

5053300000—Burials

Human Services

Patrick Withrow, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

General Fund	2017-2018 Actual	2018-2019 Adjusted	2019-2020 Requested	2019-2020 Recommended	Increase/ (Decrease)
Expenditures					
Services & Supplies	\$39,641	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	(\$5,000)
Total Appropriations	\$39,641	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	(\$5,000)
Earned Revenues By Source					
Licenses/Permits/Franchises	\$12,690	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues	3,473	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Total Revenues	\$16,163	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0
Net County Cost	\$23,478	\$27,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	(\$5,000)

Purpose

This budget funds the County’s mandated responsibility to provide for the disposition of indigent dead. The Board of Supervisors’ adopted policy of cremation, with exceptions only in certain cases as determined by the Coroner, along with the continued scrutiny of financial eligibility by the Sheriff-Coroner Division, helps to contain program costs.

Program Discussion

The 2019-2020 recommended budget for indigent cremations is \$35,000, which is a decrease of \$5,000 from the 2018-2019 adjusted budget. This change reflects a decrease in the number of cremations budgeted in 2019-2020 from the originally projected cremations of 113 in 2018-2019, offset by an increase in the per cremation price from \$355.75 to \$359.00. The Sheriff’s contract for indigent cremation services was re-issued in June 2018 and extends through May 2023.

Major Budget Changes

Services & Supplies

- (\$5,000) Decrease in cost for indigent cremations.

	Actual			Est./Act. 2018-2019	Projected 2019-2020
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018		
Indigent Cremations	96	100	122	90	102