

County Attorney

DESCRIPTION

The County Attorney's Office represents the County in all civil legal matters and is responsible for providing a full range of legal services to the Board of Supervisors and all Boards, departments, agencies, Constitutional offices, and employees of the County, as well as the School Board and School divisions. This Office drafts or reviews proposed County ordinances and represents the County and its agencies in litigation. In addition, this office supervises work performed by outside legal counsel, maintains and updates the Hanover County Code, responds to resident inquiries, and drafts or reviews all deeds, leases, contracts, bonds, and other legal documents.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Continue providing prompt and effective legal assistance to all County elected and appointed Boards, Constitutional Officers, and all departments

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

FY04

The increase in salaries and benefits is the result of the reclassification of a position. The decrease in operating expenditures is due to the transfer of the funding for legal counsel associated with delinquent tax collection to the Treasurer's Office.

FY05

Salaries and fringe benefits increased due to higher VRS contributions and health insurance costs and the addition of an Assistant County Attorney position to be filled mid-year. The increase in operating expenditures can be attributed to replacement computers.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Expenditures

	FY03 Budget	FY03 Actual	FY04 Budget	FY05 Budget	Percent Change
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Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$ 738,643	\$ 740,920	\$ 765,959	\$ 846,562	10.5%
Operating Expenditures	163,953	84,704	89,013	105,605	18.6%
Capital Outlay	-	8,619	-	-	0.0%
Total Expenditures	\$ 902,596	\$ 834,243	\$ 854,972	\$ 952,167	11.4%

Revenue

Delinquent Taxes	\$ 43,000	\$ 5,991	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Total Department Generated Revenue	\$ 43,000	\$ 5,991	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Generated Revenue Percent of Budget	4.8%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	
Other General Fund Revenue	\$ 859,596	\$ 828,252	\$ 854,972	\$ 952,167	11.4%
Other General Fund Percent of Budget	95.2%	99.3%	100.0%	100.0%	
Full-time Positions	8	8	8	9	12.5%
Full-time Equivalents	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	12.5%

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FUTURE FUNDING ISSUES

	FY06		FY07		FY08		FY09
	<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>							
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$ 916,021	\$	954,494	\$	994,583	\$	1,036,355
Operating Expenditures	105,711		108,565		111,496		114,506
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-
Total Planned Expenditures	\$ 1,021,732	\$	1,063,059	\$	1,106,079	\$	1,150,862
<u>Revenue</u>							
Total Department Generated Revenue	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Generated Revenue Percent of Budget	0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
Other General Fund Revenue	\$ 1,021,732	\$	1,063,059	\$	1,106,079	\$	1,150,862
Other General Fund Percent of Budget	100.0%		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%
Full-time Positions	8		8		8		8
Full-time Equivalents	8.0		8.0		8.0		8.0

The budget represents maintenance level funding. FY06 contains the balance of the salary for the position hired mid-year FY05.