

Overview of the City's Key Budget Issues and the Budget Process

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Created as an independent office (2012)

- Provide the Mayor and Council with direct access to the budget office
- Ensure the independence of the financial planning, forecasting, and budgeting functions

Council adopted work plan (2012)

- Budget and program analysis
- Economic forecasting
- Business impact analysis
- Utility rate review
- Special Projects

Bureau adopted strategic plan (2013)

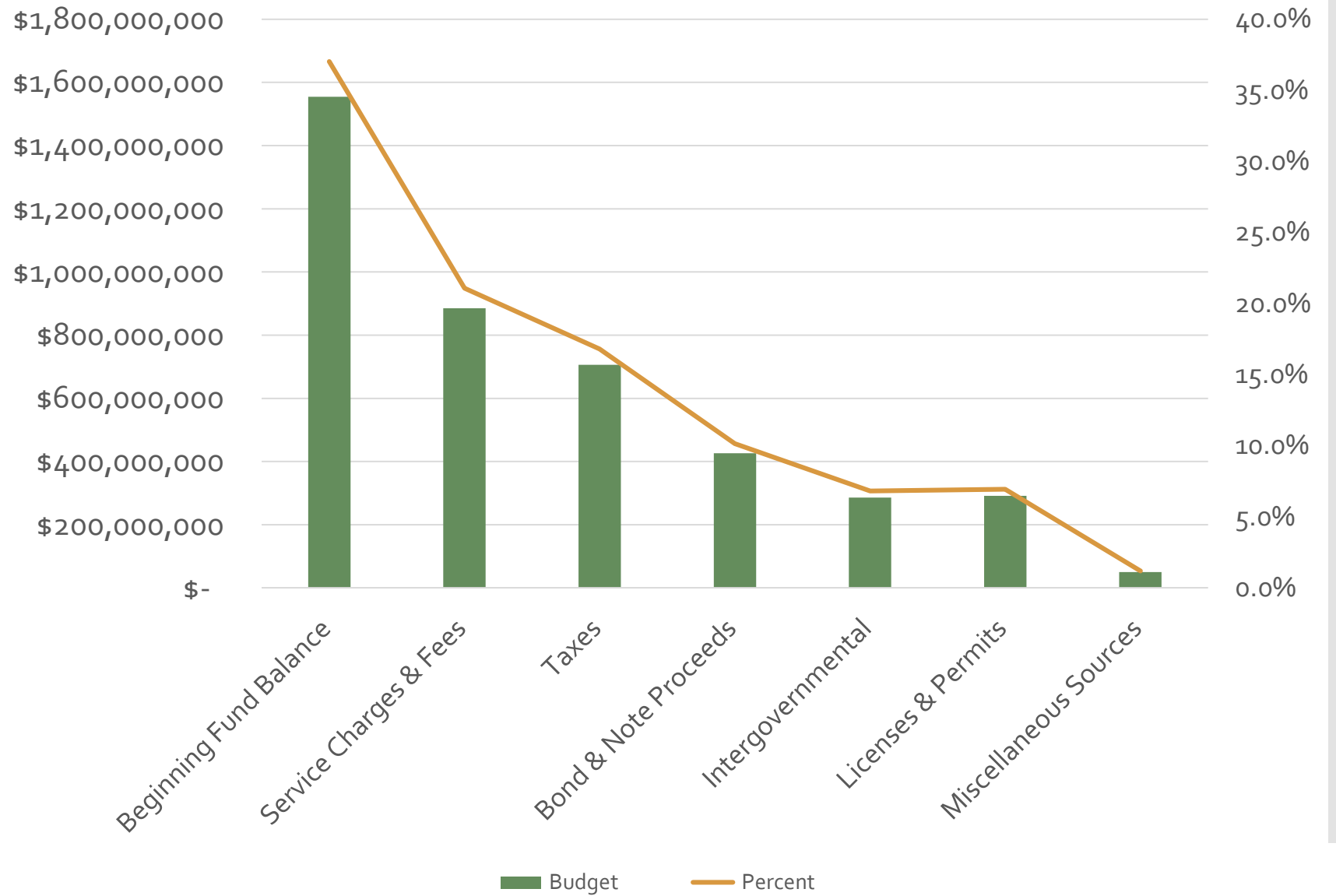
- Focus on the performance of City programs and process improvement
- Ensure CBO deliverables contain practical solutions
- Tailor CBO communications to meet audience needs

Summary of CBO's Work

City Service Areas

- **Transportation**
 - Traffic, Parking, Street Car, Road Maintenance
- **Public Safety**
 - Police, Fire, Emergency Management & Communications
- **Parks, Recreation & Culture**
 - Parks & Recreation, Golf, Portland International Raceway
- **Public Utilities**
 - Environmental Services (Sewer), Water and Hydroelectric Power
- **Community Development**
 - Development Services and Permitting, Planning and Sustainability, Civic Life, Housing, and Cable
- **City Support Services**
 - Attorney, Government Relations, Office of Equity and Human Rights, Management & Finance
- **Elected Officials**
 - Mayor, the Commissioners, and the City Auditor

Where does the money come from?

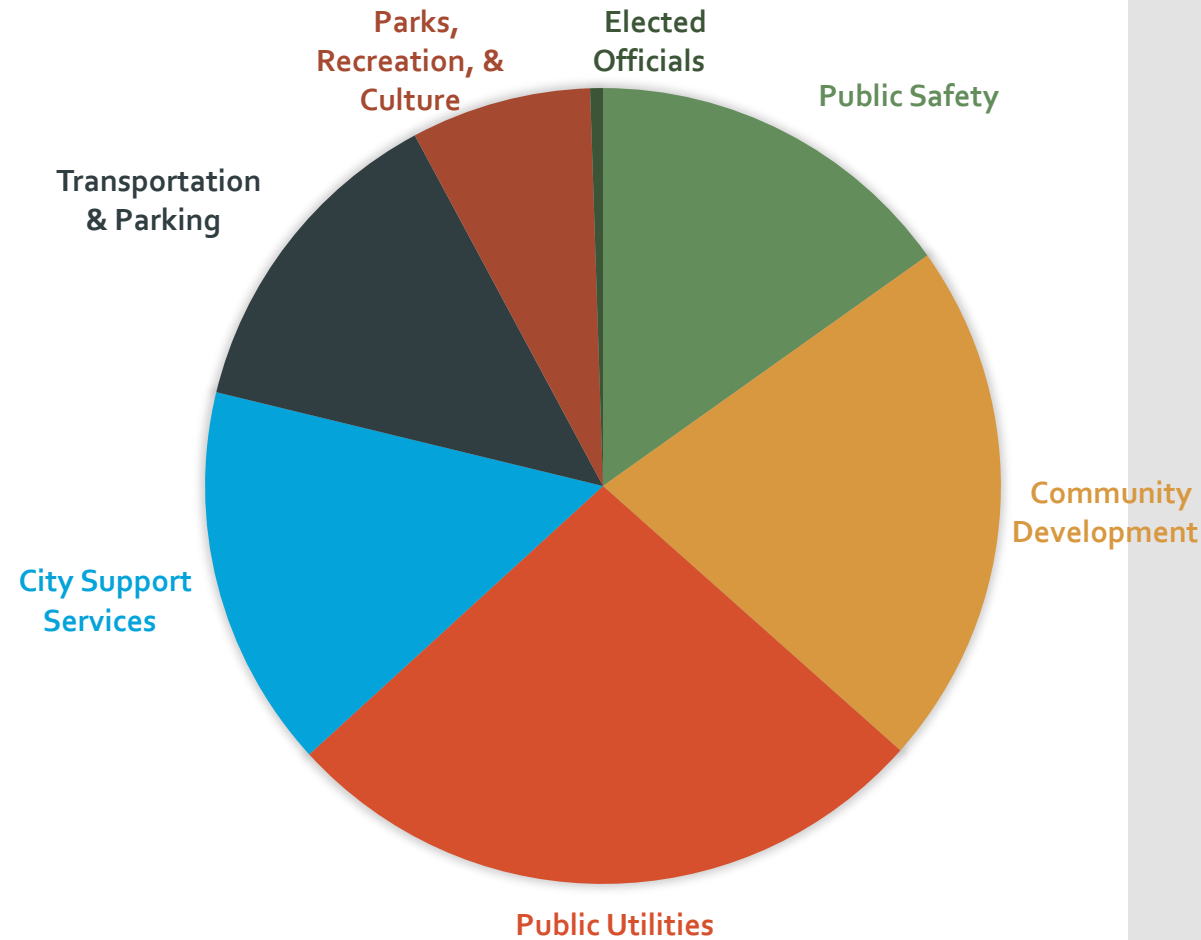


Allocating Resources

- **Many funds are dedicated to specific uses**
 - Water and sewer fees pay for water and sewer system maintenance and improvements
 - Permit fees pay for development services
 - Parks fees pay for recreation services
- **The General Fund can be used for anything allowed by City Charter**
 - GF primarily comes from property, business, utility, lodging and liquor taxes
 - Allocated based on City Council priorities

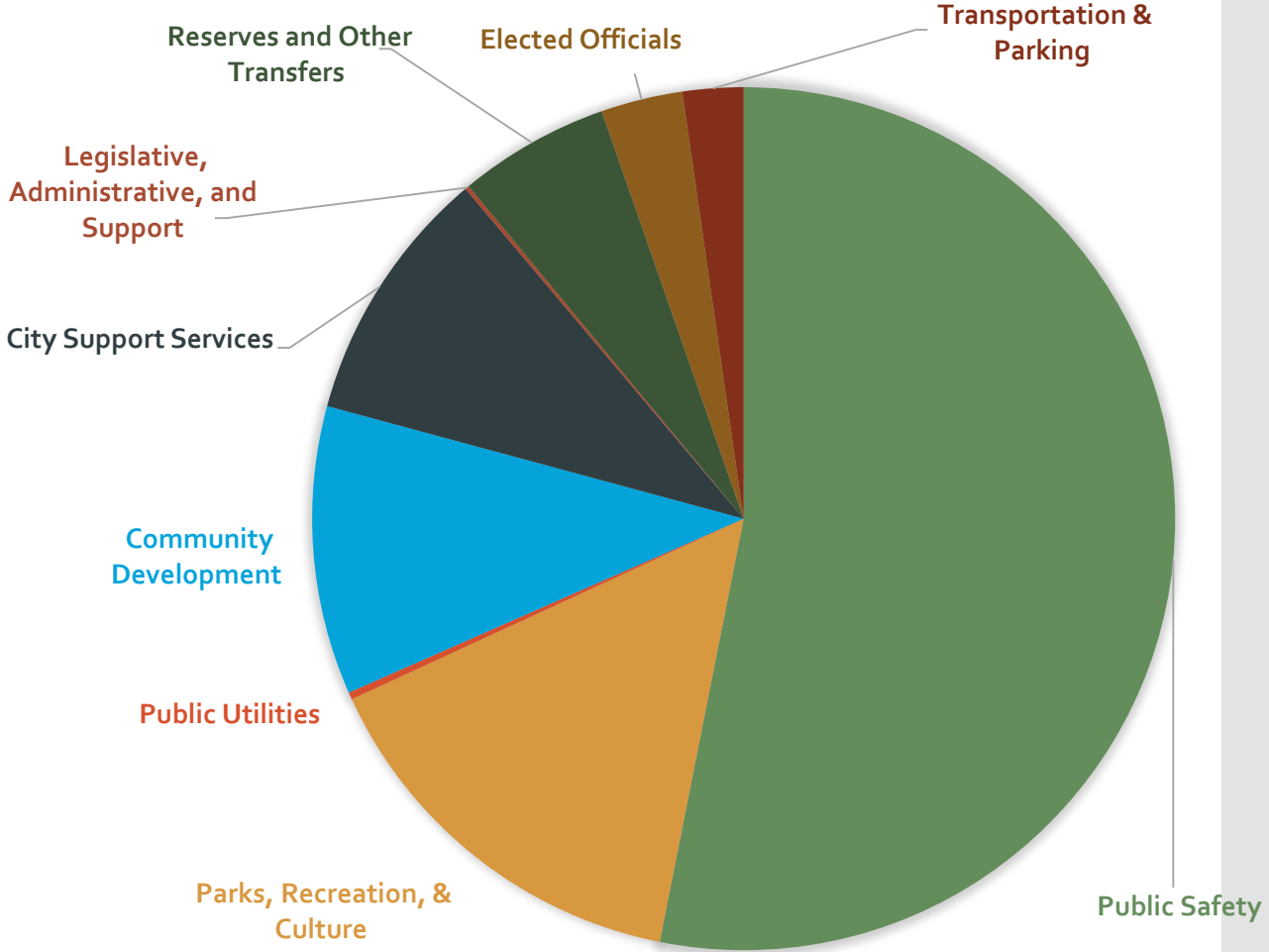
FY 2018-19 Requirements by Service Area

Service Area	Budget	Percent
Public Safety	610,590,479	15%
Community Development	861,357,945	21%
Public Utilities	1,072,619,425	27%
City Support Services	626,787,710	16%
Transportation & Parking	538,194,603	13%
Parks, Recreation, & Culture	294,711,302	7%
Elected Officials	20,867,334	1%
Total City Bureau Expenses	\$ 4,198,968,887	100%



FY 2018-19 General Fund Expenditure Summary

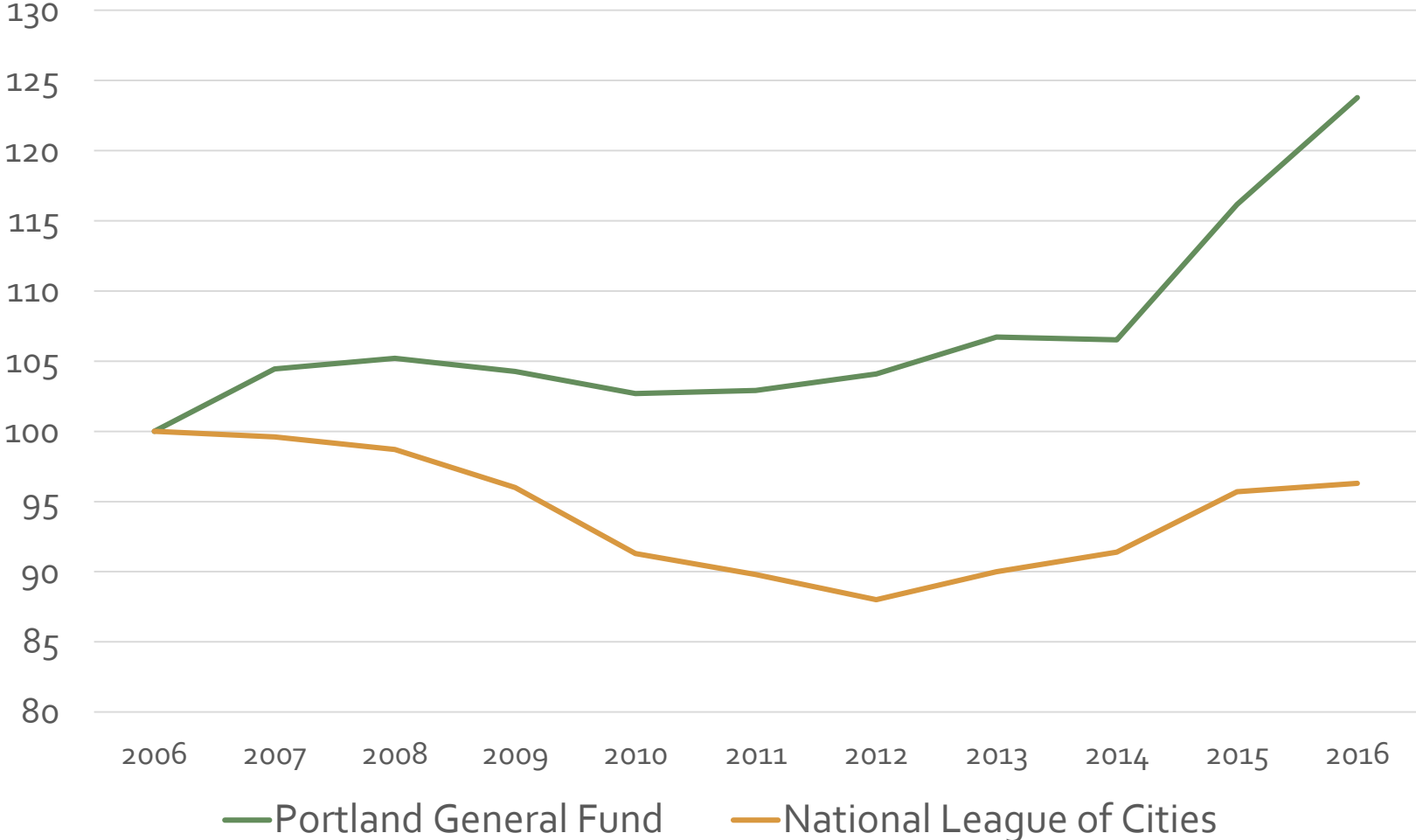
Service Area	Budget	Percent
Public Safety	\$ 362,055,432	53.1%
Parks, Recreation, & Culture	102,328,485	15.0%
Public Utilities	1,825,778	0.3%
Community Development	73,663,449	10.8%
City Support Services	65,732,088	9.6%
Legislative, Administrative, and Support	1,041,201	0.2%
Reserves and Other Transfers	38,605,740	5.7%
Elected Officials	20,867,334	3.1%
Transportation & Parking	15,501,714	2.3%
Total General Fund Budget	\$ 681,621,221	100.0%



Opportunity: strong local revenue growth

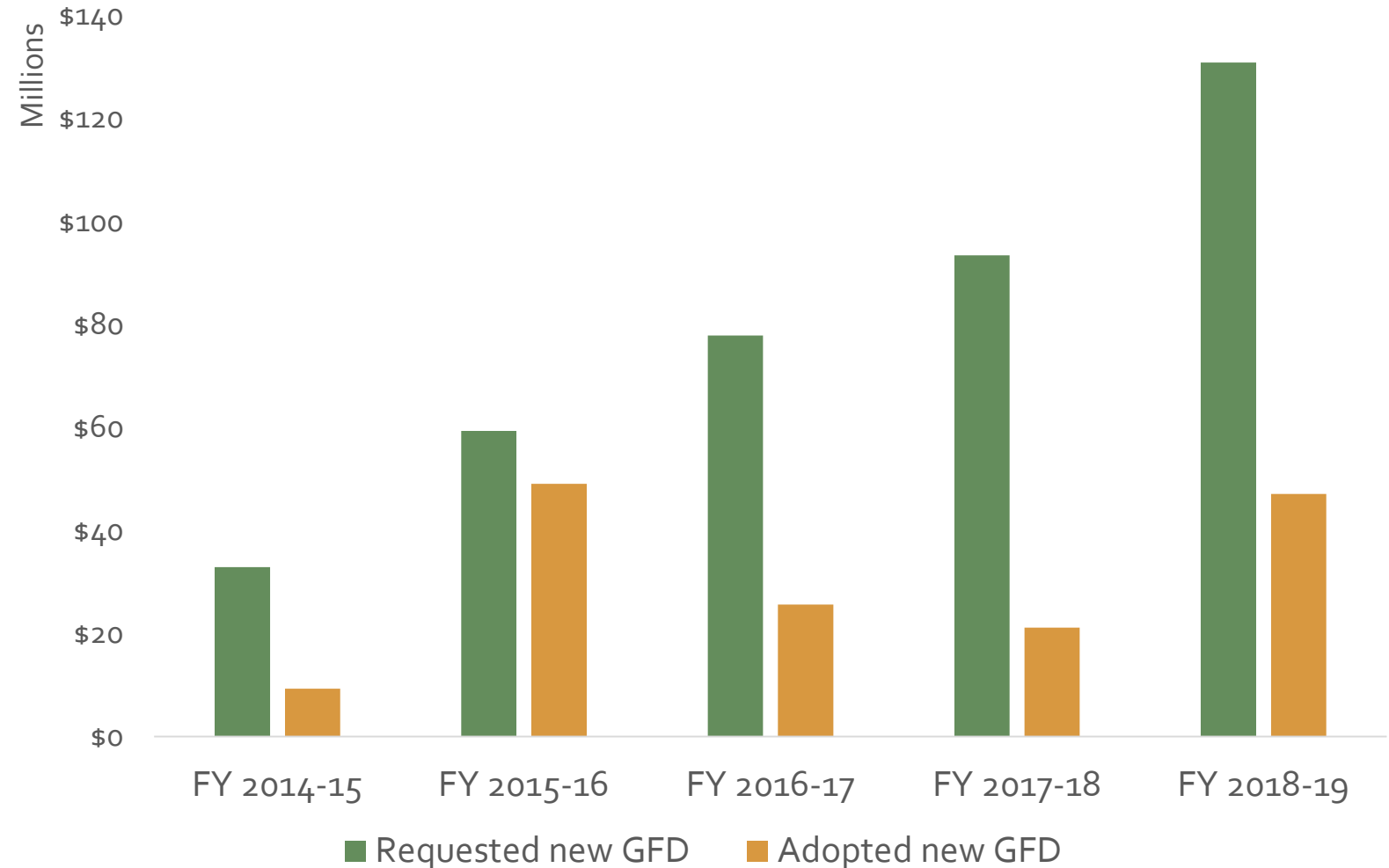
Portland's General Fund discretionary revenue has performed better than most Cities nationwide

Inflation Adjusted GF Revenues (2015 dollars)



Challenge:
Requests
exceed resource
availability

Bureau requests for General Fund in the Adopted Budget significantly exceed available resources



Budget Process Overview

Budget Processes:

- Governed by Oregon Budget Law
- Annual Budget Development (Nov - June)
- Supplemental Budgets and Budget Monitoring (“BMPs”: Fall, Spring, and End-of-FY)

Check out our interactive Adopted Budget viz!
<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo/article/687011>

Questions?

8. What are the City's Program Expenses?

Hover over the bubbles below to view program and sub-program level expenses. The bar charts on the right show historical budget trends and total staffing levels for the past five years. Filter by **bureau** or by **fund type** by clicking the dropdown menu to the right.

Select Bureau

Portland Housing Bureau

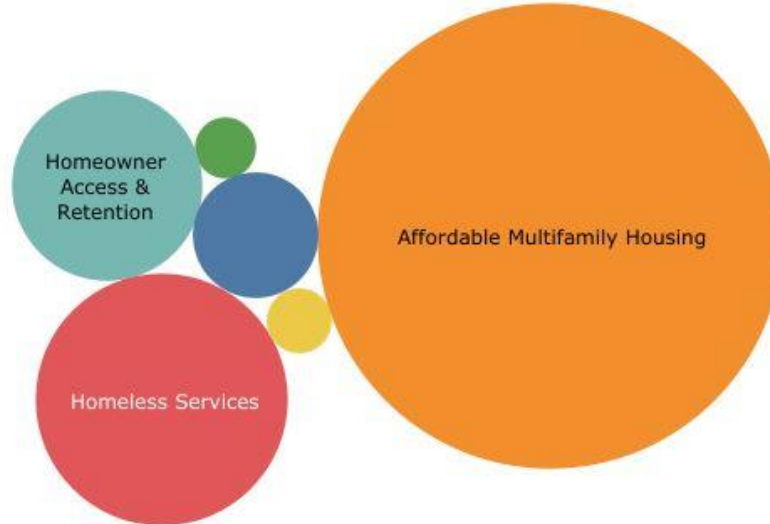
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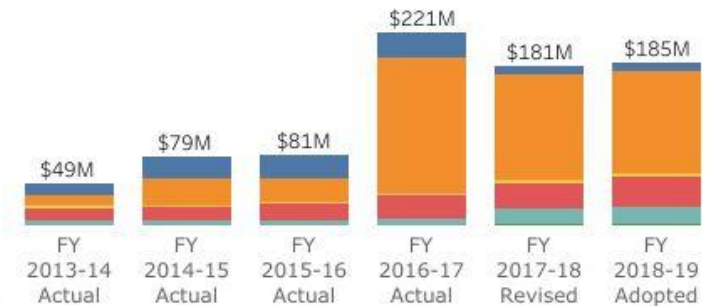
Portland Housing Bureau Program Areas

Total Expenditures: **\$185,121,315**

Hover over the bubbles below to view subprogram information



Historical Budget Trend



Historical Staffing Levels

