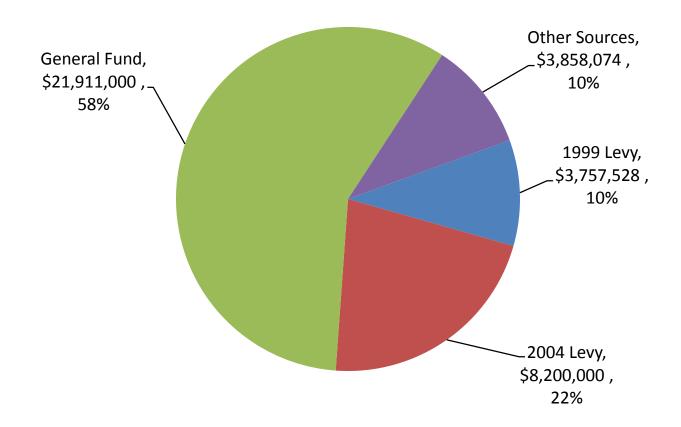
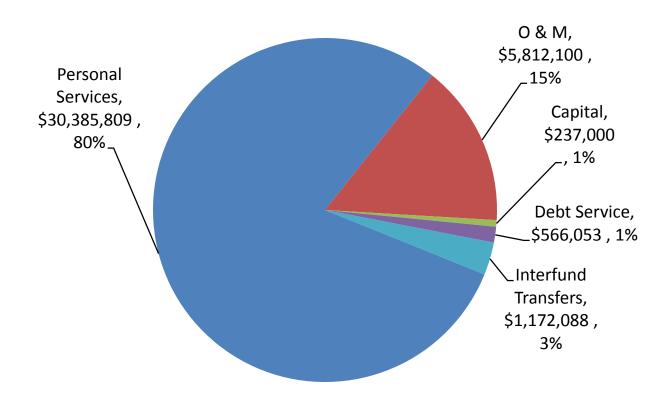
# Proposed Public Safety Levy

City of Billings

#### Public Safety Revenues FY15 Budget



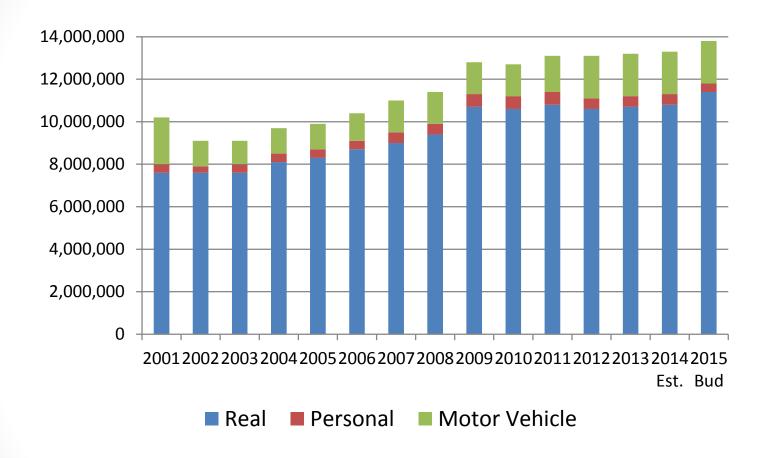
#### Public Safety Expenditures FY15 Budget



#### **Financial Constraints**

- City Charter Limitations
- Six Year Reappraisal
- Centrally Assessed Properties
- HB 124 Legislature Changes
- General Fund Non-Budgeted Reserves will be spent by FY17

#### General Fund Taxes

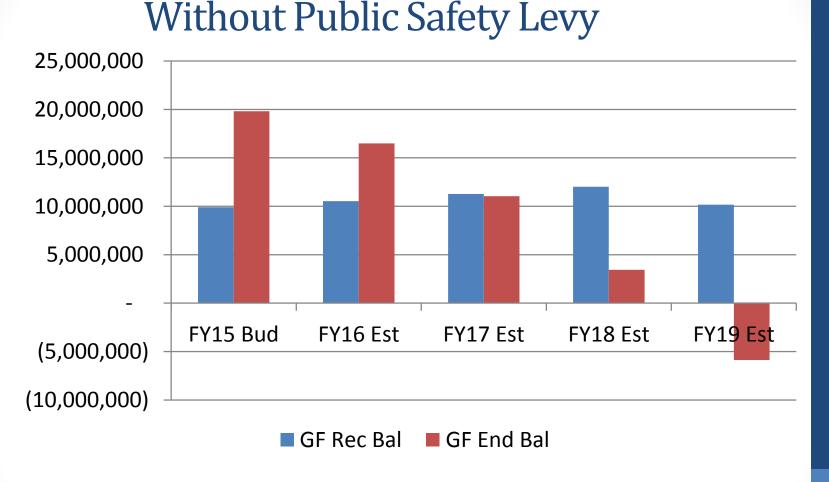


Note: 2009 was the first year of the 6 year re-appraisal cycle

# Public Safety Five Year Trend for Calls for Service

- 32% increase
- 2009 69,174 calls to 2013 91,519 calls

# General Fund Reserves



## **Current and Future Considerations**

2009 – pop 103,168 – square miles 41.905

2010 – pop 104,170 – square miles 41.950

2011 – pop 105,636 – square miles 41.761

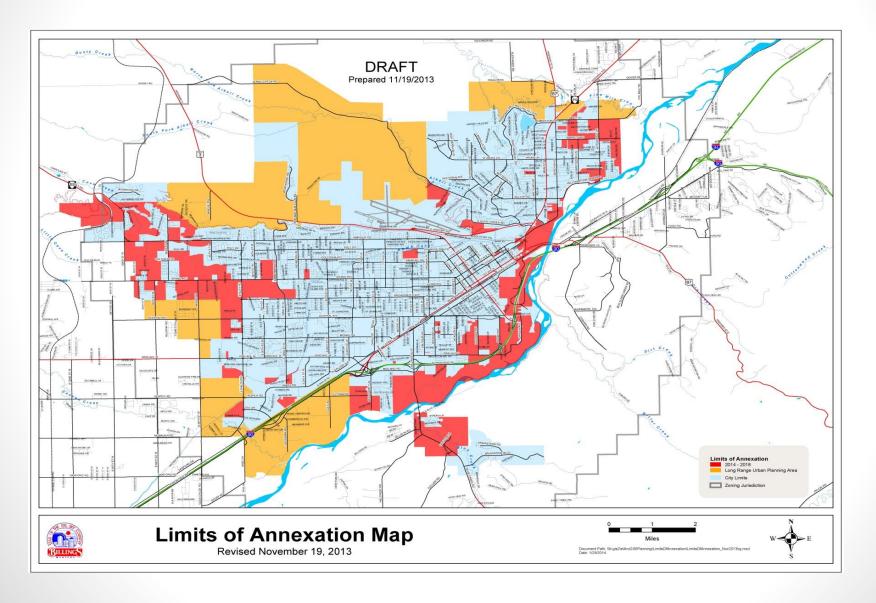
2012 – pop 106,954 – square miles 41.749

2013 – pop 108,559 – square miles 43

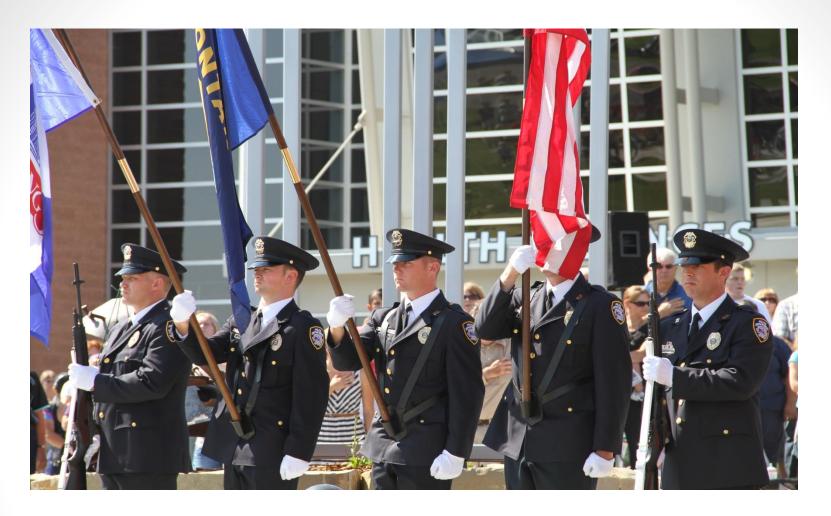
\*2009-2012 population numbers were obtained from the US Census and the Montana Department of Commerce, Census & Economic Information Center.

\*2009-2013 square miles information provided by City Engineer's Department, U.S. Census Bureau, and Yellowstone County GIS.

# City of Billings Annexation Plan



# Police Department



#### **Number of Authorized Police Officers**

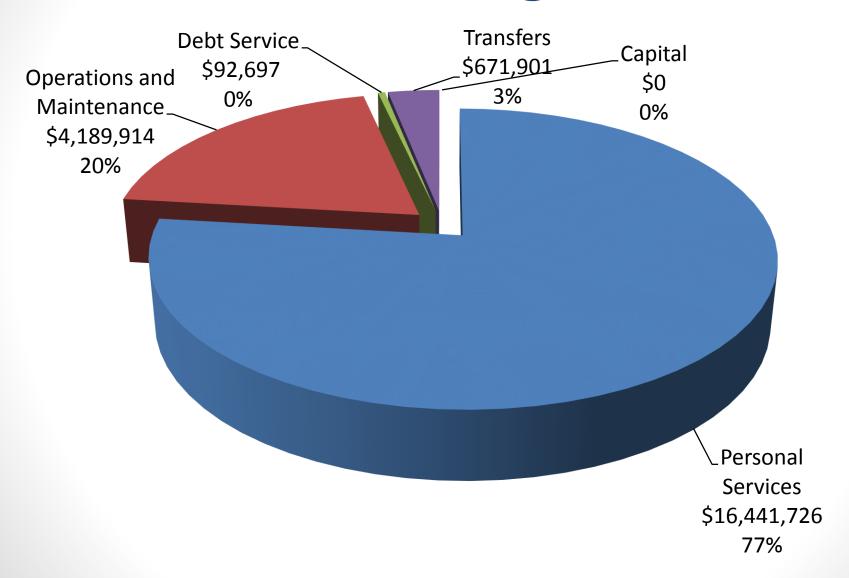
**>** 1974 − 101

**>** 2004 - 126

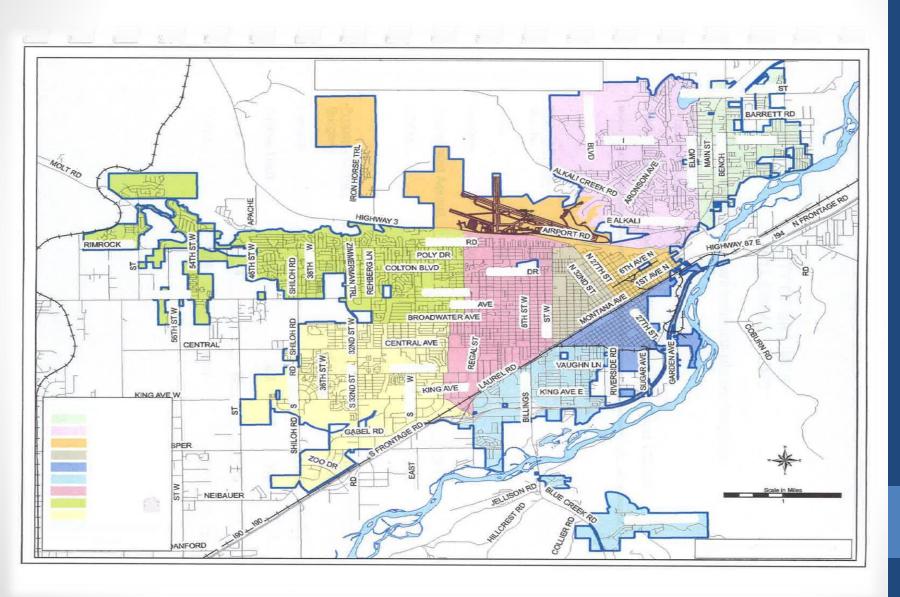
**>** 2009 − 140

**>** 2014 - 143

# 2015 Budget



### **Current Beat Structure**



# Impact of Levy Loss

Budget reduction of \$3,950,000 over 5 years

• 5% of each respective budget

Citizen and employee safety compromised

Eliminate and/or prioritize calls for service

Increased response time

Potential 34% in staff cuts over 5 years  Cuts must be from staff as other costs are static (fuel, utilities, equipment, capital expenditures) Elimination or reduction of special assignments (SRO, Dets, Task Force, etc.)

Administrative services adversely affected

Equipment and technological degradation

# Levy Approval Plan

FY 16 FY 17

3 Police Officers

On-Going O&M

2 Patrol Cars

One time O&M

3 Police Officers

On-Going O&M

1 Patrol Cars

• One time O&M

## Levy Approval Plan (Cont.)

FY 18 FY 19

- 2 Police Officers
- On-going O&M
- 1 Animal Control Officer
- On-going O&M
- 1 Clerical
- On-going O&M
- 1 Patrol Car & 1 ACO Truck
- One time O&M

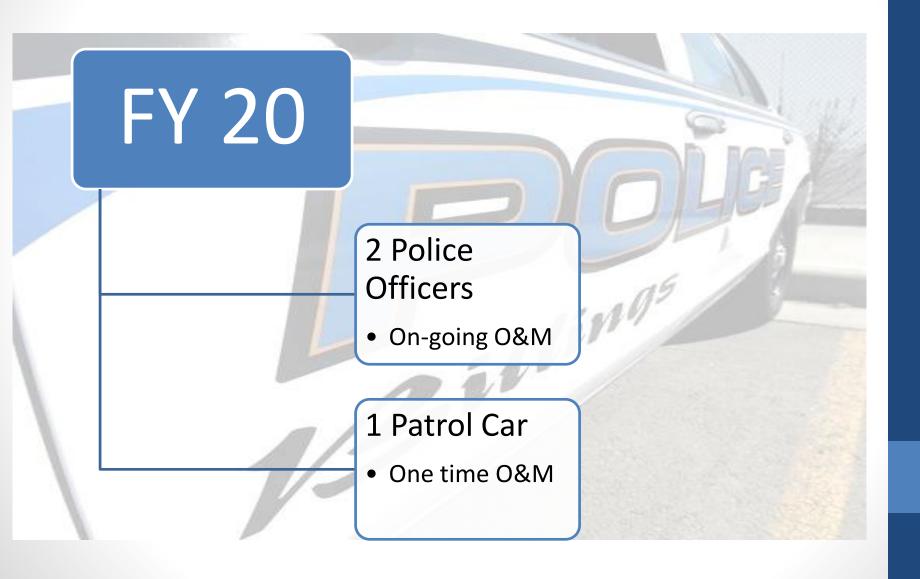
#### 3 Police Officers

On-going O&M

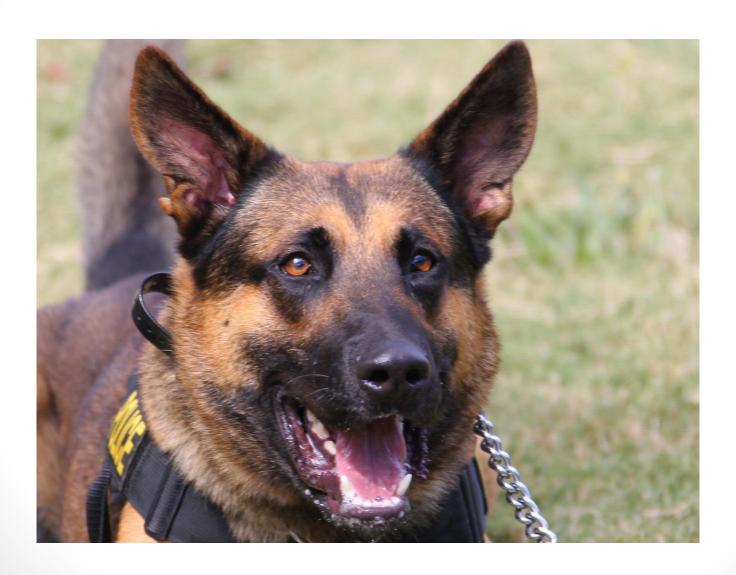
#### 1 Patrol Car

One time O&M

## Levy Approval Plan (Cont.)



# Thank you for your time!



## PUBLIC SAFETY MILL LEVY

OUR FAMILY <u>SERVING</u> YOUR FAMILY



# BILLINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT

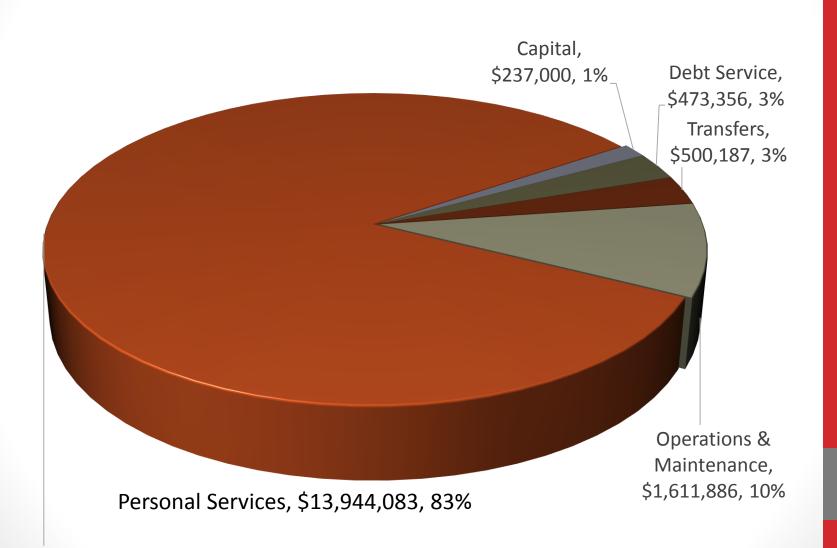
### **STAFFING LEVELS**

#### **TOTAL-FIRE & 911 CENTER**

~ 2000	1 // 7
• 2009	147

- 2010 147
- **2011** 146
- 2012 146
- 2013 146
- 2014 146

### **2015 BUDGET**



#### **IMPACT IF LEVY IS NOT APPROVED**

- There will be a reduction in staffing levels that will directly impact the overall delivery of essential emergency responses to fires and emergency medical calls
- The City of Billings Insurance rating for commercial and residential property could be increased as a result of a reduction in staffing
- Some area fire stations may not be staffed for periods of time due to fewer firefighters on duty
- Fewer on duty firefighters means fewer staffed emergency response vehicles resulting in an increase in overall response times
- Annually there will be a continual reduction in firefighter staffing levels resulting in a compounding reduction in emergency services

#### **IMPACT IF LEVY IS APPROVED**

5 Dispatch Operators

**6 Firefighters** 

1
Administrative
Support

Enhance Emergency Response Improve effectiveness of handling emergency calls and dispatch services as community grows

Enhance fire station staffing in order to provide services to City residents

Improve operations and administrative accountability

# **THANK YOU**







# BILLINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT

"Our Family <u>Serving</u> Your Family"

# Community Growth

	<b>Estimate</b>		Estimate		Estimate		Estimate		Estimate	
Scenario 3 - Community Growth	FY 16		FY 17		FY 18		FY 19		FY 20	
Levied Dollars	\$2,000,000		\$2,500,000		\$4,000,000		\$7,900,000		\$11,200,000	
Estimated Mills		12.00		15.00		24.00		46.00		65.00
Estimated Annual Tax on \$200k house	\$	31.00	\$	39.00	\$	62.00	\$	119.00	\$	168.00
Estimated Annual Tax on \$100k house	\$	15.50	\$	19.50	\$	31.00	\$	59.50	\$	84.00

	Estimate		<b>Estimate</b>		Estimate		Estimate		Estimate		
Scenario 3 - Community Growth	FY 21		FY 22		FY 23		FY 24		FY 25		
Levied Dollars	\$13,400,000		\$15	5,600,000	\$18	3,000,000	\$20,200,000		\$22,800,000		
Estimated Mills		77.00		88.00		101.00		112.00		125.00	
Estimated Annual Tax on \$200k house	\$	199.00	\$	228.00	\$	262.00	\$	291.00	\$	325.00	
Estimated Annual Tax on \$100k house	\$	99.50	\$	114.00	\$	131.00	\$	145.50	\$	162.50	

#### **Please Vote**

- October 6 Absentee Ballots Mailed
- November 4 General Election

# Questions & Answers