



Office of Sustainability FY 2027 Approved Budget

Presented to the Board of
County Commissioners

Multnomah County
May 14, 2026

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Office of Sustainability - Mission & Vision

The Office of Sustainability works to create a just, equitable, livable, resilient, and low carbon community by centering the priorities of frontline communities and advancing sustainability efforts within the County, region, and state.



Collaborate with
community
partners



Lead and support
sustainability
efforts



Work with
County
leadership

Budget Approach

- We prioritized actions that directly support the most vulnerable community members.
- Equity is core to the Office of Sustainability, reflected in deep collaboration with community based organizations and focus on climate justice.
- The FY 2027 budget includes a 0.25 FTE increase to current service level budget.



Energy Justice

- **Doubled funding** for utility bill assistance grants for Pacific Power and PGE customers, including a ~**\$5.3 million increase for Multnomah County**.
- Secured stronger **protections for customers at risk of disconnection** including during extreme weather; debt programs for households with very low incomes; eliminating rate increases during winter; and temporary protection during the Federal shutdown and immigration crackdown.



Food, Community, Innovation

- Secured **\$1 million** OR Dept. of Energy Grant for Community Solar Project at the CROPS Farm
- Celebrated with Feed'em Freedom the reopening of the CROPS farm with improved infrastructure & new community partnerships.

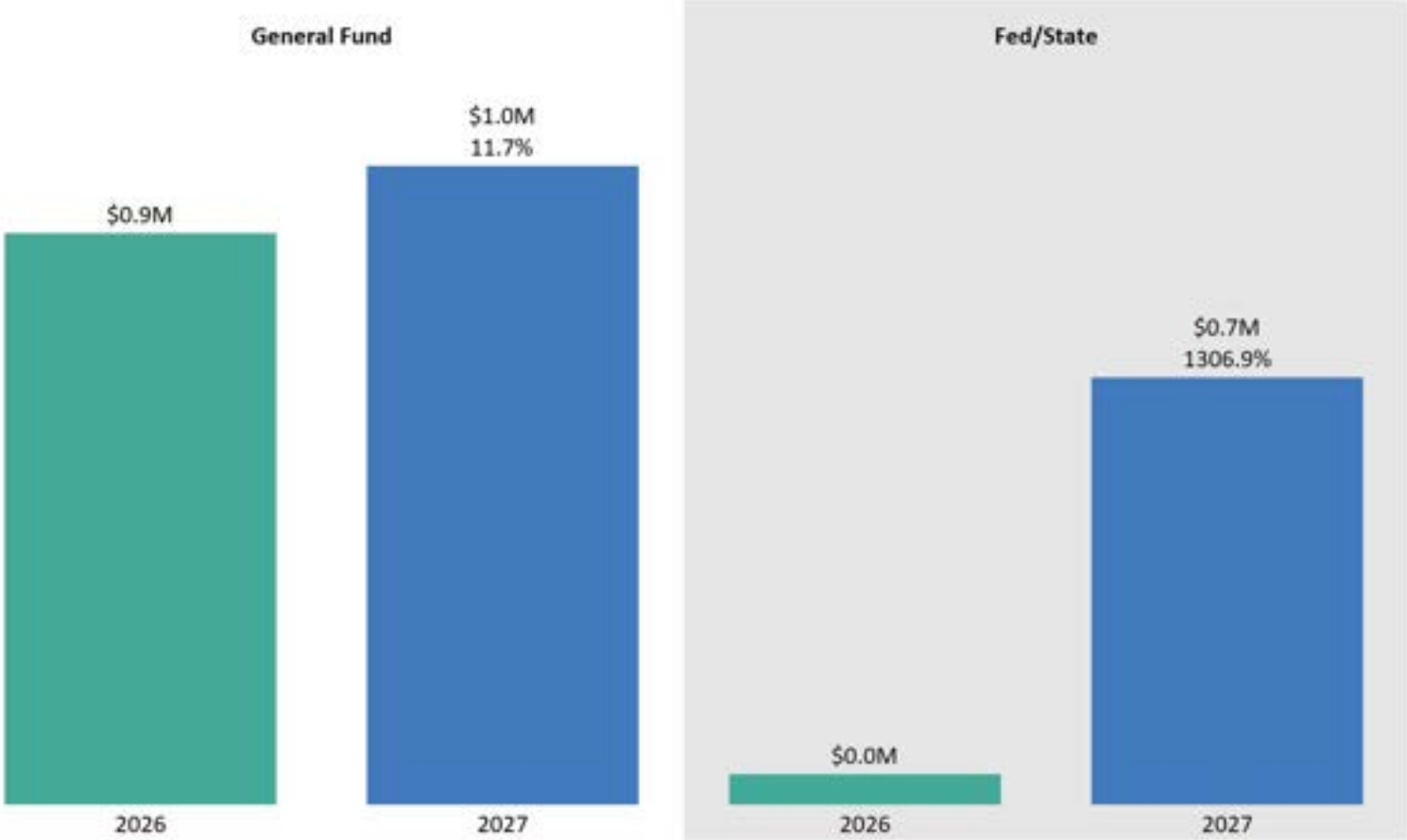


Community Engagement & Partnership

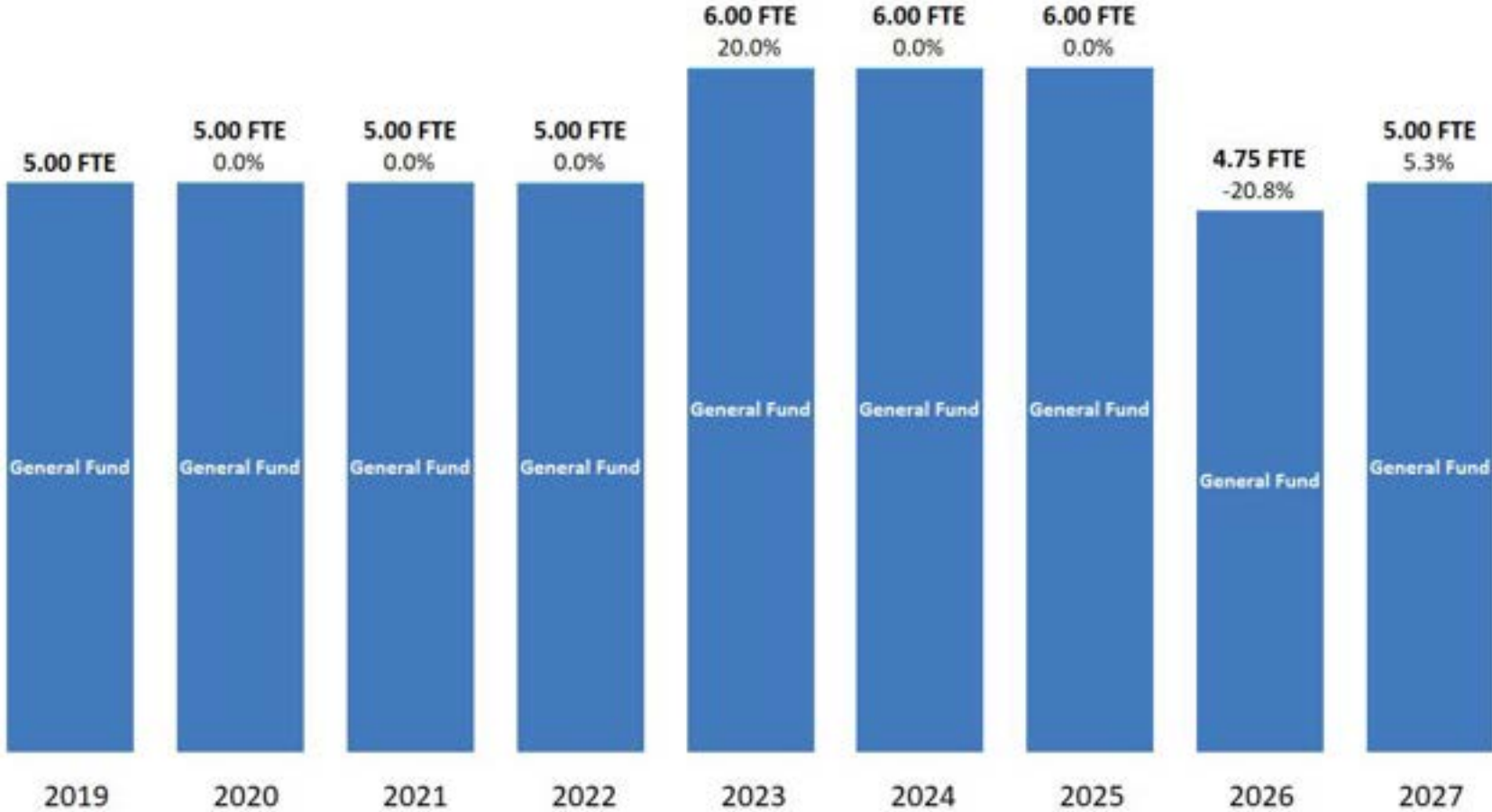
- Hosted **12** community forums, **16** outreach events and engaged **550** people on the draft Climate Justice Plan.
- Convened partners to discuss approaches for addressing harmful algal blooms on the lower Willamette River
- Promoted energy assistance programs through CBO networks, and ongoing partnerships.



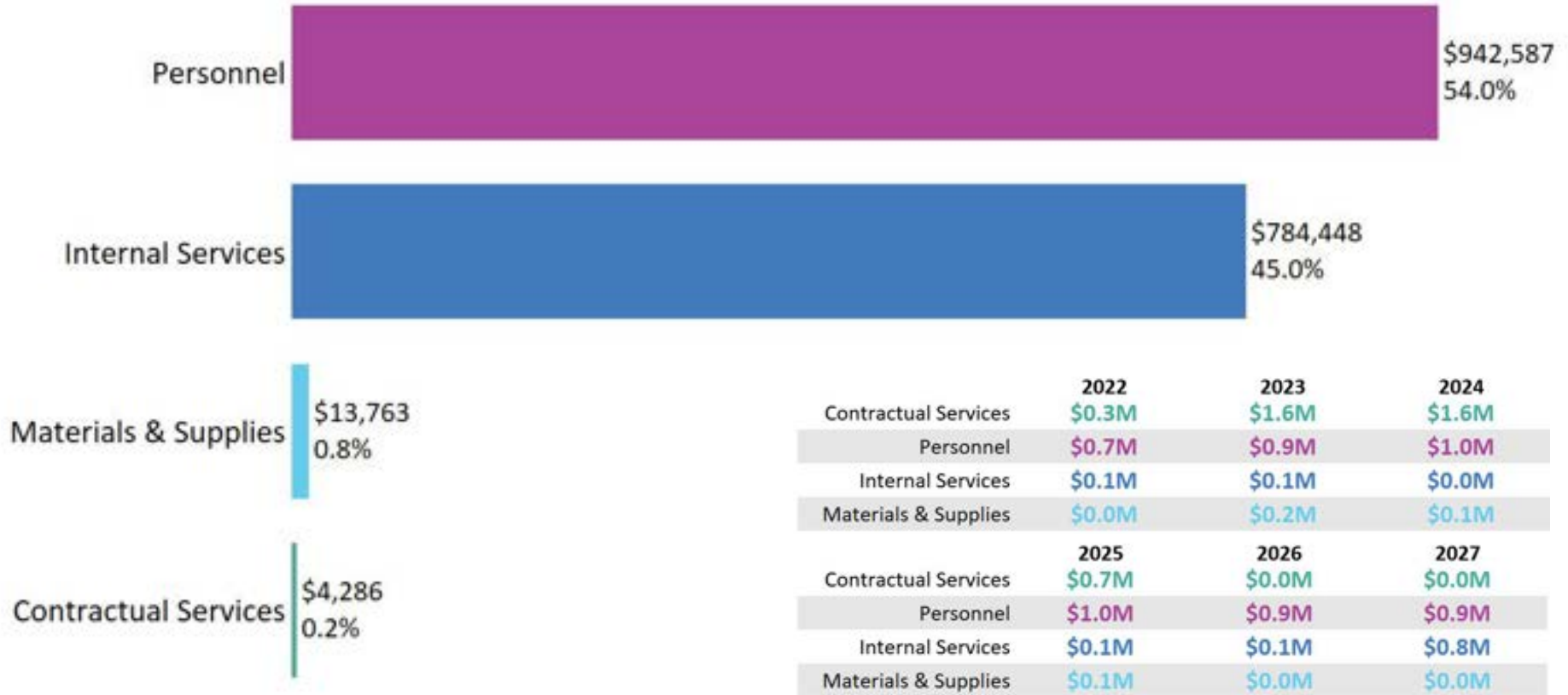
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FTE Trend FY 2019-2027



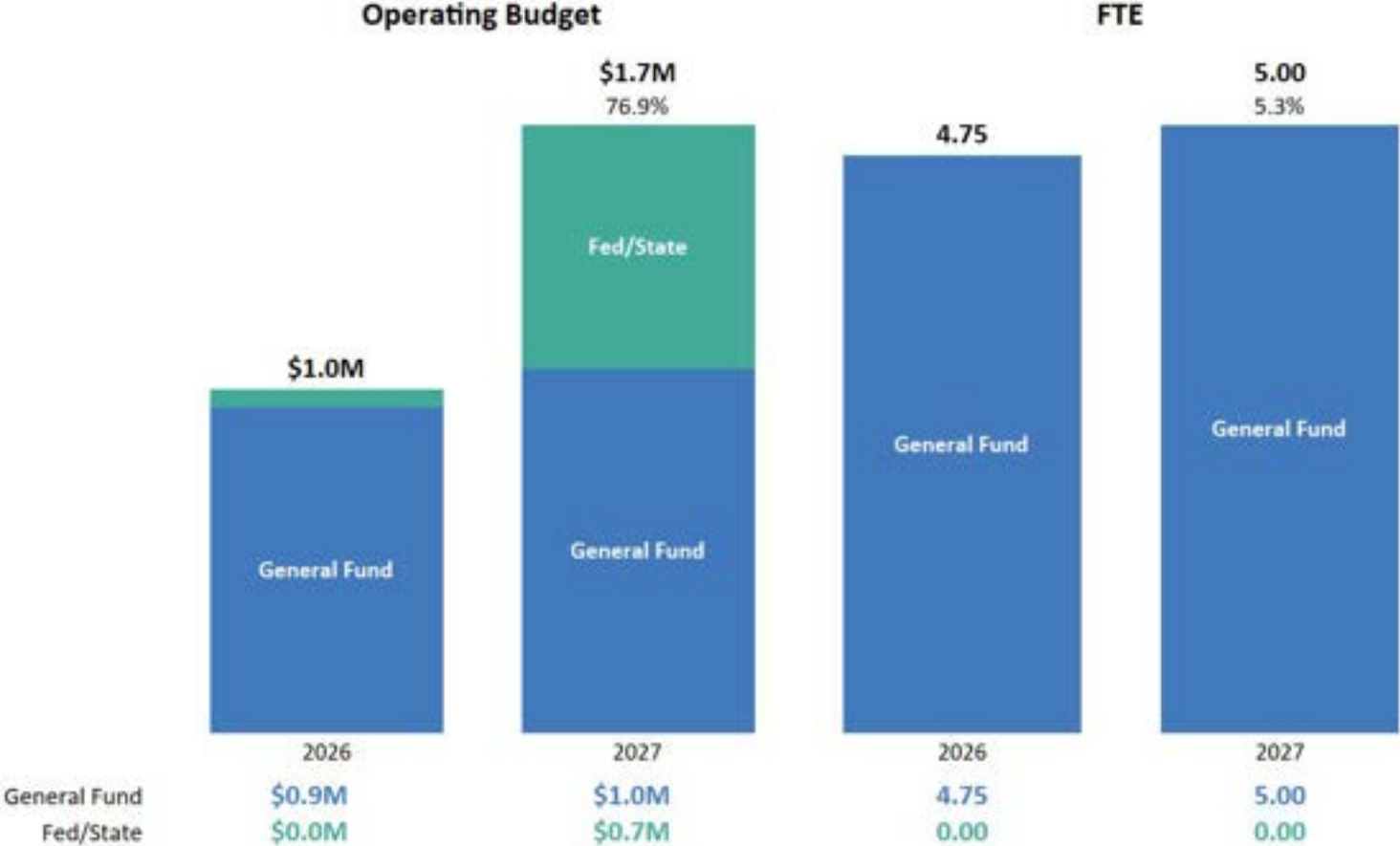
Operating Budget by Category - \$1,745,084



	2022	2023	2024
Contractual Services	\$0.3M	\$1.6M	\$1.6M
Personnel	\$0.7M	\$0.9M	\$1.0M
Internal Services	\$0.1M	\$0.1M	\$0.0M
Materials & Supplies	\$0.0M	\$0.2M	\$0.1M

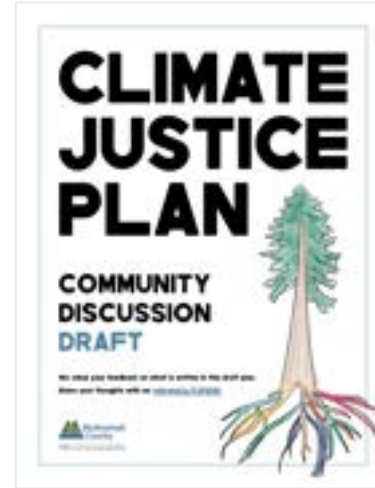
	2025	2026	2027
Contractual Services	\$0.7M	\$0.0M	\$0.0M
Personnel	\$1.0M	\$0.9M	\$0.9M
Internal Services	\$0.1M	\$0.1M	\$0.8M
Materials & Supplies	\$0.1M	\$0.0M	\$0.0M

Operating Budget & FTE

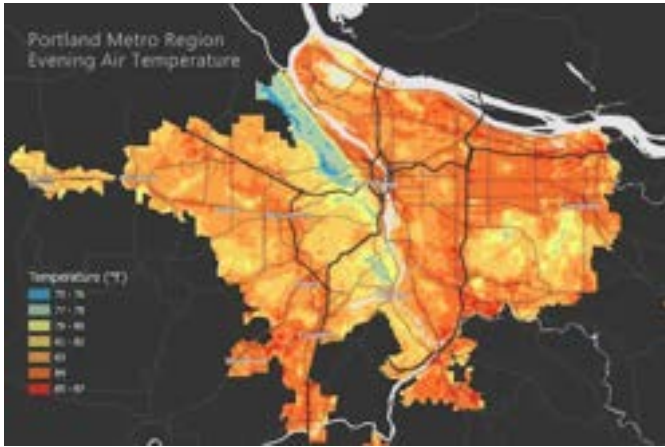


How the Budget Delivers

- Begin implementation of the Climate Justice Plan.
- Begin construction of CROPS community solar project.
- Expand outreach and engagement with staff; focus on waste diversion & recycling; energy conservation.
- Implement new fleet & building decarbonization strategies.
- Continue engaged on energy transition, focused on rates.



Challenges and Responses



- Increasing impacts of climate induced extreme weather, with anticipated extreme summer temperatures and fire danger.
- Increasing residential energy rates and rising levels of utility disconnections.
- Budget pressure from increasing cost of liquid fuels and rising utility rates.

New, OTO, & Backfill

PO #	Program Offer Name	General Fund	GF Backfill	Total	FTE	OTO	New
10018	Office of Sustainability	29,700	0	29,700	0.25		X
	Total	29,700	0	0	0.25		

Questions?





Appendices

The following slides
are provided for
reference.

Organizational Chart



Silvia Tanner

Senior Policy &
Legal Analyst



John Wasiutynski

Director



Tim Lynch

Senior Policy
Analyst



Monique Smiley

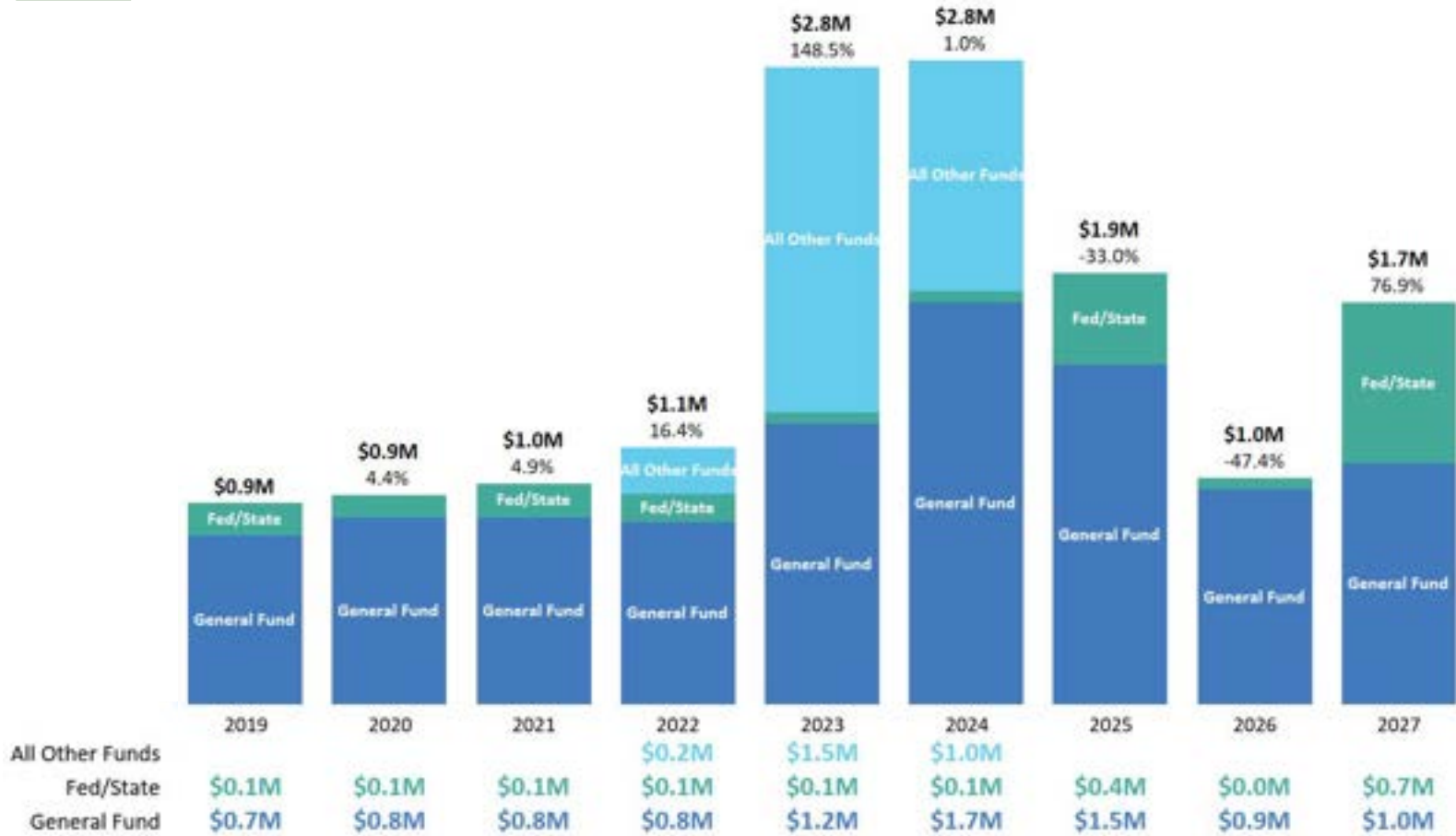
Sustainability
Engagement Specialist



Jillian Hughes

Communications
Coordinator

Significant Operating Funds FY 2019-2027



FTE Overview

FTE by Bargaining Unit

Type	Bargaining Unit	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Approved	+/-	% Change
Nonrep	94 - Elected Officials, Staff Asst.	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.0%
Rep	88 - AFSCME Local 88	3.75	4.00	0.25	6.7%
Total		4.75	5.00	0.25	5.3%

FTE by Fund

Fund Name	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Approved	+/-	% Change
General Fund	4.75	5.00	0.25	5.3%
Total	4.75	5.00	0.25	5.3%

FY 2027 Budgeted Vacancies - FTE & Total Personnel Cost

No vacancies