# FY 2019 Governor's Recommended Budget

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# FY 2019 Budget Highlights Governor's Initiatives

#### **Appropriation Items**

- \$1.5M Temporary forensic mental health unit operating costs
- \$500K AHS Prevention
- \$500K DCF Child Protection
- \$400K Mental Health Street Outreach
- \$640K National Guard Scholarships
- \$400K ThinkVermont Growth and Innovation Initiative
- \$200K Woodstove Changeout
- \$100K College Graduate Placement and Small Business Recruitment (one-time)
- \$100K Outdoor recreation community development
- \$600K Cyber Security (internal service charge)

# FY 2019 Budget Highlights Governor's Initiatives

#### **Revenue Items**

- \$1.9M Social Security income tax exemption
- \$2.7M Military Pension exemption
- \$625K Housing Revitalization Pilot Program
- \$250K Increase to Downtown and Village Center Tax Credit Program
- \$125K VHFA Down Payment Assistance

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#### **Capital Items**

- \$2.9M Temporary Mental Health Forensics Unit
- \$2.0M Transition from Middlesex facility
- \$500K Adult Continuing Technology Education

# FY 2019 Budget Approach

- Budget instructions were sent to departments in September
- Finance & Management held budget meetings in October and November
- The Secretary of Administration allowed for public comment both on-line and by mail

# FY 2019 Budget Approach

- Worked to fund usual business pressures at departments
  - Annualization of the FY 2018 Pay Act -\$11.8M
- Departments' General Fund amounts were adjusted for internal service charges and other cost allocation changes
  - Decrease Insurances
  - Increase in Fee for Space
  - Increase in Health Insurance

# FY 2019 Budget Approach

- Funding for Human Services Caseload
  - Medicaid, Long Term Care, Developmental Services, Department for Children and Families
  - Incorporates both savings items and new investments in AHS
- Funding of the FY 2019 projected Debt Service Obligation
- Funding for the General Fund Transfer to the Education Fund
- Funding State Employee and Teacher Retirement Obligations

#### Total Budget

The Governor's FY 2019 Unduplicated Budget:

\$5.9 Billion

FY 2019 Total Appropriations (\$ Millions)		
General Fund	1,590.60	
Transportation Fund	282.70	
Education Fund	1,680.30	
Special Funds	636.30	
Federal Funds	1,993.50	
Dedicated Funds	38.70	
Less GF TSF to EF	(322.70)	
Total Unduplicated Appropriations	5,899.30	

#### General Fund Sources

The Governor's FY 2019 Budget does not increase Taxes or Fees

FY 2019 GF Sources (\$ Millions)			
Current law Revenue	1,568.20		
Direct Apps & Reversions	49.08		
Property Transfer Tax	15.12		
Total Base Revenue	1,632.40		
Less Tax Initiatives	(-5.60)		
Total Sources	1,626.80		
Less Federal Tax Impact	(-29.78)		
Total Budgeted Sources	1,597.01		

#### General Fund Uses

#### - Appropriations

- All state funds grow by 2.16%; under the Governor's Growth Rate Cap
- GF appropriates growth by 2.33% over FY2018 adjusted base

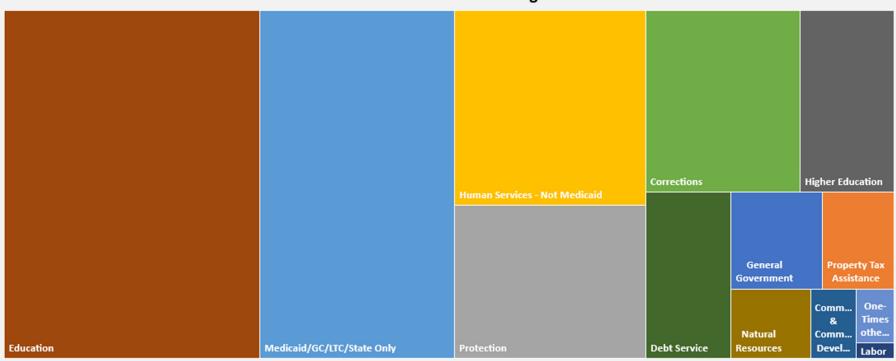
FY 2019 GF Uses (\$ Millions)		
Base Appropriations	1,580.12	
One-time Appropriations	2.12	
Pay Act	8.31	
Total Appropriations	1,590.55	
Total GF Transfers	6.46	
Total Uses	1,597. 01	

# General Fund Uses - Appropriations

By Government Function

Government Function	(\$ Millions)	
General Government	45.60	2.87%
Property Tax Assistance	35.70	2.25%
Protection	150.80	9.48%
Human Services - Not Medicaid	191.20	12.02%
Medicaid/GC/LTC/State Only	348.50	21.91%
Corrections	143.80	9.04%
Labor	3.00	0.19%
Education	457.70	28.71%
Higher Education	87.40	5.49%
Natural Resources	28.30	1.78%
Commerce & Community Development	16.30	1.02%
Transportation	-	_
Debt Service	72.90	4.58%
One-Times other appropriations	10.40	0.66%
Total GF Appropriations	1,590.6	100%

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#### General Fund Transfers

FY 2019 GF Transfer (\$ Millions)		
To Next Generation Fund	2.91	
To State Health Care Resource Fund	3.10	
Total Transfers to Other Funds	6.01	
To Budget Stabilization Reserve	.45	
To Human Services Management Reserve	72.81	
To 27/53 Reserve	7.00	
Total Transfers	86.27	

# Budget Highlights General Government

- Moves Vermont Center for Geographic Information (VCGI) from Agency of Commerce & Community Development to Agency of Digital Services (ADS) - \$177K net neutral
- Department of Libraries moves to less expensive space - \$253K net savings

### Budget Highlights Protection

- Includes \$640K additional GF to Military appropriations for National Guard scholarships
  - In addition to existing \$100K in Military and \$150K in Next Gen, for a total of \$890K
- Adds \$434K to Public Safety to increase trooper recruitment classes
- Provides \$105K to Public Safety for new fingerprint technology

# Budget Highlights Human Services

#### **New Investments**

- \$1.5M Temporary forensics mental health unit (operating costs)
- \$500K AHS prevention initiatives (dental and new mother home visits)
- \$500K DCF child protection initiatives
- \$400K Mental health street outreach

## Budget Highlights Human Services

#### **Savings Items**

The budget also includes several actions to reduce cost pressures at the AHS, including:

- Restructuring and reorganizing operations within the Department of Vermont Health Access and Department of Children and Families;
- Eliminating outdated programs that no longer support or enhance current health care service delivery;
- Reducing DSH payments in light of Vermont's high level of compensated health coverage; and
- Eliminating programs where the GF cost, including administrative costs, is high relative to the benefits of services provided.

# Budget Highlights Labor/Commerce & Community Development

#### **Economic & Community Development**

- \$100K to community development programs targeting outdoor recreation.
- \$400K for the ThinkVermont Growth and Innovation Initiative, of which:
  - \$300K for competitive proposals for economic development projects;
  - \$50K to develop a small business accelerator initiative;
  - \$25K to partner with capital providers to assist entrepreneurs; and,
  - \$25K to continue to develop the Aerospace sector supply chain – clusters throughout the state.

#### **Workforce Development**

 \$100K in (one-time) GF to the Department of Labor for the Vermont College Graduate Placement and Small Business Recruitment Initiative.

### Budget Highlights Education

- Funds \$323M statutory GF transfer to Education Fund
  - Adds \$8.0 to the transfer, based on the funding formula
  - Reserves \$200K to support mandated Pre-K initiative
- Agency of Education: Provides \$200K and two new positions to implement mandated Pre-K positions

# Budget Highlights Higher Education

- Maintains funding levels for institutions that were increased last year
  - Holds UVM harmless in FY19 for Medicaid winddown
- Provides \$640K additional for National Guard scholarships
  - In combination with existing \$250K provides \$890K to support free tuition for Vermont National Guard members

# Budget Highlights Teacher's Retirement

- Fully funds actuarially determined pension contributions teachers' retirement
- Provides \$124M GF for teachers retirement and Retired Teachers Health Care (\$20.4M increase from FY 2018)
  - \$92M of General Fund for the pension ADEC up \$16.3M from FY2018
  - \$31.6M of General Funds for teacher retiree health up \$4.1M from F2019
  - \$7.7M of Education Funds for the normal retirement contribution

# Budget Highlights Transportation

- Transportation budget uses current revenues to maintain current services levels
- VTrans expects:
  - To advance more than 120 bridges and culverts in more than 90 communities
  - Perform preventative maintenance on existing structures
  - Improve more than 200 miles of State highways

#### Reserves

- Maintains the statutory 5% stabilization reserves in the General Fund, Education Fund, and Transportation Fund
- Reserves additional \$7.0M in the 27/53 reserve created by the General Assembly in 2016 Act 172
  - Total Projected EOY 2019 balance \$18M
- Adds \$73M to the Human Services Management Reserve
  - Total projected EOY 2019 balance \$95M
- Maintains \$7M balance in the General Fund Balance Reserve