



# **Alachua County Government Citizens Academy**

Budget and Fiscal Services

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# Budget & Fiscal Services Overview

- Management and Budget
  - Budget development and management
  - Financial reporting, research and technical assistance
  - Performance management and reporting
- Purchasing
  - Competitive procurement bids
  - Contract and grants management
- Risk Management
  - Health insurance management
  - Employee Clinic
  - Safety and loss prevention
  - Property, casualty, and worker's compensation coverage
- Fiscal Services - Countywide



## Our Mission Statement:

Budget and Fiscal Services facilitates the optimal use of County government resources through budgeting, performance management, procurement and contract administration, fiscal services, risk management, and employee benefit services.



# Purchasing Services

- Procurement
- P-card Activities
- Contracts Management
- Competitive Bid Processes
  - Demand Star
  - Gainesville Sun
- Local Government Minimum Wage



# Risk Management Services

- Employee Benefits administration
- Employee Health & Wellness Center oversight
- Safety and Loss Control programs
- Property and Casualty Insurance administration
- Wellness program
- Claims administration
- Contract management – Risk transfer



# Alachua County Health & Wellness Center

- Opened on January 11, 2016
- Provides care for covered employees and other health plan members
- Capacity – up to 12,000 visits annually
- Saves the County and employees on primary care visits and generic prescriptions



# County Budget Process



# Why Prepare a Budget?

## ➤ Legal requirement

- Comply with regulations
- Specific governmental requirements in Florida Statutes

## ➤ Serves a variety of functions

- Accountability (fiscal control)
- Management tool (performance)
- Planning tool (policies and priorities)
- Transparency to stakeholders

<http://www.alachuacounty.us/Depts/OMB/Pages/OMB.aspx>





# Legal Requirements

## ➤ Florida Statute requirements

- Fiscal year (FY) - October 1st thru September 30th
- Required to have a balanced budget
- Truth-in-Millage (TRIM)
  - Required notifications to property owners and general public
  - Board is required to hold two public hearings every year to adopt millage rates and adopt the budget

## ➤ Alachua County Ordinances

- Sec 21.20 – Board of County Commissioners responsibilities
- Sec 21.30 – County Manager responsibilities



# FY 18 Budget Calendar and TRIM (Key Dates)

- March 24 – Department Budgets to Manager
- April 21 – County Manager “Looking Forward” Report
- May 1 – Constitutional Officers submit budgets
- May 16 – Constitutional Officers invited to present budgets
- June 1 – Preliminary Tax Roll received
- June 6 – County Manager Budget presentation
- July 1 – Certified Taxable Value received
- July 11 – Set Proposed Millage Rates
- September 12 and 26 – Public Hearings to set Final Millage Rates and Adopt Final Budget



# Unincorporated Taxpayers All Taxing Authorities

## How Your FY17 Property Taxes Are Divided

This is a representation of how each property tax dollar is divided for property owners in the unincorporated area.

All Alachua County property owners pay only 17.39¢ per property tax dollar for countywide programs provided by the County Commission. Property owners in the unincorporated area pay a Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU) of only 10.39¢ per property tax dollar for municipal services provided by the County Commission. Property owners living within municipalities pay their city's property tax instead of the MSTU.



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16.48¢ to the Sheriff,  
& Other Constitutional  
& Judicial Offices



17.39¢ to County  
Commission Programs



1.27¢ to cities for  
Community Redevelopment



1.72¢ to Reserves



1.29¢ to Capital Projects



38.15¢  
to the County  
General Fund



6.04¢  
to  
Libraries



1.23¢  
to Water  
Management  
District



33.91¢  
to the School Board



20.67¢  
to the MSTUs

9.19¢ to the Sheriff



7.31¢ to County  
Commission Provided  
Fire Services



3.08¢ to County  
Commission Provided  
Municipal Services



0.98¢ to Reserves



0.11¢ to Capital Projects





# Table Top Activity

# BoCC - Where It Comes From



**Property Tax**



**Gas Tax**



**Utility Tax**



**Comm. Tax**



**Sales Tax**



**State Shared**



**Fees**



**Other**



# BoCC - Where It Goes To



**Sheriff**



**Fire Rescue**



**Courts  
And  
Judicial**



**Transportation**



**CRAs**



**Tax Collector  
Property Appraiser  
Clerk – Accounting  
Elections Supervisor**



**Government  
Admin  
Technology  
Fiscal Services**



**Facilities**



**Community  
Support  
Services**



**EPD  
Growth  
Animal  
Parks**



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