# chandler | Budget in Brief



"Strength in Numbers" is more than just the theme of this year's budget, it embodies the City of Chandler's commitment to sound financial practices and the collaborative spirit that drives progress.

**Total City Budget** \$1.63B

DOWN

Factors driving a lower budget include decreased revenue considering current local economy and State mandated revenue reduction of Residential Rental TPT; reductions in public safety pension costs which are masking operating and capital inflation increases and personnel cost increases.

#### **Our Focus Areas**



**Economic** Vitality



Local Taxes & License Fees 12.8%

System Development Fees 0.7%

State Shared Revenues 8.5%

Grants 4.8%

Sustainability and Technology



Utility Charges 10.0%

Property Taxes 2.8%

Other Services/Charges 6.6%

**Quality of Life** 



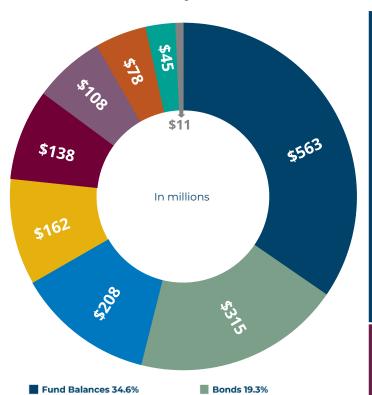
**Connectivity** 



Neighborhoods



# Where the Money Comes From



# Where the Money Goes

#### Capital Carryforward \$568M

Remaining appropriation

(spending authority) from capital projects in process at fiscal yearend that is carried forward or re-

budgeted until the project is

For example: Building renovations, street projects, Dr. AJ Chandler Park improvements, Mesquite Groves Park design & Phase I continuation, Fire vehicle replacements, Police forensic

completed.

services facility.

# Department Operating \$563M

Continues existing service levels and adds enhancements in line with Council Focus Areas.

18 New Positions (14 of which are converted from one-time funded or are offset by revenues) which

Reduction Manager (1), IT Programmer Senior Analyst- Web Development (1), Assistant City Attorney (1), Housing Assistance Senior Specialist (1), Recreation Program Coordinator (1), (1), Community Navigators (2). Community Resources Senior

#### Capital- New Appropriations \$278M

Appropriation to maintain existing for example: Airport hangar pavement, Fire vehicle replacements, and existing

#### Contingency & Reserves \$120M

Funds set aside for

#### Debt Service \$87M

new and outstanding

infrastructure or add new projects, community park improvements.

Replacements \$12M

Vehicle, Technology, and Equipment

### Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

The City's 10-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) serves as a multiyear planning instrument identifying fiscal year needs and financing sources (i.e. bonds, impact fees, grants, utility operating revenues) for public and aging infrastructure improvements, which totals to **\$2.62B.** City Council adopted the CIP on June 12, 2025. CIP details can be found at: www.chandleraz.gov/budget

# FY 2025-2026 CIP Highlights \$845.7M (New & Carryforward)



#### **Airport**

Hangar Area Pavement Reconstruction | \$7.3M Rehabilitate Runway Pavement 4R/22L | \$5.6M Rehabilitate Armory Apron Pavement | \$1.3M North Terminal Reconstruction Phase || \$283K Airfield Lighting Improve/Runway 4L/22R | \$232K



#### **Community Services**

Mesquite Groves Park Design & Phase I Cont. | \$35.2M Existing Neighborhood/Field/Park Imps/Repairs | \$16.2M Tumbleweed Regional Park | \$12.8M Winn Park Site | \$2.9M Folley Park and Pool Redesign | \$2.4M Right of Way - Landscape Imps | \$752K



#### **Cultural Development**

Dr. A.J. Chandler Park | \$10.5M Tumbleweed Ranch| \$2.4M Downtown Alley Projects| \$2.4M Downtown Redevelopment | \$1.6M Downtown Parking Lots| \$634K



#### Fire

Fire Emergency Vehicle Replacements | **\$5.7M** Ambulance Emergency Vehicles| **\$1.9M** 



#### **General Government**

Existing City Building Renovations/Repairs | \$10.4M Sustainability Programs | \$15.1M Frye Road Protected Bike Lane | \$17.6M Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Upgrades | \$2.3M Paseo Trail Crossing Improvements | \$2M



#### **Police**

Forensic Services Facility| **\$8.3M**Property and Evidence Renovation| **\$1.1M**Body Worn Cameras| **\$1M**Police Main Station Redesign | **\$528K** 



#### Streets

Street Repaving Program | **\$58.9M**Unpaved Alley Program | **\$57.5M**Lindsey Rd (Ocotillo Rd to Hunt Hwy.) | **\$31.6M**Ray Road/Dobson Road Intersection Imps.| **\$22M**Turf to Xeriscape Program | **\$15.8M** 



#### **Utilities | Water & Wastewater**

Water Treatment Plant/Production Facility Imps.| \$52.8M Santan Freeway Redundant 66-inch Sewer Line | \$40.6M Sewer Assessment and Rehabilitation | \$45.7M Water Treatment Facility Improvements | \$42.7M Reclaimed Water Interconnect Facility | \$32.3M Main & Valve Replacements | \$21.3M

## **Operating Budget Highlights**

- Sales tax rates unchanged the lowest in Arizona
- City property tax rate reduced from \$1.0826 \$1.0818, 10<sup>th</sup> year of reduction
- Maintains and enhances existing levels of service
- Adds funding for labor association commitments and general employee increases
- Continues debt reduction: up to \$25M to maintain paid-off status of Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) unfunded liability
- Planned Water, Wastewater, Reclaimed, and Solid Waste rate changes in this fiscal year to maintain these Enterprise Utility Funds
- Maintains strong reserves

#### **Fy 2025-26 | 18 New Position Adds**



7 Community Safety Related Police, Fire, IT & Water Quality



14 converted from one-time funded to permanently funded or offset by grants/other revenues

Total Authorized FTE (Full Time Equivalent Employees)



1,822

### **Total City Property Tax Rate: \$1.0818**

Primary Tax Rate = \$0.2118 (Supports General Operations)

Secondary Tax Rate= \$0.87 (Pays Bond Debt Service Only) Per 100 dollars of assessed value





About 11¢ of every dollar comes to Chandler in FY 2025-26

# Highest rating level from all three major rating agencies

One of only a few cities Nation-wide

Higher ratings mean lower cost of borrowing, which helps keeps taxes and user fees low

General Obligation (60) & ETRO Bond Rating



Fitch | Standard and Poor's | Moody's