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[Strategic Framework](#)

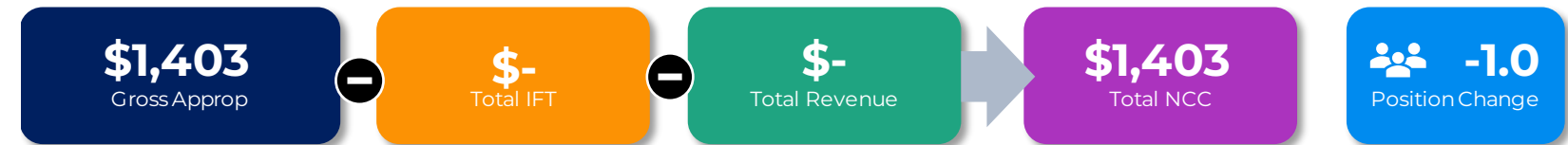
2024-25 Budget (\$Thousands)

As of Supplemental Budget Phase

EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS	
Total S&EB	\$ 2,044
Total S&S	26,654
Other Charges	453
Cap Assets – Equip	-
Other Financing Uses	24
TOTAL GROSS APPROP	\$ 29,175
Intrafund Transfers	-
TOTAL NET APPROP	\$ 29,175
Revenue	142
NET COUNTY COST¹	\$ 29,033
TOTAL BUDGETED POSITIONS	7

¹ Includes restricted and unrestricted locally generated revenues

TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST FOR 2025-26 RECOMMENDED BUDGET PHASE (\$Thousands)



Department Budget Request:

Budget Priorities

Listed in order of priority, Amounts in \$Thousands

Priority #	Request Title/Short Descriptor	Funding Source	Gross Approp	less IFT	less Revenue	= NCC	Position Change	Primary Use of Funding (S/D = Service Delivery)	Externally Required?	Board Priority?	Directed by Motion?	Data & Metrics Plan?
1	Cost of Living Increase Based on CPI @ 3.4%	NCC	\$ 959	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 959	-	S/D - Public	Y - Funding Req	-	N	N
*	Other Ministerial Changes		(856)	-	-	(856)	(1.0)	Administrative	N	-	N	N
TOTAL			\$ 103	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 103	(1.0)					

KEY RO: Revenue Offset | NCC: Net County Cost Change | AFB: Available Fund Balance | DAFB: Department Available Fund Balance | CO: Carryover | Other - SBI: State Budget Impact, MC: Ministerial Changes



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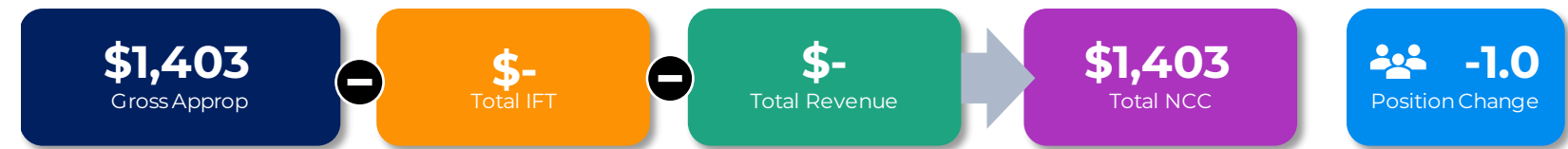
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Department Budget Request:

Unmet Needs

Amounts in \$Thousands

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#	Unmet Need	Approp	IFT	Revenue	NCC	Positions
Tier 3: Other Unmet Needs						
	Unmet Needs that will maintain and extend services to additional communities within Los Angeles County:					
	Mobile Museums	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -
	STEAM workforce development and internships	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -
1	STEAM after school programming	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ -
	Virtual learning programs for schools	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ -
	Community programming	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -
	Total Department Unmet Needs	\$ 1,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,300	-

Tiering Definitions

TIER 1: Critical Unmet Needs

Requests where, if unfunded in the upcoming budget year, a department would be prevented from meeting mandatory obligations imposed by settlement, contract, audit finding, new legislation, Board mandate, or imminently cause a health or safety risk.

Detailed justification for critical unmet needs must be included in a department's budget requests submission.

TIER 2: Priority Unmet Needs

Requests where, if unfunded in the upcoming budget year, a department would be prevented from establishing, maintaining or enhancing programs and services having a close nexus to the department's statutory obligation(s) and/or core mission.

Detailed justification for priority unmet needs must be included in a department's budget requests submission.

TIER 3: Other Unmet Needs

Requests that do not meet the criteria in either category above. Other Unmet Needs include requests that are not characterized by urgency but are included to establish a record of the request (whether submitted with or without justification) or to signal a current intent to submit the request in one of the two prior categories in a future budget phase. Requests in this category are not limited to requests funded by NCC.

Documentation for these requests does not need to be included in a department's budget requests submission.