

Public Safety Other Summary

| | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Animal Control | \$1,080,576 | \$909,050 | \$909,050 | \$893,990 | -1.66% | -1.66% |
| Resident Trooper | 71,940 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| EMS 24/7 Services | 3,904,000 | 4,021,120 | 4,021,120 | 4,121,650 | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| Volunteer Emergency Services Association | 6,896,000 | 7,415,880 | 7,415,880 | 7,801,450 | 5.20% | 5.20% |
| Length of Service Award Program | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 50,000 | -80.00% | -80.00% |
| Total Public Safety Other | \$12,202,516 | \$12,596,050 | \$12,596,050 | \$12,867,090 | 2.15% | 2.15% |

Mission and Goals

Public Safety Other is a functional grouping of agencies that provide 24/7 emergency medical services, fire protection, law enforcement, and animal control throughout Carroll County in an efficient and timely manner.

Highlights, Changes, and Useful Information

- The organizations in Public Safety Other operate independently of the Board of Carroll County Commissioners' authority. Animal Control is provided by the Humane Society. Fire and Ambulance services are provided by Carroll County Volunteer Emergency Services Association (CC VESA).
- In addition to direct funding, the County also provides varying levels of in-kind support to these organizations. All of the organizations benefit from the County maintaining the emergency communication system. For Animal Control, the County provides health benefits, building maintenance and insurance. CC VESA receives radios and access to capital financing from the County's bonding authority.
- Thirteen companies have at least one 24/7 paid medic unit. Sykesville-Freedom and Westminster each have two 24/7 paid medic units.

Budget Changes

- Animal Control decreases due to a one-time vehicle purchase in FY 15.
- Volunteer Emergency Services Association increases overall due to one-time funding for the replacement of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for eight fire companies and an additional ongoing funding for workers compensation and operations.

Animal Control

| Description | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personnel | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Benefits | 269,731 | 84,500 | 84,500 | 86,690 | 2.59% | 2.59% |
| Operating | 810,845 | 824,550 | 824,550 | 807,300 | -2.09% | -2.09% |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total | \$1,080,576 | \$909,050 | \$909,050 | \$893,990 | -1.66% | -1.66% |
| Employees FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | ----- | ----- |

Note: FY 14 Actuals include a health and fringe allocation. The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Mission and Goals

Carroll County, Animal Control attempts to alleviate the pain and suffering of animals, educate the public about their needs, shelter the lost and unwanted, reunite and adopt as many animals as possible, and enforce the laws pertaining to regulation of their humane keeping.

Goals include:

- Strive to fulfill its mission by being as responsive to the public as possible
- Work with the public to reconcile animal issues identified through education, advice, mediation, and enforcement

Description

Carroll County has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Humane Society of Carroll County to provide animal care and control for the safety of its citizens. The Carroll County Animal Control/Humane Society is located at 2517 Littlestown Pike, Westminster, MD.

Hours of operation are 8-4 Monday through Friday and 9-12 Saturdays. An after-hours animal drop off area is provided for stray animals. However, citizens are encouraged to bring their animals to the shelter during normal business hours to provide pertinent information for the staff. There is no charge to bring an animal to the shelter. Pictures of stray animals and adoptable animals are available on the Humane Society's website for the public's convenience.

Animal Control Officers investigate all complaints of cruelty and neglect to animals. Additionally, the staff coordinates lost and found animal efforts in the County, and enforces County and State animal related laws. Follow-up is done to ensure all adopted pets from the facility are spayed or neutered and vaccinated for rabies as required by law. There are 28 animal licensing outlets throughout the County, including most County veterinarians.

Animal Control Officers are on call 24 hours a day for actual emergencies involving:

- Life-threatening animal situations
- Injured domestic stray animals (owners unavailable)
- Wild animals within a home (including bats)
- Police, Fire, and Health Department need for assistance

Program Highlights

During calendar year 2014:

- 4,101 animals were received.
- Animal Control Officers responded to more than 1,400 original calls for assistance from the public. They also inspected 60 kennels, 8 catteries, 43 grooming shops, and 10 pet stores resulting in \$17,650 in revenue for the County.
- 10,082 dog licenses were sold.
- 1,642 animals were adopted or placed with a rescue group.
- The Humane Society's mobile adoption trailer came online allowing the Humane Society to travel to various areas of the County to offer adoption services.

Budget Changes

Animal Control decreases due to a one-time vehicle purchase in FY 15.

Resident Trooper Program

| Description | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personnel | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Benefits | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Operating | 71,940 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total | \$71,940 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | ----- | ----- |

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Description

The Resident Trooper Program was established through a contractual agreement between the County and the State of Maryland. In FY 14, the County completed the transition away from the contractual relationship with the Resident Trooper Program to the Sheriff's Office.

Budget Changes

No funding is included in FY 16.

EMS 24/7 Services

| Description | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personnel | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Benefits | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Operating | 3,904,000 | 4,021,120 | 4,021,120 | 4,121,650 | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total | \$3,904,000 | \$4,021,120 | \$4,021,120 | \$4,121,650 | 2.50% | 2.50% |
| Employees FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | ----- | ----- |

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Mission and Goals

To ensure the availability of 24/7 emergency services operations in the County, to provide timely responses, and quality emergency care.

Description

The Carroll County Board of Commissioners separated this budget from the Carroll County Volunteer Emergency Services Association (VESA) in FY 04. In FY 04, the Commissioners were presented with a request prepared by VESA for the provision of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in the County. Since FY 08, 13 of 14 stations have at least one 24/7 paid medic unit. Sykesville-Freedom and Westminster each have two 24/7 paid medic units.

Budget Changes

A 2.5% increase is included for FY 16.

Volunteer Emergency Services Association

| Description | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personnel | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Benefits | 250,000 | 257,500 | 257,500 | 296,000 | 14.95% | 14.95% |
| Operating | 6,646,000 | 7,158,380 | 7,158,380 | 7,505,450 | 4.85% | 4.85% |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total | \$6,896,000 | \$7,415,880 | \$7,415,880 | \$7,801,450 | 5.20% | 5.20% |
| Employees FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | ----- |

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Mission and Goals

The Carroll County Volunteer Emergency Services Association (CCVESA) represents the fourteen community volunteer fire departments in Carroll County. Over 1,000 men and women volunteer at the Gamber, Hampstead, Harney, Lineboro, Manchester, Mt. Airy, New Windsor, Pleasant Valley, Reese, Sykesville-Freedom, Taneytown, Union Bridge, Westminster and Winfield fire companies.

Description

VESA is the hub of all the County fire department's administrations. Two representatives from each of the 14 fire departments meet on a monthly basis. County funding provided to VESA is allocated to the 14 fire companies and the following administrative budgets:

- Advanced Tactical Rescue (ATR) Team
- CC VESA Administration
- Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)
- EMS Operations and Training
- Haz-Mat Program
- Information Technology
- Public Information
- Training Facility Management Committee (TFMC)

The County provides funding for the VESA physical program, which provides physicals to active members within the service.

Program Highlights

The fourteen companies respond to fire calls, emergency medical services calls, rescue calls, and mutual aid calls. The following chart compares the number of calls by type over the past three years:

| Type | CY 12 | CY 13 | CY 14 |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Fire | 2,594 | 2,612 | 2,875 |
| EMS | 13,052 | 13,259 | 13,267 |
| Rescue | 1,060 | 1,066 | 1,054 |
| Mutual Aid | 2,025 | 1,849 | 2,054 |
| Total | 18,731 | 18,786 | 19,250 |

Budget Changes

Volunteer Emergency Services Association increases overall due to one-time funding for the replacement of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for eight fire companies and an additional ongoing funding for workers compensation and overall operations.

| | Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| EVOD'S | \$625,838 | \$625,838 |
| Malpractice Insurance | 15,435 | 15,435 |
| SCBA Grant | 313,000 | 313,000 |
| Wellness (Physicals) | 331,000 | 331,000 |
| Workers Compensation | 257,000 | 296,000 |
| Total Special Items | \$1,542,273 | \$1,581,273 |

Total County Funding to VESA

| Department | Estimated Cost |
|---------------|--------------------|
| VESA | \$7,801,450 |
| Public Safety | 28,600 |
| Total | \$7,830,050 |

Length of Service Award Program

| Description | Actual FY 14 | Original Budget FY 15 | Adjusted Budget FY 15 | Budget FY 16 | % Change From Orig. FY 15 | % Change From Adj. FY 15 |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Personnel | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Benefits | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 50,000 | -80.00% | -80.00% |
| Operating | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 50,000 | -80.00% | -80.00% |
| Employees FTE | | | | | ----- | ----- |

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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Description

The Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) Pension Trust Fund, a defined benefit pension plan, was implemented July 1, 2004. The Plan covers all volunteer firemen meeting eligibility requirements and provides a monthly payment to retirees beginning at age 62.

Budget Changes

- Prior to FY 16, funding for LOSAP was included in the CCVESA budget.
- One-time funding was included for LOSAP in FY 14 and FY 15 ongoing funding for LOSAP is included.