



FISCAL YEAR 2026

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

VOTER INFORMATION PACKET

PLACE: CHESHIRE COMMUNITY HOUSE, CAFETERIA  
191 Church Street

Date: Monday, June 9, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Town of Cheshire Registered Voters,

The proposed Annual Town Meeting budget consists of probable expenditures and an estimate of income from all sources of revenue for Fiscal Year 2026. Please remember that the budget is based on estimated revenues, as the Governor's Budget will not be adopted until July. Our budget process begins in December, like last year, our goal was to provide as close to the same level of funding as possible. Where increases were proposed, they were reviewed to ensure that the increase provides value to the community. Some cost increases are out of the Town's control such as contracts, insurance, and technology costs. The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to support all the FY26 warrant articles, individual members recused themselves from discussions related to family member salaries throughout the budget process.

In this packet you will find a copy of the FY26 Annual Town Meeting warrant, School Districts' Operating Budgets, Fire Station Assessment Reports, Free Cash and Stabilization Use Information, and the Semi to Quarterly Tax Study Report.

For decades the Town has been utilizing Free Cash and sometimes Stabilization Funds (amount of unrestricted funds, at the end of a fiscal year) to stay under the 2 ½ levy constraints. The current certified Free Cash is \$713,353.

The Town currently maintains three Stabilization Funds, which are funds established to set money aside to be used for emergencies, unforeseen expenses, or any lawful municipal purpose. Our three Stabilization Accounts are:

- **General Stabilization**-current balance of **\$438,346.98**
- **Capital Stabilization Account** – current balance of **\$283,306.65**
- **Radio Communications Stabilization Account** – current balance of **\$39,149.05**

This year, the Board is requesting the adoption of an Assessors' Stabilization Account to be used for revaluation expenses. There are revaluation increases for contracted services every five years; by creating this stabilization (savings) account, the town will defray the large impact in FY2030 (next revaluation).

### **Salary Adjustments**

The Town was awarded a grant and completed a classification and compensation study in FY24. The report showed many Town positions are paid under the market rate. In this budget, employees received a 2% COLA increase. Some positions also received a dollar increment raise to bring the position closer to the market rate. Below are the positions that the study indicated were below market rate. Alongside each position the FY26 increases are listed along with the amount that each position is still under the market average after the FY26 increases. The intent is to continue to bring salaries within the market rate to retain and attract qualified employees.

- Town Clerk – Increases from 20 to 24 hours per week, 2% Increase plus \$.75 ph. **(\$2.04)**
- Police Chief – 2% Increase plus \$.50 ph. **(\$3.74)**
- Police Officers – 2% Increase plus \$.50 ph. **(\$.87)**
- Part Time Police Officers- 2% Increase plus \$1 ph. **(\$6.81)**
- Senior Center Meals Coordinator- 2% Increase plus \$1 ph. **(\$3.93)**

- Transfer Station Attendants- 2% Increase plus \$1 ph. (\$1.50)
- Highway Equipment Operators – 2% Increase plus \$.50 (\$2.59)
- DPW Director – Contractual Increase based on completion of three DPW Certification Classes. As of 5/16/25, the completion of three classes has brought the end of the year salary to \$82,958. There was no COLA increase to this position.

The Board of Selectmen has placed a warrant article to separate the Treasurer/Collector position, this passed at the last year Annual Town Meeting however failed at the Special Election. The budget numbers reflected in this budget are for both a Part Time Treasurer and Collector.

#### Budget Snapshot

Total Budget (includes proposed state/county cherry sheet charges and overlay)	\$8,113,955
Total Estimated Receipts (includes proposed cheery sheet receipts and local receipts)	\$3,072,218
Total Tax Levy (total to be raised by taxation)	\$5,160,168

#### Average Single Family Tax Bill

FY25 Tax Rate	\$11.13
FY25 Single Family Home Value	\$311,943
FY25 Single Family Home Tax Bill	\$3,471.93

FY26 Estimated Tax Rate ***** Estimated ONLY*****	\$11.48
FY26 Estimated Single Family Home Tax Bill ***** Estimated Only*****	\$3,581.10

With limited growth of the town's tax base and undetermined local aid, it is difficult to budget and present accurate tax impacts to residents. The local aide figures used in this budget are from the proposed House of Representatives budget, the final figures will be set in early fall prior to setting the tax rate.

#### Notable Impacts to The Budget

- Health Insurance Costs have gone up 13.6% and Dental 16%
- Water Department Indirect Costs- Throughout the budget Indirect Costs (what is costs the Town to support the Water Department Enterprise Fund) are calculated. These costs include direct costs for Water Department Employee/Retiree Health Insurance, OPEB funding, Retirement, and a percentage of salaries for supporting positions such as Collector, Treasurer, Accounting, DPW, Executive Assistant. The Town will now pay for water usage budgeted at \$59,000 per year and the Water Department Enterprise Fund will pay the General Fund budget \$64,095.
- As of July 1, 2025, the Board of Health members are required to be certified through a State three -tiered process to complete septic inspections. The Town contracted with the Berkshire Health Alliance in FY25 to complete all housing, food, tobacco permits, and inspections. The cost to provide the program through the Berkshire Health Alliance will be offset mainly with the revolving account however an additional \$3,000 has been budgeted for the addition of septic inspections. Due to the changes in responsibility and significant reduction in workload, the stipend for two

Board of Health members has been reduced. The Berkshire Health Alliance will also be handling all Animal Inspector duties, and those lines have been eliminated to offset the cost associated with the change.

- Executive Assistant Position – Currently, the Executive Assistant works nineteen hours per week. Traditionally, the various boards and committees within the Town had individual people assist them with clerical tasks. Previously, those separate positions were combined to create the Executive Assistant position which currently supports the Board of Health, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Conservation Commission with a wide variety of complex administrative tasks. These tasks include developing meeting agendas, taking minutes, coordinating and sending abutter notifications, creation of fee schedules, posting legal notices, writing language for permitting documents, , and scheduling and attending site visits and meetings. The Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen are requesting an additional twenty-one hours per week, making this a forty-hour per week position. The request for the extra hours is to better align with the workload associated with the current board and committee tasks. It is also to provide time to complete additional tasks to include accounts payable, additional board and committee work, water billing (which will be removed from the collector position), permitting, business licenses, website and social media work to improve communication to the public, and Board of Selectmen minutes. The additional hours will allow the Town Administrator to significantly reduce the hours spent on time-consuming, less complex tasks such as board minutes, and increase the time used to handle higher-level administrative tasks such as grant writing, further increasing the opportunity to bring outside funding into the Town. There is no impact to the Health Insurance line for this position in Fiscal Year 2026.
- Transfer Station Enterprise Fund- The Transfer Station has seen vast improvements in the last year with cost-saving practices put into place including the metal can hopper, paper compactor and composting. The Town has diverted more than 8,000 pounds (4 tons) of food waste since starting the program in May 2025. Due to the changes and hard work of the Transfer Station attendants the amount of General Funds needed to operate the Transfer Station went from \$60,480 to \$37,104, a decrease of 38%. User fees will remain the same for Fiscal Year 2026.

### **Free Cash Projects**

Community House Heating Engineering- The Community House heating system is in serious disrepair, as the pipes in the tunnels are old and leaking. The Community House is home to the Town Offices and the Youth Center, Inc. The estimated cost for engineering to determine the best heating solution moving forward is \$50,000.

Public Safety Complex OPM Services- The Public Safety Complex committee has been meeting for more than a year and has determined that the best and most cost-conscious location for a Public Safety Complex is the grounds of the Community House. An Assessment was completed by EDM in August 2022 with an updated cost proposal in April 2025. The total cost to repair the Fire Station is \$1,590,165. This does not take into account the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and Department of Labor Standards required upgrades. The next step in the process to determine the appropriate path to move

forward is to procure an Owner's Project Manager (OPM), which is a professional who oversees and manages the planning, design, and construction phases of a project on behalf of the Town. The estimated cost to obtain an OPM is \$60,000- \$85,000. Funds previously allocated to the Fire Station will be used to offset the total cost.

**Firewall Licenses-** The Town Technology Infrastructure requires an update of all Firewall Licenses at a cost of \$6,000.

#### **Other Warrant Articles**

**Local Option – Meals Tax-** A local option meals tax on sales of meals sold by establishments within the Town. In Massachusetts the state mandates a 6.25% rate on restaurant meals, the Local Option – Meals tax is .75% bringing the sales tax on meals to 7%. This is not an additional tax on the establishment itself, it is a tax to the patron. The Department of Revenue will collect the additional tax at the same time as it collects the state tax on the sale of the meals.

**Water Asset Management Plan-** A requirement of Massachusetts DEP, the Water Asset Management Plan is a full asset inventory of the Town water system. A grant was received in the amount of \$66,312 with \$22,104 being appropriated in Water Department Retained earnings and \$22,104 for In Kind Services, the total project cost is \$110,520.

**Water Department Water Meter Upgrades-** A Community Compact IT grant in the amount of \$78,027 was received to upgrade the water meters . This will allow the water operator to "drive-by" obtaining the necessary data instead of approaching each home/business individually. The Water Department expense to obtain software upgrade is \$20,143 which will be funded with retained earnings.

**Police Cruiser Debt Exclusion -** Last year the Town meeting approved the purchase of a cruiser, however it failed at the special election. The oldest vehicle in the fleet is a 2017 Ford Interceptor which will be replaced with a 2025 Ford Interceptor. With a well-managed budget and the Police Department Revolving account that has accumulated \$11,923 to offset the cost of the cruiser to \$67,150.

The 2017 cruiser will be retained and added to the fleet as a third cruiser. Over the past year we have seen a steady increase in requests to provide a cruiser on details. This request is to increase the safety of the jobsite and provide a visual aspect to the work area to help reduce speed and draw attention to the work area. A fee is added to cover the additional costs of the vehicle that is paid for by the requesting company. This fee is accumulated in the Department Revolving Account to help pay for future cruiser needs. Additionally, the third cruiser will help reduce the overuse of the front-line cruiser's further saving the department on future costs to maintain these cruisers to be response ready for emergencies.

### **Quarterly Tax Payment System**

The Board of Selectmen appointed a sub-committee made up of two Board of Selectmen members, the Treasurer/Collector, one member of the Board of Assessors, the Town Administrator, and two Finance Committee members to look at the impacts of going from a semi-annual to quarterly tax billing. The report is in the packet with a recommendation that the Town transition to a quarterly billing cycle for Fiscal Year 2027. The Tax Bills would be sent out on the schedule below and would still be mailed twice per year.

A survey was conducted and towns cited *several positive impacts of quarterly tax billing cycle, including: More consistent income for the municipality, reduced budgetary risks, easier payment structure for fixed income and low-income taxpayers, and simplified administrative processes.*

#### **Fiscal Year 2027 Tax Bills**

Tax Date: July 1, 2026	Due: August 1, 2026
Tax Date: October 1, 2026	Due November 1, 2026
Tax Date: January 1, 2027	Due: February 1, 2027
Tax Date: April 1, 2027	Due: May 1, 2027

### **Bylaws**

#### **General Bylaw – Keeping and Raising of Livestock or Poultry**

This general bylaw would regulate the keeping and raising of livestock or poultry in the R-1, all permits would be issued by the Board of Health after notification was sent to the direct abutter. The bylaw allows selected domesticated fowl (hens, ducks, pigeons and doves), domesticated rabbits and selected exotic mammals (with property emotional support animal certification). No roosters, geese, swans, turkeys, pheasants, peacocks, guinea fowl, pygmy goats, pigs, or other livestock or poultry shall be permitted in R-1 district. No more than six total adult domesticated fowl and rabbits shall be kept on any property, regardless of the number of dwelling units.

If the general bylaw passes then the Zoning Bylaws, Article 31 and Article 32 will need to be addressed.

#### **Flood Plain Bylaw Amendment**

This zoning bylaw change is at the request of the Department of Conservation and Recreation who oversees the Flood Hazard Management Program, the bylaw has been amended and reviewed to meet the minimum NFIP requirements.

#### **Attachments:**

- FY26 Annual Town Meeting Warrant
- Hoosac Valley Regional School District Budget and Budget Information
- Northern Berkshire Vocational School District Budget
- Fire Station Assessment Reports
- History of Free Cash/Stabilization
- Cheshire- Semi Annual to Quarterly Tax Report

*Please reach out to the Town Clerk to obtain a copy of the Annual Town Report which will be made available on the Town website and at the Annual Town Meeting.*

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**BERKSHIRE, SS.**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Cheshire in the County of Berkshire, GREETINGS.  
In the name of **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in said Cheshire.

Place: Cheshire Community House, Cafeteria  
(Former Cheshire Elementary School)  
191 Church Street, Cheshire MA 01225  
Date: Monday June 9, 2025  
Time: 7:00 P.M.

Voter check-in to begin at 6:30 PM

**CHESHIRE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**ARTICLE 1: Reports of Officers**

To act on the reports of the Town Officers.

*Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 2: Elected Officials Compensation**

To see if the Town will vote to set the stipends and compensation for all elected officials of the Town as contained in the budget articles and pursuant to the M.G.L., c.41, §108, to be made effective as of July 1, 2025, as contained in the budget, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 3: Disposal of Surplus Property**

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any unused town-owned equipment and/or property in accordance with the law or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

#### **ARTICLE 4: Authorization for Compensating Balance Agreements**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025, in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §53F, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

#### **ARTICLE 5: State Aid Highway Programs**

To see if the Town will vote to borrow and appropriate any additional sum or sums of money which will be reimbursed by the Commonwealth under any applicable State Aid Highway Programs for construction or improvements to Town roads and bridges as requested by the Board of Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*2/3 Vote Required*

#### **ARTICLE 6: Authorization to Accept/Expend Grants/Gifts to Town**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, execute contracts and expend grants or monies, or any Federal or State grants or monies, received as set forth in the appropriate application, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

#### **ARTICLE 7: RESERVE FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the sums of \$20,000 to be used as a **RESERVE FUND**, pursuant to M.G.L. c 40, section 6 for the extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*



## ARTICLE 8: GENERAL GOVERNMENT

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$1,635,417** for the conduct of **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**, including all charges and expenses of the various town offices, for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto:

	FY25 Voted	FY26 Proposed	% Change
Legal Services	20,000	25,000	25.0
Moderator Salary	50	50	0.0
Board of Selectmen Stipends (5@\$3,863)	18,935	19,315	2.0
Board of Selectmen Expenses	10,400	10,400	0.0
Clean Lake Program	26,206	28,394	8.3
MS4 – Stormwater Compliance	7,500	7,500	0.0
Group Purchasing (Procurement)	800	800	0.0
Town Audit	10,000	10,000	0.0
Information Technology	52,364	52,364	0.0
Town Website	5,250	5,250	0.0
Town Administrator Salary	90,000	91,800	2.0
Executive Assistant Salary	25,931	54,309	109.0
Town Administrator Expenses	3,000	3,250	8.3
Accounting Services	34,800	35,880	3.1
Accounting Software (VADAR)	4,348	4,566	5.0
Assessors Stipend (Chairperson)	3,883	3,883	0.0
Assessors Stipends (Members 2 @\$3,328)	6,656	6,656	0.0
Assessors Administrator Salary	32,862	33,523	2.0
Assessors Expenses	3,910	3,910	0.0
Assessors Contracted Services	48,985	32,905	-32.8
Treasurer/Collector Salary – Treasurer	65,393	50,000	-23.5
Asst. Treasurer/Collector Salary - Collector	20,468	35,000	71.0
Treasurer/Collector Expenses	12,500	12,500	0.0
Treasurer Payroll Processing	4,000	4,000	0.0
Treasurer/Collector Tax Title Expenses	4,000	4,000	0.0
Treasurer/Collector Certification Stipend	1,000	2,000	100.0
QDS Software – RE/PP Collections	3,342	3,550	6.2
Finance Committee Expenses	1,500	1,750	16.7
Town Clerk Salary	28,554	35,908	25.8
Town Clerk Expenses	3,150	3,150	0.0
Town Clerk Dog License Expense	400	400	0.0
Town Clerk Book Repair	2,500	2,500	0.0
Town Clerk Census/Lists	3,200	3,200	0.0
Board of Registrars/Elections	15,000	10,000	-33.3
Town Report Printing	2,700	2,700	0.0
Conservation Commission Stipends (3@\$520)	1,530	1,560	2.0

Conservation Commission Consult	500	500	0.0
Conservation Commission Expenses	1,500	1,500	0.0
Planning Board Expenses	2,515	2,515	0.0
Planning Board BRPC Assessment	2,843	2,915	2.5
Planning Board Stipends (5@\$327)	1,600	1,635	2.0
Agricultural Commission Expenses	500	500	0.0
Historical Commission Expenses	500	1000	100.0
Zoning Board of Appeals Expenses	800	800	0.0
Berkshire County Retirement	173,753	169,650	-2.4
OPEB Funding	20,000	20,000	0.0
OPEB Actuarial Services Study	2,200	3,500	59.1
Health Insurance – Active	265,726	301,872	13.6
Health Insurance – Retiree	40,000	40,000	0.0
Health Insurance – Dental	8,500	9,861	16.0
Unemployment	5,000	5,000	0
MEDC Employer Share	16,500	17,500	6.1
Town Hall/Police Utilities	25,000	25,000	0.0
Fire Station Utilities	15,000	18,500	23.3
Town Garage Utilities	13,000	12,000	-7.7
Senior Center Utilities	7,500	7,000	-6.7
Town Phone Systems	15,000	15,000	0.0
Community House Utilities	70,000	70,000	0.0
Town Building Repairs	120,000	120,000	0.0
Town Water Accounts	0	59,000	
ADA Compliance	5,000	5,000	0.0
Town Insurance & Bonds	104,542	106,633	2.0
Police/Fire Accident/Disability Insurance	16,500	16,563	0.4
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>1,509,096.00</b>	<b>1,635,417.00</b>	<b>8.3</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 5-1*  
*Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 9: HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to approve the Hoosac Valley Regional School District Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 and **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$3,206,082** to pay its assessed share of the budget or take any action in relation thereto.

	<b>FY25 Vote</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
HVRSD Minimum Local Contribution	2,350,010	2,459,707	4.7
HVRSD Over Minimum Foundation	406,505	389,514	-4.2
HVRSD Transportation	135,355	147,422	8.9
HVRSD Capital Expenditure	207,126	209,439	1.1
<b>HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	<b>3,098,996.00</b>	<b>3,206,082.00</b>	<b>3.5</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Does Not Recommend 2-4  
Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 10: NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to approve the Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 and **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$586,213.00** to pay its assessed share of the budget or take any action in relation thereto.

	<b>FY25 Vote</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
NBVRSD Budget	547,430	586,213	7.1
<b>NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL</b>	<b>547,430.00</b>	<b>586,213.00</b>	<b>7.1</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 11: BUILDING DEPARTMENT

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$42,142** for the **BUILDING DEPARTMENT** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto:

	<b>FY25 Proposed</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Building Commissioner Salary	18,540	18,911	2.0
Alternate Building Commissioner Salary	500	500	0.0
Building Commissioner Expenses	1,100	1,100	0.0
Online Permitting System	5,400	5,400	0.0
Gas/Plumbing Inspector Salary	6,077	6,199	2.0
Gas/Plumbing Inspector Assistant Salary	549	549	0.0
Gas/Plumbing Expenses	500	500	0.0
Wiring Inspector Salary	7063	7204	2.0
Wiring Inspector Assistant Salary	579	579	0.0
Wiring Inspector Expenses	700	1,200	71.4
<b>TOTAL BUILDING DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>41,008.00</b>	<b>42,142.00</b>	<b>7.7</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 12: PUBLIC SAFETY

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$402,609** for **PUBLIC SAFETY** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto:

	<b>FY25 Voted</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Police Chief Salary	84,864	87,592	3.2
Police Full Time Officer Wages	172,658	114,465	-33.7
Police Department Part Time Officers	17,885	27,557	54.1
Police Department Expenses	13,500	13,500	0.0
Police Department Equipment	20,400	20,400	0.0
Police Department Auto Expenses	8,000	8,000	0.0
Police Department Officer OT/Holiday Pay	12,500	12,500	0.0
Animal Control Contracted Services	3,000	3,000	0.0
Animal Control Expenses	1,000	1,000	0.0
Fire Chief Salary	12,360	12,607	2.0
Asst. Fire Chief Stipends (3@1,696)	3,326	5,088	52.9
Fire Department Expenses	62,000	62,000	0.0

Fire Department Volunteer Stipends (25)	25,000	25,000	0.0
Fire Department EMS Supplies	4,500	4,500	0.0
Communications Center (Dispatch)	24,559	2,900	-88.2
Emergency Management Director Stipend	1,500	1,500	0.0
Emergency Management Expenses	1,000	1,000	0
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY TOTAL</b>	<b>468,052.00</b>	<b>402,609.00</b>	<b>-14.0</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

### **ARTICLE 13: HIGHWAY OPERATIONS AND TREE WARDEN**

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$1,077,538** for **HIGHWAY OPERATIONS AND TREE WARDEN** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto:

	<b>FY25 Voted</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Highway Workers Wages (3 Laborers, 1 Foreman)	229,208	236,336	3.1
Seasonal DPW Laborers Wages	27,822	40,322	44.9
Highway Department Longevity (contract)	1,500	1,500	0.0
Department of Public Works Director	79,100	88,208	11.5
Custodian Wages	20,237.00	9,872	-51.2
Highway Department Non-Winter Overtime	5,000	5,000	0.0
Highway Department Dues/Training/Licenses	1,000	1,000	0.0
Facilities Wages	50,905	51,971	2.0
Road Machinery, Tools, Gas	126,000	126,000	0.0
Streetlights	60,000	75,000	0.0
Highway Department Repair/Maint. Roads	207,000	194,500	0.0
Highway Equipment Rental	5,000	5,000	0.0
Snow and Ice	170,000	170,000	0.0
Highway Department Engineering	35,000	35,000	0.0
Tree Warden Tree Removal	20,000	30,000	50.0
Tree Warden Tree Replacement	1,000	1,000	0
Cemetery Commission Stipends (3@\$905)	2,661	2,715	2.0
Cemetery Commission Expenses	6,114	4,114	-32.7
<b>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>1,047,592.00</b>	<b>1,077,538.00</b>	<b>2.9</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

#### ARTICLE 14: RECREATION AND CULTURE

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$91,339** for **RECREATION AND CULTURE** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

	<b>FY25 Voted</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Recreation General Expenses/Memorial Day	10,300	10,300	0.0
Library Assessment	40,428	41,439	2.5
Father Tom Campsite	1,700	1,700	0.0
Veteran Agent Services (Shared)	2,000	2,000	0.0
Veteran Benefits	30,000	35,000	16.6
Cemetery Flags	900	900	0.0
<b>TOTAL RECREATION &amp; CULTURE</b>	<b>85,328.00</b>	<b>91,339.00</b>	<b>7.0</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

#### ARTICLE 15: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of **\$98,159** for **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

	<b>FY25 Voted</b>	<b>FY26 Proposed</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Board of Health Stipend Chair	3,883	3,883	0.0
Board of Health Stipends (2 @ \$2,383)	7,766	4,766	-63.0
Board of Health Expenses	5,500	2,000	-63.0
Board of Health/ Health Inspector Services	5,000	8,000	60.0
Board of Health MAVEN Reporting	4,639	4,639	0.0
Senior Center/COA Expenses	8,470	8,470	0.0
Senior Center/COA Van Operating Expenses	3,400	3,400	0.0
Senior Center/COA Van Operator Salary	19,712	20,107	2.0
Senior Center Director Salary	27,574	28,126	2.0
Senior Center Meals Coordinator Salary	13,710	14,768	7.7
Animal Inspector Stipend	560.00	0	-100.0
Animal Inspector Expenses	150.00	0	-100.0
<b>TOTAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</b>	<b>100,364.00</b>	<b>98,159.00</b>	<b>-2.2</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 16 : TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to **APPROPRIATE** from user fees or otherwise provide the following sums of money \$106,090 to operate the **TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND AND TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FROM THE GENERAL FUND THE SUM OF \$37,104.00** for the Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

Revenues	
Department Receipts	106,090.00
General Fund Subsidy	37,104.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>143,194.00</b>
Expenses	
Hauling and Disposal	110,000.00
Site Maintenance	2,600.00
Training and Education	500.00
Permits and Tags	3,500.00
Attendants Wages	26,594.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>143,194.00</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 17 : DEBT SERVICE EXPENSES

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the following sum of \$217,540 to fund **DEBT SERVICE EXPENSES** for the Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

	FY25 Voted	FY26 Proposed	% Change
Fire Truck (2030)	44,665	43,848	-1.8
Highway Grader (2026)	36,200	0.0	-100.0
Highway Truck (Voted 2022)	53,345	51,198	-4.0
Highway Truck (Voted 2021)	29,607	28,457	-3.9
Short-term Debt Interest	5,000	5,000	0.0
Fire Engine (Voted 2025)	0	89,037	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>168,817.00</b>	<b>217,540.00</b>	<b>28.9</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 18 : Revolving Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following spending limits for the Revolving Funds noted below pursuant to the Cheshire Revolving Fund Bylaw and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025, or take any action in relation thereto:

<b>Revolving Fund</b>	<b>Entity Authorized to Spend from Fund</b>	<b>Fee, Charges, or Receipts Credited to Fund</b>	<b>Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund</b>	<b>Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>
Senior Center/COA	Senior Center Director	Receipts related to program fees	Senior Center Programs	Limit of \$10,000	Fiscal Year 2026
Recreation	Recreation Committee/Board of Selectmen	Receipts related to program fees	Recreation Committee Programs	Limit of \$10,000	Fiscal Year 2026
Police Department	Police Chief	Receipts from Detail Fees	Police Cruiser Expenses	Limit of \$20,000	Fiscal Year 2026
Board of Health	Board of Health	Receipts from Permitting	Public Health Alliance Inspection Fees	Limit of \$20,000	Fiscal Year 2026

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 19 : STABLIZATION FUND & CAPTIAL STABLIZATION FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE** the sum of **\$10,000** to fund the **CAPITAL STABLIZATION FUND** and the sum of **\$10,000** to fund the **STABLIZATION FUND** for Fiscal Year 2026, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*



**ARTICLE 20: ASSESSORS STABILIZATION FUND ESTABLISHMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to establish under the provisions of MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B, a Assessors Stabilization Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*2/3 Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 21: FREE CASH and SPECIAL PROJECTS**

To see if the Town will vote to **TRANSFER FROM FREE CASH** the sum of **\$171,000** for the following special projects, or take any action in relation thereto.

OPM Services – Public Safety Complex	60,000
Fire Walls – Upgrade	6,000
Stabilization	30,000
Capital Stabilization	20,000
Community House Heating System (Engineering)	50,000
Assessors Stabilization Account	5,000

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 22: Water Department Retained Earnings- Water Asset Management Plan**

To see if the Town will vote to **TRANSFER** the sum of **\$22,104** from available certified **Water Operations Surplus** for the purpose of completing the Cheshire Water Asset Management Plan, or take any action relative thereto.

*Current balance of Cheshire Water Department retained earnings is \$252,316*

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Water Commission Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 23: Water Department Enterprise Fund Water Meter Upgrades**

To see if the Town will vote to **TRANSFER** the sum of **\$20,143** from available certified **Water Operations Surplus** for the purpose of completing the Water Department Water Meter Reading Upgrade, or take any action relative thereto.

*Current balance of Cheshire Water Department retained earnings is \$252,316*

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Water Commission Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 24 : Water Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, transfer from retained earnings, or otherwise provide the following sums of money **\$402,722** to operate the **Water Enterprise Fund** for the Fiscal Year 2026, or take an action in relation thereto.

Revenues	
Water User Revenues	402,722.00
Retained Earnings	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>402,722.00</b>
Expenses	
Water Commissioner Stipends	10,140.00
Water Operator Salary	63,037.00
Secondary Water Operator Salary	15,912.00
Water Main Replacements	90,000.00
Water Operating Expenses	45,000.00
Water Maintenance Expenses	45,000.00
Water Debt Service	62,038.00
Indirect Costs	64,095.00
Water Vehicle Expense	7,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>402,722.00</b>

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Water Commission Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 6-0*  
*Majority Vote Required*

## ARTICLE 25 : POLICE CRUISER – DEBT EXCLUSION

To see if the Town will vote to **APPROPRIATE** a sum not to exceed **\$67,150.00** and to authorize the Treasurer, per MGL Chapter 44, Section 2, to borrow \$67,150 for the purpose of purchasing a new Police Cruiser on a three year note to be paid by June 30, 2026, contingent upon subsequent passage of Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion vote, or take any action in relation thereto.

(This article requires a two -thirds vote for borrowing approval and subsequent majority vote for a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion to be held at a future election.)

*Board of Selectmen Recommends*  
*Finance Committee Recommends 5-1*  
*2/3 Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 26 : Free Cash to reduce the tax rate**

To see if the Town will vote to **TRANSFER** from **FREE CASH** a sum of **\$297,897** to reduce the FY26 Tax Rate, or take any action relative thereto.

\*If federal or state programs, or other alternative funding sources are available to supplant Town funding for the same purpose, the Board of Selectmen may reduce the Town's portion of said funding in a manner commensurate with the additional federal or state revenue received for said purpose.

Note: The use of Free Cash to balance the operating budget to stay within the limits of Proposition 2 1/2, this is not a reduction to the tax rate.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 27 : QUARTERLY TAX PAYMENT SYSTEM**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt G.L. Chapter 59, Section 57c, for the purpose of adopting or establishing a quarterly tax payment system effective July 1, 2026 (Fiscal Year 2027), or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 28 : LOCAL OPTION – Meals Tax**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt G.L. Chapter 64L, Section 2(a) to impose a local sales tax upon the sale of restaurant meals within the town, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 5-1  
Majority Vote Required*

**ARTICLE 29 : GOLD STAR EXEMPTION**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 22H of the Massachusetts General Laws, to provide an exemption from taxes for the real property of the surviving parents or guardian of soldier and sailor who suffered a fatal injury or who are missing in action with a presumptive finding of death as a result of active duty service as members of the armed forces of the United States, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 6-0  
Majority Vote Required*

### **ARTICLE 30 : GENERAL BYLAW – KEEPING AND RAISING OF LIVESTOCK OR POULTRY**

In all zones other than the A-R (Agricultural/Residential), the keeping and raising of livestock or poultry shall require registration of said livestock or poultry with the Cheshire Board of Health and shall permit regular inspections by the Animal Inspector under applicable state and local law or regulations. All permits issued by the Board of Health under this section shall include conditions of approval and direct abutter notification, the submission of evidence of such notification and registration. The registration fee for the permit shall be set by the Board of Health.

Only selected domesticated fowl (hens, ducks, pigeons and doves), domesticated rabbits (including domesticated hares) and selected exotic mammals (potbellied pigs and dwarf goats with proper emotional support animal certification) may be raised and kept as an accessory use. On such properties, no roosters, geese, swans, turkeys, pheasants, peacocks, guinea fowl, pygmy goats, pigs, or any other livestock or poultry shall be permitted in the R-1 District. No more than six total adult domesticated fowl and rabbits shall be kept on any property, regardless of the number of dwelling units.

Domesticated fowl and rabbits shall be confined with fencing or other secure enclosures which shall be set at least ten (10) feet from any property lines and twenty (20) feet from residential structures on any adjacent property. Within such an enclosure, a minimum of ten (10) square feet of open yard area shall be provided.

Within or attached to any such enclosure shall be provided a secure sheltering structure (e.g., coop, dovecot, hutch or shed, as appropriate) of sufficient size to ensure the health and safety of said livestock or poultry.

The keeping of pets shall be allowed by right, such as dogs, cats, various species of rodents (rats, mice, guinea pigs, hamsters, ferrets, chinchillas etc.), exotic birds, reptiles, fish or amphibians. The keeping of wild animals, exotic birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians as pets is subject to the requirements of M.G.L Chapter 131 Sections, 23, 25 and 26A as amended and 321 CMR 2.12 and 9.01, as amended, or take any action relative thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Majority Vote Required*

### **ARTICLE 31 : Zoning Bylaw Amendment -**

To see if the Town will amend the Town of Cheshire Protective and Planning Zoning Bylaw § 3.2-B.10 to remove the requirement of a Special Permit in the R-1 District and by allowing it by right in the R-1 District, or take any action relative thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Planning Board Recommends 5-0  
Majority Vote Required*

*(If Article 30 fails this warrant article will be tabled)*

### **ARTICLE 32 : Zoning Bylaw Amendment -**

To see if the Town will amend the Town of Cheshire Protective and Planning Zoning Bylaw § 3.3-C to remove this section which prohibits the keeping of livestock or poultry in the R-1 District.... , or take any action relative thereto.

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Planning Board Recommends 5-0  
Majority Vote Required*

*(If Article 30 fails this warrant article will be tabled)*

### **ARTICLE 33: UNCOMBINE TREASURER/COLLECTOR POSITION**

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to MGL Chapter 4, Section 4 B and MGL Chapter 41, Section 1B to uncombine the appointed position of Treasurer/Tax Collector and have separate positions Treasurer and Collector, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*(A majority vote at subsequent Town Election ballot question is required to adopt the provisions of this warrant article as it was combined by town meeting vote on June 14, 2021)*

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Finance Committee Recommends 5-1  
Majority Vote Required*

### **ARTICLE 34: FLOOD PLAIN BYLAW AMENDMENT**

**TOWN OF CHESHIRE PROTECTIVE AND PLANNING ZONING BYLAW**  
**§225-9.2. Floodplain District Regulations**

#### ***§225-9.2. Flood Hazard District regulations.***

**A. Purpose.** The purpose of the Floodplain Overlay District is to:

- 1) Ensure public safety through reducing the threats to life and personal injury.
- 2) Eliminate new hazards to emergency response officials.
- 3) Prevent the occurrence of public emergencies resulting from water quality, contamination, and pollution due to flooding.
- 4) Avoid the loss of utility services which if damaged by flooding would disrupt or shut down the utility network and impact regions of the community beyond the site of flooding.
- 5) Eliminate costs associated with the response and cleanup of flooding conditions.
- 6) Reduce damage to public and private property resulting from flooding waters.

*Purpose of district. The following regulations meet the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program and are administered by the Building Inspector in consultation with the Town of Cheshire Board of Health.*

## **B. Definitions.**

**DEVELOPMENT** means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to building or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

**FLOOD BOUNDARY AND FLOODWAY MAP** means an official map of a community issued by FEMA that depicts, based on detailed analyses, the boundaries of the 100-year and 500-year floods and the 100-year floodway.

**FLOODWAY.** The channel of the river, creek, or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

**FUNCTIONALLY DEPENDENT USE** means a use which cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located or carried out in close proximity to water. The term includes only docking facilities, port facilities that are necessary for the loading and unloading of cargo or passengers, and ship building and ship repair facilities, but does not include long-term storage or related manufacturing facilities. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59] Also [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]

**HIGHEST ADJACENT GRADE** means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

**HISTORIC STRUCTURE** means any structure that is:

- (a) Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
- (b) Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
- (c) Individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
- (d) Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
  - (1) By an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or
  - (2) Directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.

[US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

**NEW CONSTRUCTION.** Structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of the first floodplain management code, regulation, ordinance, or standard adopted by the authority having jurisdiction, including any subsequent improvements to such structures. *New construction includes work determined to be substantial improvement.* [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLE** means a vehicle which is:

- (a) Built on a single chassis;
- (b) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;

- (c) Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- (d) Designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.

[US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

REGULATORY FLOODWAY – see FLOODWAY

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The land area subject to flood hazards and shown on a Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard map as Zone A and/or A1-30. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

START OF CONSTRUCTION. The date of issuance for new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, placement, or other improvement is within 180 days after the date of issuance. The actual start of construction means the first placement of permanent construction of a building (including a manufactured home) on a site, such as the pouring of a slab or footings, installation of pilings or construction of columns.

Permanent construction does not include land preparation (such as clearing, excavation, grading, or filling), the installation of streets or walkways, excavation for a basement, footings, piers or foundations, the erection of temporary forms or the installation of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main building. For a substantial improvement, the actual “start of construction” means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of a building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

STRUCTURE means, for floodplain management purposes, a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

SUBSTANTIAL REPAIR OF A FOUNDATION. When work to repair or replace a foundation results in the repair or replacement of a portion of the foundation with a perimeter along the base of the foundation that equals or exceeds 50% of the perimeter of the base of the foundation measured in linear feet, or repair or replacement of 50% of the piles, columns or piers or a pile, column or pier supported foundation, the building official shall determine it to be a substantial repair of a foundation. Applications determined by the building official to constitute substantial repair of a foundation shall require all existing portions of the entire building or structure to meet the requirements of 780 CMR. [As amended by MA in 9<sup>th</sup> Edition BC]

VARIANCE means a grant of relief by a community from the terms of a flood plain management regulation. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

VIOLATION means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community’s flood plain management regulations. A structure or other



development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required in §60.3 is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

N/A

- C. **Definitions of Flood Zones.** All of these terms are defined in the US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 64.3.

ZONE A means an area of special flood hazard without water surface elevations determined.

ZONES A1-30 means area of special flood hazard with water surface elevations determined.

ZONES B AND C means areas of minimal or moderate flood hazards or areas of future-conditions flood hazard. (*Zone X replaces Zones B and C on new and revised maps.*)

- D. **District.** The Floodplain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas designated on the Town of Cheshire's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program, dated July 19, 1982 and on the Flood Boundary & Floodway Map dated July 19, 1982. These maps indicate the 1%-chance regulatory floodplain. The exact boundaries of the District shall be defined by the 1%-chance base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated January 19, 1982. The effective FIRM, FBFM, and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer, and Conservation Commission.

*Location of overlay district. The Flood Hazard District is herein established as an overlay district. The underlying permitted uses are allowed, provided that they meet the following additional requirements as well as those of the Massachusetts State Building Code dealing with construction in floodplains. The Flood Hazard District includes all special flood hazard areas designated as Zone A, A1-A2-A4 in the Town of Cheshire Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM), and the flood boundary and floodway maps dated July 19, 1982, on file with the Town Clerk and Building Inspector. These maps, as well as the accompanying Town of Cheshire Flood Insurance Study, are incorporated herein by reference.*

- E. **Floodplain Administrator.** The Town of Cheshire hereby designates the position of Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer to be the official floodplain administrator for the Town of Cheshire.

N/A

- F. **Permits.** The Town of Cheshire requires the submittal of an application to the Planning Board for a special permit for all proposed construction or other development in the floodplain overlay district, including new construction or changes to existing buildings, placement of manufactured homes, placement of agricultural facilities, fences, sheds, storage facilities or drilling, mining, paving, and any other development that might increase flooding or adversely impact flood risks to other properties.
- G. **Other Permits.** The Town of Cheshire's permit review process includes the requirement that the proponent obtain all local, state, and federal permits that will be necessary in order to carry out

the proposed development in the floodplain overlay district. The proponent must acquire all necessary permits, and must demonstrate that all necessary permits have been acquired.

- H. **Floodway Encroachment.** In Zones A and A1-30, along watercourses that have not had a regulatory floodway designated, the best available Federal, State, local, or other floodway data shall be used to prohibit encroachments in floodways which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.

In Zones A1-30, along watercourses that have a regulatory floodway designated on the Town of Cheshire's FIRM and/or Flood Boundary & Floodway Map, encroachments are prohibited, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, and other development within the adopted regulatory floodway unless it has been demonstrated through hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed in accordance with standard engineering practice that the proposed encroachment would not result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.

- I. **Unnumbered A Zones.** In A Zones, in the absence of FEMA BFE data and floodway data, the building department will obtain, review, and reasonably utilize base flood elevation and floodway data available from a Federal, State, or other source as criteria for requiring new construction, substantial improvements, or other development in Zone A, as the basis for elevating residential structures to or above base flood level, for floodproofing or elevating nonresidential structures to or above base flood level, and for prohibiting encroachments in floodways.
- J. **Subdivision Proposals.** All subdivision proposals and development proposals in the floodplain overlay district shall be reviewed to assure that:
- 1) Such proposals minimize flood damage.
  - 2) Public utilities and facilities are located and constructed so as to minimize flood damage.
  - 3) Adequate drainage is provided.
- K. **Base Flood Elevation Data for Subdivision Proposals.** When proposing subdivisions or other developments greater than fifty (50) lots or five (5) acres (whichever is less), the proponent must provide technical data to determine base flood elevations for each developable parcel shown on the design plans.
- L. **Recreational Vehicles.** In A and A1-30 Zones, all recreational vehicles to be placed on a site must be elevated and anchored in accordance with the zone's regulations for foundation and elevation requirements or be on the site for less than one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days or be fully licensed and highway ready
- M. **Watercourse Alterations.** In a riverine situation, the Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer shall notify the following of any alteration or relocation of a watercourse:
- 1) Adjacent communities, especially upstream and downstream.
  - 2) Bordering states, if affected.
  - 3) NFIP State Coordinator, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
  - 4) NFIP Program Specialist, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 1

**N. Requirement to Submit New Technical Data.** If the Town of Cheshire acquires data that changes the base flood elevation in the FEMA mapped Special Flood Hazard Areas, the Town of Cheshire will, within six (6) months, notify FEMA of these changes by submitting the technical or scientific data that supports the change(s). Notification shall be submitted to:

- 1) NFIP State Coordinator, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
- 2) NFIP Program Specialist, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 1

**PLEASE NOTE**

*D-L in the proposed language is merged into one section of the current language...*

*Development regulations. The following requirements apply in the Flood Hazard District:*

- 1) Within Zone A, wherever the base flood elevation is now provided on the FIRM, the applicant shall obtain any existing base flood elevation data and it shall be reviewed by the Building Inspector for its reasonable utilization toward meeting the elevation or floodproofing requirements, as appropriate, of the State Building Code.*
- 2) In the floodway, designated on the Flood Boundary and Floodway Map, the following provisions shall apply:*
  - a. All encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvement to existing structures and other development are prohibited unless certification by a registered professional engineer is provided by the applicant demonstrating that such encroachment shall not result in any increased flood levels during the occurrence of the 100-year flood; and*
  - b. Any encroachment meeting the above standard shall comply with the floodplain requirements of the State Building Code; and*
  - c. All public utilities and facilities, such as sewer and gas, electrical and water systems, shall be located and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage; and*
  - d. Adequate drainage systems shall be provided to reduce exposure to flood hazards; and*
  - e. Base flood elevation (the level of the 100-year flood) data shall be provided by the applicant for proposals greater than 50 lots or five acres, whichever is less, for that portion within the Flood Hazard District*
- 3) Within Zone A-A1-A2-A4, all mobile homes shall provide that:*
  - a. Stands or lots are elevated on compacted fill or on pilings so that the lowest floor of the mobile home will be at or above the base flood level;*
  - b. Adequate surface drainage and access for a hauler are provided;*
  - c. In the instance of elevation on pilings, lots are large enough to permit steps, piling foundations are placed in stable soil no more than 10 feet apart. And reinforcement is provided for piers more than six feet above ground level; and*
  - d. The placement of mobile homes, except in an existing mobile home park or mobile home subdivision, are prohibited in the floodway.*

**O. Variances to State Building Code.** The Town of Cheshire will request from the State Building Code Appeals Board a written and/or audible copy of the portion of the hearing related to the variance and will maintain this record in the community's files.

The Town of Cheshire shall also issue a letter to the property owner regarding potential impacts to the annual premiums for the flood insurance policy covering that property, in writing over the signature of a community official that (i) the issuance of a variance to construct a structure below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage and (ii) such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property.

Such notification shall be maintained with the record of all variance actions for the referenced

development in the floodplain overlay district.

N/A

- P. **Other Variances.** A variance from these floodplain bylaws must meet the requirements set out by State law, and may only be granted if: 1) Good and sufficient cause and exceptional non-financial hardship exist; 2) the variance will not result in additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, or fraud or victimization of the public; and 3) the variance is the minimum action necessary to afford relief.

N/A

- Q. **Abrogation.** The floodplain management regulations found in this Floodplain Overlay District section shall take precedence over any less restrictive conflicting local laws, ordinances, bylaws, or codes.

N/A

- R. **Disclaimer.** The degree of flood protection required by this bylaw is considered reasonable but does not imply total flood protection.

N/A

- S. **Severability.** If any section, provision, or portion of this bylaw is deemed to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court, the remainder of the bylaw shall be effective.

N/A

*Board of Selectmen Recommends  
Planning Board Recommends  
Majority Vote Required*

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the CHESHIRE TOWN OFFICES, CHESHIRE SENIOR CENTER and the CHESHIRE POST OFFICE in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof Fail Not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given this day under our hands this **20TH** day of **May** in the year **2025**.



Shawn McGrath - Chair



Jason Levesque- Vice-Chair

Cheshire Board of Selectmen



Raymond Killeen - Member



Michelle Francesconi - Member



Ronald DeAngelis – Member

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A true copy. Attest: CHRISTOPHER GARNER Constable  
Berkshire, SS

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of  
Cheshire by posting up attested copies of the same at the Cheshire Town Hall, Cheshire Senior  
Center and the Cheshire Post Office

17 days before the date of the meeting as within directed.

  
Constable of Cheshire

5/23/2025  
Date

### **HVRSD Budget Overview**

The district is facing significant challenges in the upcoming fiscal year, notably a \$1 million increase in out-of-district special education tuition and a 16% rise in insurance costs. To strategically manage these fiscal pressures, the district is leveraging short-term solutions such as the use of revolving funds. Specifically, \$500,000 from School Choice will be applied toward tuition costs, \$275,000 from the Circuit Breaker fund will be allocated similarly, and an additional \$215,000 from School Choice will support severe needs programming on the secondary level through a partnership with New England Center for Children. The district is also using \$340,000 in Rural Aid to maintain key support positions.

Other strategies include consolidations and strategic partnerships, such as the collaboration with the New England Center for Children to support secondary-level severe needs programming. Additionally, the state has engaged Walker Therapeutic and Educational Consultants and Behavioral Health Integrated Resources for Children Project to assist in developing robust behavioral support systems in schools. Grants continue to supplement programmatic needs.

Curriculum and instructional priorities include the completion of an updated math curriculum for SY25-26, expansion of Project Lead The Way (PLTW) and Open Sci Ed through grant funding, and the retention of key leadership roles driving improvements.

### **A Deeper Dive Into Our Shifts and Some Factors in Decisions**

To balance the FY26 operating budget, we will be reducing and or shifting revenue sources for the following positions:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Notes</b>
1.0 Secondary BCBA	Operating Budget	Reduced - NECC partnership to assist with needs
1.0 HVE Teacher	Operating Budget	Reduced
1.0 HVMS SPED Teacher	Operating Budget	Reduced
1.0 HVMS Elective Teacher	Operating Budget	Reduced
1.0 MS Rise Teacher	Operating Budget	Reduced - filled with sub FY25
1.0 HS ACE Teacher	Operating Budget	Reduced - filled with sub FY25
4.0 Paraprofessionals	Title I	Reduced
1.0 HVE Student Support	SOA	Reduced



In addition, the Curriculum Director has secured over \$1.5 million in grants to support professional learning and curriculum implementation initiatives over the past two years:

<b>Grant</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Student Opportunity Act	\$750,000
Innovation Pathway	\$200,000
Ignite	\$228,000
OSE	\$12,000
Investigating History	\$7,400
PLTW	\$33,000
Applied Learning Leadership Institute	\$28,400
Portrait of a Graduate	\$105,000
My Career and Academic Planning	\$6,500
Teacher Diversification Grant	\$50,000
Buzz Education (SPED Consult)	\$50,000
Technical Assistance Grant	\$15,000
Walker Education (Behavior Structures)	\$50,000
PLTW Participation Cohort	\$6,000
SAAB Grant	\$10,000
PLTW Engineering Grant	\$26,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,577,300</b>

The Associate Director of Student Services has been instrumental in leading and supporting the district's special education and student services initiatives. Their work includes facilitating curriculum planning and support for special education, conducting new IEP reviews, training staff around the new IEP, and improving related procedures. The Associate Director also oversees the CPPI Universal PreK program, coordinating access, itinerant supports, and curriculum delivery in public schools, while partnering with two additional community providers. They are responsible for Title I programming, including organizing data meetings, conducting needs assessments, and planning summer programming. The Associate Director contributes to GLEAM literacy efforts in PreK and the broader district literacy plan. They manage grants supporting social-emotional learning, professional development, and external services for students. Additional initiatives under their leadership include the adoption of Math Recovery for special education, active participation on the Dyslexia Team, coordination of kindergarten transition efforts, and work on teacher diversification through the Education Pathway. Furthermore, the Associate Director monitors and supports staff providing private school services and ensures continuous program improvement and compliance with DESE regulations across SPED, ESSA, EL, and McKinney-Vento programs.



- Portrait of a Graduate is driving our work to create civic minded students, building high school experiences around student interests, and giving them access to applied learning experiences, internships, and high level courses
- Student voice is being utilized in ways it hasn't in the past with our student and adult advisory board at the high school, engaging students and adults to collaborate on ways to build a culture and climate all in our community deserve.
- 2 of our staff have been recognized by their respective organizations for their work with students

Last school year we saw progress as we were among the highest ranked districts in the county in accountability point percentage, earning 61% of our accountability points as a district. While our MCAS scores still present a challenge, we have made strides in the areas of chronic absenteeism, advanced coursework opportunities, and science achievement, as can be seen down below.

2024 Progress toward improvement targets										
Indicator		All students (Non-high school grades)			Lowest performing students (Non-high school grades)			All students (High school grades)		
		Points earned	Total possible points	Weight %	Points earned	Total possible points	Weight %	Points earned	Total possible points	Weight %
Achievement	English language arts achievement	0	4	-	2	4	-	0	4	-
	Mathematics achievement	2	4	-	4	4	-	2	4	-
	Science achievement	4	4	-	-	-	-	3	4	-
	Achievement total	6	12	67.5	6	8	67.5	5	12	47.5
Growth	English language arts growth	2	4	-	2	4	-	1	4	-
	Mathematics growth	2	4	-	2	4	-	2	4	-
	Growth total	4	8	22.5	4	8	22.5	3	8	22.5
High school completion	Four-year cohort graduation rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-
	Extended engagement rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-
	Annual dropout rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-
	High school completion total	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	12	20.0



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DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORCAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
<b>FOUNDATION REVENUE</b>							
<b>COMMONWEALTH OF MASS</b>							
CHAPTER 70			11,817,286		12,259,184	441,898	3.7%
<i>Based on Governors FY26 Budget Proposal</i>							
CHARTER TUITION REIMBURSEMENT			300,000		210,000	(90,000)	-30.0%
<i>Based on Governors FY26 Budget Proposal</i>							
<b>MEMBER TOWNS:</b>							
ADAMS - FOUNDATION ASSESSMENT			5,382,305		5,503,389	121,084	2.2%
CHESHIRE - FOUNDATION ASSESSMENT			2,756,515		2,849,220	92,705	3.4%
<i>Based on FY26 MLC &amp; Regional Agreement</i>							
<b>TOTAL TOWN FOUNDATION ASSESSMENTS</b>			<b>8,138,820</b>		<b>8,352,610</b>	<b>213,790</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>DISTRICT:</b>							
STATE REVENUE - MEDICAID			80,000		100,000	20,000	25.0%
NAPS - ATHLETIC DIRECTOR SHARED SERV.			40,056		41,857	1,801	4.5%
E & D APPROPRIATIONS			75,000		75,000	-	0.0%
<b>TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES</b>			<b>195,056</b>		<b>216,857</b>	<b>21,801</b>	<b>11.2%</b>
<b>TOTAL FOUNDATION REVENUES</b>			<b>20,451,161</b>		<b>21,038,651</b>	<b>587,490</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION REVENUE</b>							
STATE REIMBURSEMENT			403,597		411,751	8,154	2.0%
ADAMS ASSESSMENT - TRANSPORTATION			440,507		454,813	14,306	3.2%
CHESHIRE ASSESSMENT - TRANSPORTATION			135,355		147,422	12,067	8.9%
<i>Reimbursement Based on 80% reimbursement rate of FY25 eligible expenditures, 75K From transportation revolving</i>							
<b>TOTAL TRANSPORTATION REVENUES</b>			<b>979,458</b>		<b>1,013,986</b>	<b>34,527</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET REVENUE</b>			<b>21,430,619</b>		<b>22,052,636</b>	<b>622,016</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>CAPITAL REVENUE</b>							
BOND PREMIUM AMORTIZATION			12,363		12,363	0	0.0%
E&D - CAP PROJECTS			170,000		200,000	30,000	17.6%
ADAMS ASSESSMENT - CAPITAL			661,611		662,198	587	0.1%
CHESHIRE ASSESSMENT - CAPITAL			207,126		209,439	2,313	1.1%
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUES</b>			<b>1,051,100</b>		<b>1,084,000</b>	<b>32,900</b>	<b>3.1%</b>



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DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORCAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>			22,481,719		23,136,636	654,917	2.9%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>			22,481,719		23,136,636	654,917	2.9%
<b>REGULAR INSTRUCTION</b>							
<b>SCHOOL BUILDING OPERATIONS</b>							
PRINCIPAL SALARY	ES	1.0	103,379	1.0	105,396	2,017	1.95%
PRINCIPAL SALARY	MS	1.0	104,842	1.0	107,988	3,146	3.00%
PRINCIPAL SALARY	HS	1.0	110,827	1.0	114,152	3,325	3.00%
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF TEACHING & LEARNING	ES	1.0	89,610	1.0	92,298	2,688	3.00%
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF TEACHING & LEARNING	MS	1.0	89,610	1.0	92,298	2,688	3.00%
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF TEACHING & LEARNING	HS	1.0	92,000	1.0	96,900	4,900	5.33%
DEAN OF STUDENTS	ES	1.0	84,460	- .0	-	(84,460)	-100.00%
DEAN OF STUDENTS	MS	1.0	84,460	-	-	(84,460)	-100.00%
VICE PRINCIPAL	HS	1.0	92,000	1.0	98,940	6,940	7.54%
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES - TEACHER	ES		15,000		20,000	5,000	33.33%
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES - TEACHER	MS		15,000		20,000	5,000	33.33%
LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES - TEACHER	HS		15,000		20,000	5,000	33.33%
TEACHER SUBSTITUTES	ES		30,000		35,000	5,000	16.67%
TEACHER SUBSTITUTES	MS		30,000		35,000	5,000	16.67%
TEACHER SUBSTITUTES	HS		30,000		35,000	5,000	16.67%
TEACHER EDUCATION CREDITS	ES		17,000		17,000	-	0.00%
TEACHER EDUCATION CREDITS	MS		17,000		17,000	-	0.00%
TEACHER EDUCATION CREDITS	HS		17,000		17,000	-	0.00%
SECRETARY BUILDING	ES	1.0	35,786	1.0	40,103	4,317	12.06%
SECRETARY BUILDING	MS	1.0	37,323	1.0	42,770	5,447	14.59%
SECRETARY BUILDING	HS	1.0	35,786	1.0	39,317	3,531	9.87%
SECRETARIAL EXTRA HOURS	ES		250		250	-	0.00%
SECRETARIAL EXTRA HOURS	MS		250		250	-	0.00%
SECRETARIAL EXTRA HOURS	HS		250		250	-	0.00%
SECRETARIAL SUBSTITUTES	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
SECRETARIAL SUBSTITUTES	MS		500		1,000	500	100.00%
SECRETARIAL SUBSTITUTES	HS		500		1,000	500	100.00%
PARA-OFFICE	ES	1.0	18,199	1.0	19,325	1,126	6.19%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTES	ES		40,000		42,000	2,000	5.00%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTES	MS		15,000		15,000	-	0.00%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTES	HS		7,000		5,000	(2,000)	-28.57%



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DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORECAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
TEACHER - MENTORS	ES		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
TEACHER - MENTORS	MS		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
TEACHER - MENTORS	HS		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
CURRICULUM/PLANNING	ES		1,000		1,200	200	20.00%
CURRICULUM/PLANNING	MS		1,000		1,200	200	20.00%
CURRICULUM/PLANNING	HS		1,000		1,200	200	20.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	ES		27,000		27,000	-	0.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	MS		12,000		15,000	3,000	25.00%
GENERAL SUPPLIES	HS		15,000		15,000	-	0.00%
COPIERS	ES		28,000		30,000	2,000	7.14%
COPIERS	MS		28,000		30,000	2,000	7.14%
COPIERS	HS		28,000		30,000	2,000	7.14%
TRAVEL	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	MS		930		700	(230)	-24.73%
TRAVEL	HS		930		700	(230)	-24.73%
POSTAGE	ES		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
POSTAGE	MS		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
POSTAGE	HS		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	ES		700		700	-	0.00%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	MS		2,500		3,000	500	20.00%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	HS		9,000		9,000	-	0.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	ES				1,000	1,000	0.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	MS				1,000	1,000	0.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	HS				1,000	1,000	0.00%
<i>* Contracted services - translation, speakers</i>							
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL BUILDING OPERATIONS</b>		<b>13.0</b>	<b>1,397,092</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>1,311,936</b>	<b>(85,156)</b>	<b>-6.10%</b>
<b>CURRICULUM</b>							
DIR. OF CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION & PD		1.0	114,578	1.0	118,015	3,437	3.00%
ELA CURRICULUM SUPPLIES	ES		25,000		25,000	-	0.00%
ELA CURRICULUM SUPPLIES	MS		25,000		25,000	-	0.00%
MATH CURRICULUM SUPPLIES	ES		15,000		15,000	-	0.00%
MATH CURRICULUM SUPPLIES	MS		16,000		15,000	(1,000)	-6.25%
<b>TOTAL CURRICULUM</b>		<b>1.0</b>	<b>195,578</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>198,015</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>1.25%</b>





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DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORCAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
<b>KINDERGARTEN</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	4.0	276,517	4.0	231,813	(44,704)	-16.17%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	ES	- .0	-	- .0	-	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		3,500		3,500	-	0.00%
<i>4 PARAS CHARGED TO TUITION REVOLVING \$87,365</i>							
<b>TOTAL KINDERGARTEN</b>		<b>4.0</b>	<b>280,017</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>235,313</b>	<b>(44,704)</b>	<b>-15.96%</b>
<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES*	ES	12.0	901,050	11.0	823,418	(77,632)	-8.62%
<i>\$51,424 charged to tuition revolving ( 1 FTE)</i>							
PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	ES	- .0	-	- .0	-	-	0.00%
<i>Grade 1 Paras ( 4) previously charged to Title I Grant - will be repurposed to fund district interventionist - paras will return to SPED 1:1 / support po</i>							
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL ELEMENTARY</b>		<b>12.0</b>	<b>906,050</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>828,418</b>	<b>(77,632)</b>	<b>-8.57%</b>
<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPORTS</b>							
RESET TEACHER	MS	- .0	-	- .0	-	-	0.00%
STUDENT SUPPORT PARAS	MS	- .0	-	- .0	-	-	0.00%
<i>RESET Teacher charged to Rural Aid FY26</i>							
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		-		250	250	100.00%
<b>TOTAL MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPORTS</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>ART</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	1.0	75,931	1.0	79,335	3,404	4.48%
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	1.0	91,010	1.0	94,196	3,186	3.50%
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	1.0	66,165	1.0	69,146	2,981	4.51%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		3,300		3,300	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		3,358		3,358	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		3,358		3,358	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	HS		500		500	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL ART</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>243,622</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>253,193</b>	<b>9,571</b>	<b>3.93%</b>
<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	1.0	75,931	1.0	70,000	(5,931)	-7.81%
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	1.0	66,165	1.0	69,146	2,981	4.51%
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	1.0	73,103	1.0	61,575	(11,528)	-15.77%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		250		250	-	0.00%



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INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		250		250	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		250		250	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>215,949</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>201,471</b>	<b>(14,478)</b>	<b>-6.70%</b>
<b>ARTS PATHWAYS</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	1.0	80,371	1.0	69,146	(11,225)	-13.97%
<i>repurposed civics funding for Arts &amp; Entertainment Pathway</i>							
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		250		250	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL ARTS PATHWAY</b>		<b>1.0</b>	<b>80,621</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>69,396</b>	<b>(11,225)</b>	<b>-13.92%</b>
<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS</b>							
DISTRICT READING INTERVENTIONIST	DIST	- .0	-	1.0	85,355	85,355	100.00%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 4-7	MS	4.0	267,289	4.0	287,867	20,578	7.70%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 8-12	HS	3.0	280,366	3.0	252,168	(28,198)	-10.06%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		500		500	-	0.00%
<i>* reading interventionist previously covered by title I</i>							
<b>TOTAL ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS</b>		<b>7.0</b>	<b>548,655</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>626,390</b>	<b>77,735</b>	<b>14.17%</b>
<b>FOREIGN LANGUAGE</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	1.0	61,483	1.0	63,627	2,144	3.49%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		400		400	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE</b>		<b>1.0</b>	<b>61,883</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>64,027</b>	<b>2,144</b>	<b>3.46%</b>
<b>TIMBERFRAMING / WOODSHOP</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	0.2	16,074	0.4	33,274	17,199	107.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		3,000		6,000	3,000	100.00%
<i>** Additional section being taught FY26</i>							
<b>TOTAL TIMBERFRAMING / WOODSHOP</b>		<b>0.2</b>	<b>19,074</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>39,274</b>	<b>20,199</b>	<b>105.90%</b>
<b>STEM</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES GR PK-3	ES	1.0	84,041	1.0	89,096	5,055	6.01%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 4-7	MS	1.0	80,371	- .0	-	(80,371)	-100.00%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 8 - 12	HS	1.0	77,554	1.0	82,389	4,835	6.23%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		3,500		3,500	-	0.00%



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EQUIPMENT	MS		450		450	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	HS		450		450	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL STEM</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>247,866</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>177,385</b>	<b>(70,481)</b>	<b>-28.44%</b>
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>							
HVE MATH INTERVENTION	ES	0.5	44,789	- .0	-	(44,789)	-100.00%
TEACHING SALARIES GR4-7	MS	4.0	298,234	4.0	292,655	(5,579)	-1.87%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 8 - 12	HS	4.0	318,996	4.0	330,827	11,831	3.71%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
<i>* interventionist now serves 2 buildings - moved to title I</i>							
<b>TOTAL MATHEMATICS</b>		<b>8.5</b>	<b>664,019</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>625,482</b>	<b>(38,537)</b>	<b>-5.80%</b>
<b>MUSIC EDUCATION</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	1.0	51,422	1.0	54,867	3,445	6.70%
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	1.5	102,394	1.5	108,502	6,108	5.97%
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	0.5	41,581	0.5	44,082	2,501	6.01%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		1,000		100	(900)	-90.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		1,000		100	(900)	-90.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	HS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	HS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL MUSIC EDUCATION</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>202,896</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>213,150</b>	<b>10,254</b>	<b>5.05%</b>
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	1.0	49,788	1.0	52,964	3,176	6.38%
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	1.0	64,329	2.0	145,884	81,555	126.78%
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	2.0	156,972	2.0	163,563	6,591	4.20%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		1,200		1,200	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		1,200		1,200	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		1,509		1,200	(309)	-20.48%
<b>TOTAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>		<b>4.0</b>	<b>274,998</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>366,011</b>	<b>91,013</b>	<b>33.10%</b>



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<b>SCIENCE</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES GR 4-7	MS	4.0	328,830	4.0	317,637	(11,193)	-3.40%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 8 - 12	HS	4.8	390,967	4.6	390,200	(766)	-0.20%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		7,500		4,500	(3,000)	-40.00%
<b>TOTAL SCIENCE</b>		<b>8.8</b>	<b>728,797</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>713,837</b>	<b>(14,959)</b>	<b>-2.05%</b>
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES GR 4-7	MS	4.0	281,604	4.0	298,593	16,989	6.03%
TEACHING SALARIES GR 8 - 12	HS	4.0	309,187	4.0	350,706	41,519	13.43%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL SOCIAL STUDIES</b>		<b>8.0</b>	<b>593,291</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>651,799</b>	<b>58,508</b>	<b>9.86%</b>
<b>SPECIALIST TEACHING / TUTORING</b>							
ENGLISH LANG LEARNER TEACHER	DIST	1.0	75,931	1.0	81,403	5,472	7.21%
TUTOR REG DAY / HOMEWORK HELP	ES		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
TUTOR REG DAY / HOMEWORK HELP	MS		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
TUTOR REG DAY / HOMEWORK HELP	HS		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	DIST		250		250	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL OTHER SPECIALIST TEACHING</b>		<b>1.0</b>	<b>85,181</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>90,653</b>	<b>5,472</b>	<b>6.42%</b>
<b>TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION</b>		<b>81.5</b>	<b>6,745,589</b>	<b>79.0</b>	<b>6,666,001</b>	<b>(79,588)</b>	<b>-1.18%</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>							
<b>SPED ADMINISTRATION</b>							
DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES	DIST	1.0	128,173	1.0	130,736	2,563	2.00%
ASSOC. DIR. OF SPECIAL SERVICES	DIST	0.95	95,964	1.0	105,022	9,058	9.44%
SPED COORDINATOR GR K-3	DIST	1.0	89,474	1.0	82,882	(6,592)	-7.37%
SPED COORDINATOR MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL	DIST	- .0		1.0	94,420	94,420	0.00%
SPED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	DIST	1.0	49,030	1.0	50,991	1,961	4.00%
MENTOR-SPED TEACHER	DIST		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	DIST		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	DIST		-		1,000	1,000	100.00%
POSTAGE	DIST		500		500	-	0.00%
MEMBERSHIPS & DUES	DIST		1,200		1,200	-	0.00%





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OTHER	DIST		1,000		2,000	1,000	100.00%
LEGAL SERVICES	DIST		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	DIST		6,200		8,000	1,800	29.03%
<b>TOTAL SPED ADMINISTRATION</b>		<b>3.95</b>	<b>386,542</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>491,752</b>	<b>105,210</b>	<b>27.22%</b>
<b>SPED SPECIALISTS</b>							
TUTORS - SPED	DIST		6,000		2,000	(4,000)	-66.67%
SUMMER PROGRAM	DIST		65,000		65,000	-	0.00%
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	DIST	1.0	69,257	1.0	70,358	1,100	1.59%
PHYSICAL THERAPIST	DIST	1.0	69,360	1.0	71,441	2,081	3.00%
BCBA	DIST	2.0	166,959	0.5	48,254	(118,704)	-71.10%
REGISTERED BEHAVIOR TECHNICIAN	HVHS	1.0	33,166	- .0	-	(33,166)	-100.00%
READING SPECIALIST	DIST	1.0	80,516	1.0	83,972	3,456	4.29%
SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST	DIST	2.0	127,494	2.0	134,453	6,959	5.46%
SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST ASST	DIST	2.0	75,945	2.0	77,463	1,518	2.00%
PARAPROFESSIONAL STIPENDS	DIST		42,000		62,000	20,000	47.62%
TESTING MATERIALS / IEP SUPPLIES	DIST		10,000		12,000	2,000	20.00%
SCHOOL PYSCHOLOGIST	DIST	2.0	168,044	2.1	174,024	5,980	3.56%
CONTRACTED THERAPEUTIC SERVICES	DIST		-		30,000	30,000	0.00%
THERAPUTIC SUPPLIES	DIST		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	DIST		-		-	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL SPED SPECIALISTS</b>		<b>12.0</b>	<b>914,741</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>831,965</b>	<b>(82,776)</b>	<b>-9.05%</b>
<b>PRE-SCHOOL</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	1.0	51,422	1.0	54,867	3,445	6.70%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	ES	1.0	21,079	1.0	19,618	(1,461)	-6.93%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		-		-	-	0.00%
<i>* 3 year old half day program only - 3 full day classrooms charged to CPPI grant</i>							
<b>TOTAL PRE-SCHOOL</b>		<b>2.0</b>	<b>72,501</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>74,485</b>	<b>1,984</b>	<b>2.74%</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTION</b>							
TEACHING SALARIES	ES	4.0	341,799	3.0	265,543	(76,256)	-22.31%
TEACHING SALARIES	MS	4.0	398,099	3.0	268,151	(129,948)	-32.64%
TEACHING SALARIES	HS	3.0	227,753	3.0	221,742	(6,011)	-2.64%
RESTRAINT / OTHER TRAINING - TEACHER	DIST		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	ES	9.0	152,989	7.0	156,260	3,271	2.14%
PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	MS	12.0	266,850	13.0	273,105	6,255	2.34%



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PARAPROFESSIONAL SALARIES	HS	8.0	157,725	9.0	186,717	28,992	18.38%
RESTRAINT / OTHER TRAINING - PARA	DIST		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	ES		-		1,000	1,000	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	MS		-		1,000	1,000	0.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	HS		-		1,000	1,000	0.00%
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTION</b>		<b>40.0</b>	<b>1,547,215</b>	<b>38.0</b>	<b>1,376,518</b>	<b>(170,697)</b>	<b>-11.03%</b>
<b>TUITION FOR OOD SPED PLACEMENTS</b>							
MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS	DIST		-		-	-	0.00%
PRIVATE SCHOOLS-DAY 50	DIST		100,000		300,000	200,000	200.00%
PRIVATE SCHOOL RESIDENTIAL	DIST		200,000		300,000	100,000	50.00%
<i>* 275K to come from circuit breaker reimbursement, 500K charged to School Choice</i>							
<b>TOTAL TUITION FOR SPED OOD PLACEMENTS</b>			<b>300,000</b>		<b>600,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>		<b>58.0</b>	<b>3,220,999</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>3,374,720</b>	<b>153,721</b>	<b>4.77%</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT</b>							
<b>REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>							
SCH COMMITTEE SECRETARY	DIST		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
CROSSING GUARDS	DIST		11,000		11,000	-	0.00%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	DIST		5,000		6,000	1,000	20.00%
<i>Professional Organization Dues</i>							
TRAINING & ED.	DIST		500		500	-	0.00%
<i>Conferences and workshops for School Committee members.</i>							
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	DIST		55,000		55,000	-	0.00%
<i>Independent Auditing, Treasurer Services and Other</i>							
LEGAL SERVICES	DIST		18,000		18,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>			<b>92,500</b>		<b>93,500</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1.08%</b>
<b>DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION</b>							
SUPERINTENDENT	DIST	1.0	151,516	1.0	156,819	5,303	3.50%
SUPT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	DIST	1.0	60,146	1.0	62,800	2,654	4.41%
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR	DIST	0.9	93,804	0.9	100,054	6,250	6.66%
BUSINESS OFFICE STAFF	DIST	2.0	98,791	2.0	100,945	2,154	2.18%
CONTRACTUAL INCREASE CONTINGENCY	DIST		12,000		12,000	-	0.00%



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OFFICE SUPPLIES	DIST		3,200		3,500	300	9.38%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	DIST		4,150		4,500	350	8.43%
TRAINING & EDUCATION	DIST		2,700		2,700	-	0.00%
COPIERS	DIST		7,400		7,400	-	0.00%
TRAVEL SUPERINTENDENT OFFICE	DIST		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
TRAVEL DISTRICT OFFICE	DIST		500		1,000	500	100.00%
POSTAGE	DIST		4,900		5,000	100	2.04%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS SUP	DIST		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS BO	DIST		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	DIST		25,000		30,000	5,000	20.00%
DISTRICT OFFICE LEASE	DIST		54,000		54,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT SUPERINTENDENT	DIST		1,020		1,020	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT BUSINESS OFFICE	DIST		1,020		1,020	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION</b>		<b>4.9</b>	<b>529,147</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>551,758</b>	<b>22,611</b>	<b>4.27%</b>
<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b>							
TRAINING & EDUCATION - CON. SERVICE	DIST		23,000		23,000	-	0.00%
PD STIPENDS - IN HOUSE TRAINING	DIST		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
PD REIMBURSEMENT - OUTSIDE PD	DIST		6,000		6,000	-	0.00%
ADMIN TRAINING & ED REIMBURSEMENT	DIST		12,000		12,000	-	0.00%
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT - CREDITS	DIST		21,000		21,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b>			<b>72,000</b>		<b>72,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>SCHOOL COUNSELORS</b>							
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	HVHS	1.0	91,010	1.0	94,196	3,186	3.50%
GUIDANCE EXTRA HOURS	HVMHS		4,000		4,000	-	0.00%
SECRETARIAL SALARIES	HVMHS	1.0	37,454	1.0	41,308	3,855	10.29%
SUPPLIES	HVMHS		1,000		500	(500)	-50.00%
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL COUNSELOR</b>		<b>2.0</b>	<b>133,464</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>140,004</b>	<b>6,541</b>	<b>4.90%</b>
<b>ADJUSTMENT COUNSELORS</b>							
ADJUSTMENT COUNSELOR	ES	1.0	74,503	1.0	78,208	3,705	4.97%
ADJUSTMENT COUNSELOR	MS	1.0	75,931	1.0	80,821	4,890	6.44%
ADJUSTMENT COUNSELOR	HS	1.0	91,010	1.0	54,848	(36,162)	-39.73%
SUPPLIES	ES		250		250	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES	MS		250		250	-	0.00%



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SUPPLIES	HS		250		250	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL ADJUSTMENT COUNSELORS</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>242,194</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>214,627</b>	<b>(27,567)</b>	<b>-11.38%</b>
<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>							
NURSE SALARIES	ES	1.0	50,848	1.0	57,500	6,652	13.08%
NURSE SALARIES	MS	1.0	55,855	1.0	60,813	4,958	8.88%
NURSE SALARIES	HS	1.0	53,945	1.0	57,000	3,055	5.66%
NURSE - EXTRA HOURS	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
NURSE - EXTRA HOURS	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
NURSE - EXTRA HOURS	HS		500		500	-	0.00%
NURSE - SUBSTITUTES	ES		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
NURSE - SUBSTITUTES	MS		3,000		3,000	-	0.00%
NURSE - SUBSTITUTES	HS		2,165		2,165	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES	ES		2,500		2,500	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES	MS		2,500		2,500	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES	HS		2,500		2,500	-	0.00%
TRAINING & EDUCATION	DIST		2,576		2,576	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	ES		500		500	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	MS		500		500	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	HS		500		500	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES</b>		<b>3.0</b>	<b>183,889</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>198,554</b>	<b>14,665</b>	<b>7.97%</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>							
<b>DISTRICT WIDE INFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGY</b>							
TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	DIST	1.0	89,610	1.0	92,298	2,688	3.00%
TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST	DIST	0.3	17,520	0.3	21,502	3,982	22.73%
<i>one position spread over three function codes.</i>							
TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	DIST		4,000		2,000	(2,000)	-50.00%
SUPPLIES	DIST		25,000		25,000	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	DIST		500		500	-	0.00%
INFORMATIONAL SOFTWARE - DIST	DIST		115,000		117,000	2,000	1.74%
INFORMATIONAL SOFTWARE - SPED	SPED		14,000		16,000	2,000	14.29%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	DIST		25,000		25,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	DIST		4,000		4,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	DIST		30,600		40,000	9,400	30.72%
<b>TOTAL BUILDING TECHNOLOGY</b>		<b>1.3</b>	<b>325,230</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>343,300</b>	<b>18,070</b>	<b>5.56%</b>





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TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST	DIST	0.3	17,520	0.3	21,502	3,982	22.73%
INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE	DIST		40,000		50,000	10,000	25.00%
INSTRUCTIONAL SOFTWARE	DIST		80,000		80,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	DIST		-		-	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY</b>		0.3	137,520	0.3	151,502	13,982	10.17%
TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST	DIST	0.3	17,520	0.3	21,502	3,982	22.73%
INTERNET SERVICE	DIST		16,880		17,500	620	3.68%
<b>TOTAL NETWORKING &amp; COMMUNICATIONS</b>		0.3	34,399	0.3	39,002	4,602	13.38%
<b>TOTAL TECHNOLOGY</b>		2.0	497,149	2.0	533,803	36,654	7.37%
<b>ATHLETICS</b>							
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	HVHS	1.0	80,111	1.0	82,514	2,403	3.00%
ATHLETIC STIPENDS	HVHS		90,000		90,000	-	0.00%
ATHLETIC SUPPLIES	HVHS		25,500		25,500	-	0.00%
<i>additional costs exceeding budget will come out of revolving funds</i>						-	0.00%
MEMBERSHIPS & DUES	HVHS				2,000	2,000	100.00%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	HVHS		40,000		38,000	(2,000)	-5.00%
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	HVHS		3,500		3,500	-	0.00%
ATHLETICS TRANSPORTATION	HVHS		48,973		50,442	1,469	3.00%
<b>TOTAL ATHLETICS</b>		1.0	288,084	1.0	291,956	3,873	1.34%
<b>STUDENT ACTIVITIES</b>							
STUDENT ACTIVITY STIPENDS	HVMHS		35,000		35,000	-	0.00%
STUDENT ACTIVITY - FIELD TRIPS			23,046		23,737	691	3.00%
<b>TOTAL STUDENT ACTIVITIES</b>			58,046		58,737	691	1.19%
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM</b>							
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	ES		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	MS		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	HS		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP</b>			30,000		30,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT</b>		15.9	2,126,472	15.9	2,184,940	58,468	2.75%
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>							



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<b>CUSTODIAL SERVICES</b>							
CUSTODIAL SALARIES	ES	3.0	135,910	3.0	151,599	15,690	11.54%
CUSTODIAL SALARIES	MS	2.0	87,337	2.0	94,837	7,499	8.59%
CUSTODIAL SALARIES	HS	3.0	135,910	3.0	151,851	15,942	11.73%
CUSTODIAL OVERTIME	ES		12,000		15,000	3,000	25.00%
CUSTODIAL OVERTIME	MS		9,000		3,000	(6,000)	-66.67%
CUSTODIAL OVERTIME	HS		12,000		12,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUBSTITUTES	DIST		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUBSTITUTES	ES		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUBSTITUTES	MS		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUBSTITUTES	HS		2,000		2,000	-	0.00%
SEASONAL LABOR	DIST		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%
TRAVEL	DIST		-		-	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	ES		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	MS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	HS		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES - cleaning / maintenance	ES		42,000		45,000	3,000	7.14%
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES - cleaning / maintenance	MS		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES - cleaning / maintenance	HS		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL EQUIPMENT	ES		700		700	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL EQUIPMENT	MS		700		700	-	0.00%
CUSTODIAL EQUIPMENT	HS		700		700	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL CUSTODIAL SERVICES</b>		<b>8.0</b>	<b>510,257</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>549,387</b>	<b>39,131</b>	<b>7.67%</b>
<b>HEAT &amp; UTILITIES</b>							
ENERGY/UTILITIES-TELEPHONE	ES		1,833		1,500	(333)	-18.17%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-TELEPHONE	DIST		1,000		1,500	500	50.00%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-TELEPHONE	MS		1,833		1,500	(333)	-18.17%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-TELEPHONE	HS		1,833		1,500	(333)	-18.17%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-ELECTRIC	DIST		3,500		3,500	-	0.00%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-ELECTRIC	ES		69,376		70,000	624	0.90%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-ELECTRIC	MS		77,841		78,000	159	0.20%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-ELECTRIC	HS		77,841		78,000	159	0.20%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-SEWER & WATER	ES		9,452		9,925	473	5.00%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-SEWER & WATER	MS		5,623		5,904	281	5.00%
ENERGY/UTILITIES-SEWER & WATER	HS		5,623		5,904	281	5.00%
<b>TOTAL UTILITIES</b>			<b>255,755</b>		<b>257,233</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>0.58%</b>



# HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



## FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET

DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORCAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
HEAT-NATURAL GAS	DIST		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
HEAT-NATURAL GAS	ES		61,340		64,407	3,067	5.00%
HEAT-NATURAL GAS	MS		57,876		60,770	2,894	5.00%
HEAT-NATURAL GAS	HS		57,876		60,770	2,894	5.00%
<b>TOTAL HEATING OF BUILDINGS</b>			<b>182,092</b>		<b>190,947</b>	<b>8,855</b>	<b>4.86%</b>
<b>TOTAL HEAT &amp; UTILITIES</b>			<b>437,847</b>		<b>448,179</b>	<b>10,332</b>	<b>2.36%</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS</b>							
GROUNDS CONTRACTED SERVICES	ES		12,000		12,000	-	0.00%
GROUNDS CONTRACTED SERVICES	MS		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%
GROUNDS CONTRACTED SERVICES	HS		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS</b>			<b>52,000</b>		<b>52,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS</b>							
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	ES		85,000		85,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	MS		50,000		50,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	HS		50,000		50,000	-	0.00%
BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEMS	ES		11,000		13,000	2,000	18.18%
BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEMS	MS		7,000		11,000	4,000	57.14%
BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEMS	HS		7,000		11,000	4,000	57.14%
SUPPLIES - repair & maintenance / replacement	ES		2,500		2,500	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES - repair & maintenance / replacement	MS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
SUPPLIES - repair & maintenance / replacement	HS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS</b>			<b>215,500</b>		<b>225,500</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>4.64%</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT / VEHICLE</b>							
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	ES		1,000		1,000	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	MS		1,500		1,500	-	0.00%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	HS		3,000		3,500	500	16.67%
<b>TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT</b>			<b>5,500</b>		<b>6,000</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>9.09%</b>
<b>TOTAL MAINTENANCE</b>		<b>8.0</b>	<b>1,221,104</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>1,281,067</b>	<b>59,963</b>	<b>4.91%</b>
<b>OPERATIONAL SERVICES</b>							
<b>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</b>							
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	DIST		75,000		75,000	-	0.00%
PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	DIST		82,000		93,000	11,000	13.41%



# HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT





## FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET

DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORCAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
WORKERS COMPENSATION	DIST		75,000		78,000	3,000	4.00%
SCHOOL CHOICE ASSESSMENT	DIST		1,000,000		915,000	(85,000)	-8.50%
CHARTER SCHOOL SENDING TUITION	DIST		1,400,000		1,371,510	(28,490)	-2.04%
SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT	DIST		7,323		8,254	931	12.71%
<b>TOTAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</b>			<b>2,639,323</b>		<b>2,540,764</b>	<b>(98,559)</b>	<b>-3.73%</b>
<b>FRINGE BENEFITS</b>							
SEVERANCE / LONGEVITY / WELLNESS	DIST		95,000		80,000	(15,000)	-15.79%
LIFE INSURANCE - ACTIVE	DIST		5,000		5,000	-	0.00%
DISABILITY INSURANCE	DIST		10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
HEALTH/DENTAL INSURANCE-ACTIVE	DIST		2,200,000		2,475,000	275,000	12.50%
HEALTH INSURANCE-RETIRED	DIST		1,065,000		1,240,000	175,000	16.43%
LIFE INSURANCE - RETIRED	DIST		5,700		5,700	-	0.00%
MEDICARE TAXES	DIST		184,573		185,000	427	0.23%
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT-ADAMS	DIST		932,402		990,459	58,057	6.23%
<b>TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS</b>			<b>4,497,675</b>		<b>4,991,159</b>	<b>493,484</b>	<b>10.97%</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL SERVICES</b>			<b>7,136,998</b>		<b>7,531,923</b>	<b>394,925</b>	<b>5.53%</b>
<b>TOTAL FOUNDATION BUDGET</b>		<b>163.4</b>	<b>20,451,161</b>	<b>157.5</b>	<b>21,038,651</b>	<b>587,490</b>	<b>2.87%</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION BUDGET</b>							
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	DIST	0.1	9,000	0.1	9,000	-	0.00%
PROF. & TECH. SERVICES	DIST		9,920		10,118	199	2.01%
PUPIL TRANS-REGULAR DAY	DIST		561,142		577,970	16,828	3.00%
PUPIL TRANS-SPED	DIST		311,745		321,094	9,349	3.00%
PUPIL TRANS-SPED-OTHER	DIST		60,880		60,880	-	0.00%
PUPIL TRANS-HOMELESS	DIST		6,041		6,041	-	0.00%
PUPIL TRANS-CHARTER SCHOOL	DIST		20,730		28,882	8,152	39.32%
<b>TOTAL TRANSPORTATION BUDGET</b>		<b>0.1</b>	<b>979,458</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1,013,986</b>	<b>34,527</b>	<b>3.53%</b>
<b>CAPITAL BUDGET</b>							
LONG-TERM DEBT-PRINCIPAL	DIST		650,000		675,000	25,000	3.85%
LONG-TERM DEBT-INTEREST	DIST		231,100		209,000	(22,100)	-9.56%
HVE CAPITAL REPAIRS	HVE		150,000		180,000	30,000	20.00%
HVMHS CAPITAL REPAIRS	HVMHS		20,000		20,000	-	0.00%

*See Capital Debt Worksheet for details.*



<div>  <b>HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>  </div>							
<b>FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET</b>							
DESCRIPTION	LOC	FY25# EMP	FY2025 BUDGET	FY26# EMP	FY2026 FORECAST	FY25-26 \$ INC (DEC)	FY25-26 % INC (DEC)
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET</b>			1,051,100		1,084,000	32,900	3.13%
<b>SUMMARY</b>							
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>			22,481,719		23,136,636	654,917	2.91%
FOUNDATION BUDGET - EXPENSE		163.4	20,451,161	157.5	21,038,651	587,490	2.87%
NON-FOUNDATION BUDGET - EXPENSE		0.1	979,458	0.1	1,013,986	34,527	3.53%
CAPITAL BUDGET - EXPENSE			1,051,100		1,084,000	32,900	3.13%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET</b>		163.5	22,481,719	157.6	23,136,636	654,917	2.91%

**Appendix A**  
**HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**FY 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET**  
**ASSESSMENT COMPUTATION**

				FY 2026 ASSESSMENTS		
				ADAMS	CHESHIRE	VARIANCE
<b>OPERATING (FOUNDATION) BUDGET</b>						
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	23,136,636					
LESS TRANSPORTATION BUDGET	1,013,986					
LESS CAPITAL BUDGET	1,084,000					
TOTAL FOUNDATION (OPERATING) BUDGET	21,038,651					
<b>FOUNDATION REVENUES OTHER THAN TOWN ASSESSMENTS</b>						
STATE-CHAPTER 70	12,259,184					
STATE-CHARTER SCHOOL TUITION REIMB.	210,000					
STATE-MEDICAID	100,000					
NAPS ATHLETIC DIR COST SHARE	41,857					
APPROPRIATIONS FROM E&D	75,000					
TOTAL FOUNDATION REVENUES OTHER THAN TOWN ASSESSMENTS	12,686,041					
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED TO TOWNS - FOUNDATION ONLY</b>	<b>8,352,610</b>					
<b>FY2025 MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION</b>						
ADAMS MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	63.621%	4,301,696	4,301,696			
CHESHIRE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	36.379%	2,459,706			2,459,706	
<i>projection based on Gov Budget released Jan 2025</i>	100.000%	6,761,402				
<b>AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED OVER MINIMUM REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>1,591,208</b>					
	enroll					
ADAMS share over minimum	725	75.521%	1,201,693	1,201,693		
CHESHIRE share over minimum	235	24.479%	389,514		389,514	
TOTAL ENROLLMENT	960	100.000%	1,591,208			
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENT OVER MINIMUM</b>	-					
<b>TOTAL FOUNDATION ASSESSMENT TO TOWNS</b>	<b>8,352,610</b>	<b>5,503,389</b>	<b>2,849,220</b>			
<b>TRANSPORTATION ASSESSMENT</b>						
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	1,013,985.63					
STATE TRANS. REIMB. / REVOLVING	411,751					
AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED	602,235.09	602,235				
	enroll					
ADAMS enrollment	725	75.521%	454,812.96	454,813		
CHESHIRE enrollment	235	24.479%	147,422.13		147,422	
TOTAL enrollment from Adams and Cheshi	960	100.000%	602,235.09	-		
<b>TOTAL FY2025 TRANSPORTATION ASSESSMENTS TO TOWNS</b>	<b>602,235</b>	<b>454,813</b>	<b>147,422</b>			
<b>CAPITAL ASSESSMENTS</b>						
				FY 2026 ASSESSMENTS		
				ADAMS	CHESHIRE	
<b>1 BOND PREMIUM AMORTIZATION - HVMHS BUILDING PROJECT</b>						
PRINCIPAL		-				
INTEREST		(12,363.00)				
TOTAL PAYMENT		(12,363.00)				
	enroll					
ADAMS	430	75.972%	(9,392.39)	(9,392)	(9,392)	
CHESHIRE	136	24.028%	(2,970.61)	(2,971)	-	(2,971) (0.00)
<i>(District wide enrollment )</i>	566	100.000%	(12,363.00)			

**Appendix A**  
**HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**FY 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET**  
**ASSESSMENT COMPUTATION**

**2 HVMHS BUILDING PROJECT - \$7,290,000 2.0% General Obligation School Bond dated Mar 1, 2013 (Debt Exclusion) - Pay off date June 30, 203**

PRINCIPAL			405,000.00				
INTEREST			108,600.00				
TOTAL PAYMENT			513,600.00				
	enroll						
ADAMS	430	75.972%	390,190.81	390,191	390,191		
CHESHIRE	136	24.028%	123,409.19	123,409		123,409	0.00
(Hoosac Valley MHS enrollment only)	566	100.000%	513,600.00				

**3 HVMHS BUILDING PROJECT - \$5,000,000 2.0% General Obligation Bond dated Aug 1, 2013 (Debt Exclusion) - Pay off date June 30, 2033**

PRINCIPAL			270,000.00				
INTEREST			100,400.00				
TOTAL PAYMENT			370,400.00				
	enroll						
ADAMS	430	75.972%	281,399.29	281,399	281,399		
CHESHIRE	136	24.028%	89,000.71	89,001		89,001	0.00
(Hoosac Valley MHS enrollment only)	566	100.000%	370,400.00				

**6 HVMHS CAPITAL PROEJCTS**

PRINCIPAL			20,000.00				
E&D			(20,000.00)				
TOTAL PAYMENT			-				
	enroll						
ADAMS	430	75.972%	-	-	-		
CHESHIRE	136	24.028%	-	-		-	-
	566	100.000%	-				

**7 HVE CAPITAL PROJECTS**

PRINCIPAL			180,000.00				
E&D			(180,000.00)				
TOTAL PAYMENT			-				
	enroll						
ADAMS	295	74.873%	-	-	-		
CHESHIRE	99	25.127%	-	-		-	-
	394	100.000%	-				

<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ASSESSMENTS TO TOWNS</b>	<b>871,637</b>	<b>662,198</b>	<b>209,439</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>
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**TOTAL TOWN ASSESSMENTS SUMMARY**

	<b>ADAMS</b>	<b>CHESHIRE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
FOUNDATION	5,503,389	2,849,220	8,352,610
TRANSPORTATION	454,813	147,422	602,235
CAPITAL	662,198	209,439	871,637

**TOTAL FY2026 TOWN ASSESSMENTS**

<b>6,620,400</b>	<b>3,206,082</b>	<b>9,826,482</b>
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**TOTAL PREVIOUS YEAR (FY25) TOWN ASSESSMENTS**

<b>6,484,422</b>	<b>3,098,995</b>	<b>9,583,417</b>
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**INCREASE (DECREASE) TOWN ASSESSMENTS FROM PREVIOUS YEAR  
% OF INCREASE**

<b>135,978</b>	<b>107,087</b>	<b>243,065</b>
<b>2.10%</b>	<b>3.46%</b>	

**INCREASE (DECREASE) TOWN ASSESSMENTS FROM PREVIOUS YEAR - WITHIN LEVY LIMIT  
% OF INCREASE**

<b>135,391</b>	<b>104,773</b>	<b>240,164</b>
<b>2.33%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	

**Appendix C**  
**HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REVENUE & EXPENDITURES YEAR-TO-YEAR**

	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY26 \$ change	FY26 % change
Chapter 70 Aid	\$ 10,390,093	\$ 10,425,904	\$ 11,233,231	\$ 11,817,286	\$ 12,259,184	\$ 441,898	3.7%
Foundation Assessment Town of Adams	\$ 4,977,858	\$ 5,143,209	\$ 5,375,874	\$ 5,382,305	\$ 5,503,389	\$ 121,084	2.2%
Foundation Assessment Town of Cheshire	\$ 2,438,939	\$ 2,582,368	\$ 2,625,694	\$ 2,756,515	\$ 2,849,220	\$ 92,705	3.4%
Capital Assessment Town of Adams	\$ 703,897	\$ 696,702	\$ 683,051	\$ 661,611	\$ 662,198	\$ 587	0.1%
Capital Assessment Town of Cheshire	\$ 212,740	\$ 215,735	\$ 189,736	\$ 207,126	\$ 209,439	\$ 2,313	1.1%
Transportation Assessment Town of Adams	\$ 455,990	\$ 459,179	\$ 468,030	\$ 440,507	\$ 454,813	\$ 14,306	3.2%
Transportation Assessment Town of Cheshire	\$ 138,805	\$ 145,263	\$ 133,032	\$ 135,355	\$ 147,422	\$ 12,067	8.9%
Use of E & D	\$ 300,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 245,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 30,000	12.2%
State Reimbursement Transportation	\$ 400,393	\$ 374,716	\$ 344,959	\$ 403,597	\$ 411,751	\$ 8,154	2.0%
State Charter School Reimbursement	\$ 110,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 210,000	\$ (90,000)	-30.0%
District Local Revenues	\$ 100,000	\$ 92,363	\$ 131,588	\$ 132,419	\$ 154,220	\$ 21,801	16.5%
<b>Total Budgeted Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 20,228,715</b>	<b>\$ 20,625,439</b>	<b>\$ 21,385,195</b>	<b>\$ 22,481,719</b>	<b>\$ 23,136,636</b>	<b>\$ 654,917</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>Budgeted Expenditures:</b>	<b>FY2022</b>	<b>FY2023</b>	<b>FY2024</b>	<b>FY2025</b>	<b>FY2026</b>	<b>\$ Inc (Dec)</b>	<b>% Inc (Dec)</b>
Regular Day Instruction	\$ 4,844,827	\$ 4,788,784	\$ 5,054,996	\$ 5,348,497	\$ 5,354,065	\$ 5,568	0.1%
Employee Health Insurance	\$ 2,279,141	\$ 2,461,472	\$ 2,265,000	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 2,475,000	\$ 275,000	12.5%
Special Education Instruction	\$ 2,738,729	\$ 2,851,340	\$ 3,100,897	\$ 2,928,322	\$ 2,782,974	\$ (145,348)	-5.0%
Retiree Health/ Life Insurance	\$ 974,000	\$ 1,012,760	\$ 996,296	\$ 1,070,700	\$ 1,245,700	\$ 175,000	16.3%
Maintenance of Buildings	\$ 1,086,710	\$ 1,109,686	\$ 1,128,911	\$ 1,221,104	\$ 1,281,067	\$ 59,963	4.9%
School Building Operations	\$ 1,004,395	\$ 1,013,352	\$ 1,252,144	\$ 1,397,092	\$ 1,311,936	\$ (85,156)	-6.1%
Capital	\$ 916,637	\$ 924,800	\$ 885,150	\$ 1,051,100	\$ 1,084,000	\$ 32,900	3.1%
Pupil Transportation	\$ 995,188	\$ 979,158	\$ 946,021	\$ 979,458	\$ 1,013,986	\$ 34,528	3.5%
Charter School Sending Tuition	\$ 1,101,426	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,103,347	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,371,510	\$ (28,490)	-2.0%
Retirement Contribution	\$ 771,531	\$ 804,726	\$ 895,247	\$ 932,402	\$ 990,459	\$ 58,057	6.2%
School Committee & District Administration	\$ 535,141	\$ 543,286	\$ 595,856	\$ 621,647	\$ 645,258	\$ 23,611	3.8%
School Choice Assessment	\$ 800,000	\$ 809,590	\$ 825,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 915,000	\$ (85,000)	-8.5%
Technology	\$ 397,558	\$ 456,893	\$ 508,006	\$ 497,149	\$ 533,803	\$ 36,654	7.4%
SPED Tuition to other Districts	\$ 391,550	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 300,000	100.0%
Athletics & Student Activities	\$ 244,589	\$ 246,244	\$ 338,071	\$ 346,130	\$ 350,694	\$ 4,564	1.3%
Other Instructional Support	\$ 89,500	\$ 94,000	\$ 98,000	\$ 102,000	\$ 102,000	\$ -	0.0%
Library & Health Services	\$ 213,143	\$ 171,804	\$ 175,339	\$ 183,889	\$ 198,554	\$ 14,665	8.0%
Other Employee Fringe Benefits	\$ 358,888	\$ 358,716	\$ 363,716	\$ 369,573	\$ 358,000	\$ (11,573)	-3.1%
Adjustment Counselors & Guidance	\$ 372,761	\$ 404,828	\$ 428,201	\$ 375,658	\$ 354,631	\$ (21,027)	-5.6%
General Insurance	\$ 63,000	\$ 69,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 82,000	\$ 93,000	\$ 11,000	13.4%
Unemployment Compensation	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Total Budgeted Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 20,228,715</b>	<b>\$ 20,625,439</b>	<b>\$ 21,385,197</b>	<b>\$ 22,481,719</b>	<b>\$ 23,136,636</b>	<b>\$ 654,917</b>	<b>2.9%</b>

APPENDIX G						
HOOSAC VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT						
MEMBER TOWN ASSESSMENTS						
FY2026 ADOPTED BUDGET						
	FY 2025		FY 2026		FY'25 TO FY'26	
	ASSESSMENTS		ASSESSMENTS		CHANGE	
OPERATING ASSESSMENT:						
PART A: MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION (PER DESE):						
ADAMS	63.335%	\$ 4,059,349	63.621%	\$ 4,301,696	5.970%	\$ 242,347
CHESHIRE	36.665%	\$ 2,350,010	36.379%	\$ 2,459,706	4.668%	\$ 109,696
	100.000%	\$ 6,409,359	100.000%	\$ 6,761,402	5.493%	\$ 352,043
PART B: AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED OVER MINIMUM REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION (PER ENROLLMENT):						
ADAMS	76.495%	\$ 1,322,956	75.521%	\$ 1,201,693	-9.166%	\$ (121,262)
CHESHIRE	23.505%	\$ 406,505	24.479%	\$ 389,514	-4.180%	\$ (16,991)
	100.000%	\$ 1,729,461	100.000%	\$ 1,591,208	-7.994%	\$ (138,253)
TOTAL FOUNDATION ASSESSMENT:						
ADAMS	66.131%	\$ 5,382,305	65.888%	\$ 5,503,389	2.250%	\$ 121,085
CHESHIRE	33.869%	\$ 2,756,515	34.112%	\$ 2,849,220	3.363%	\$ 92,705
	100.000%	\$ 8,138,820	100.000%	\$ 8,352,610	2.627%	\$ 213,790
TRANSPORTATION ASSESSMENT (PER ENROLLMENT):						
ADAMS	76.495%	\$ 440,507	75.521%	\$ 454,813	3.248%	\$ 14,306
CHESHIRE	23.505%	\$ 135,355	24.479%	\$ 147,422	8.916%	\$ 12,068
	100.000%	\$ 575,861	100.000%	\$ 602,235	4.580%	\$ 26,374
TOTAL OPERATING ASSESSMENT:						
ADAMS	66.816%	\$ 5,822,811	66.536%	\$ 5,958,202	2.325%	\$ 135,391
CHESHIRE	33.184%	\$ 2,891,870	33.464%	\$ 2,996,643	3.623%	\$ 104,773
	100.000%	\$ 8,714,681	100.000%	\$ 8,954,845	2.756%	\$ 240,164
CAPITAL ASSESSMENT (PER DEBT AGREEMENTS):						
ADAMS	76.158%	\$ 661,611	75.972%	\$ 662,198	0.089%	\$ 587
CHESHIRE	23.842%	\$ 207,126	24.028%	\$ 209,439	1.117%	\$ 2,313
	100.000%	\$ 868,737	100.000%	\$ 871,637	0.334%	\$ 2,900
TOTAL TOWN ASSESSMENTS:						
ADAMS	67.663%	\$ 6,484,422	67.373%	\$ 6,620,400	2.097%	\$ 135,978
CHESHIRE	32.337%	\$ 3,098,995	32.627%	\$ 3,206,082	3.456%	\$ 107,086
	100.000%	\$ 9,583,418	100.000%	\$ 9,826,482	2.536%	\$ 243,064
OUTSIDE LEVY LIMIT:						
ADAMS	76.158%	\$ 661,611	75.972%	\$ 662,198	0.089%	\$ 587
CHESHIRE	23.842%	\$ 207,126	24.028%	\$ 209,439	1.117%	\$ 2,313
	100.000%	\$ 868,737	100.000%	\$ 871,637	0.334%	\$ 2,900
TOTAL TOWN ASSESSMENTS WITHIN LEVY LIMIT						
ADAMS	66.816%	\$ 5,822,812	66.536%	\$ 5,958,203	2.325%	\$ 135,391
CHESHIRE	33.184%	\$ 2,891,870	33.464%	\$ 2,996,643	3.623%	\$ 104,773
	100.000%	\$ 8,714,681	100.000%	\$ 8,954,845	2.756%	\$ 240,164

**ADAMS & CHESHIRE OCT. 1 ENROLLMENT - 10 YEAR HISTORY**

	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2025</u>
ADAMS	954	956	927	883	842	736	772	746	774	729	725
CHESHIRE	337	335	337	294	268	270	235	236	220	224	235
TOTAL	1,291	1,291	1,264	1,177	1,110	1,006	1,007	982	994	953	960

**% SPLITS USED FOR CALCULATING ASSESSMENTS FOR FOLLOWING YEAR**

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## REVOLVING FUND SOURCE / USE & BALANCE

Revolving Fund	FY2025 Opening Balance	Source of Funding	FY2025 Uses	Projected FY2025 Ending Balance	FY2026 Uses
School Choice	\$929,740	School Choice Reimbursement	4 Kindergarten Paras	\$1,086,000	SPED tuition Out 500K, SPED Contracted services 215K
Athletics	\$96,160	Gate Receipts	One time costs / any expense exceeding op budget	\$110,000	One time costs : Soccer Goals, Lacrosse Nets etc Bussing for State Tournament Games
Building Usage	\$65,000	Building Usage Fees	Auditorium lighting / Building repairs in spaces utilized by outside organizations / groups	\$60,000	Auditorium lighting / Building repairs in spaces utilized by outside organizations / groups
Transportation	\$354,500	State Reimbursement	Offset town assessments	\$292,600	Reduce Town Assessments
Tuition	\$251,190	Savoy Tuition Agreement	Fund 1 elementary school teacher	\$241,000	Fund 1 entry level elementary Position 53K , 4 Kindergarten Paras 87K
Circuit Breaker	\$220,925	State Reimbursement	Private School Tuition	\$0	Out of District Tuition

## FEDERAL / STATE GRANTS - USES

Grant	Amount Awarded	FY2025 Uses	FY2026 Uses
SPED 240	\$410,298	PTA, Sub Sep SAC, HVE 12 1:1 paras, Contracted services ( therapeutic services), allocation to St Stans	12 HVE 1:1 Paras, Contracted services, PTA, St stans allocation
TITLE I	\$374,618	4 Grade 1 paras, 3 title teachers , family engagement, tutoring after school / summer, st stans allocation	Title I Math & Reading Teachers at HVE, District Math Interventionist, St Stans allocation
RURAL AID	\$340,947	Shared positions - Facilities / Data Specialist, SRO, Optimal Healing , Pathways Coordinator	Data Specialist, Pathways Coord, Student / Staff Devices, 1 Teacher, HVE & HVMS Dean of Students
CPPI - PREK	\$620,041	3 Full Day PreK Programs - 3 teachers, 3 paras, BCBA, RBT, OT, PreK SPED Coord	Continuation of 3 Full Day Pre K Programs
SOA	\$250,000	3 Support Positions, Professional Development	FY2025 FINAL YEAR OF GRANT - Positions covered by grant will either shift to operating budget, be covered by a revolving fund or be eliminated

\*\* Several Private grants are also applied for and secured through various organizations such as One8 foundation, Barrett Fund, Olmsted, PLTW & Berkshire Taconic to support the continuation of SEL and Pathways initiatives \*\*



# Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District

## McCann Technical School



Operating Budget  
FY26 (7/1/25 - 6/30/26)

**Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District**  
**Comparison of Revenue**  
**Table I**

<b>Source</b>	<b>FY22</b>	<b>FY23</b>	<b>FY24</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>
General School Aid Chapter 70	5,316,141	6,273,595	6,841,032	7,034,602	7,070,377
Transportation Chapter 71	261,000	311,000	336,288	380,612	420,664
Tuitions	746,028	321,218	235,702	314,979	564,732
Municipal Minimum Assessment	3,268,863	3,451,123	3,758,739	3,905,500	4,022,649
Other Revenue	-	-	14,864	15,743	29,922
Transportation Assessment	188,150	171,015	181,691	155,756	132,805
Capital Assessment	21,670	25,940	18,260	15,105	-
Municipal Assessment	507,037	102,600	112,490	270,589	412,188
<b>BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>10,308,889</b>	<b>10,656,491</b>	<b>11,499,066</b>	<b>12,092,886</b>	<b>12,653,337</b>
<b>NET SCHOOL SPENDING</b>	<b>8,585,004</b>	<b>9,724,718</b>	<b>10,599,771</b>	<b>10,940,102</b>	<b>11,093,026</b>

**Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District**  
**Member Municipality Assessments**  
**Table II**

<b><u>Municipality</u></b>	<b><u>FY22</u></b>	<b><u>FY23</u></b>	<b><u>FY24</u></b>	<b><u>FY25</u></b>	<b><u>FY26</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
Adams	844,401	865,570	893,124	938,581	918,767	
Transportation	56,069	48,568	50,401	44,640	36,747	
Assessment	150,963	29,138	31,205	77,804	114,052	
Capital	3,985	4,773	3,318	2,749	-	1,069,566
Cheshire	428,453	413,185	533,429	506,532	532,532	
Transportation	18,702	14,434	18,133	14,361	13,081	
Assessment	50,197	8,659	11,226	25,163	40,600	
Capital	1,898	2,296	1,658	1,374	-	586,213
Clarksburg	280,546	284,963	351,465	318,303	367,862	
Transportation	17,874	16,896	19,586	16,230	16,986	
Assessment	48,643	10,139	12,127	28,070	52,719	
Capital	879	1,048	743	616	-	437,567
Florida	248,465	255,610	323,562	356,794	386,781	
Transportation	8,937	9,491	11,973	9,984	8,075	
Assessment	23,077	5,694	7,414	17,267	25,061	
Capital	758	897	595	494	-	419,917
Lanesborough	242,965	260,822	346,903	365,907	272,273	
Transportation	9,351	8,089	11,247	9,672	5,565	
Assessment	24,278	4,853	6,962	16,729	17,271	
Capital	2,143	2,581	1,830	1,517	-	295,109
Monroe	28,416	22,703	38,675	20,119	27,226	
Transportation	1,223	1,060	1,817	623	837	
Assessment	2,062	636	1,125	1,078	2,597	
Capital	117	143	100	83	-	30,660
North Adams	859,177	925,371	883,429	927,637	912,048	
Transportation	67,057	62,284	59,467	50,885	41,767	
Assessment	184,104	37,367	36,819	88,289	129,633	
Capital	6,117	7,323	5,138	4,254	-	1,083,448
Savoy	76,464	118,110	142,007	164,868	207,434	
Transportation	2,032	3,164	3,270	3,427	3,625	
Assessment	5,391	1,898	2,025	5,926	11,253	
Capital	425	495	347	287	-	222,312
Williamstown	259,976	304,789	246,145	306,759	397,726	
Transportation	6,905	7,029	5,796	5,934	6,122	
Assessment	18,322	4,216	3,589	10,263	19,002	
Capital	5,348	6,384	4,530	3,731	-	422,850
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,985,720</b>	<b>3,750,678</b>	<b>4,071,180</b>	<b>4,346,950</b>		<b>4,567,642</b>

**Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District**  
**Comparison of Enrollment**  
**Table III**

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>Proportionate Cost %</u>
Adams	134	141	138	138	139	143	132	27.67%
Cheshire	43	51	46	41	50	46	47	9.85%
Clarksburg	46	50	44	48	54	52	61	12.79%
Florida	18	15	22	27	33	32	29	6.08%
Lanesborough	30	23	23	23	31	31	20	4.19%
Monroe	2	2	3	3	5	2	3	0.63%
North Adams	139	149	165	177	164	163	150	31.45%
Savoy	17	14	5	9	9	11	13	2.73%
Williamstown	20	16	17	20	16	19	22	4.61%
In District	449	461	463	486	501	499	477	100%
Total Enrollment	499	514	519	531	549	553	529	

**Transportation Assessment Refund**

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Adams	16,430.00	49,170.00	9,267.85	34,122.08	12,973.90	22,952.16
Cheshire	6,237.00	15,840.00	3,350.85	11,381.53	3,855.73	8,257.61
Clarksburg	4,841.00	16,830.00	3,287.22	10,877.63	4,513.41	8,919.29
Florida	2,161.00	6,600.00	984.65	5,438.81	2,535.32	5,452.39
Lanesborough	3,439.00	11,055.00	1,511.82	5,690.77	2,160.80	5,121.78
Monroe	383.00	660.00	130.28	744.28	283.16	827.45
North Adams	18,845.00	51,150.00	9,791.99	40,809.08	16,637.84	27,080.74
Savoy	2,038.00	6,270.00	921.03	1,236.62	845.19	1,489.13
Williamstown	1,914.00	7,425.00	1,051.31	4,202.20	1,877.65	2,639.39
TOTAL	56,288.00	165,000.00	30,297.00	114,503.00	45,683.00	82,739.94

**Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District**  
**Table IV**

Our District Agreement is as follows... "Capital costs incurred...shall be apportioned on the basis of the member municipalities' equalized valuations and population, determined as to any member municipality by adding together the ratio which its equalized valuation bears to the total equalized valuations of all the member municipalities and the ratio which its population bears to the total population of all the member municipalities and dividing this sum by two...

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Equalized Valuation</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Proportionate Cost</u>
Adams	789,861,000	16.42%	7,995	21.53%	18.97%
Cheshire	447,945,500	9.31%	3,195	8.60%	8.96%
Clarksburg	161,712,900	3.36%	1,640	4.42%	3.89%
Florida	203,461,600	4.23%	675	1.82%	3.02%
Lanesborough	604,416,400	12.57%	3,007	8.10%	10.33%
Monroe	34,088,300	.71%	115	0.31%	0.51%
North Adams	1,043,247,700	21.69%	12,483	33.61%	27.65%
Savoy	99,612,700	2.07%	647	1.74%	1.91%
Williamstown	<u>1,425,465,400</u>	29.64%	<u>7,385</u>	19.88%	24.76%
	4,809,811,500	100%	37,142	100%	100%

## FY26 BUDGET

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT							
ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET	FY24 BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>							
1110-332-02	TREASURER/CLERICAL STIPENDS	6,867.00	6,867.00	7,142.00	7,357.00	7,596.00	7,804.00
1110-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	13,590.00	14,150.00	15,850.00	32,160.00	32,160.00	34,904.00
1110-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
1110-336-05	POSTAGE	6,850.00	6,850.00	6,850.00	7,393.00	8,100.00	7,816.00
1110-337-06	ADVERTISING	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	1,150.00	900.00
1110-338-06	MEMBERSHIPS	16,520.00	17,185.00	27,860.00	28,912.00	27,360.00	22,362.00
1110-339-06	CONFERENCES & TRAINING	4,880.00	4,030.00	4,430.00	4,730.00	6,320.00	5,380.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 1110</b>	<b>49,707.00</b>	<b>50,082.00</b>	<b>63,132.00</b>	<b>81,552.00</b>	<b>82,786.00</b>	<b>79,266.00</b>
<b>SUPERINTENDENT</b>							
1210-311-01	SUPERINTENDENT	145,613.00	148,522.00	151,488.00	151,488.00	165,794.00	173,384.00
1230-332-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	45,808.00	47,951.00	61,366.00	63,937.00	66,401.00	71,637.00
1210-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	1,085.00	1,270.00	1,070.00	860.00	600.00	400.00
1210-338-06	PROF ASSNS	5,410.00	4,460.00	5,120.00	4,173.00	4,230.00	2,832.00
1210-339-06	CONFERENCES & TRAINING	2,490.00	1,260.00	1,860.00	1,860.00	1,840.00	1,840.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 1210</b>	<b>200,406.00</b>	<b>203,463.00</b>	<b>220,904.00</b>	<b>222,318.00</b>	<b>238,865.00</b>	<b>250,093.00</b>
<b>BUSINESS AND FINANCE</b>							
1410-332-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	187,062.00	194,744.00	196,020.00	203,287.00	211,828.00	220,988.00
1410-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	22,798.00	22,578.00	23,460.00	29,390.00	28,465.00	26,062.00
1410-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	600.00	1,410.00	1,610.00	2,034.00	1,830.00	1,810.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 1410</b>	<b>210,460.00</b>	<b>218,732.00</b>	<b>221,090.00</b>	<b>234,711.00</b>	<b>242,123.00</b>	<b>248,860.00</b>
<b>LEGAL SERVICE FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>							
1430-334-04	LEGAL COUNSEL	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 1430</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>
<b>DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY</b>							
1450-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	19,740.00	24,796.00	24,940.00	29,830.00	40,824.00	31,653.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 1450</b>	<b>19,740.00</b>	<b>24,796.00</b>	<b>24,940.00</b>	<b>29,830.00</b>	<b>40,824.00</b>	<b>31,653.00</b>

## FY26 BUDGET

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT							
ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET	FY24 BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET
<b>STUDENT SERVICES</b>							
2110-348-01	DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES	105,355.00	109,022.00	112,795.00	117,819.00	123,141.00	128,472.00
2110-348-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	25,357.00	26,799.00	28,270.00	28,459.00	29,889.00	30,963.00
2110-348-04	SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTED SERVICES	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	1,866.00	3,485.00
2110-348-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	300.00	200.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	720.00
2110-348-06	MEMBERSHIPS	1,500.00	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,720.00	1,800.00	1,900.00
2110-349-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,460.00	15,000.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2110</b>	<b>135,012.00</b>	<b>140,671.00</b>	<b>146,515.00</b>	<b>152,298.00</b>	<b>188,956.00</b>	<b>180,540.00</b>
<b>CURRICULUM</b>							
2120-331-01	DEPARTMENT HEADS	12,036.00	12,890.00	15,650.00	16,120.00	18,271.00	18,810.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2120</b>	<b>12,036.00</b>	<b>12,890.00</b>	<b>15,650.00</b>	<b>16,120.00</b>	<b>18,271.00</b>	<b>18,810.00</b>
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>							
2210-312-01	PRINCIPAL	123,240.00	127,266.00	131,453.00	132,795.00	142,933.00	149,006.00
2210-313-01	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	108,415.00	112,144.00	115,978.00	117,970.00	126,519.00	131,951.00
2210-332-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	166,488.00	174,229.00	176,210.00	178,406.00	186,219.00	193,852.00
2210-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	14,460.00	14,610.00	16,445.00	17,142.00	17,940.00	17,230.00
2210-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	3,440.00	3,840.00	6,840.00	8,944.00	7,520.00	7,720.00
2210-337-06	ADVERTISING	2,365.00	3,240.00	3,160.00	4,160.00	4,160.00	3,660.00
2210-338-06	MEMBERSHIPS	10,500.00	19,625.00	22,925.00	24,388.00	28,640.00	24,600.00
2210-339-06	CONFERENCES & TRAINING	3,873.00	2,520.00	2,540.00	2,430.00	1,860.00	1,130.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2210</b>	<b>432,781.00</b>	<b>457,474.00</b>	<b>475,551.00</b>	<b>486,235.00</b>	<b>515,791.00</b>	<b>529,149.00</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY</b>							
2250-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	10,590.00	8,270.00	9,370.00	10,173.00	10,590.00	9,160.00
2250-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	1,390.00	1,060.00	1,060.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2250</b>	<b>11,980.00</b>	<b>9,330.00</b>	<b>10,430.00</b>	<b>10,573.00</b>	<b>10,990.00</b>	<b>9,560.00</b>
<b>TEACHERS, ACADEMIC &amp; TECHNICAL</b>							
2305-331-01	TEACHING SALARIES	4,101,213.00	4,330,932.00	4,520,546.00	4,845,754.00	5,112,023.00	5,335,254.00
2305-348-01	SPECIAL EDUCATION SALARIES	384,293.00	392,161.00	400,671.00	406,392.00	432,960.00	517,161.00
2305-349-01	ELL TEACHING SALARIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,073.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2305</b>	<b>4,485,506.00</b>	<b>4,723,093.00</b>	<b>4,921,217.00</b>	<b>5,252,146.00</b>	<b>5,544,983.00</b>	<b>5,872,488.00</b>

## FY26 BUDGET

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT							
ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET	FY24 BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET
<b>MEDICAL THERAPUTIC SERVICES</b>							
2320-348-04	MEDICAL THERAPUTIC SERVICES	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	4,690.00	8,070.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2320</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>4,690.00</b>	<b>8,070.00</b>
<b>SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS</b>							
2325-333-03	SUBSTITUTES	33,140.00	33,875.00	35,103.00	37,376.00	41,690.00	38,190.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2325</b>	<b>33,140.00</b>	<b>33,875.00</b>	<b>35,103.00</b>	<b>37,376.00</b>	<b>41,690.00</b>	<b>38,190.00</b>
<b>PARAPROFESSIONAL/INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS</b>							
2330-348-03	PARAPROFESSIONALS	78,078.00	80,617.00	41,940.00	42,370.00	49,003.00	43,862.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2330</b>	<b>78,078.00</b>	<b>80,617.00</b>	<b>41,940.00</b>	<b>42,370.00</b>	<b>49,003.00</b>	<b>43,862.00</b>
<b>MEDIA CENTER</b>							
2340-331-01	LIBRARIAN	76,860.00	79,937.00	83,568.00	85,904.00	72,520.00	97,875.00
2415-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	2,293.00	1,083.00	660.00	630.00	690.00	1,710.00
2415-335-05	MEDIA MATERIALS	15,008.00	14,484.00	14,495.00	15,317.00	13,622.00	16,426.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2340</b>	<b>94,161.00</b>	<b>95,504.00</b>	<b>98,723.00</b>	<b>101,851.00</b>	<b>86,832.00</b>	<b>116,011.00</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</b>							
2354-331-01	STIPENDS	11,745.00	11,265.00	13,870.00	14,849.00	19,187.00	29,593.00
2356-333-03	STIPENDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,940.00
2356-336-06	TRAINING	14,310.00	3,892.00	5,260.00	6,040.00	22,296.00	8,435.00
2356-348-06	TRAINING	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,750.00	4,494.00
2358-348-06	CONTRACTED SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00
2358-349-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,000.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2357</b>	<b>30,055.00</b>	<b>19,157.00</b>	<b>23,630.00</b>	<b>25,389.00</b>	<b>46,233.00</b>	<b>51,262.00</b>
<b>TEXTBOOKS</b>							
2410-335-05	TEXTBOOKS	16,322.00	4,807.00	5,010.00	13,260.00	10,166.00	9,040.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2410</b>	<b>16,322.00</b>	<b>4,807.00</b>	<b>5,010.00</b>	<b>13,260.00</b>	<b>10,166.00</b>	<b>9,040.00</b>



## FY26 BUDGET

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT							
ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET	FY24 BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL EQUIPMENT</b>							
2420-334-04	LAUNDRY & UNIFORMS	9,896.00	13,630.00	15,270.00	16,370.00	16,126.00	16,327.00
2420-335-05	ACADEMIC SUPPLIES	10,245.00	8,010.00	10,420.00	12,490.00	14,927.00	13,206.00
2420-338-06	PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	430.00	300.00	300.00	320.00	460.00	610.00
2420-335-05	VOCATIONAL SUPPLIES	174,360.00	174,943.00	199,960.00	233,606.00	267,590.00	267,590.00
2420-349-05	TEACHING SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00
<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2420</b>		<b>194,931.00</b>	<b>196,883.00</b>	<b>225,950.00</b>	<b>262,786.00</b>	<b>299,103.00</b>	<b>298,533.00</b>
<b>GENERAL SUPPLIES</b>							
2430-335-05	GENERAL SUPPLIES	5,443.00	4,688.00	5,688.00	5,793.00	4,833.00	5,040.00
<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2430</b>		<b>5,443.00</b>	<b>4,688.00</b>	<b>5,688.00</b>	<b>5,793.00</b>	<b>4,833.00</b>	<b>5,040.00</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE</b>							
2451-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	3,755.00	2,820.00	4,410.00	4,263.00	1,200.00	1,040.00
2451-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	22,180.00	6,620.00	7,480.00	15,378.00	16,970.00	12,172.00
<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2451</b>		<b>25,935.00</b>	<b>9,440.00</b>	<b>11,890.00</b>	<b>19,641.00</b>	<b>18,170.00</b>	<b>13,212.00</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE MEDIA</b>							
2453-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,000.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	1,760.00	1,090.00
2453-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	4,126.00	2,160.00	2,050.00	2,885.00	3,419.00	1,765.00
<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2453</b>		<b>5,126.00</b>	<b>2,760.00</b>	<b>2,650.00</b>	<b>3,485.00</b>	<b>5,179.00</b>	<b>2,855.00</b>
<b>INSTRUCTIONAL SOFTWARE</b>							
2455-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	22,676.00	28,588.00	15,590.00	18,160.00	38,283.00	44,496.00
2455-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	500.00	470.00	400.00	1,755.00	1,430.00	2,210.00
<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2455</b>		<b>23,176.00</b>	<b>29,058.00</b>	<b>15,990.00</b>	<b>19,915.00</b>	<b>39,713.00</b>	<b>46,706.00</b>

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<b>GUIDANCE</b>							
2710-331-01	GUIDANCE PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	230,581.00	242,674.00	253,963.00	270,478.00	288,547.00	305,274.00
2710-332-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	26,357.00	26,799.00	28,270.00	28,459.00	29,589.00	30,963.00
2710-333-03	GUIDANCE OTHER SALARIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00
2710-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	19,470.00	17,320.00	17,172.00	22,597.00	20,112.00	20,962.00
2710-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,473.00	600.00	600.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2710</b>	<b>277,808.00</b>	<b>288,193.00</b>	<b>300,805.00</b>	<b>323,007.00</b>	<b>338,848.00</b>	<b>358,599.00</b>
<b>TESTING AND ASSESSMENT</b>							
2720-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	2,403.00	2,790.00	2,790.00	2,845.00	2,890.00	2,730.00
2720-348-03	EDUCATIONAL TESTING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
2720-348-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	2,500.00	2,700.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	32,380.00	48,400.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2720</b>	<b>4,903.00</b>	<b>5,490.00</b>	<b>5,790.00</b>	<b>5,845.00</b>	<b>35,270.00</b>	<b>54,130.00</b>
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES</b>							
2800-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	5,610.00	5,040.00	4,835.00	4,668.00	15,230.00	25,190.00
2800-348-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	15,330.00	13,470.00	12,855.00	12,282.00	12,490.00	4,020.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 2800</b>	<b>20,940.00</b>	<b>18,510.00</b>	<b>17,690.00</b>	<b>16,950.00</b>	<b>27,720.00</b>	<b>29,210.00</b>
<b>MEDICAL/HEALTH SERVICE</b>							
3200-331-01	SCHOOL NURSE	82,520.00	88,713.00	91,891.00	97,755.00	100,782.00	104,497.00
3200-333-03	OTHER SALARIES	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,316.00
3200-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	1,720.00	4,485.00	3,465.00	4,172.00	4,462.00	4,129.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3200</b>	<b>87,240.00</b>	<b>96,198.00</b>	<b>98,356.00</b>	<b>104,927.00</b>	<b>108,244.00</b>	<b>110,942.00</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION SERVICES</b>							
3300-334-04	REGULAR TRANSPORTATION	446,000.00	449,150.00	482,015.00	517,979.00	536,368.00	553,469.00
3300-347-04	FOSTER CARE TRANSPORTATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,070.00
3300-348-04	SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION	3,200.00	3,200.00	4,000.00	4,800.00	2,200.00	1,585.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3300</b>	<b>449,200.00</b>	<b>452,350.00</b>	<b>486,015.00</b>	<b>522,779.00</b>	<b>538,568.00</b>	<b>563,124.00</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICES</b>							
3400-331-01	CAFETERIA SALARIES	9,482.00	9,644.00	10,460.00	11,240.00	10,440.00	10,487.00
3400-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	2,147.00	1,875.00	2,135.00	2,297.00	2,988.00	3,210.00
3400-334-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	100.00	100.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3400</b>	<b>11,629.00</b>	<b>11,719.00</b>	<b>12,795.00</b>	<b>13,737.00</b>	<b>13,528.00</b>	<b>13,797.00</b>

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ATHLETICS							
3510-331-01	ATHLETIC SALARIES	64,930.00	65,870.00	75,878.00	85,527.00	93,917.00	95,856.00
3510-333-03	CUSTODIAL SALARIES	14,820.00	14,690.00	14,320.00	15,786.00	14,990.00	14,370.00
3510-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	99,720.00	104,622.00	114,630.00	116,579.00	120,393.00	130,261.00
3510-335-05	ATHLETIC SUPPLIES	24,816.00	20,940.00	18,640.00	17,994.00	16,697.00	16,490.00
3510-336-06	OTHER EXPENSES	600.00	600.00	700.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3510</b>	<b>204,886.00</b>	<b>206,722.00</b>	<b>224,168.00</b>	<b>236,686.00</b>	<b>246,797.00</b>	<b>257,777.00</b>
OTHER STUDENT ACTIVITIES							
3520-333-03	ADVISOR STIPENDS	26,613.00	27,190.00	28,490.00	30,670.00	31,450.00	37,346.00
3520-336-06	STUDENT ACTIVITIES	32,343.00	31,649.00	32,820.00	34,940.00	37,660.00	43,980.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3520</b>	<b>58,956.00</b>	<b>58,839.00</b>	<b>61,310.00</b>	<b>65,610.00</b>	<b>69,110.00</b>	<b>81,326.00</b>
SCHOOL SECURITY							
3600-332-02	CLERICAL SALARIES	20,060.00	21,461.00	22,870.00	23,674.00	23,855.00	25,224.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 3600</b>	<b>20,060.00</b>	<b>21,461.00</b>	<b>22,870.00</b>	<b>23,674.00</b>	<b>23,855.00</b>	<b>25,224.00</b>
CUSTODIAL SERVICES							
4110-331-01	PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	291,103.00	299,853.00	302,061.00	307,342.00	310,677.00	322,521.00
4110-333-03	OVERTIME	21,643.00	21,820.00	22,740.00	27,632.00	27,460.00	25,642.00
4110-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	6,127.00	6,070.00	6,170.00	6,490.00	6,490.00	6,630.00
4110-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	30,063.00	30,640.00	31,450.00	36,491.00	34,991.00	30,641.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4110</b>	<b>348,936.00</b>	<b>358,383.00</b>	<b>362,421.00</b>	<b>377,955.00</b>	<b>379,618.00</b>	<b>385,434.00</b>
HEATING OF BUILDING							
4120-335-05	HEATING OF BUILDING - NATURAL GAS	112,731.00	101,690.00	105,760.00	156,380.00	156,970.00	126,970.00
4120-336-05	HEATING OF BUILDING - OIL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,000.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4120</b>	<b>112,731.00</b>	<b>101,690.00</b>	<b>105,760.00</b>	<b>156,380.00</b>	<b>156,970.00</b>	<b>140,970.00</b>

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ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	FY21 BUDGET	FY22 BUDGET	FY23 BUDGET	FY24 BUDGET	FY25 BUDGET	FY26 BUDGET
<b>UTILITY SERVICES</b>							
4130-334-04	RUBBISH REMOVAL/RECYCLING	10,341.00	10,192.00	10,413.00	10,792.00	11,688.00	12,490.00
4130-335-04	HAZMAT	3,349.00	2,429.00	4,872.00	3,643.00	3,692.00	3,040.00
4130-335-05	WATER & SEWER	6,102.00	4,218.00	6,122.00	8,861.00	9,103.00	9,215.00
4130-336-05	ELECTRICITY	132,000.00	118,640.00	130,860.00	142,490.00	144,429.00	144,120.00
4130-337-05	FUEL	7,488.00	7,488.00	7,940.00	9,942.00	10,699.00	11,743.00
4130-338-05	TELEPHONE	8,431.00	7,679.00	7,712.00	7,764.00	7,813.00	8,015.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4130</b>	<b>167,711.00</b>	<b>150,646.00</b>	<b>167,919.00</b>	<b>183,492.00</b>	<b>187,424.00</b>	<b>188,623.00</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING</b>							
4210-334-04	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	16,370.00	16,487.00	15,470.00	21,176.00	23,640.00	24,860.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4210</b>	<b>16,370.00</b>	<b>16,487.00</b>	<b>15,470.00</b>	<b>21,176.00</b>	<b>23,640.00</b>	<b>24,860.00</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING</b>							
4220-333-04	HVAC/PLUMBING	56,431.00	50,890.00	50,890.00	54,937.00	50,235.00	44,140.00
4220-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	10,720.00	8,397.00	9,719.00	9,413.00	12,690.00	13,211.00
4220-335-04	BUILDING MAINTENANCE	34,822.00	27,960.00	27,565.00	34,579.00	33,620.00	24,940.00
4220-335.05	BUILDING MAINTENANCE - MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,400.00
4220-336-04	ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE	16,401.00	12,275.00	11,340.00	19,674.00	16,780.00	14,372.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4220</b>	<b>118,374.00</b>	<b>99,522.00</b>	<b>99,514.00</b>	<b>118,603.00</b>	<b>113,325.00</b>	<b>111,063.00</b>
<b>BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEMS</b>							
4225-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,350.00	800.00	800.00	2,730.00	3,040.00	3,165.00
4225-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	600.00	400.00	400.00	1,200.00	2,870.00	2,915.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4230</b>	<b>1,950.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>3,930.00</b>	<b>5,910.00</b>	<b>6,080.00</b>
<b>MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT</b>							
4230-334-04	SERVICE/EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	12,028.00	10,789.00	9,920.00	13,520.00	11,330.00	11,648.00
4230-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	400.00	400.00	440.00	420.00	490.00	2,040.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4230</b>	<b>12,428.00</b>	<b>11,189.00</b>	<b>10,360.00</b>	<b>13,940.00</b>	<b>11,820.00</b>	<b>13,688.00</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE</b>							
4400-331-01	PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	42,158.00	52,420.00	57,150.00	59,653.00	62,490.00	46,320.00
4400-333-03	SUPPORT SALARIES	8,313.00	17,930.00	21,680.00	22,060.00	16,470.00	10,115.00
	<b>TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4400</b>	<b>50,471.00</b>	<b>70,350.00</b>	<b>78,830.00</b>	<b>81,713.00</b>	<b>78,960.00</b>	<b>56,435.00</b>

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TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE & SUPPORT							
4450-334-04	CONTRACTED SERVICES	20,000.00	15,980.00	12,420.00	17,321.00	23,748.00	24,761.00
4450-335-05	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	6,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,040.00	800.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 4450	26,000.00	18,980.00	15,420.00	20,321.00	24,788.00	25,561.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS							
5100-334-00	MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	287,732.00	325,289.00	328,166.00	343,531.00	351,825.00	348,570.00
5100-336-00	MEDICARE	98,609.00	102,569.00	106,491.00	110,894.00	117,211.00	122,433.00
5150-333-00	SEVERANCE	26,775.00	35,700.00	8,940.00	26,775.00	17,850.00	26,775.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 5100	413,116.00	463,558.00	443,597.00	481,200.00	486,886.00	497,778.00
INSURANCE							
5200-334-00	HEALTH / LIFE EMPLOYEES	1,033,308.00	1,033,852.00	1,069,592.00	1,197,590.00	1,243,632.00	1,403,632.00
5200-335-00	WORKERS COMPENSATION	48,764.00	58,222.00	62,330.00	62,780.00	54,185.00	45,140.00
5200-356-00	UNEMPLOYMENT	12,820.00	12,471.00	12,473.00	10,235.00	10,940.00	10,192.00
5250-334-00	HEALTH / LIFE RETIREES	351,161.00	308,577.00	283,540.00	327,796.00	303,758.00	329,473.00
5260-334-00	COMMERCIAL MULTI-COVERAGE	49,982.00	49,649.00	52,343.00	54,368.00	59,603.00	36,941.00
5260-356-00	STUDENT INSURANCES	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	11,790.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 5200	1,508,035.00	1,474,771.00	1,492,278.00	1,664,559.00	1,684,118.00	1,837,378.00
FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS							
7200-335-00	CAPITAL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS	59,163.00	21,670.00	25,940.00	18,260.00	15,105.00	0.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 7200	59,163.00	21,670.00	25,940.00	18,260.00	15,105.00	0.00
LONG TERM DEBT							
8200-334-04	GYM REHABILITATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 8000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SCHOOL TUITION							
9100-348-00	SCHOOL TUITION - SPECIAL EDUCATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	638.00
9110-334-00	SCHOOL CHOICE TUITION	0.00	39,941.00	38,180.00	22,373.00	30,681.00	15,000.00
	TOTAL FOR ACCOUNT 9000	0.00	39,941.00	38,180.00	22,373.00	30,681.00	15,638.00
	BUDGET TOTALS	10,038,602.00	10,308,889.00	10,656,491.00	11,499,066.00	12,092,886.00	12,653,337.00



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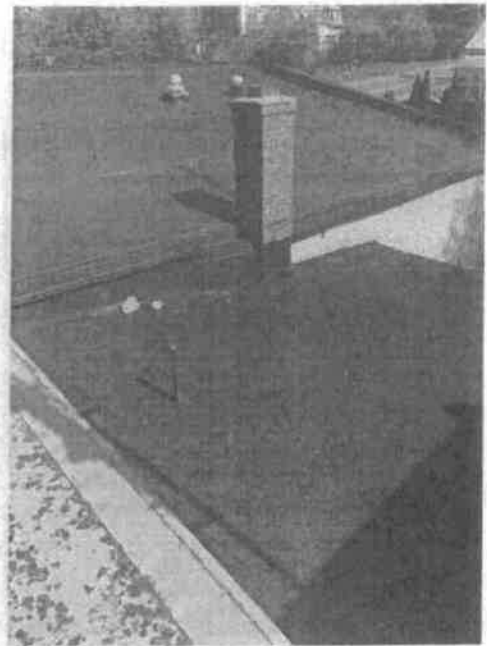
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**Membrane Roofing**



**Membrane and Roll Roofing**

#### **code review**

It is undetermined whether the construction type is Type 5A or Type 5B. If the construction type is 5B then the building is potentially too large in area for a mixed use group that includes an A3 occupancy.

The main entrance to the building is not handicap accessible.

The ramp between the office area and the apparatus bay is not ADA compliant

The landing and railing on exterior door on the north side west corner is not code compliant

The showers in the Men's Room are not handicap accessible

There are no showers provided in the Women's Room

The basement furnace room ceiling room nor code compliant

If the Construction Classification is 5A the furnace room ceiling is required to be 1 hour rated



## condition review

### Building enclosure -

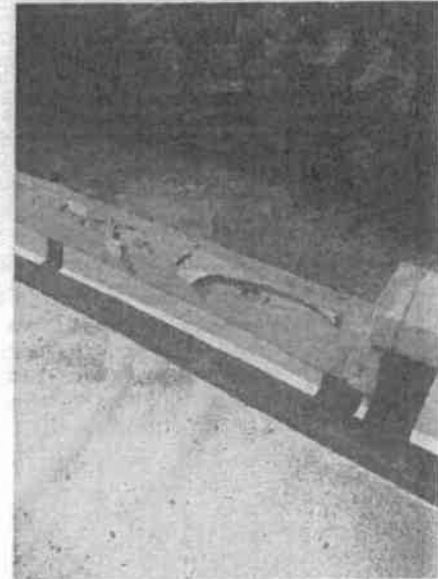
The brick veneer is showing signs of water infiltration and pulling away from the substrate (see structural report)



The storage shed in the southeast corner is in disrepair and should be demolished and replaced.

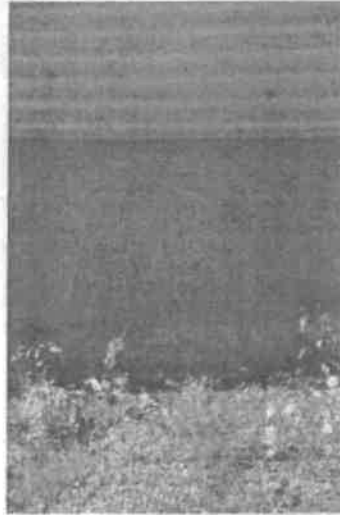


The white mebrance roof is in poor condition and requires replacement. The black membrane roof is in fair condition and does not require immediate replacement. The roll roofing is intended for temporary roofs and should be replaced with membrane roofing. All metal fascias are in poor condition and require replacement.



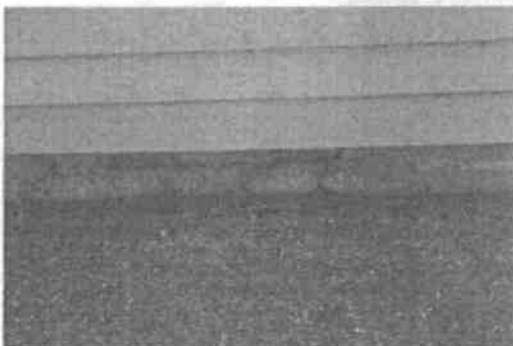
end of architectural assesment

- On further observation it was noted the entire East side of the Training Room exhibited a previous settlement. Cracking of the foundation along this area was also observed. See the picture below:

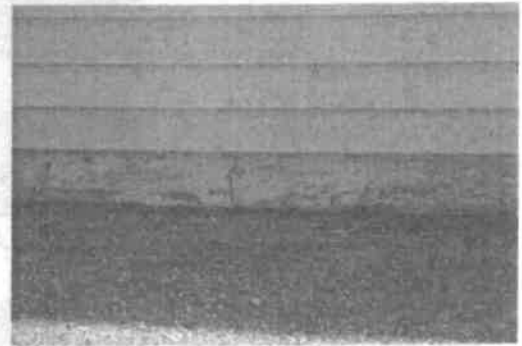


Typical Crack Along Training Room

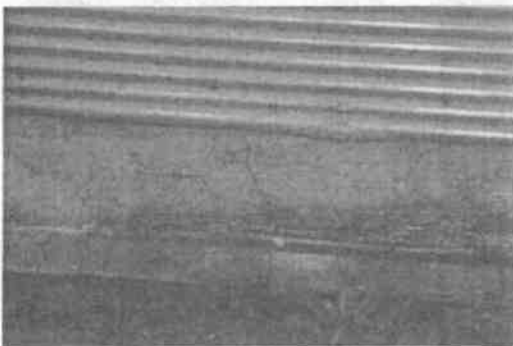
- Cracks along other areas of the foundation were observed. See the pictures below:



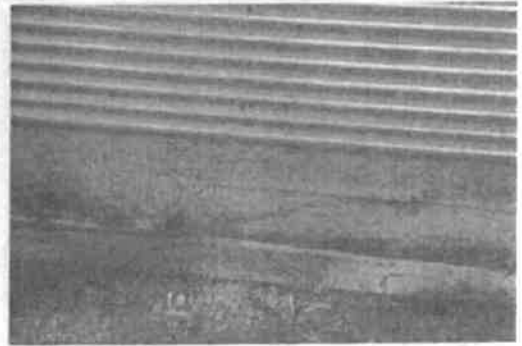
Foundation Crack South Side Apparatus Bays



Foundation Crack South Side Apparatus Bays



Foundation Crack North Side Day Room



Foundation Crack and Cold Seam North Side Day Room

- The ceiling suspension system support in the Day Room was observed to be in failure. See the picture below:



**Suspended Ceiling Suspension  
Support Failure**

- The slab in the Training Room is cracked in the North South orientation. See the picture below:



**Crack in Slab – Training Room**

- Mortar joint erosion – It is recommended that the eroded mortar joints be cleaned and repointed. After the repointing is complete the brick masonry should be coated with a waterproof agent to assist in delaying future repointing requirements.
- Apparatus Bay slab – The slab in the Apparatus Bay is a patchwork of damaged slab areas and previous patches, it is recommended this slab be removed and replaced with a new 6" thick reinforced concrete slab.
- Suspended ceiling system support failure – The failure of the suspended ceiling system support in the Day Room should be investigated as to the cause of the failure, repairing damaged elements that contributed to the failure and re-supporting the suspended ceiling system.
- Floor crack in the Training Room – The floor crack should be addressed as part of Training Room foundation repair. See Training Room foundation settlement above.
- Crack in the floor finish between the Kitchen and the Storeroom – The area of the crack is located at change of support for the floor from a concrete slab to a wood framed floor. The floor finish crack is most likely due a differential finished floor elevation and/or floor movement differential between the slab on grade and the wood floor. The wood floor framing shall be investigated to determine if it adequate for the loads applied to the floor and if not adequate reinforced to carry the existing floor loads. Particular attention should be given to settlement and movement during the present potential loads.
- Water damaged floor sheathing – The water damaged sheathing in the Kitchen Storeroom shall be scheduled for replacement.

#### **Recommendations – additional discussed items**

- Lath and plaster failure in the Apparatus Bay – If installed as described by installing gypsum board directly over the failing lath and plaster ceiling without any additional reinforcement it is recommended that both the gypsum board and lath and plaster ceilings be removed and replaced with a new fully support ceiling system.
- Roofing and framing failure – No recommendations.
- Oil seepage through the Training Room Floor – It is recommended that an environmental investigation of the site be performed, and a remediation be performed to address the source of the oil that is seeping the floor of the Training Room.

#### **conclusion**

The building structure of the Cheshire fire Station is fair condition with area maintenance requirements have been minimally addressed or neglected.

The unforeseen issue is the foundation issue in the Training Room area and the oil seepage in the Training Room area.

These factors may make it advantageous to seek an alternate site with a new structure.

The basement mechanical room did not appear to include combustion air intake (ducted to within 18" of the finished floor per NFPA 54) and combustion air relief (ducted to within 18" of finished ceiling per NFPA 54) ductwork nor equipment. While details of design would be included in the next phase, where an NFPA 54 unconfined area does not exist with the mechanical room door closed, either combustion air intake and relief systems would have to be added or applicable non-atmospheric direct vent boiler and water heater or similar equipment would have to be added.

There is flue venting with a barometric damper from the boiler to the existing chimney that appears in good condition that can remain in operation until the boiler is replaced. There is also flue venting from the water heater draft diverter through an unsealed hole in the Mechanical Room wall and through an unsealed hole in the adjacent room used as storage. This water heater flue should be enclosed to separate the flue from the storage room it runs through, and the flue modified to meet manufacturer recommendations. This water heater flue appears in good condition that can remain in operation until the water heater is replaced.

From the boiler plant, hot water heating piping distributes to baseboard radiation, wall convectors, Modine unit heaters and other terminal units throughout the fire station from zone pumps next to the boiler-burner. The Day Room includes slanted top convectors surrounding the exterior wall. The Men's and Women's Rooms include slant top convectors on the end wall of the water closet enclosure. The large meeting assembly room also includes slant top convectors surrounding the exterior perimeter. The apparatus bays are heated with Modine hot water unit heaters aiming airflow to the overhead doors.

The terminals and distribution appear to be the age of each addition where they are located and while the terminals could continue to be in operation from 5-10 years, given the annual startup air binding of the system noted above, they should be upgraded/replaced when the heating plant is replaced. Different vintages of thermostats exist in the building and when the terminal units and/or controls are added, modern, matching thermostats should change out the existing. Similarly, we were advised that the carbon monoxide system and heat detection systems are inoperative; these should be replaced immediately.



Observed rust at front boiler section



Observed rust at integral exchanger

The former #2 fuel oil system that used to serve the boiler-burner has some clipped lines that are abandoned in place; these should be removed and properly disposed of. In reply

There is an abundant amount of deferred maintenance plumbing items requiring immediate mitigation or repair/replacement within the next 3-5 years, or sooner, as noted below. The existing Cheshire Fire Station plumbing systems potable city water originates in the basement boiler room and includes an iron OS&Y valve, strainer (to capture city water system debris), backflow prevention with OS&Y valves and a water meter with remote reader at the ceiling. Beneath the backflow prevention is a pit (filled with sand), cover and a portable yard hose inside the basin.



Domestic Cold Water Service Entry



Sump pit with cover, filled in

The cold water service entry from the public utility connects to the plumbing fixtures throughout as well as to the existing 40 MBH natural gas-fired 40 gallon storage American Water Heater Company model BFG6140S403NOHV atmospheric water heater. The water heater includes a Therm-X-Trol diaphragm expansion tank. Domestic hot water distributes from the water heater and extends to the plumbing fixtures along with the cold water distribution.

There exists a water-cooled Scotsman CME256AE-1C ice machine with a portable sump pump on the floor behind the ice maker, which discharges to the Janitor's Service Sink. While this ice machine appears to be in operating condition, given water conservation desires in states and towns, its continued use shall be verified with the Authorities Having Jurisdiction.

Truck water filling is facilitated by two supplies. A larger-size cold water main located between a pair of front overhead doors with a stub to the outside (with a ball valve) and an interior hose-end drain to prevent freezing of the exterior fill. Another truck fill standpipe is in the rear of an apparatus bay with an isolation ball valve. The piping close to overhead doors should be insulated and protected from freezing. As freeze-ups have not occurred, insulation could be performed in the next 3 years.



Apparatus Bay Fill #1



Apparatus Bay Fill #2

The kitchen includes a 10-burner natural gas-fired stove with double door oven, double-bowl, undercounter, deep pot sink with spray hose. Other plumbing fixtures include 2 wall-hung, tank type water closets, wall hung urinal, 2 wheelchair lavatories,

In reply to another edm inquiry about whether there is a septic tank, distribution box and leeching field, or does the sanitary leaving the building connect to a city sewer elsewhere on site, the owner did not know. As the commercial cooking equipment could generate an abundance of Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG), this report also recommends that the drainage system be investigated and a LSP Recommendation be obtained and pursued in year 1.

#### **End of Mechanical and Plumbing Assessment**





*Figure 3 Fluorescent lighting*



*Figure 4 shop/BOH lighting*

Emergency egress lighting is provide by means of emergency lighting units (ELU's), remote heads, illuminated exit signage, combination exit sign/ELU. These do not appear to be in working order. There operation should be checked regularly.



*Figure 5 emergency lighting unit-ELU*



*Figure 6 combination exit sign and ELU*



*Figure 7 remote head*



*Figure 8 remote head*

generator from overload. The generator, wiring and transfer switch all appear to be in good condition and should be able to continue to be used.



*Figure 13 generator*

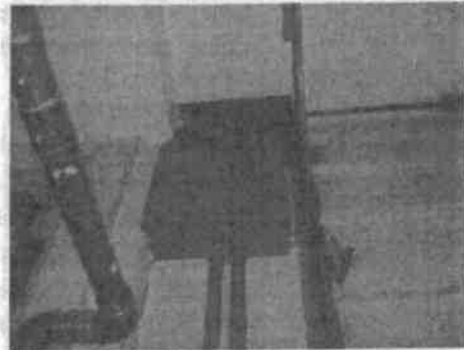


*Figure 14 generator*

During the walk thru some wiring, issues were found. These include wires spliced outside of a junction box and junction boxes with no covers. Grounding may be insufficient as there was no jumper across the water meter



*Figure 15 wiring code violation*



*Figure 16 wiring code violation*



*Figure 17 grounding electrode conductor*



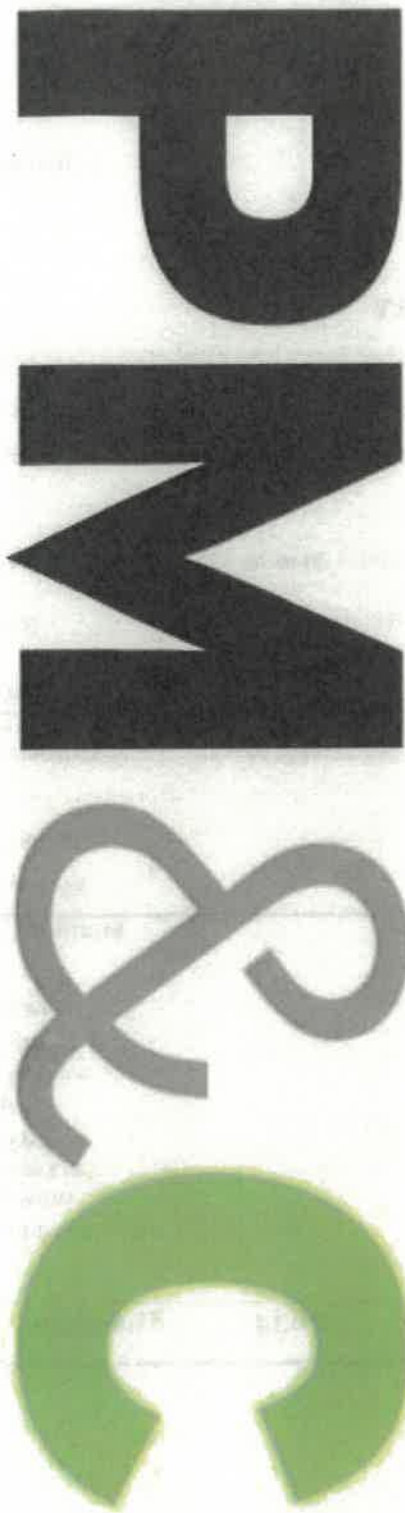
*Figure 18 grounding electrode conductor*

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Equipment such as emergency lighting units and exit signage should be checked regularly for proper operation and have maintenance performed as needed. The same holds true for all electrical equipment such as the generator. Regular maintenance can prolong the equipment's normal life span.

**Study  
Estimate**

**Cheshire Fire Station  
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## **Study**

### **BASIS OF ESTIMATE**

This Study cost estimate was produced from drawings and specifications prepared by EDM and their design team dated August 15, 2022. Design and engineering changes occurring subsequent to the issue of these documents have not been incorporated in this estimate.

This estimate includes all direct construction costs, construction manager's overhead and profit and design contingency. Cost escalation assumes start dates indicated.

Bidding conditions are expected to be public bidding under:

Chapter 149 of the Massachusetts General Laws to pre-qualified general contractors, and pre-qualified sub-contractors, open specifications for materials and manufacturers.

If a CM at risk CH149a procurement is used costs will increase from the costs presented in this report.

The estimate is based on prevailing wage rates for construction in this market and represents a reasonable opinion of cost. It is not a prediction of the successful bid from a contractor as bids will vary due to fluctuating market conditions, errors and omissions, proprietary specifications, lack or surplus of bidders, perception of risk, etc. Consequently the estimate is expected to fall within the range of bids from a number of competitive contractors or subcontractors, however we do not warrant that bids or negotiated prices will not vary from the final construction cost estimate.

### **ITEMS NOT CONSIDERED IN THIS ESTIMATE**

Items not included in this estimate are:

- All professional fees and insurance
- Building Permit costs
- All Furnishings, Fixtures and Equipment
- Items identified in the design as Not In Contract (NIC)
- Items identified in the design as by others
- Owner supplied and/or installed items (e.g. draperies, furniture and equipment)
- Work to City streets and sidewalks, (except as noted in this estimate)
- Construction or occupancy phasing or off hours' work, (except as noted in this estimate)



Cheshire Fire Station  
Improvements  
Cheshire, MA

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Study

GFA 6,800

CODE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	COST	SUBTOTAL COST	TOTAL COST
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### Building Detail

#### GROSS FLOOR AREA CALCULATION

Ground Level 6,800 sf

**TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA (GFA)**

**6,800 sf**

#### A10 FOUNDATIONS

##### A1010 STANDARD FOUNDATIONS

###### 033000 CONCRETE

New Foundation wall footings @ Training Room North East, allow 60 LF 7 cy 1,500.00 10,500

Foundation wall @ Training Room North East, allow 60 LF 10 cy 2,000.00 20,000

###### 312000 EARTHWORK

E/B at foundation wall 101 cy 65.00 6,565

**SUBTOTAL \$ 37,065**

##### A1020 SPECIAL FOUNDATIONS

###### CONCRETE

Placing concrete

**SUBTOTAL \$ -**

##### A1030 LOWEST FLOOR CONSTRUCTION

###### 033000 CONCRETE

Patch slab @ Training Room, allow 1000 sf 1,000 sf 12.00 12,000

Remove/replace slab at apparatus bay, allow 50' x 60' area 3,000 sf 28.00 84,000

###### 061000 ROUGH CARPENTRY

Modifications to extg Kitchen & Storeroom wood framed floor to adjust elevation height 1 ls 15,000.00 15,000

Replace water damaged sheathing @ Kitchen & Storeroom Included above

**SUBTOTAL 111,000**

**TOTAL - FOUNDATIONS**

**\$148,065**

#### B20 EXTERIOR CLOSURE

##### B2010 EXTERIOR WALLS

720 sf

###### 040001 MASONRY

Remove/reinstall masonry for new foundation work. Replace new as req'd, allow 60 lf 720 sf 45.00 32,400

Temp shoring as req'd 60 lf 200.00 12,000

Repoint extg brick masonry veneer, assume perimeter 380 lf at 12'H 4,560 sf 44.00 200,640

###### 052000 MISC. METALS

720 sf 2.00 1,440

###### 070001 WATERPROOFING, DAMPPROOFING AND CAULKING

720 sf 1.00 720

**SUBTOTAL \$ 247,200**

##### B2020 WINDOWS

No Work in this section

**SUBTOTAL \$ -**

##### B2030 EXTERIOR DOORS

No Work in this section ea

**SUBTOTAL \$ -**

**TOTAL - EXTERIOR CLOSURE**

**\$247,200**

#### C30 INTERIOR FINISHES

##### C3010 WALL FINISHES

###### 090007 PAINTING

**Study**

GFA 6,800

CODE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	COST	SUBTOTAL COST	TOTAL COST
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**Building Detail**

127	Exhaust fan for range hood	1	ea	3,900.00	3,900		
128	Replace existing turbine ventilators	8	ea	800.00	6,400		
129	New range hood with fire suppression	1	ea	10,000.00	10,000		
130	<u>HVAC Pipe</u>						
131	Heating hot water distribution piping - existing to remain					ETR	
132	Tie new boiler and pumps into existing mains	1	ls	3,000.00	3,000		
133	Insulate existing hot water piping	1	ls	8,500.00	8,500		
134	<u>Sheet metal &amp; Accessories</u>						
135	Misc. duct modifications	1	ls	7,500.00	7,500		
136	Boiler flue - connect to existing chimney	1	ls	4,000.00	4,000		
137	<u>Controls</u>						
138	Controls for new equipment (non DDC)	1	ls	14,000.00	14,000		
139	<u>Balancing</u>						
140	System testing & balancing	1	ls	5,000.00	5,000		
141	<u>Miscellaneous</u>						
142	Coordination & management	1	ls	15,000.00	15,000		
143	Coring, sleeves & fire stopping	1	ls	2,500.00	2,500		
144	Equipment startup	1	ls	1,500.00	1,500		
145	Rigging & equipment rental	1	ls	3,000.00	3,000		
146	Fees & permits	1	ls	2,900.00	2,900		
147	D3000 SUBTOTAL					\$	147,900

<b>TOTAL - HVAC</b>	<b>\$147,900</b>
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**D40 FIRE PROTECTION**

153	D4000 FIRE PROTECTION, GENERALLY						
154	<u>Fire Protection Equipment</u>						
155	No work in this section					NIC	
156	D4000 SUBTOTAL					\$	-

**TOTAL - FIRE PROTECTION**

**D50 ELECTRICAL**

163	D5010 SERVICE & DISTRIBUTION						
164	200A panelboard					ETR	
165	Modify existing panelboard	1	ls	6,000.00	6,000		
166	Overhead service is ETR					ETR	
167	20KW emergency generator					ETR	
168	<u>Equipment Wiring</u>						
169	Boiler feed and connection	1	ea	2,100.00	2,100		
170	Pump feed and connection	2	ea	2,100.00	4,200		
171	Hood feed and connection	1	ea	1,800.00	1,800		
172	DDC feed and connection	1	ea	650.00	650		
173	Misc. feed and connections	6,800	sf	0.75	5,100		
174	D5010 SUBTOTAL					\$	19,850

176	D5020 LIGHTING & POWER						
177	<u>Lighting &amp; Power</u>						
178	Replace LED lighting	6,800	sf	10.00	68,000		
179	Exit and emergency lighting	6,800	sf	1.00	6,800		
180	Exterior building lighting	1	ls	3,500.00	3,500		
181	Lighting controls with switches and sensors	6,800	sf	1.50	10,200		
182	<u>Branch Power</u>						
183	Duplex and GFI receptacle	6,800	sf	1.25	8,500		
184	Branch circuitry	6,800	sf	7.00	47,600		
185	D5020 SUBTOTAL					\$	144,600

187	D5030 COMMUNICATION & SECURITY SYSTEMS						
188	<u>Fire Alarm</u>						
189	Control panel with testing & programming	1	ls	8,500.00	8,500		
190	Beacon	1	ea	225.00	225		

# History of Free Cash/Stabilization

(to stay under the levy)

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Free Cash</b>	<b>Stabilization</b>
2025	\$91,912	\$150,934 (School)
2024	\$242,252	0
2023	\$188,400	0
2022	\$93,200	0
2021	\$213,925	0
2020	\$140,000	0
2019	\$170,000	0
2018	\$170,000	0
2017	\$170,000	0
2016	\$170,000	0
2015	\$188,000	0
2014	\$172,000	0
2013	\$295,000	0
2012	\$80,000	\$114,807 (School)
2011	\$330,000	0
2010	\$85,000	\$75,000
2009	\$120,000	0
2008	\$130,500	0
2007	\$80,000	0
2006	\$63,500	\$95,000
2005	\$190,000	0
2004	\$170,000	0



## **Cheshire- Semi Annual to Quarterly Tax Study**

### **Report Out**

**April 24, 2025**

Following a meeting held on February 25, 2025, a survey was distributed to 23 towns with populations comparable to Cheshire (within  $\pm 10\%$ ), neighboring municipalities, and those referenced in the FRM report. The purpose of the survey was to gather detailed insights into municipal tax billing practices.

The survey focused on several key areas:

- **Rationale for adopting a quarterly billing cycle**
- **Perceived advantages and disadvantages** of quarterly billing
- **Infrastructure and administrative requirements** for implementation
- **Associated risks and benefits** identified by participating municipalities

The results are intended to support informed decision-making around potential modifications to Cheshire's tax billing system by leveraging the experiences and insights of similar communities.

According to state-level data:

- **75%** (9 of 12) of towns within Cheshire's population range utilize a **quarterly tax cycle**.
- **Statewide, 81%** (285 out of 351) municipalities use a **quarterly billing cycle**.
- **Conversely, 19%** (66 out of 351) employ a **semi-annual or preliminary semi-annual tax billing cycle**.

This data provides a foundation for comparing Cheshire's practices to regional and statewide norms, helping to inform any decisions about potential adjustments to its current tax billing system.

#### **Survey questions sent:**

- If/When your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule, what drove your town to make the change to a quarterly billing cycle?
- If/When your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule, what was your general timeline to make the change?
- Besides a steadier cash income, has your town seen any other benefits?
- Has your town experienced any negative impacts by having a quarterly billing cycle?
- If/When your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule, what feedback did you receive from the general population?

- If/When your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule, did the change have an impact on your staffing? Did you need to increase (or decrease) your staffing in the collection and treasurer roles?
- How are you currently staffed at the Treasurer and Assessor positions?
- If/When your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule, did you require any system updates? (I.e. Software, Supportability, etc)
- What, if any, challenges did you have to overcome if/when your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule?
- Were there any legal concerns faced if/when your town transitioned to a quarterly tax schedule
- Does your town use electronic billing, paper/mail billing, or a combination? If a combination, what percent use electronic and what percent use paper/mail?

We received feedback from less than half of the towns surveyed.

### **Survey Findings and Recommendation**

Survey responses varied from towns indicating they had "always been quarterly" to others noting they had "switched a long time ago." Across the board, towns cited several **positive impacts** of a quarterly tax billing cycle, including:

- More consistent income for the municipality
- Reduced budgetary risk
- Easier payment structure for fixed-income and low-income taxpayers
- Simplified administrative processes

Importantly, **no town reported a need for increased staffing or infrastructure** to support the quarterly cycle.

### **Recommendation:**

Based on these findings, it is recommended that **Cheshire transition to a quarterly tax billing cycle**. This change is expected to provide a more stable cash flow for the town, reduce financial planning risk, and offer residents smaller, more manageable payment amounts throughout the year — particularly benefiting those on fixed or limited incomes.

## Data:

All MA towns	Total Towns	Percent
Semi	66	19
Quarterly	285	81
Total	351	100

## Sample Towns Surveyed:

Cheshire	Population	Deviation	+	-
	3258	10%	326	3584
Berkshire Cty Towns				
Berkshire Towns	Population	Billing	Website Data Avail?	
Dalton (*)	6330	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
Lanesborough (*) (X)	3038	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
Becket	1931	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
Clarksburg	1657	Quarterly	Limited information	
Egremont	1372	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
Lenox	5095	Quarterly	No information	
Monterey	1095	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
New Marlborough	1528	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
Otis	1634	Quarterly	Limited information	
Richmond	1407	Quarterly	No information	
Sheffield (X)	3327	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	
West Stockbridge	1343	Quarterly	Yes- good explanation	

(\*) Direct Neighboring Towns, (X) Similar size within +/-

Similar size within +/-			
MA Towns	Population	Billing	Website Data Avail?
West Tisbury	3586	Quarterly	Limited information
Brookfield	3448	Quarterly	No information
Dunstable	3319	Quarterly	Limited information
Hatfield	3317	Quarterly	Limited information
Ashby	3198	Quarterly	Yes- good information
Millville	3007	Quarterly	Yes- good information
Plympton	2932	Quarterly	Limited information

Peer Communities from FMR			
FMR Towns	Population	Billing	Website Data Avail?
Bernardson	2104	Pre Semi	Limited info
Brookfield (I)	0	Quarterly	No information
Hardwick	2658	Quarterly	Limited info
Huntington	2069	Quarterly	No information
Sunderland	3647	Pre Semi	Limited info

(I) Brookfield also captured under similar size towns. Not counted 2X

## Breakdown of selected towns

	Nr Towns	Avg Population	W/I Cheshire	Dev from Cheshire	Focus Rank
Berkshire	12	2480	No	-452	3
Similar	7	3258	Yes	0	1
FMR	4	2782	No	-150	2
Total	23	2620	No	-312	N/A

**Takeaway:** Based on data, we should send 23 towns a survey. Focus on results in order of rank above. Nr. 1 population falls within the +/- deviation of Cheshire.

**TITLE: FOCUS TARGET TOWNS**

## ARTICLE 31 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment

To see if the Town will amend the Town of Cheshire Protective and Planning Zoning Bylaw Section 3.2-B.10 to remove the requirement of a Special Permit in the R-1 District by allowing it by right in the R-1 District.

### 3.2 Table of Use Regulations

#### (b) Accessory Uses

10. The raising or keeping of domestic animals, for use by residents of a premises, not as a commercial venture subject to regulations of the Board of Health, provided all grounds used for pasturing or other purposes involving unrestrained animals shall be fenced.

**Suggestion: Remove SPA (Special Permit Application)**

(b) Accessory Uses	Zoning Districts			
	R-1	A-R	B	LI
1. Occupation, profession, craft or art engaged in within a dwelling or in an accessory building by a resident of the premises, as a use accessory thereto, and employing not more than two persons outside the household, and provided there is no external evidence of the conduct of such occupation, profession, craft or art except the permitted sign as regulated in Section 7 of this Bylaw.	YES	YES	YES	YES
2. The use of a room or rooms in a dwelling by resident thereof for business or profession involving the provision of services or sale of products, articles or goods made on the premises, and employing not more than one person outside of the household, provided there is no external evidence of the conduct of such business or occupation except the permitted sign as regulated in Section 7 of this Bylaw.	YES	YES	YES	YES
3. Use of premises by a resident carpenter, electrician, painter, plumber, or other artisan, for incidental work in connection with his off premises occupation, provided that no manufacturing or business requiring substantially, continuous employment may be carried on.	YES	YES	YES	YES
4. Storage of materials or equipment as part of a home occupation described in Sections 3.2 (b)(1), 3.2 (b)(2) or 3.2 (b)(3). The storage of materials or equipment shall be within the principal or accessory building or on the rear portion of the lot and properly screened from view from the street and adjoining properties.	SPP	YES	YES	YES
5. Rental of not more than four (4) rooms, with or without meals in a dwelling by a resident family, provided no separate kitchen facilities are maintained.	YES	YES	YES	YES

(b) Accessory Uses	Zoning Districts			
	R-1	A-R	B	LI
6. Roadside farm stand selling primarily agricultural, horticultural or floricultural products raised on the premises, provided that no products are displayed for sale within 20 feet of the street.	YES	YES	YES	YES
7. Greenhouse, tennis court, swimming pool or any such facility not for commercial purposes.	YES	YES	YES	YES
8. Stripping of topsoil when incidental to: the erection of a building or structure for which a building permit has been issued; the construction of a private driveway; any accessory use incidental to a permitted use; the construction of a private street in an approved subdivision; or municipal or government construction or operation.	YES	YES	YES	YES
9. The display of a sign or signs pertaining to a permitted use as regulated in Section 7 in this Bylaw.	YES	YES	YES	YES
10. The raising or keeping of domestic animals, for use by residents of the premises, not as a commercial venture, subject to the regulations of the Board of Health, provided all grounds used for pasturing or other purposes involving unrestrained animals shall be fenced.	SPA YES	YES	YES	YES
11. The raising and keeping of household pets by the residents of the premises not as a commercial venture.	YES	YES	YES	YES
12. Trailer of type intended only for camping purposes, stored within sight of a public way in excess of thirty (30) days in any calendar year provided it is not used for living purposes.	SPP	YES	YES	YES
13. Any accessory use to a by-right use, whether or not on the same parcel, which is necessary in the connection with scientific research and development or related production, provided the Planning Board finds that the proposed accessory use does not substantially derogate from the public good.	SPP	SPP	SPP	SPP
14. Radioactive Waste (see Section 8.2).	NO	SPP	NO	SPP
15. Hazardous Waste (see Section 8.2).	NO	SPP	NO	NO
16. Small Wind Energy Systems (see Section 8.5).	SPP	SPP	SPP	SPP
17. Accessory Farm Stores	NO	YES*	NO	NO
18. Agricultural Tourism, or Agritourism	NO	YES*	NO	NO
19. Value Added Agricultural Uses	NO	YES*	NO	NO

**\*Subject to performance standards.**



## Article 32: Zoning Bylaw Amendment

To see if the Town will amend the Town of Cheshire Protective and Planning Zoning Bylaw Section 3.3 -C to remove this section which prohibits the keeping of livestock or poultry in the R-1 District.

### 3.3 Uses Prohibited in All Districts

#### Current Language

c. Keeping of livestock or poultry in the R-1 District, provided, however that the keeping of pets shall be permitted.

**Suggestion: Remove**

### 3.3 Uses Prohibited in All Districts

Notwithstanding any provision of this Bylaw to the contrary the following uses shall be prohibited:

- (a) The distillation of bones, rendering of fat or reduction of animal matter
- (b) Commercial piggeries, fur farms and commercial slaughterhouses
- (c) ~~Keeping of livestock or poultry in the R-1 District, provided, however, that the keeping of pets shall be permitted~~
- (d) Storage of treatment of ash or other similar material causing dust
- (e) Storage of more than two commercial vehicles in the R-1 District
- (f) Storage of one or more junk vehicles for a period of more than six (6) months in such a manner as to cause said vehicle to be observable from any place in which the public has a right to access
- (g) The use of any lot or tract of land for a mobile home park or the expansion of any mobile home park existing on the effective date of this Bylaw
- (h) Billboards and other non-accessory signs