

Fire/EMS Department

AGENCY OVERVIEW

Agency Description

The Fire/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Department is responsible for fire suppression, emergency medical services, fire prevention, research and training and the coordination of the volunteer fire companies. The Fire/EMS Department was established by Section 13 of the Schedule of Legislation for the Prince George's County Charter. The Fire Chief is responsible for its operation.

The Fire/EMS Department consists of a combination of sworn and civilian staff, in addition to more than 1,200 active volunteers, united under the operational authority of the County Fire Chief. Together these two labor forces combine to operate 45 fire and EMS stations, as well as several Fire/EMS Department support facilities that are located throughout the County. Each volunteer fire/rescue corporation operates at least one station. The Fire/EMS Department is organized into four operational commands: Emergency Services, Administrative Services, Support Services and Volunteer Services.

Facilities

The Fire/EMS Department's headquarters is located at the Largo Government Center (LGC) in Largo, Maryland. Staff are also located at several other County locations, including buildings in Forestville, Largo and Landover Hills. Training personnel are located at the Fire/EMS Training Academy in Cheltenham, although training classes are provided at various locations throughout the County. Currently, the Fire/EMS Training Academy is utilizing an administration building with classrooms for adjunct instructors to provide course curriculum for staff training. The department operates 45 fire and EMS stations throughout the County.

Needs Assessment

The Office of Central Services – Facilities Operation and Management (FOM) Division has provided a complete assessment of the mechanical systems and the condition of the roofs of all stations. Based on that assessment, the replacement of these mechanical systems has been prioritized, and the most critical are included in the Fire

Station Renovations project. Also, based on the roof assessment and a review of the existing roof warranties, a roof replacement schedule has been developed which will enable replacements to eventually become proactive, as opposed to reactive, to water infiltration and damage. Funding for these improvements are included in the Fire Station Roof Renovations project.

Beginning in FY 2026, the Office of Central Services will manage CIP projects for major renovation, replacement or new construction of stations. These projects were previously managed internally by the Fire/EMS Department. This change is a continuation of the effort to centralize CIP project management.

FY 2026 Funding Sources

- General Obligation Bonds – 10.1%
- Federal Aid – 35.8%
- Other – 54.1%

FY 2026-2031 Program Highlights

- Fire station renovations will continue with the construction and replacement of mechanical, electrical, plumbing and other systems at various stations based on the findings of the needs assessment.
- Fire station roof renovations will continue in FY 2026 for various stations based on the needs assessment findings.
- Hyattsville Fire/EMS Station #801 – The renovation project is expected to be completed in FY 2026.
- Water Storage Tanks – In FY 2026, four additional tanks will be installed in the southern portion of the County.

New Projects

None

Deleted Projects

CIP ID # / PROJECT NAME / REASON

3.51.0021 / Public Safety Pier /Project completed

Revised Projects

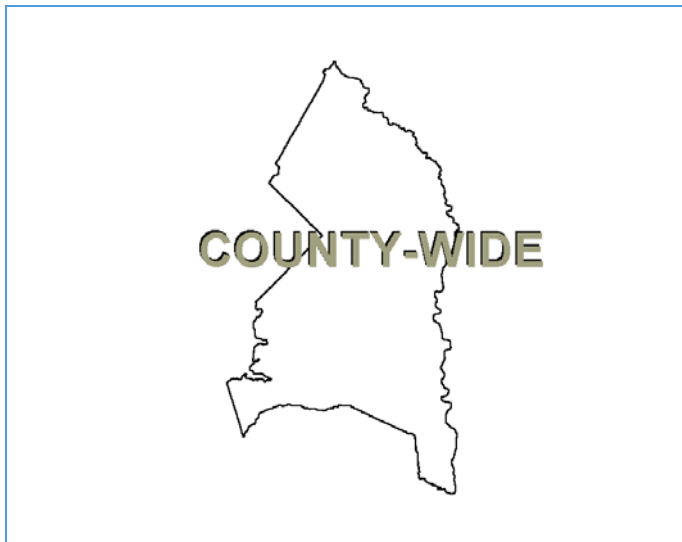
Project Name	Alternate Funding Source Required	Revisions			
		Total Project Cost Increase	Total Project Cost Decrease	Project Schedule Delayed	Project Schedule Accelerated
Fire Station Renovations		X			
Fire Station Roof Renovations		X			
Hyattsville Fire/EMS Station #801				X	
Water Storage Tanks		X			

Program Summary

Category/Description	Total Project Cost	Life to Date Actual	FY 2025 Estimate	Total 6 Years	Budget Year FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Beyond 6 Years
EXPENDITURE											
PLANS	\$970	\$442	\$528	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
LAND	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTR	80,065	31,193	16,436	32,436	7,426	4,765	4,765	4,865	4,865	5,750	—
EQUIP	2,820	2,394	426	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	15,470	15,101	369	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$99,325	\$49,130	\$17,759	\$32,436	\$7,426	\$4,765	\$4,765	\$4,865	\$4,865	\$5,750	\$—
FUNDING											
GO BONDS	\$76,870	\$43,224	\$7,886	\$25,760	\$750	\$4,765	\$4,765	\$4,865	\$4,865	\$5,750	\$—
FEDERAL	2,661	—	—	2,661	2,661	—	—	—	—	—	—
DEV	25	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	19,769	15,754	—	4,015	4,015	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$99,325	\$59,003	\$7,886	\$32,436	\$7,426	\$4,765	\$4,765	\$4,865	\$4,865	\$5,750	\$—
OPERATING IMPACT											
PERSONNEL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	
OPERATING				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
DEBT				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
OTHER				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
TOTAL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	

Project Listing

CIP ID#	Project Name	Address	Planning Area	Council District	Project Class	Total Project Cost (000)	Completion Date
4.51.0008	Fire Station Renovations	Countywide	Not Assigned	Countywide	Rehabilitation	\$69,006	Ongoing
4.51.0007	Fire Station Roof Renovations	Countywide	Not Assigned	Countywide	Rehabilitation	13,249	Ongoing
3.51.0001	Hyattsville Fire/EMS Station #801	6200 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville	Hyattsville and Vicinity	Two	Rehabilitation	10,513	FY 2026
3.51.0029	Water Storage Tanks	Countywide	Not Assigned	Countywide	New Construction	6,557	Ongoing
Program Total						\$99,325	
NUMBER OF PROJECTS = 4							



Description: This project provides funding for designing and replacing electrical, mechanical, structural and plumbing systems at several fire/EMS stations throughout the County. The 45 stations vary in age and require ongoing maintenance in order to provide continued service to communities.

Justification: Based on a consultant's study and an assessment provided by the Office of Central Services, several fire/EMS stations have electrical, mechanical, structural and plumbing systems which no longer meet building code requirements and are subject to failure at any time. Many of these systems require a redesign prior to replacement in order to ensure continued service. Some structural deficiencies were noted that are in need of redesign but are not of the magnitude to warrant a separate project to accomplish these tasks.

Highlights: In FY 2026, renovations will continue at various facilities based on the findings of the needs assessment. 'Other' funding in FY 2026 is public safety surcharge revenue. The remaining \$425,000 in appropriation from the Public Safety Pier (3.51.0021) project was moved to this project.

Location		Status	
Address	Countywide	Project Status	Under Construction
Council District	Countywide	Class	Rehabilitation
Planning Area	Not Assigned	Land Status	No Land Involved

PROJECT MILESTONES

	Estimate	Actual
1 st Year in Capital Program		FY 2001
1 st Year in Capital Budget		FY 2001
Completed Design		Ongoing
Began Construction		Ongoing
Project Completion		Ongoing

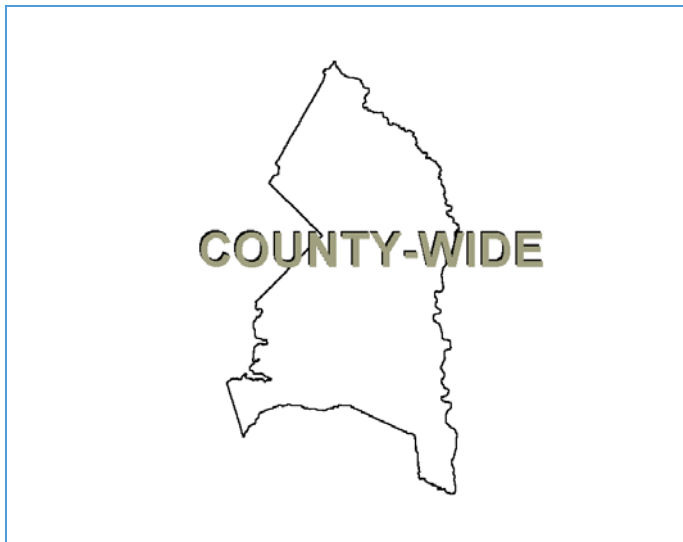
Enabling Legislation: CB-43-2024

CUMULATIVE APPROPRIATION (000'S)

Life to Date	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2026	Total
\$37,882	\$5,849	\$4,015	\$47,746

Project Summary

Category/Description	Total Project Cost	Life to Date Actual	FY 2025 Estimate	Total 6 Years	Budget Year FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Beyond 6 Years
EXPENDITURE											
PLANS	\$175	\$175	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
LAND	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTR	57,120	25,996	5,849	25,275	4,015	4,015	4,015	4,115	4,115	5,000	—
EQUIP	1,916	1,916	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	9,795	9,795	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$69,006	\$37,882	\$5,849	\$25,275	\$4,015	\$4,015	\$4,015	\$4,115	\$4,115	\$5,000	\$—
FUNDING											
GO BONDS	\$53,202	\$30,870	\$1,072	\$21,260	\$—	\$4,015	\$4,015	\$4,115	\$4,115	\$5,000	\$—
DEV	25	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	15,779	11,764	—	4,015	4,015	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$69,006	\$42,659	\$1,072	\$25,275	\$4,015	\$4,015	\$4,015	\$4,115	\$4,115	\$5,000	\$—
OPERATING IMPACT											
PERSONNEL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	
OPERATING				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
DEBT				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
OTHER				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
TOTAL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	



Description: This project provides funding for designing and constructing replacement roofs on several fire stations.

Justification: Several fire stations have aged roofs that are leaking and causing structural weakening. These roofs require periodic replacement and, in many cases, are in need of redesign to ensure a longer lifespan of the structure. The Office of Central Services conducted a complete assessment of the existing roofs and their respective warranties. Based on that assessment, a roof replacement schedule was developed which prioritizes roof replacements for all fire/EMS stations. This scheduled plan will eventually allow for the replacement of a roof before it begins to leak.

Highlights: In FY 2026, roofs will be replaced at various fire stations based on the needs assessment.

Enabling Legislation: CB-32-2018

Location		Status	
Address	Countywide	Project Status	Under Construction
Council District	Countywide	Class	Rehabilitation
Planning Area	Not Assigned	Land Status	No Land Involved

PROJECT MILESTONES

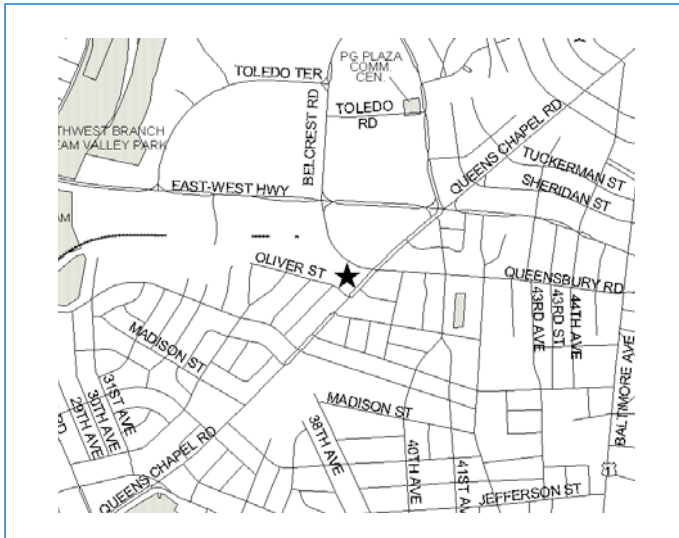
	Estimate	Actual
1 st Year in Capital Program		FY 1998
1 st Year in Capital Budget		FY 1999
Completed Design		Ongoing
Began Construction		Ongoing
Project Completion		Ongoing

CUMULATIVE APPROPRIATION (000'S)

Life to Date	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2026	Total
\$7,997	\$752	\$750	\$9,499

Project Summary

Category/Description	Total Project Cost	Life to Date Actual	FY 2025 Estimate	Total 6 Years	Budget Year FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Beyond 6 Years
EXPENDITURE											
PLANS	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
LAND	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTR	8,548	3,296	752	4,500	750	750	750	750	750	750	—
EQUIP	52	52	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	4,649	4,649	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$13,249	\$7,997	\$752	\$4,500	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$—
FUNDING											
GO BONDS	\$13,249	\$8,112	\$637	\$4,500	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$—
TOTAL	\$13,249	\$8,112	\$637	\$4,500	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$—
OPERATING IMPACT											
PERSONNEL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	
OPERATING				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
DEBT				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
OTHER				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
TOTAL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	



Description: This project consists of a complete renovation for the existing station.

Justification: This project will replace major system components including mechanical, electrical, plumbing, life safety and the alerting system.

Highlights: The renovation is expected to be completed in FY 2026. Cumulative appropriation will support the renovation work in FY 2026.

Enabling Legislation: CB-45-2020

Location		Status	
Address	6200 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville	Project Status	Design Stage
Council District	Two	Class	Rehabilitation
Planning Area	Hyattsville and Vicinity	Land Status	No Land Involved

PROJECT MILESTONES

	Estimate	Actual
1 st Year in Capital Program		FY 2000
1 st Year in Capital Budget		FY 2004
Completed Design		FY 2025
Began Construction	FY 2025	
Project Completion	FY 2026	

CUMULATIVE APPROPRIATION (000'S)

Life to Date	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2026	Total
\$2,541	\$7,972	\$0	\$10,513

Project Summary

Category/Description	Total Project Cost	Life to Date Actual	FY 2025 Estimate	Total 6 Years	Budget Year FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Beyond 6 Years
EXPENDITURE											
PLANS	\$466	\$233	\$233	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
LAND	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTR	8,457	1,513	6,944	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
EQUIP	852	426	426	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	738	369	369	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$10,513	\$2,541	\$7,972	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
FUNDING											
GO BONDS	\$8,643	\$2,844	\$5,799	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
OTHER	1,870	1,870	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$10,513	\$4,714	\$5,799	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
OPERATING IMPACT											
PERSONNEL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
OPERATING				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
DEBT				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—



Description: This project provides funding for installing 30,000 gallon underground storage tanks and the installation of dry fire hydrants in rural areas not served by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission or other municipal water supply systems.

Justification: Many areas of the County do not have an adequate firefighting water supply. The installation of the tanks and dry hydrants will improve fire suppression services to those areas and will assist in lowering insurance rates for property owners of the area.

Highlights: In FY 2026, four additional tanks will be installed in the southern portion of the County. Federal funding in FY 2026 comes from congressionally directed spending for this work as part of the federal FY 2022 and FY 2023 spending bills.

Enabling Legislation: CB-44-2016

Location		Status	
Address	Countywide	Project Status	Under Construction
Council District	Countywide	Class	New Construction
Planning Area	Not Assigned	Land Status	Under Negotiation

PROJECT MILESTONES

	Estimate	Actual
1 st Year in Capital Program		FY 2005
1 st Year in Capital Budget		FY 2008
Completed Design		Ongoing
Began Construction		Ongoing
Project Completion		Ongoing

CUMULATIVE APPROPRIATION (000'S)

Life to Date	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2026	Total
\$710	\$3,186	\$2,661	\$6,557

Project Summary

Category/Description	Total Project Cost	Life to Date Actual	FY 2025 Estimate	Total 6 Years	Budget Year FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Beyond 6 Years
EXPENDITURE											
PLANS	\$329	\$34	\$295	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
LAND	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CONSTR	5,940	388	2,891	2,661	2,661	—	—	—	—	—	—
EQUIP	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	288	288	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$6,557	\$710	\$3,186	\$2,661	\$2,661	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
FUNDING											
GO BONDS	\$1,776	\$1,398	\$378	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
FEDERAL	2,661	—	—	2,661	2,661	—	—	—	—	—	—
OTHER	2,120	2,120	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$6,557	\$3,518	\$378	\$2,661	\$2,661	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
OPERATING IMPACT											
PERSONNEL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	
OPERATING				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
DEBT				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
OTHER				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
TOTAL				\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	