



**Sheriff Bob Gualtieri**  
**Pinellas County Sheriff's Office**

# **FY26 Budget Presentation**



*"Leading The Way For A Safer Pinellas"*



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### Crime Reduction

Pinellas County continues to be a safe place for our residents and visitors.

Between 2014 and 2024 PCSO has reduced the rate of serious crime in our service area by **54%**.

This reduction is impactful on our community.



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### Crime Reduction

While significantly reducing crime in Pinellas County, we have been able to provide law enforcement services efficiently.

The average law enforcement agency in Florida has **2.4** officers or deputies per 1,000 residents.

PCSO has **1.8** deputies per 1,000 residents.



## **Sheriff's Office Staffing**

We have been able to reduce the number of open positions due to aggressive hiring over the last year.

Last year at this time we had 126 open deputy positions, and today we have 50 (1,510 total deputies).

We must keep our pay and benefits market-competitive so that we do not lose ground.



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### Sheriff's Office FY26 Budget

• FY25 Adopted Budget	\$456,166,190
• <b>FY26 Submitted Budget</b>	<b>\$476,497,400</b>
• <b>FY26 PCSO Revenue</b>	<b><u>\$ 54,500,295*</u></b>
• <b>FY26 Net GF Request</b>	<b>\$421,997,105</b>



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### **Non-GF Revenue Comparison**

- FY22 PCSO Revenue** **\$40,277,780**
- FY23 PCSO Revenue** **\$41,225,040**
- FY24 PCSO Revenue** **\$44,229,100**
- FY25 PCSO Revenue** **\$ 47,014,850**



## **Non-GF Revenue Comparison**

- FY26 PCSO Revenue** **\$54,500,295\***
- PCSO revenue increase FY25 to FY26** **\$7,485,445**
- PCSO revenue increase over 5 years is** **\$14,222,515**

**\*When we submitted our budget on May 1<sup>st</sup>, the non- general fund revenue was indicated as \$49,500,295. This has increased by \$5 million since the original submission.**



## **Non-GF Revenue Comparison**

- We contract with 13 of Pinellas County's 24 municipalities for full policing. We contract with all other cities that have police departments for other services.
- We also have policing contracts with St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE), the County for environmental lands and the Housing Authority for two of its properties.
- We are **increasing the cost of the law enforcement contracts by 8% for FY26.**





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### Sheriff's Office FY26 Budget

Most of our budget increase for FY26 is due to increased costs for salaries and benefits, which is necessary to remain market competitive in the retention and hiring of personnel.

Pay for deputies is subject to collective bargaining with the union and negotiations are on-going.



## **Sheriff's Office FY26 Budget**

- We will likely raise deputy pay 3%.
- Starting pay is currently \$66,950.
- Current top pay is \$94,464 and new top pay will likely be \$97,298.
- SPPD current range for officer pay is \$68,429 to \$111,541.



## **Sheriff's Office FY26 Budget**

- Pay increases for the nonsworn personnel in FY26 will be based on 3% of midpoint in each pay grade.
- Total wage increase for all personnel is projected to be \$12.7 million. (\$8.5 million for deputies and \$4.2 million for non-sworn).



## **Other Personnel Increases**

- Statutory FRS contribution will increase \$8 million.
- FICA (Social Security) will increase \$1.2 million.
- Health insurance costs will increase \$9.2 million. This is due to an increase in high claims and a large increase in our Rx costs.



## **Budget Summary**

- To meet available General Fund revenue:
  - We reduced our proposed expenditures from our original budget submission;
  - We increased our non-general fund revenue without increasing corresponding expenditures; and
  - We reached agreement on the appropriate use of non-recurring revenue for non-recurring expenses.



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