

The City of Boston FY2010 adopted operating budget focuses on what constituents value most: investments in youth, strong neighborhoods, and economic stability.

Due to the global financial environment, the FY2010 budget development process was one of the most challenging of the past few decades.

The FY2010 operating budget totals \$2.39 billion, a decrease of \$26.3 million or 1.1% from FY2009. This expectation is drastically different from our experience over the last decade when the City's annual average total recurring revenue growth rate was 3.1%. Most significantly, the City's second largest source of revenue, State Aid from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, will decline by more than \$90 million from FY2009 levels.

The City anticipates that most recurring revenue, other than the Property Tax, will decrease mainly due to the continued economic downturn that is impacting government and private businesses across the country. Appropriations have been reduced substantially as a result of this dismal revenue outlook. Despite these reductions, the FY2010 operating budget was developed to ensure that we are able to sustain essential services and advance critical investments in the City's future.

Please scroll down to see a chart which summarizes the FY2010 adopted operating budget for the City of Boston.

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**BUDGET SUMMARY**

(Dollars in Millions)

	<b>FY07</b>	<b>FY08</b>	<b>FY09</b>	<b>FY10</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Property Tax Levy	1,270.78	1,334.59	1,400.01	1,460.65
Overlay Reserve	(46.60)	(39.13)	(35.43)	(35.63)
Excises	80.17	92.27	91.50	79.88
Fines	67.36	67.72	75.40	77.68
Interest on Investments	43.47	39.51	18.50	12.75
Payments In Lieu of Taxes	32.36	31.42	32.50	34.00
Urban Redevelopment Chapter 121A	63.85	64.54	64.10	65.84
Misc. Department Revenue	53.57	59.54	59.24	57.02
Licenses and Permits	41.43	47.58	40.59	36.07
Penalties & Interest	8.71	8.52	8.52	8.31
Available Funds	3.22	12.14	14.19	17.08
State Aid	483.04	493.33	504.60	410.33
Teachers Pension Reimbursement	93.33	105.42	105.42	118.84
<b>Total Recurring Revenue</b>	<b>2,194.70</b>	<b>2,317.44</b>	<b>2,379.12</b>	<b>2,342.81</b>
Budgetary Fund Balance	7.50	20.00	35.00	45.00
Non-Recurring Revenue	0.00	5.67	6.00	5.98
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,202.20</b>	<b>2,343.11</b>	<b>2,420.12</b>	<b>2,393.79</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
City Departments	936.71	979.01	988.97	962.36
Public Health Commission	63.80	68.19	69.45	70.00
School Department	747.46	795.49	833.30	817.12
Reserve for Collective Bargaining	10.00	11.83	16.86	16.86
Other Postemployment Benefits	0.00	20.00	25.00	20.00
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>1,757.97</b>	<b>1,874.52</b>	<b>1,933.57</b>	<b>1,886.35</b>
Pensions	192.93	202.91	213.23	227.92
Debt Service	109.62	115.92	125.86	131.55
State Assessments	119.85	128.28	143.12	143.63
Suffolk County Sheriff	4.39	4.52	4.34	4.34
Reserve	2.23	1.12	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Fixed Costs</b>	<b>429.02</b>	<b>452.74</b>	<b>486.55</b>	<b>507.44</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>2,186.99</b>	<b>2,327.26</b>	<b>2,420.12</b>	<b>2,393.79</b>
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>15.21</b>	<b>15.85</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

Numbers may not add due to rounding