
2025 ALBANY COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET

INTRODUCTION AND HIGHLIGHTS SUMMARY OF BUDGET CHANGES



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LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S PROPOSED BUDGET

Summary

The Legislature’s actions of the Executive Budget came via resolutions 794 and 795 of 2024, adopted on December 2nd, 2024. The Adopted Budget tax levy resulted in a property tax level equal to \$99,752,250 – which keeps the tax levy to support the operations of the government under the 2% property tax cap for the seventh straight year.

The following outlines the changes made by the Legislature on a Department-by-Department basis. The “County Share” figures referenced below reflect the financial impact of the Legislative action borne by the County’s Taxpayers. Where salaries are increases or decreased the associated changes in fringe are included in the “County Share” figures although not specifically outlines in the verbiage. For ease of understanding, only departments where there was a change compared to the Executive budget are listed below.

Audit and Control

Based on department request, increased two personnel individual lines resulting in an increase in County share of \$25,942.

County Clerk/Hall of Records

Department requested a revenue source be changed from Local to State revenue resulting in no change to County share.

Board of Elections

Department requested to move part of a state revenue amount into another state revenue line, resulting no change to County share.

Public Defender

Based on department request, increase one personnel individual line as well as increase to two revenue lines. Resulting in a decrease in County share of \$180,842.

Alternate Public Defender

Based on department request, increased a contracted expense line which is partially offset by an changes in multiple revenue lines resulting in a decrease in County share of \$189,239.

Management & Budget

Based on department request, decrease in one personnel individual line and an increase in a separate personnel individual line resulting in a decrease in County share of \$4,086.

Social Services

Based on department request, increased multiple contractual expense lines and one equipment line. Also increases two revenue lines resulting in a decrease to County share of \$1,172,467.

Nursing Home

Department requested one salary increase and one decrease to a personnel non-individual line which results in no change to County share.

Health

Legislative request to create and fund new contracted expenses line resulting in increase in County share of \$250,000,

Mental Health

Based on department request, decreased a contracted expense line resulting in a decrease in County share of \$22,509.

Crime Victims

Based on department request, created two new personnel individual lines, one is fully is grant funded. Increased multiple personnel individual lines to be in line with union contract. Included increases for two separate personnel individual lines. These changes resulted in a decrease is County share of \$34, 467.

Veterans Bureau

Legislative request to increase two contracted expense lines resulting in an increase in County share of \$260,000.

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Children, Youth & Families

Legislative request to increase a contracted expense line that results in an increase to County share of \$550,000.

Public Works

Department requested increase to a personnel individual line by moving funding from a contractual expense line resulting in no change to County share,

General Services/Purchasing

Department request to increase a personnel individual line due to a missed increase. This results in an increase to County share of \$2,995.

Economic Development, Conservation and Planning

A Legislative request was made to create and fund a contractual expense line and an RLA was passed in November of 2024 to increase the Albany County Improvement Initiative line. An increase to a revenue line was also included. These changes resulted in an increase to County share of \$250,000.

Parks and Recreation

A Legislative adjustment was requested for recreation programming, resulting in an increase to County share of \$150,000.

Storm Water

A department request was made to move funds from a personnel non-individual line and add it to different non-individual line, resulting in no change to County Share.

Legislature

The department requested multiple increases and one decrease to personnel individual lines. Also requested increases to an equipment line and a contractual expense line as well as social security. These changes resulted in an increase to County share of \$114,673.