

GILA COUNTY

FY 2015 Tentative Budget

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



BOARD DIRECTION

- No Increase in County property tax rate
- Operate within the reduction in property tax revenue
- Budgeted GF line item will pay to implement the Classification and Compensation Study
- Maintain Public Service Levels
 - Law Enforcement, Criminal Prosecution, & Judicial
 - Roads, Landfill, Health Services, Community Services
- Provide for a balanced budget



BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS

- Assessed property valuations continue to decline
- Reduced property tax revenue
- No increase in County property tax rate
- Department/Office implemented voluntary plans to further reduce their budgets
- Classification & Compensation study fully implemented without impact to Department/Office budgets in FY 2015
- FY 2016 Department/Office budgets will need to be adjusted to absorb the on-going classification and compensation study implementation costs



FY 15 TENTATIVE BUDGET

- SETS UPPER EXPENDITURE LIMIT
 - Recommended \$94,444,905
- AUTHORIZES PUBLICATION OF SUMMARY BUDGET
- SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET ADOPTION
 - Recommended July 15, 2014



SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE BUDGET

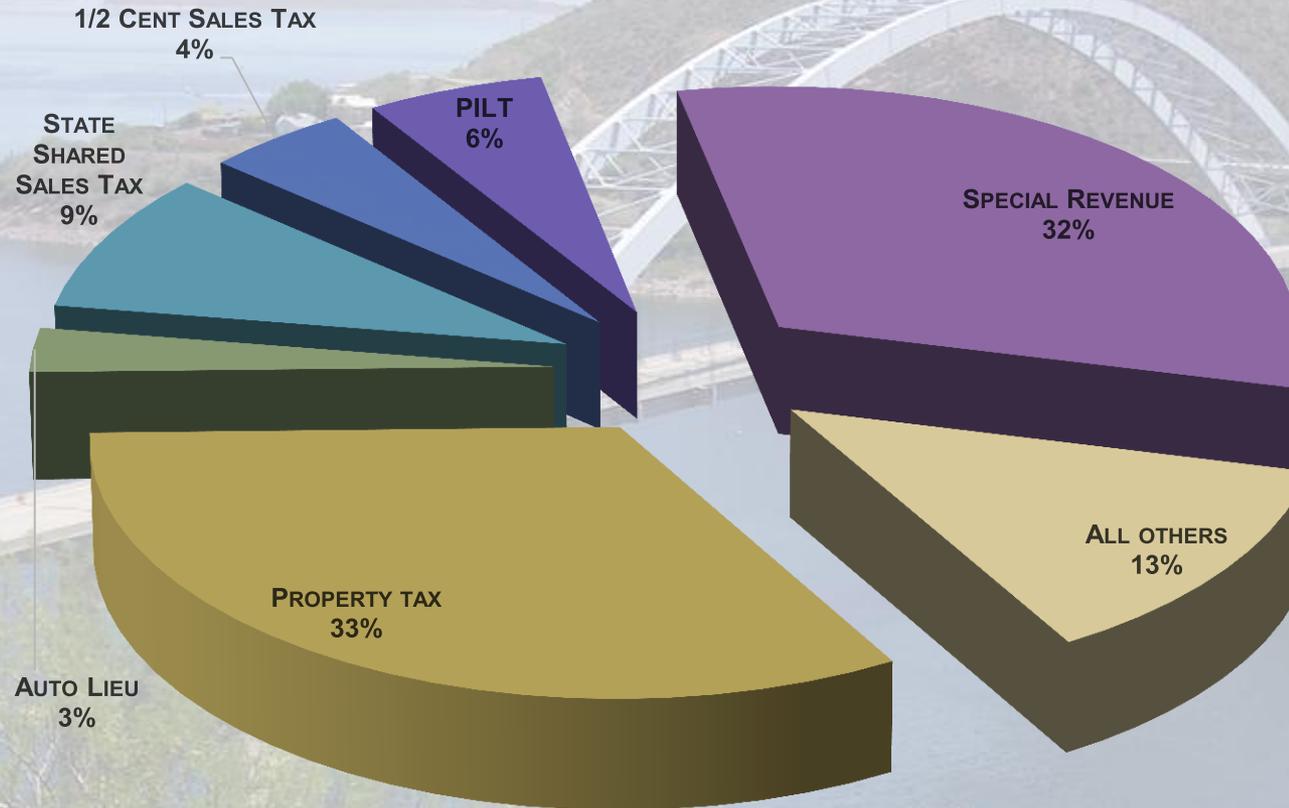
- County property tax rate – No Change
- Assessed Property Values and Tax Revenue Decreased 5.1%
- General Fund budget reduced \$1,801,593 or 5%
- Overall Budget Decreased 1.2%
- Total Authorized Positions Decreased – 9.65 FTE
- Vacancy Savings Factor of \$1,342,343 or 3.7% of Total Salaries



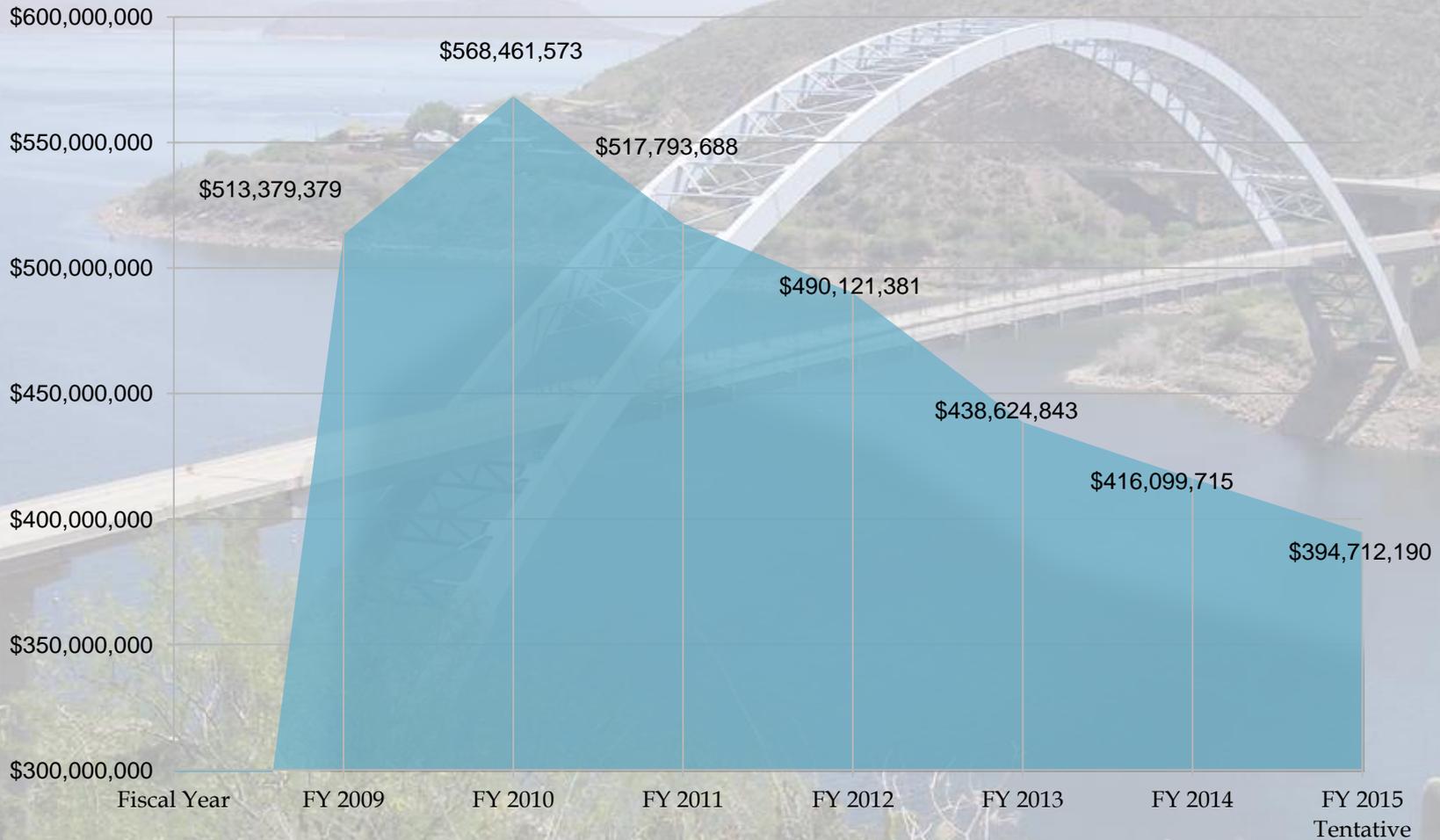
REVENUE



FY 2015 Tentative Budget Revenue

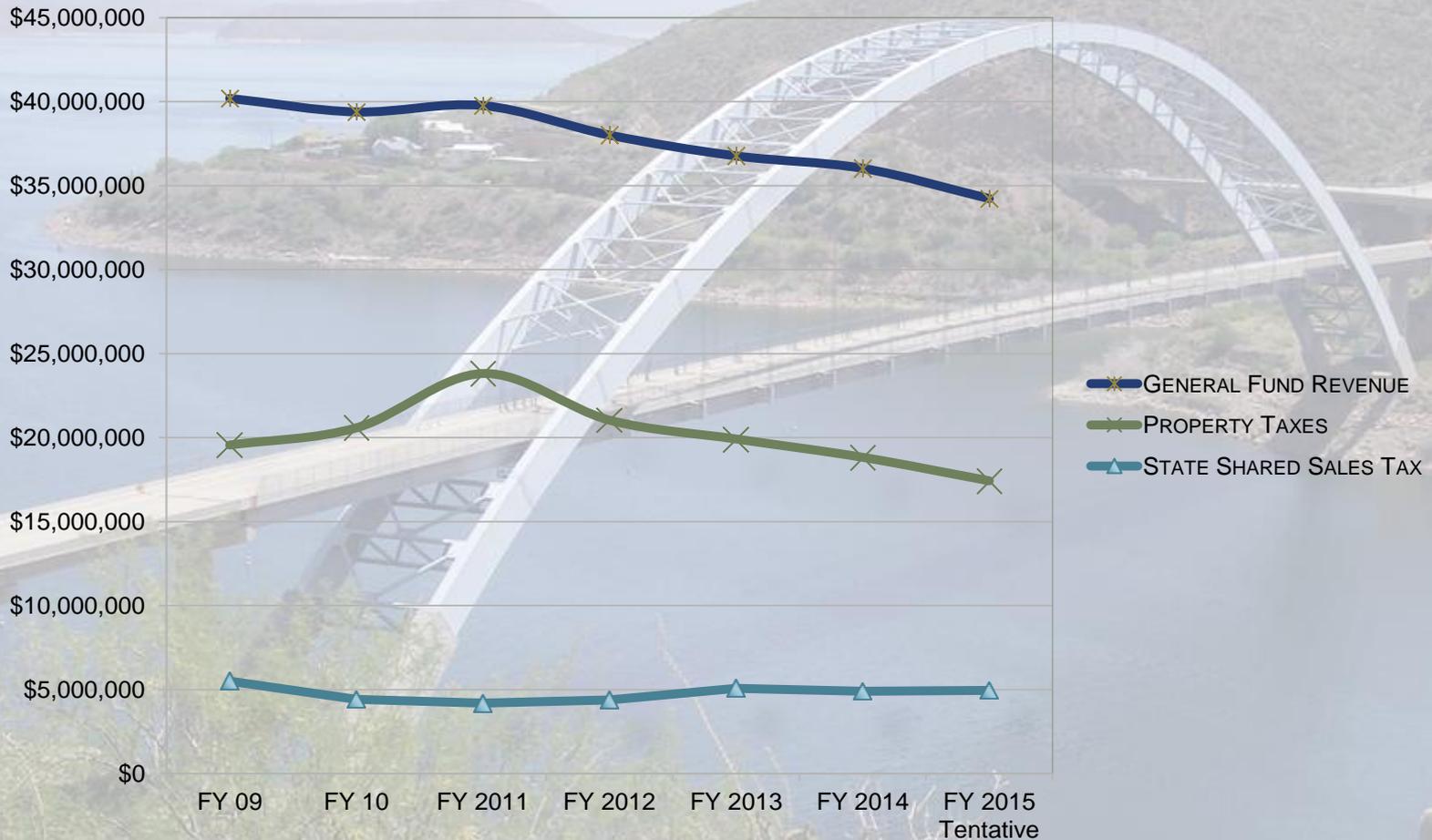


FY 2009 – FY 2015 Assessed Property Values



FY 2009 – FY 2015

Major Revenue Category Trending



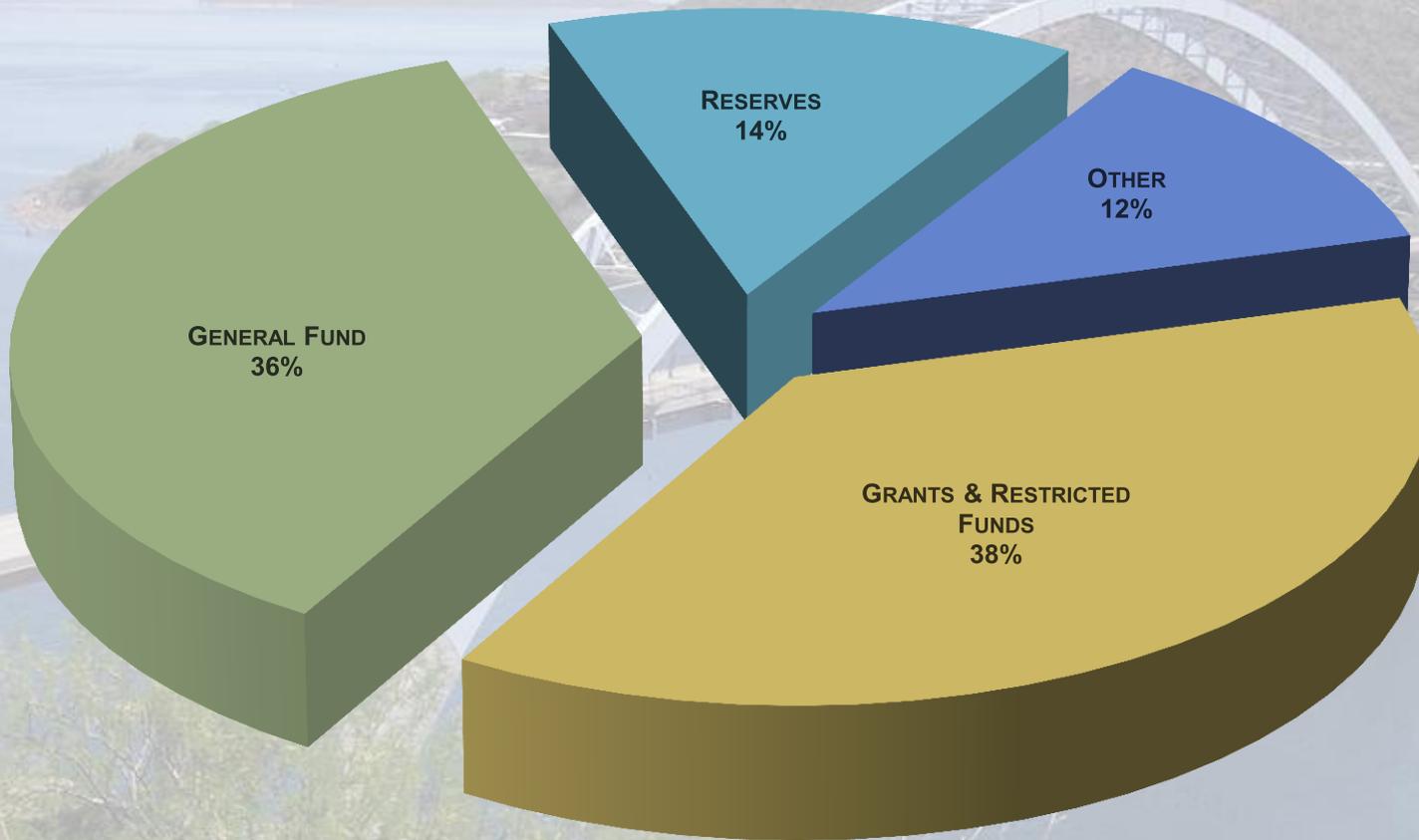
FY 2011 – FY 2015 GF Revenue Trending



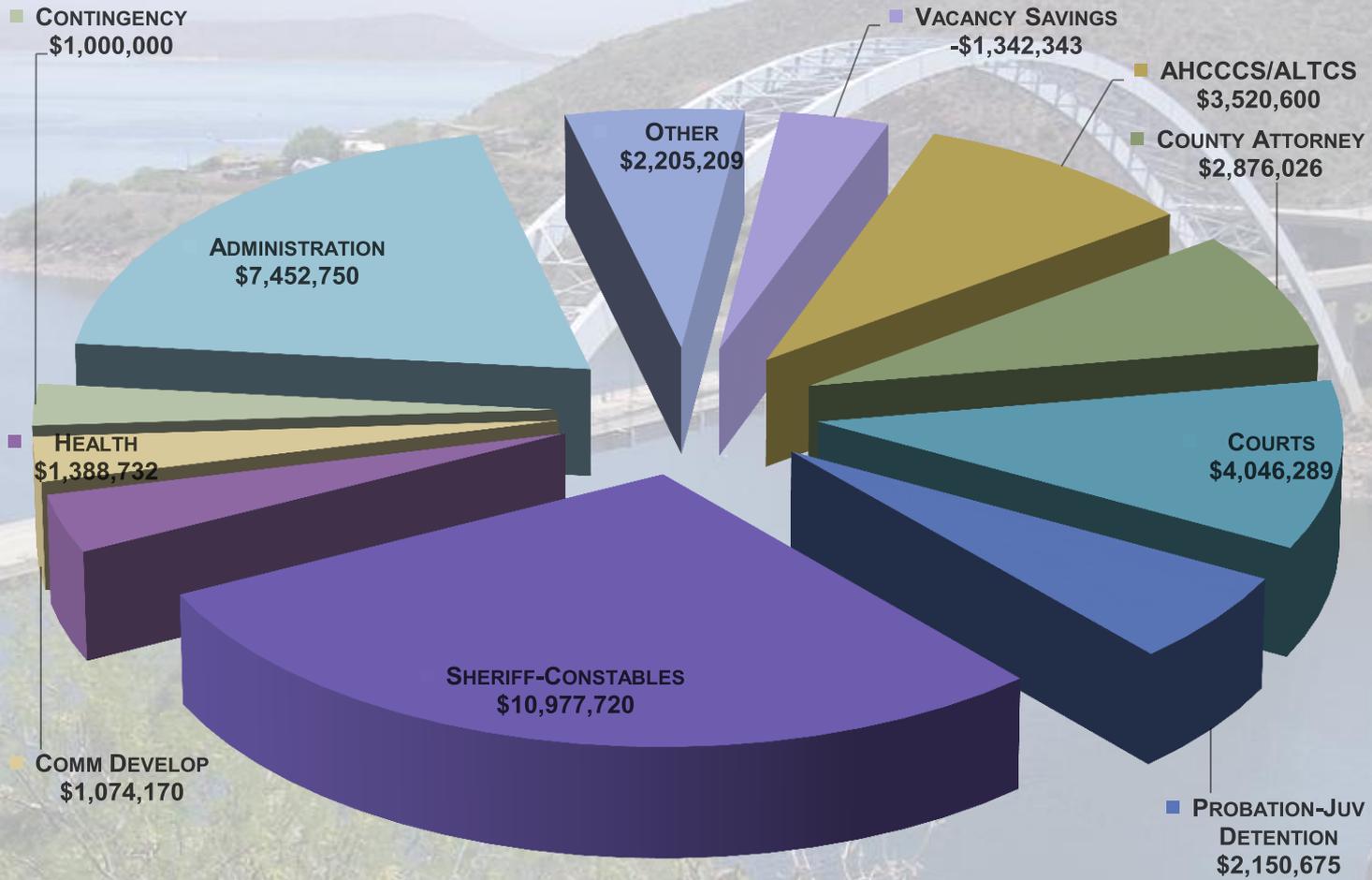
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EXPENDITURES

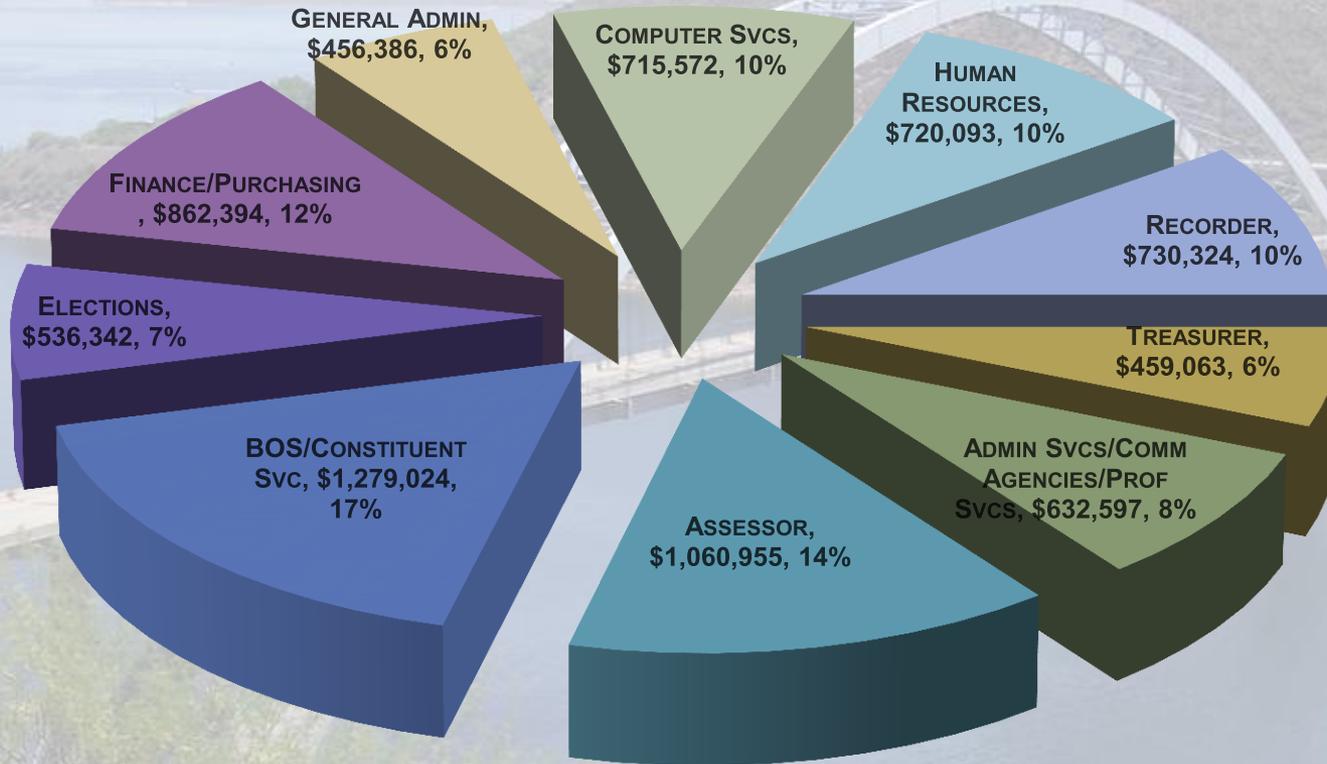
FY 2015 Tentative Budget Expenditures



FY 2015 Tentative Budget General Fund Expenditures



FY 2015 Tentative Budget GF Admin Expenditures



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PERSONNEL / BENEFITS

Benefits and Compensation

- While there was a change in Employee Benefits with a new County Benefit Plan, there was no increased cost to the employee
- County to cover the costs associated with the implementation of the Classification and Compensation Study in FY 2015
- Departments/Offices will need to prepare in FY 2015 to absorb the Classification and Compensation Study costs in FY 2016



A large steel arch bridge spans a wide river. The bridge has a prominent steel arch structure. A road is visible on top of the bridge. In the background, there are hills and a body of water. The text "LOOKING FORWARD" is overlaid on the image in a bold, gold, 3D-style font.

LOOKING FORWARD

Ongoing Risks and Threats

- ½ Cent Road Tax election and subsequent reduction in County revenue
- Continued slow economic recovery
- Assessed property values have yet to stabilize
- Additional legislation that could affect revenue similar to SB1413 did this year
- Increased costs associated with criminal justice activities and Public Safety



Ongoing Risks and Threats

- Cost to implement the Facilities Master Plan
- Attracting and retaining qualified workforce



Conclusion

- Departments/Offices will need to continue with a fiscally prudent and responsible approach to the administration of their respective budgets
- Additional strategic planning and process improvements in FY 2015 will better position Departments/Offices to absorb reductions in FY 2016
- Reductions and vacancy savings factor created a structurally balanced budget. Reserves left in tact.

