#### Legislative Update

- HB 292 »» Session Law 2014-8
- Eliminated the BOCC ability to appropriate funding by purpose, function, or project.
  - For FY 2015, requires the BOCC to appropriate \$87,097,884 for UCPS Current Expense.
  - For FY 2015, requires the BOCC to appropriate \$19,531,582 for UCPS Capital.
  - For FY 2016, requires the BOCC to appropriate \$87,097,884, plus ADM growth, plus CPI-U growth for UCPS Current Expense.
  - For FY 2016, requires the BOCC to appropriate \$19,786,024 for UCPS Capital.

#### Legislative Update

- Eliminates the ability of the BOE to take the residents to Court concerning funding.
- Requires the establishment of a joint working group to develop a multi-year plan to address UCPS' existing and ongoing capital needs.

#### Tax Rate Projection

Tax Rate Projection				
Fiscal Year	County Tax Rate	Schools' Tax Rate	Total Tax Rate	
FY 2014	30.64	35.36	66.00	
FY 2015	30.64	44.77	75.41	
FY 2016	30.64	45.90	76.54	
FY 2017	30.64	47.06	77.70	
FY 2018	30.64	48.25	78.89	
FY 2019	30.64	49.48	80.12	
FY 2020	30.64	50.75	81.39	

Note: For the Purposes of Projection, Reval=Revenue Neutral

#### Fiscal Impact of Legislation

Union County Public Schools Funding Projection					
Fiscal	U	CPS Current	UCPS PayGo	Total	Schools' Tax
Year		Exp.	10ta 10ta 1		Rate
FY 2014	\$	83,021,859	17,936,454	100,958,313	35.36
FY 2015		87,097,884	19,531,582	106,629,466	44.77
FY 2016		90,956,308	19,786,024	110,742,332	45.90
FY 2017		94,985,673	20,044,847	115,030,520	47.06
FY 2018		99,193,538	20,308,165	119,501,703	48.25
FY 2019		103,587,812	20,576,093	124,163,905	49.48
FY 2020		108,176,752	20,848,749	129,025,501	50.75

Note: CPI Assumption = 2%, ADM Growth Assumption = 2.43%

Based on this projection, UCPS will receive \$139 million for Capital through FY 2020, and \$667 million for current expense.

### UCPS Funding

Amended FY 2015 Proposed UCPS Funding					
FY 2014 Current Expense Funding	\$	83,021,859			
Increases in "State" Benefits		161,654			
Increase Teacher Supplements		1,923,110			
Reserve For State Budget Impact		791,261			
Identified Efficiencies		(500,000)			
Total	\$	85,397,884			
Additional FY 2015 Proposed UCPS Funding based on Legislation					
Increase Teacher Supplements at High Priority Schools	\$	340,778			
Local Merit		1,359,222			
Total	\$	1,700,000			

Total Current expense funding of \$87,097,784.

#### UCPS Capital Funding

	Original	UCPS	County Rec.
	Request	Prioritization	Prioritization
Student Safety and Security	\$ 1,185,850	674,950	1,185,850
Roofing, Structure, HVAC	35,092,474	2,246,919	17,192,511
Structural ADA Improvements	2,439,362	580,657	1,068,777
Other Facilities Projects	29,400,333	14,044,610	-
Buses	84,444	84,444	84,444
Kitchen/Cafeteria Projects	8,489,077	37,400	-
Technology	1,252,924	519,059	-
Improvements to Athletic Fields and Faciltiies	3,797,530	511,942	-
New or Expansion Facilities	15,974,327	831,600	-
Total	\$ 97,716,321	19,531,581	19,531,582

Total Capital funding of \$19,531,582.

#### Improving Transparency

- Document Improvements
- Budget Website at <u>www.unioncountync.gov</u>
  - Presentations and Historical Documents
- Email Address for Ask the County Manager
  - askthecountymanager@co.union.nc.us
- Email Address for Public Comments
  - publiccomments@co.union.nc.us
- Social Media

### Questions?