

LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF 2026 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING  
DANE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CITY-COUNTY BUILDING

The Dane County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on the budget to be adopted for said county for the calendar year 2026 on October 20, 2025 commencing at 7 p.m. The public hearing will be a hybrid meeting. The public can either attend in person at the City-County Building in room 201, or access the meeting either with the Zoom application or by telephone, with information available on the meeting agenda. Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item can register in person at the meeting using QR codes or by using the link below. Virtual registrations to provide public comment will be accepted until 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

IT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER VIA THE LINK PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA EVEN IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING IN PERSON.

Registration will open on Friday, October 3rd.

To register and sign-up for the meeting, use the following link: <https://board.countyofdane.com/meetings/attend-meeting>

You will be taken to a Dane County website, select "Signup to Attend a Meeting." You will be prompted to create an account or login to your account (if already created). Once logged in, follow the prompts to register for the meeting. Instructions can also be found at the link above. Call 608-266-5758 with questions.

After you sign-up, an email will be sent to you with the login information.

To access the meeting from a telephone dial: 1-833-548-0276 OR 1-833-548-0282. When prompted, enter the following meeting ID: 994 7003 2031

Notice is hereby given that the detail of the budget proposed to be adopted is on file in the office of Melissa Agard, Dane County Executive, Room 421, City-County Building, Madison, Wisconsin.

The summary of such budget is published herewith.

Signed this 1st day of October, 2025

DANE COUNTY BOARD

Patrick Miles, Chair

Scott McDonell, County Clerk

DANE COUNTY

2026 COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S BUDGET SUMMARY

MELISSA AGARD, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

2026 Budget Summary - All Fund

	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE	TOTAL
REVENUE:							
Property Tax	\$90,930,144	\$102,028,464	\$74,796,965	\$0	\$4,296,966	\$0	\$272,052,539
Sales Tax	\$90,709,266	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,709,266
Other Revenue	\$97,098,082	\$178,423,147	\$6,344,390	\$59,519,000	\$165,680,480	\$15,361,635	\$522,426,734
TOTAL REVENUES	\$278,737,492	\$280,451,611	\$81,141,355	\$59,519,000	\$169,977,446	\$15,361,635	\$885,188,539
EXPENDITURES	\$275,913,051	\$303,271,424	\$87,632,060	\$59,519,000	\$161,732,492.00	\$15,549,648	\$903,617,675
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$2,824,441	(\$22,819,814)	(\$6,490,705)	\$0	\$8,244,954	(\$188,013)	(\$18,429,137)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(\$2,824,441)	\$0	\$443,900	\$0	2,380,541	\$0	\$0
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)							
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	\$0	(\$22,819,814)	(\$6,046,805)	\$0	\$10,625,495	(\$188,013)	(\$18,429,137)
FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1	\$58,243,990	\$32,291,445	\$6,837,268	\$3,843,593	\$407,618,350	(\$2,912,317)	\$505,922,328
FUND BALANCE,							
DECEMBER 31	\$58,243,990	\$9,471,631	\$790,463	\$3,843,593	\$418,243,845	(\$3,100,330)	\$487,493,192
BUDGETED RESERVE	\$58,243,990	\$9,471,631	\$790,463	\$3,843,593	\$418,243,845	(\$3,100,330)	\$487,493,192

2026 Budget Information - General Fund

	2025 Adopted	Executive Recommended	Percentage Change
Expenditures:			
General Government	\$54,966,254	\$54,424,005	-0.99%
Public Safety	\$173,408,583	\$176,829,940	1.97%
Health	\$1,284,800	\$1,313,100	2.20%
Conservation	\$7,717,932	\$7,293,322	-5.50%
Culture, Recreation & Education	\$34,673,857	\$34,399,464	-0.79%
Public Works	\$1,837,120	\$1,653,220	-10.01%
Total Expenditures	\$273,888,546	\$275,913,051	0.74%
Property Taxes	\$96,092,123	\$90,930,144	-5.37%
Other Taxes	\$92,580,907	\$96,372,655	4.10%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$48,351,715	\$50,874,341	5.22%
Licenses & Permits	\$1,704,445	\$1,712,745	0.49%
Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties	\$2,110,000	\$1,899,845	-9.96%
Public Charges For Services	\$22,170,561	\$24,780,094	11.77%
Other Financing Sources	\$10,753,738	\$12,167,668	13.15%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$273,763,489	\$278,737,492	1.82%

OTHER INFORMATION

OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS, DECEMBER 31, 2025

\$835,750,000

TAX LEVY INFORMATION

ACTUAL 2023 TAX LEVY (FOR 2024 BUDGET)	\$254,553,992
ACTUAL 2024 TAX LEVY (FOR 2025 BUDGET)	\$260,451,849
PROPOSED 2025 TAX LEVY (FOR 2026 BUDGET)	\$272,052,539

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