



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
42.		Oppose	Monisha Parker	<p>To explain the revenue and expenditures for the budget of the Temple City Unified School District (TCUSD) for the fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, you can follow a structured approach that includes the following sections:</p> <p>1. Introduction • Begin by providing a brief overview of TCUSD, including its mission and educational goals. Clarifying the fiscal significance of the budget helps stakeholders understand its context.</p> <p>2. Budget Overview Purpose of the Budget: Define the goals and objectives of the budget for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Budget Cycle: Explain that school district budgets are typically based on a fiscal year that runs from July 1 to June 30.</p> <p>3. Revenue Sources Detail the various sources of revenue that contribute to the district's budget. Common sources include: State Funding: Explain expected revenues from the State of California, particularly from Proposition 98 funding, which guarantees a minimum level of funding for K-12 education. Local Property Taxes: Discuss how property taxes in the district contribute to local funding. Federal Funding: Describe any anticipated federal support, such as Title I or special education funding. Grants and Special Programs: Mention any grants the district is expecting to receive, including those for special education, technology, or student nutrition. Miscellaneous Income: Include other sources, such as fundraising, donations, or income from facilities rentals.</p> <p>4. Expenditures Provide an overview of the expenditures expected for the respective years. Key categories may include: Instructional Costs: Detail spending on teacher salaries, instructional materials, and classroom resources. Administrative Costs: Discuss expenses associated with administrative staff and operating the district. Support Services: Explain expenditures on counseling, special education support, transportation, and maintenance. Facilities: Address any planned spending on facility maintenance, upgrades, and capital projects. Technology Investments: Note the budget for technology enhancements and</p>

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infrastructure improvements.

Debt Service: Explain any payments related to bonds or loans the county has incurred.

5. Budget Balancing

Discuss how the district plans to balance its budget, including any strategies for addressing potential shortfalls, managing expenditures, and optimizing revenue sources.

Contingency Plans: Highlight any reserve funds or emergency plans for surplus or deficit scenarios.

6. Stakeholder Involvement

- Explain how the budget planning process involves various stakeholders, including parents, teachers, and community members, encouraging their feedback and participation in budget meetings.

7. Conclusion

- End with a summary reiterating the importance of the budget and its impact on achieving the district's educational goals, emphasizing transparency and accountability to stakeholders.

8. Questions and Discussions

- Encourage questions from your audience to clarify any uncertainties regarding the budget. This helps ensure better understanding and gathering support.

Presentation Tools

- Consider using visual aids such as graphs, charts, and slides to illustrate revenue projections, expenditure breakdowns, and key points during your presentation. This will make complex information more digestible and engaging.

By following this structured approach to discussing TCUSD's budget for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, stakeholders will be well-informed about the financial landscape and anticipated actions within the district.

Strengthening educational outcomes while reducing expenditures in a school district like Temple City Unified School District requires a strategic approach that balances budget management with a focus on student success. Below are several strategies to reduce costs in various areas while enhancing the quality of education:

Instructional Costs

Curriculum Review and Streamlining: Analyze current curricula to eliminate redundancies and identify underperforming programs. Focus on evidence-based programs that enhance student outcomes.

Professional Development: Invest in high-quality professional development to



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improve teacher effectiveness, which can lead to better learning outcomes and reduce dependency on external tutoring services.
Utilize Alternative Resources: Adopt open educational resources (OERs) that are free and can replace costly textbooks and materials.

Administrative Costs

Centralize Operations: Consolidate administrative functions where possible, such as human resources and payroll, to reduce overhead costs.
Use Technology: Implement software solutions for administrative tasks to streamline processes and reduce staffing needs.
Review Contracts: Evaluate service contracts for cost-effectiveness and consider renegotiating or exploring competitive bids for services.

Support Services

Collaborate with Community Organizations: Partner with local organizations for mental health services, counseling, and extracurricular programs, which can minimize direct expenditure.
Cross-Training Staff: Train support staff to take on multiple roles, reducing the need for additional hires. For example, school nurses might be trained to provide additional health education.
Review Transportation Services: Optimize bus routes to minimize costs while ensuring that students remain safe and transported efficiently.

Facilities

Energy Efficiency Projects: Invest in energy-efficient upgrades to reduce long-term utility costs. Programs for solar energy installations can eventually pay for themselves through savings.
Space Utilization: Assess the use of existing facilities and consider mixed-use strategies for buildings that can host multiple programs or community events.
Routine Maintenance Plans: Implement preventive maintenance strategies to avoid costly repairs and maximize the lifespan of school facilities.

Technology Investments

Negotiate with Vendors: Utilize competitive bidding for technology purchases and services. Establish partnership agreements with tech companies for discounts.
Leverage Existing Infrastructure: Evaluate and maximize the use of current technology resources before investing in new systems.
Digital Curriculum and Resources: Shift to digital learning platforms that can enhance instructional delivery while reducing costs associated with physical materials and texts.

Debt Service

Refinance Existing Debt: Explore options to refinance existing bonds at lower interest rates when market conditions are favorable.
Utilize Grants and Funding: Actively seek grant opportunities to fund special projects rather than relying on debt financing.
Long-term Financial Planning: Develop a strategic plan for debt repayment that aligns with the district's long-term financial health, taking into account

				<p>future income streams and expenditures.</p> <p>General Strategies</p> <p>Involve Stakeholders: Engage teachers, parents, and students in budget discussions to gather input and foster community support for cost-saving measures.</p> <p>Data-Driven Decisions: Use data analytics to guide budgetary decisions and identify areas for improvement in spending efficiency.</p> <p>Prioritize Transparent Communication: Regularly communicate budget needs and constraints to the community to build trust and help stakeholders understand the necessity of financial decisions.</p> <p>Conclusion</p> <p>Implementing these strategies requires ongoing assessment and commitment, but they can contribute to the long-term sustainability of educational programs while controlling costs in the Temple City Unified School District. Engaging all stakeholders in the process will help ensure that strategies are effectively tailored to meet the specific needs of the district.</p>
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