

CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2008/09 BUDGET

AGENCY 12 BUDGET DEPARTMENT

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Budget Department will help support the Mayor's vision to transform the government of the City of Detroit to the Next Detroit by applying the guiding principles of the Next Detroit, which means structural balancing by bringing costs in line with revenue, while improving services.

The Budget Department analyzes and monitors all necessary financial planning information and makes recommendations so that the City Administration can efficiently deliver quality services to improve public safety, accelerate economic development and maintain structural balance of City finances by bringing costs in line with revenue.

The Budget Department compiles and monitors all necessary financial planning information and makes recommendations so that the City Administration can efficiently deliver quality services to improve public safety, accelerate economic development and improve the financial health of the City.

DESCRIPTION

The Budget Department is primarily responsible for the preparation of the annual operating and capital improvement budgets and the biennial five-year capital agenda. Critical functions are monitoring City revenues and expenditures throughout the fiscal year, and relating financial activity to the plan expressed by the budget and to the long-term strategic direction set for the City. Development, implementation, and coordination of management information systems are essential to all aspects of financial planning and control. Budget Department staff coordinates city employee travel, process telecommunication payments, and perform management audits of City operations as staffing levels permit.

GOALS

1. Develop quality Departmental and Citywide financial plans.
2. Monitor conformity of Departmental activities with financial and operations plan.
3. Assist in the ongoing formulation of the Administration's priorities through systematic communication of quality fiscal analyses.
4. Provide efficient quality and user-friendly services to departments and key stakeholders of the City.

DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	GENERAL <u>FUND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EXPENDITURES	\$2,850,987	\$2,850,987
REVENUES	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NET TAX COST	\$2,850,987	\$2,850,987
POSITIONS	24	24