GENERAL FUND DEBT SERVICE AND PAY-AS-YOU-GO CAPITAL TRANSFERS

The largest revenue source for the General Debt Service Fund is the General Fund, which transfers a portion of ad valorem taxes (property tax receipts) required for principal and interest payments on tax supported debt.

The largest revenue source for Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) capital transfers is ad valorem taxes, and the largest recipient is the DDSRF - Ad Valorem Tax Fund (Fund 2311), effective with the start of FY2021. Previously it was combined in the Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund (Fund 2310).

Business Area Budget Summary

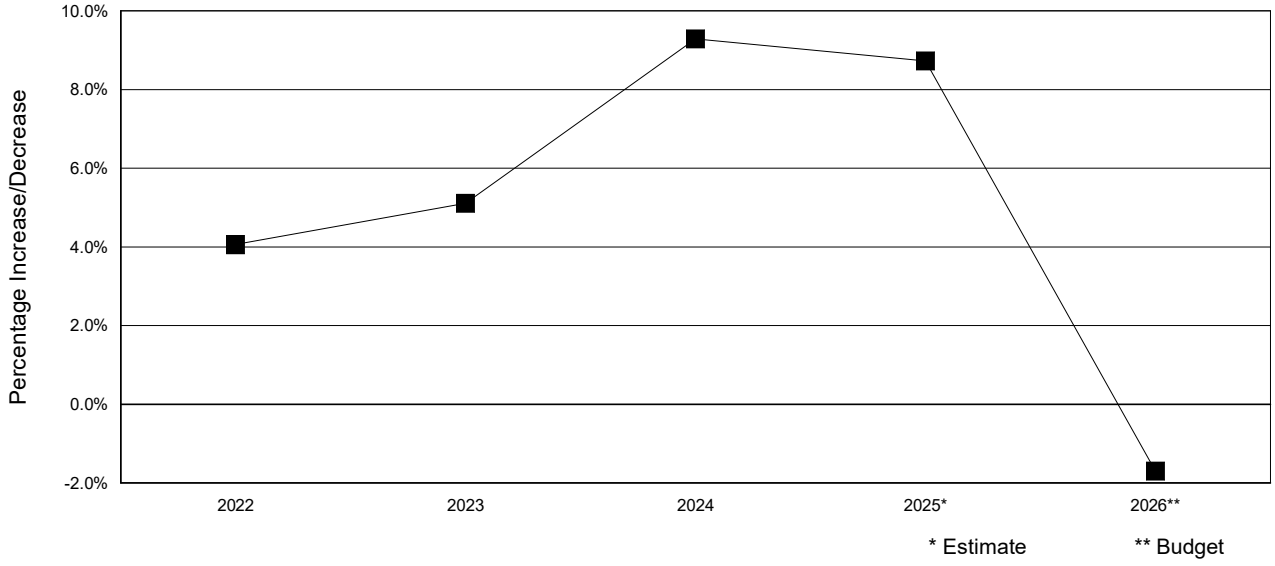
Fund Name : General Fund
Business Area : General Debt Service
Fund No. /Bus. Area No. : 1000 / 9700

		FY2024 Actual	FY2025 Current Budget	FY2025 Estimate	FY2026 Budget
Expenditures	Captured Revenue Transfer to DDSRF	123,150,028	135,946,652	135,946,652	**183,834,744**
	Trans to PIB Bonds Debt Service	352,153,276	380,860,426	380,860,426	**324,165,004**
	Debt Service & Other Uses	475,303,304	516,807,078	516,807,078	**507,999,748**
	Total Expenditure	475,303,304	516,807,078	516,807,078	**507,999,748**
Revenues		0	0	0	**0**
Staffing	Full-Time Equivalents - Civilian	0.0	0.0	0.0	**0.0**
	Full-Time Equivalents - Classified	0.0	0.0	0.0	**0.0**
	Full-Time Equivalents - Cadets	0.0	0.0	0.0	**0.0**
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	**0.0**
	Full-Time Equivalents - Overtime	0.0	0.0	0.0	**0.0**

Significant Budget Changes and Highlights

- An estimated $46.1 million is included in FY2026 General Fund for debt service attributed to the Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2017.
- FY2026 Budget includes approximately $30.1 million for debt service related to the firefighter settlement.
- On July 1, 2024, Moody's Investors Service affirmed the Houston (TX) General Obligation Limited long-term rating at Aa3; with an outlook of stable.
- On July 1, 2024, Standard and Poor's affirmed the Houston (TX) General Obligation Limited long-term rating AA; with an outlook of negative.
- On September 12, 2024, Fitch Investors Service affirmed the Houston (TX) General Obligation Limited Tax long-term rating at AA; with an outlook of negative.

General Fund
General Debt Service
Year over Year Expenditure Change



Business Area Program Summary

Business Area: General Debt Service
Bus. Area No : 9700

Budget By Program ($ in thousands):

Program	FY2024 Actual		FY2025 Estimate		FY2026 Budget	
	Revs	Exps	Revs	Exps	Revs	Exps
Debt Service and Interfund Transfers	0	475,303	0	516,807	0	508,000

FTEs by Program:

Program	FY2024 Actual		FY2025 Estimate		FY2026 Budget	
	FTEs	OT FTEs	FTEs	OT FTEs	FTEs	OT FTEs
Debt Service and Interfund Transfers	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Business Area Program Detail

Business Area : General Debt Service
Bus Area No. : 9700

Debt Service and Interfund Transfers

Description:

Budget allocations included in this section reflect debt service payments and/or interfund transfers.

Goal:

To effectively manage debt service payments and interfund transfers.

Mayor's Priority: Government that Works

($ in thousands)

Fund	FY2024 Actual		FY2025 Estimate		FY2026 Budget	
	Revs	Exps	Revs	Exps	Revs	Exps
General Fund	0	475,303	0	516,807	0	508,000