



Office of Ethics & Accountability FY 2026 Budget Overview

Budget & Policy Analysis Division

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Agenda

Department Overview

Board of Ethics

Strategic Focus

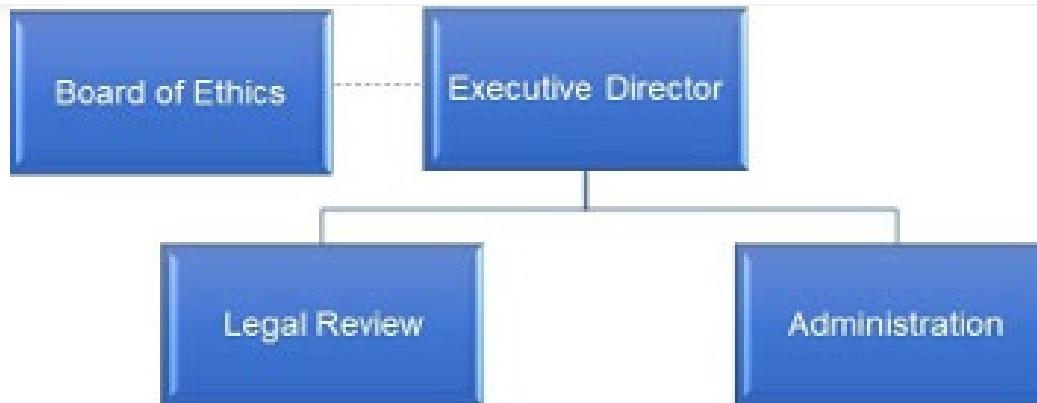
Agency Budget Summary

Staffing

Highlights

Office of Ethics & Accountability

Todd M. Turner, Esq. – Executive Director



FY 2025 – Continues to work with OHRM, offering mandatory training for 6,000+ employees

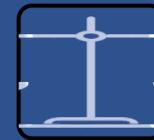
FY 2025 – Expanded use of the OEA Web Portal, which is used to process financial disclosure statements and lobbyist registrants

Mission

- **Enforces the Prince George's County Code of Ethics in order to ensure the ethical conduct of individuals who serve in County Government**

Core Services

- Administer public ethics laws
- Provide ethics training and advice to County employees
- Review financial disclosure and lobbying records
- Investigate alleged ethical violations and allegations of fraud, waste, abuse and illegal acts
- Provide administrative support to the County's Board of Ethics
- Provide analysis, reporting and recommendations to Executive and Legislative branches



Board of Ethics

Five board member established to administer
County's Code of Ethics

The board currently has two holdovers and
one vacancy

Charlene Gallion

- Member, 2nd term expired 12/1/2024 - Holdover

Melanie Barr-Brook

- Member, 1st term expired 12/23/2023 - Holdover

Kiara Hunt

- Member, 1st term expires 12/1/2026

Jason Papanikolas

- Member, 1st term expires 12/1/2027

Strategic Focus FY 2026

Continue to sustain and effectively administer the County's electronic filing/case management system

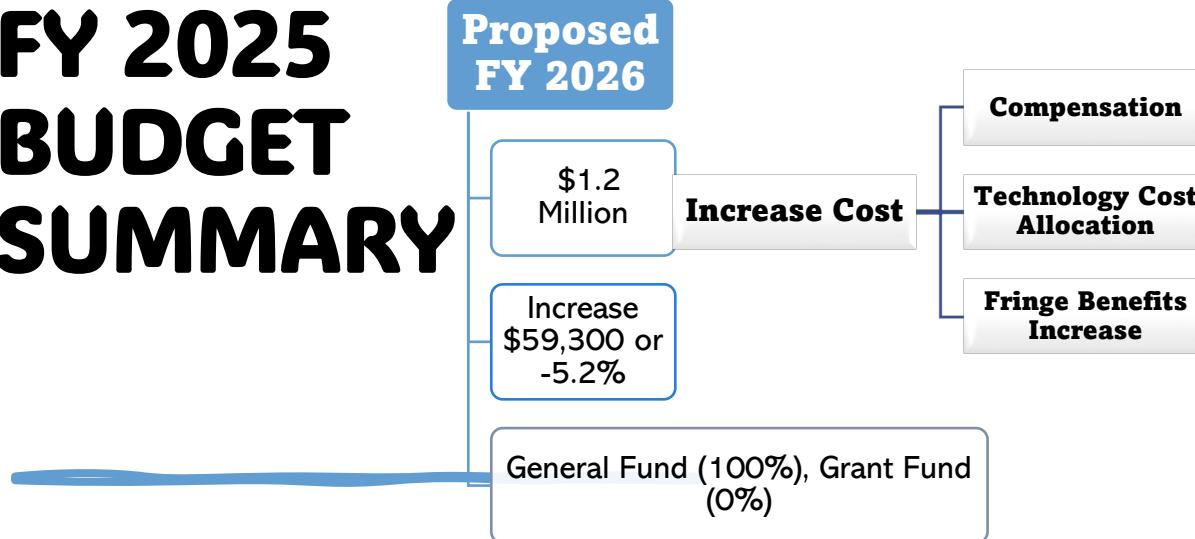
This allows County residents, employees, and elected/appointed officials access to online filing of:

- Complaints
- Required Financial Disclosure Statements
- Lobbyist Registrations/Annual Reports
- 24/7/365 access

Efficiently investigate all complaints in accordance with applicable laws

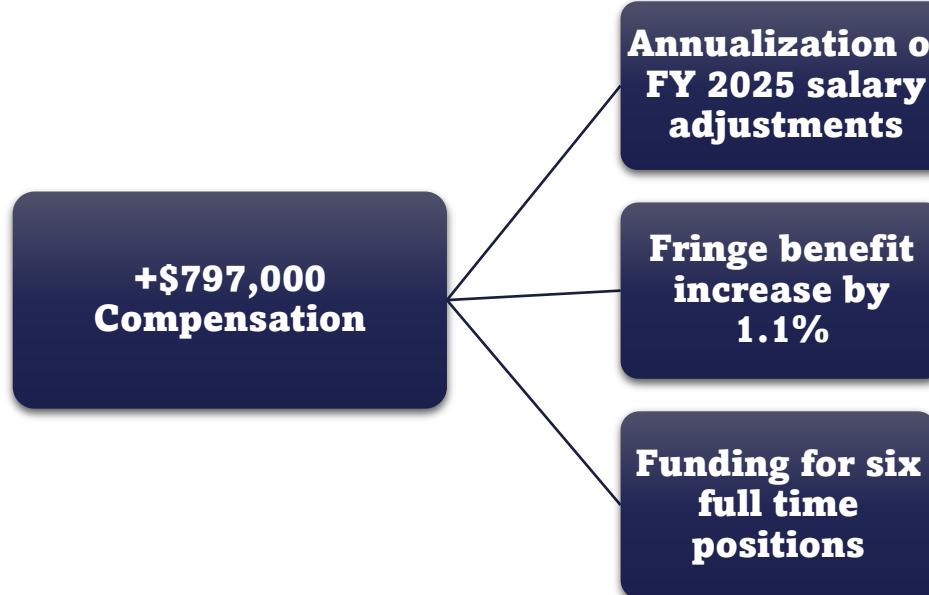
To ensure timely responses, analysis, reporting, and recommendations to management

FY 2025 BUDGET SUMMARY



Expenditures by Category - General Fund

Category	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2026 Proposed	Change FY25-FY26 Amount (\$)	Change FY25-FY26 Percent (%)
Compensation	\$712,949	\$747,800	\$737,300	\$797,000	\$49,200	6.6%
Fringe Benefits	230,879	270,000	244,000	273,000	3,000	1.1%
Operating	141,533	126,400	124,100	133,500	7,100	5.6%
Capital Outlay	—	—	—	—	—	—
SubTotal	\$1,085,361	\$1,144,200	\$1,105,400	\$1,203,500	\$59,300	5.2%
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$1,085,361	\$1,144,200	\$1,105,400	\$1,203,500	\$59,300	5.2%



**+\$133,500
Operating**

\$7,100 Increase from FY2025, mainly due to OIT automation increases and operating contracts

**+\$273,000
Fringe
Benefits**

Increased by 1.1% from FY2025

Major Items

Office of Automation: \$78,500
General and Administrative: \$36,400
Telephone: \$7,500
Training: \$5,000

STAFFING

FULL

TIME

6

CIVILIAN

(Unchanged)



VACANCY

General funds for 6 full-time positions

Positions include – An Executive Director, Attorney, Investigator, Administrative Aide, Administrative Specialist, and a Compliance Specialist

The office reported one vacancy in its complement of staff

The attrition rate to date for FY25 is 16.7%

Highlights



Continues to see growth with its investigations, lobbying in the County, and public complaints
Cases have increased since establishment in 2014

Continued its outreach functions, including attending Bowiefest, National Night Out, and Food and Friends in late FY2024 and FY2025

Continued to expand the online payment system for late fees and fines from designated filers of Financial Disclosure Statements and lobbyists



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