

HUMAN SERVICES

The Human Services' budget of \$52,408,318 is 23.5 percent of total expenditures for this fiscal year. A significant portion of the Human Services' budget is funded by State and Federal sources. Social Services' expenditures of \$40,994,704 go to support the human needs, and the Public Health Department is projected to expend \$10,664,614 for the specialized public health services it offers. Other Human Resources include the Medical Examiner and is funded at \$138,500 this fiscal year. \$609,000 is for Partners Behavioral Health Care contracted services and pass-through funding.

The dependence of these services on Federal and State grants makes the budget process very difficult. Therefore, the County has a conservative approach to anticipated revenues and a realistic approach to service levels which cushion the impact of Federal and State reductions in funding and service levels.

