

PUBLIC NOTICE

BENTON COUNTY SUMMARY BUDGET STATEMENT

The following is a summary of the operating budget for the 2026 fiscal year for Benton County. This summary is published in accordance with Minnesota Statute §375.169. The detail of the County budget is on file in the County Administrator's Office at the Benton County Government Center, 531 Dewey Street, Foley, Minnesota, and may be reviewed during normal business hours. Summary and detailed budget information can also be viewed on the Benton County website (www.co.benton.mn.us; see "Budget" under the "Government" link on the homepage.)

<u>Budgeted Governmental Funds</u>	<u>2025 Budget</u>	<u>2026 Budget</u>
Revenues:		
Current Property Tax Levy	\$24,931,859	\$27,290,413
Local Option Sales Tax for Transportation	3,500,000	3,750,000
County Program Aid	3,330,744	3,291,298
All Other Taxes	1,243,000	1,266,000
Licenses and Permits	448,560	499,230
Intergovernmental - Federal & State	23,511,580	23,219,713
Fees for Services	2,129,189	2,106,982
Fines and Forfeits	6,000	6,300
Interest on Investments	800,000	1,000,000
Miscellaneous	733,764	1,329,542
 Other Sources:		
Proceeds from Bond Sales	0	0
Transfers from Other Funds/Other Financing Sources	9,252,062	5,151,426
Total Revenues and Other Sources	\$69,886,758	\$68,910,904
 Expenditures:		
General Government	\$9,452,332	\$10,066,224
Public Safety	11,632,013	12,209,050
Highway and Streets	21,819,437	19,298,286
Human Services	15,726,409	16,392,042
Health	1,983,194	2,352,114
Culture and Recreation	88,929	90,348
Conservation of Natural Resources	274,130	282,264
Economic Development	125,000	150,000
Debt Service	304,375	2,116,509
Capital Projects	758,462	631,341
Library	528,480	540,046
Historical Society	14,070	15,070
Soil and Water Conservation District	255,000	260,000
 Other Uses:		
Transfers to Other Funds/Other Financing Uses	6,924,927	4,507,610
Total Expenditures	\$69,886,758	\$68,910,904