

ORDINANCE NO.- 2025-03

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Carroll County are required by law to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Carroll County, and to provide certain services as required by law; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Resolution 32-75, the County Commissioners of Carroll County have provided for a proposed annual budget to be filed with the Clerk to the County Commissioners and distributed to the various news agencies in Carroll County, and to the Carroll County Public Library for reference by the public; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Resolution 32-75, the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County advertised a public hearing on the Budget which was held on May 6, 2025, at which time the County Commissioners of Carroll County received comments concerning the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Carroll County have reviewed the requested budgets of the various departments of County Government and those agencies to whom the County is obligated to provide appropriations and have reviewed the comments made at the public hearing on the Budget; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Carroll County, in order to provide necessary services to the people of Carroll County at the lowest possible cost, DO HEREBY ORDAIN that the following amounts of money be appropriated for the following services of government from the revenues generated from taxes to be levied, fees, grants, fines, and other revenue sources available to County Government:

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
OF CARROLL COUNTY
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

SECTION I

GENERAL FUND

Whereas, General Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, have been estimated at \$580,655,126.07. In order to provide a balanced budget, as is required by law, funds are allocated to the departments, boards, agencies, commissions, programs, and projects as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education \$251,971,660.00

Revenue Sources:

Local:

Direct Funding \$251,971,660.00

Fund Balance 5,567,500.00

In-Kind 4,726,990.00

Total Local \$262,266,150.00

State \$197,579,964.00

Federal 15,207,483.00

Other 13,458,350.00

Total Revenue Sources \$488,511,947.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Administration	\$922,640.00
Building Construction	562,730.00
Engineering Administration	685,890.00
Engineering Construction Inspection	460,310.00
Engineering Design	434,520.00
Engineering Survey	304,970.00
Facilities	15,066,000.00
Fleet Management	11,566,100.00
Permits and Inspections	2,078,000.00
Roads Operations	8,904,490.00
Storm Emergencies	2,922,450.00
Traffic Control	527,570.00
Transit Administration	181,670.00
Veteran Transit Services	131,250.00
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$44,748,590.00

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**HEALTH**

The ARC Carroll County	\$293,130.00
Care Healing Center	212,470.00
Penn-Mar Human Services	287,440.00
Springboard Community Services	441,280.00
Flying Colors of Success	56,690.00
Target, Community and Educational Services	293,130.00
Health Department	4,133,770.00
	\$5,717,910.00

HUMAN SERVICES

Citizen Services Administration	\$550,170.00
Aging and Disabilities	1,739,770.00
Recovery Support Services	607,620.00
Access Carroll	33,990.00
Human Services Program	1,366,320.00
Sheppard Pratt	118,810.00
Social Services	20,000.00
Youth Services Bureau	1,238,220.00
	\$5,674,900.00

TOTAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES **\$11,392,810.00**

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Recreation and Parks Administration	\$598,170.00
Community Parks	1,067,310.00
Farm Museum	1,012,880.00
Hashawha	1,092,570.00
Piney Run Park	1,108,230.00
Recreation	754,590.00
Sports Complex	272,310.00
Historical Society of Carroll County	50,000.00
Homestead Museum	20,000.00
CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$5,976,060.00

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GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED**TAXES-LOCAL**

Real Property Tax	\$265,983,181.00
Taxes-Discounts	(990,000.00)
Penalty and Interest	700,000.00
Homestead Tax Credit	(8,449,247.00)
Personal Property Tax-Unincorporated	350,000.00
RR & PU Tax-Current Year	11,000,000.00
Personal Property Tax-Incorporated	7,750,000.00
Taxes-Prior Years Deferred	400,000.00
Semi-Annual Service Charges	50,000.00
TOTAL LOCAL -TAXES	<u>\$276,793,934.00</u>

TAXES-LOCAL OTHER

Income Tax	\$211,754,723.00
911 Service Fee	4,000,000.00
Cable Franchise Fee	1,550,000.00
Recordation	19,000,000.00
Admissions	500,000.00
TOTAL LOCAL OTHER -TAXES	<u>\$236,804,723.00</u>

STATE SHARED

Police Aid	<u>\$1,200,000.00</u>
TOTAL STATE SHARED	<u>\$1,200,000.00</u>

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Beer, Wine and Liquor	\$240,000.00
Traders Licenses	130,000.00
Mobile Home Licenses	70,000.00
Animal Licenses	30,000.00
Kennel Licenses	15,000.00
Building Permits	500,000.00
Plumbing Licenses	30,000.00
Marriage Licenses	32,000.00
Electrical Licenses	30,000.00
Utility Construction Permits	35,000.00
Electrical Permits	300,000.00
Grading Permits	18,000.00
Use and Occupancy Certificates	16,000.00
Heavy Equipment Tax	115,000.00
Zoning Certificates/Ordinances	2,100.00
Plumbing Permits	150,000.00
Reinspection Fees	10,000.00
TOTAL LICENSES AND PERMITS	<u>\$1,723,100.00</u>

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES

State Aid - Fire Companies	\$422,800.00
Grand & Petit Jury reimbursement	115,000.00
Circuit Court Master reimbursement	225,155.00
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	<u>\$762,955.00</u>

Piney Run Admissions	200,000.00
Piney Run School Groups	8,000.00
Piney Run Boat Rentals	75,000.00
Piney Run Concessions	10,000.00
Piney Run Programs	15,000.00
Piney Run Nature Center Concessions	800.00
Piney Run Nature Center Facility Rental	1,500.00
Piney Run Nature Center Programs	6,500.00
Piney Run Nature Center Nature Camp	90,000.00
Piney Run Pavilion & Facility Rentals	70,000.00
Sports Complex Advertisement	2,000.00
Sports Complex Concessions	3,000.00
Sports Complex Rent/Light/Cell Tower Fees	48,000.00
Sports Complex Tournament Fees	28,000.00
Park Facility Rental	15,000.00
Dog Park Memberships	10,000.00
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	<u>\$1,198,500.00</u>

AGING

Westminster Senior Center Classes	\$12,000.00
North Carroll Senior Center Classes	17,900.00
South Carroll Senior Center Classes	30,000.00
Taneytown Senior Center Classes	5,000.00
Mt. Airy Senior Center Classes	11,000.00
Senior Center Bus Trips	20,000.00
TOTAL AGING	<u>\$95,900.00</u>

FINES AND FORFEITS

Circuit Court Fines	\$25,000.00
Liquor License Fines	7,500.00
Animal Violations Fines	8,000.00
Humane Society Impound Fees	19,500.00
TOTAL FINES AND FORFEITS	<u>\$60,000.00</u>

OTHER

Interest - Misc. Loans	\$10,000.00
Interest - Fire Company Loans	363,627.00
Investment Income	10,806,400.00
Investment Income - IPA	287,349.00
Rents And Royalties	670,000.00
Cell Tower Rent	65,000.00
Rent - Family Law	6,600.00
Advertising - Liquor Licenses	10,000.00
Postage	15,000.00
Equipment Sales	250,000.00
Purchasing Card Rebate	60,000.00
Miscellaneous	225,000.00
TOTAL OTHER	<u>\$12,768,976.00</u>

PUBLIC WORKS**Roads:**

Highway Safety Improvements	\$40,000.00
Monroe Avenue Connection	1,364,000.00
Pavement Management Program	17,723,000.00
Pavement Preservation	1,185,000.00
Ramp and Sidewalk Upgrades	103,000.00
Ridenour Way Extension	1,155,000.00
Small Drainage Structures	210,000.00
Storm Drain Video Inspection	105,000.00
TOTAL ROADS	\$21,885,000.00

Bridges:

Babylon Road over Silver Run	\$148,430.00
Bridge Inspection and Inventory	35,000.00
Bridge Maintenance and Structural Repair	94,000.00
Cleaning and Painting of Bridge Structural Steel	284,000.00
Gaither Road over South Branch Patapsco	480,000.00
Hughes Shop Road Bridge over Bear Branch Road	200,000.00
McKinstry's Mill Road over Little Pipe Creek	250,000.00
McKinstry's Mill Road over Sams Creek	200,000.00
McKinstry's Mill Road over Tributary to Little Pipe Creek	301,000.00
Patapsco Road over E. Branch Patapsco	145,000.00
Stone Chapel Road over Little Pipe Creek	200,000.00
Woodbine Road over S. Branch Patapsco	1,121,000.00
TOTAL BRIDGES	\$3,458,430.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS **\$25,343,430.00**

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Bark Hill Park Trail	(\$203,328.66)
Community Self-Help Projects	131,000.00
Leister Park Pickleball Courts	160,000.00
Park Restoration	261,000.00
Piney Run Boathouse Replacement	488,500.00
Piney Run Park Pavilion 3 Parking	125,000.00
Piney Run Park Paving	479,000.00
Town Fund	9,600.00
Turf Fields	4,760,000.00
Unallocated Impact Fees	85,000.00
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$6,295,771.34

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

County Building Systemic Renovations	\$1,575,000.00
County Technology	1,508,000.00
Elections Software	1,200,000.00
Fire and EMS - Regional Water Supply	160,000.00
Fire and EMS - Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacement	544,000.00
Generator Replacement	150,000.00
Government Complex Infrastructure	4,000,000.00
Library Technology	100,000.00
Parking Lot Overlays	353,000.00
Payroll/Human Resources System Replacement	450,000.00

SECTION IV**OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

WHEREAS, OPEB Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, have been estimated at \$6,320,370.00. In order to provide a balanced budget, as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Other Post Employment Benefit Payments	\$5,120,370.00
Retiree Health Benefit Payments	1,200,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$6,320,370.00

REVENUES

General Fund Contribution	\$5,120,370.00
Retiree Contributions	1,200,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$6,320,370.00

SECTION V**HOTEL RENTAL TAX FUND**

WHEREAS, Special Revenue Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 have been estimated at \$406,370.00. In order to provide a balanced budget, as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Personnel	\$215,600.00
Operating	190,770.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$406,370.00

REVENUES

Hotel Rental Tax	\$347,230.00
Fund Balance	49,380.00
Interest	9,760.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$406,370.00

SECTION VI**WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND**

WHEREAS, Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 have been estimated at \$3,995,740.00. In order to provide a balanced budget, as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Personnel	\$1,639,690.00
Operating	553,940.00
Debt Service	1,802,110.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,995,740.00

REVENUES

Dedicated Property Tax	\$3,837,230.00
Town Contributions	158,510.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,995,740.00

SECTION XI

UTILITIES ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, Utilities Enterprise Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 have been estimated at \$17,501,710.00 in operating and \$2,474,000.00 in capital. In order to provide a balanced budget as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Operating

Bureau of Utilities Administration	\$1,686,660.00
Board of Education Facilities	437,510.00
Freedom Sewer	3,912,810.00
Freedom Water	4,288,560.00
Hampstead Sewer	1,397,570.00
Other Water & Sewer	248,330.00
Capital - Repair, Replace, Rehabilitate	5,530,270.00
TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$17,501,710.00</u>

REVENUES

MES Reimbursement	\$25,000.00
Water Usage	7,405,900.00
Sewer Usage	9,042,400.00
Interest Income	280,000.00
Rents	182,000.00
Miscellaneous	128,900.00
General Fund Transfer	437,510.00
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$17,501,710.00</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

Capital

County Water Line Rehabilitation and Replacement	\$400,000.00
Freedom Water Treatment Plant Equipment Replacement	110,000.00
Freedom Water Treatment Plant Membrane Replacement	206,000.00
Pump Station Equipment Replacement	100,000.00
Snowdens Run Pump Station Wet Well	150,000.00
Tank Inspection and Rehabilitation	303,000.00
Water Main Valve Replacement and Rehabilitation	332,000.00
Water Meters	611,000.00
Water Service Line Replacement	262,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$2,474,000.00</u>

REVENUES

Capital

Utilities Water Maintenance Fee	\$413,000.00
Utilities Sewer User Fees	150,000.00
Utilities Water User Fees	1,811,000.00
Utilities Sewer Maintenance Fee	100,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	<u>\$2,474,000.00</u>

SECTION XIV

FIREARMS ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, Firearms Enterprise Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 have been estimated at \$304,000.00 in operating. In order to provide a balanced budget as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Operating

Firearms	\$288,240.00
Revenue in Excess of Expenditures	15,760.00
TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS	\$304,000.00

REVENUES

Operating

Firearms User Fees	\$275,000.00
Firearms Facility Concessions	10,000.00
Recycling	7,000.00
Interest Income	12,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$304,000.00

SECTION XV

SEPTAGE ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, Septage Enterprise Fund revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 have been estimated at \$1,015,750.00 in operating. In order to provide a balanced budget as is required by law, funds are allocated as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Operating

Septage Facility Operations	\$715,750.00
Transfer to Capital	300,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,015,750.00

REVENUES

Operating

Septage Fees	\$1,015,750.00
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$1,015,750.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Capital

Westminster Septage Facility Improvements	\$300,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$300,000.00

REVENUES

Capital

Enterprise Fund - Septage	300,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES	300,000.00

CARROLL COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

DORS Pre-Employment Transition Services	\$184,230.00
Blueprint	505,610.00
Summer Youth Connections	23,110.00
WIOA Title I - Admin	17,310.00
WIOA Title I - Adult	220,720.00
WIOA Title I - Dislocated Worker	512,720.00
WIOA Title I - Youth	215,770.00
TOTAL CARROLL COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	\$1,679,470.00

CIRCUIT COURT

Child Support Enforcement	\$62,400.00
Drug Treatment Court	386,630.00
Family Law Administration	858,530.00
TOTAL CIRCUIT COURT GRANTS	\$1,307,560.00

CITIZEN SERVICES STATE

Health Department - Emergency Funds	\$4,000.00
TOTAL CITIZEN SERVICES STATE GRANTS	\$4,000.00

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)	\$22,000.00
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING GRANTS	\$22,000.00

FARM MUSEUM

Farm Museum Endowment	\$30,000.00
TOTAL FARM MUSEUM	\$30,000.00

FIRE AND EMS

MIEMSS Cardiac Device Grant	\$117,000.00
TOTAL FIRE AND EMS	\$117,000.00

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Continuum of Care	\$105,270.00
Family Self Sufficiency	115,420.00
Homeless Solutions Program	772,500.00
HUD Housing Choice - Vouchers	9,430,160.00
TOTAL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEV. GRANTS	\$10,423,350.00

LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD

Community Programs	\$548,410.00
ENOUGH Act Capacity Building Grant	142,000.00
Family Engagement Program	87,580.00
Interagency Family Preservation	395,830.00
Local Care Team	89,280.00
CPA Admin	130,685.00
Safe and Stable Families	125,820.00
TOTAL LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD GRANTS	\$1,519,605.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

Hazardous Material Emergency Planning	\$201,230.00
Homeland Security Grants	525,520.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY GRANTS	\$726,750.00

RECREATION

Community Recreation Programs	\$270,100.00
Community Recreation Trips	20,000.00
TOTAL RECREATION GRANTS	\$290,100.00

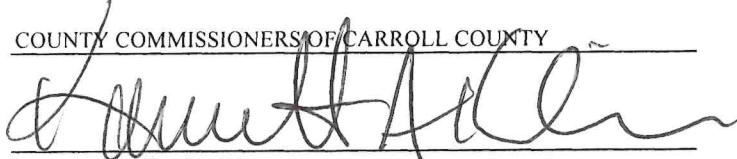
FY26 Budget Ordinance


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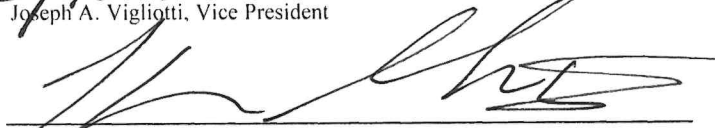
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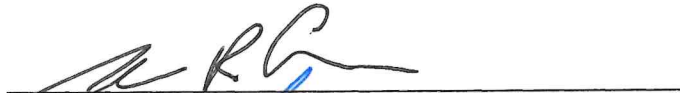
Adopted this 22nd day of May, 2025.


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