

Department Mission



To ensure fiscal accountability and enhance the health, safety and community of Klamath County while providing leadership to our municipalities and outlying communities.

Mandated Services



The Board's duties include executive, judicial (quasi-judicial) and legislative authority over policy matters of countywide concern.

- Determine appropriate compensation for county employees and elected officials (ORS 8.760, 204.112, 204.116, 204.126, 204.601, 209.080)
- Appoint ME – ORS 146.065
- Burial of unclaimed bodies – ORS 146.075(5), 146.100, 146.121(4)
- Declare and prosecute nuisances by ordinance – ORS 203.065
- Provide office to Sheriff – ORS 206.180
- Surveyor expenses – ORS 209.230
- Elections expenses – ORS 246.250(2)
- Sale of County lands – ORS Ch. 271, 275
- Economic Development – ORS 280.500
- Examine books and papers of County Clerk, Clerk of the County Court, Treasurer and Sheriff of the County – ORS 294.085
- Adopt budget subject to local budget law – ORS 294.305-.565
- Appoint Budget Officer & Budget Committee – ORS 294.331; 294.336
- Annual audit of County's fiscal affairs – ORS 297.405-.555
- Appoint BOPTA pool – ORS 309.067
- Levy of taxes- ORS 310.022
- Appoint Tax Collector – ORS 311.055
- Creation of County School Fund – ORS 328.015
- Appoint Emergency Program Manager – ORS 401.305(2)
- Hearings on road vacations, LIDs, road legalizations, ways of necessity – ORS Ch. 368
- Designate partnership [State, County, private] on juvenile crime prevention & lead agency to develop juvenile crime prevention plan – ORS 417.855
- Establish Local Public Safety Coordinating Council [LPSCC] – ORS 423.560-.565
- Costs associated with involuntary commitments [custody, medical care, hospital, etc.] – ORS 426.250, 426.255
- Local Public Health Authority – ORS 431.375 [automatic unless relinquished to State or contract with private entity]
- Local Board of Health *ex officio* – ORS 431.410
- Must provide sufficient funds for operation of Health Department – ORS 431.510
- Regulation of County service districts – ORS Ch. 451
- Responsible for disposal of solid waste – ORS 459.017; choice of operating own facility subject to DEQ permits [ORS 459.205], issuing licenses to private industry providers, or allocating franchises – ORS 459.085; recycling program – ORS 459A.065.

Department Overview



The Board of Commissioners serves Klamath County as the public's elected advocates and is the policymaking body of Klamath County government.

Establishment of the budget is a primary duty of the Board. The Board's responsibility as the county's legislative branch is to match the county's revenue with expenditures in adopting an annual balanced budget for the entire county.

Individual members of the Board also represent the County through appointments or affiliations with various boards and agencies.

As administrators, the Board of County Commissioners are responsible for all administrative duties of running the county.

Successes and Challenges



Challenges:

- Current economic conditions and economic development
- Federal and State deficit spending
- Interdepartmental efficiencies and communication
- Communication with local municipalities

Successes:

- Sanford Pediatric Clinic
- Monthly Town Hall meetings
- Opportunity to submit *RFP* Request for Proposal on a new Veterans' Home Facility

Budget Overview



The major source of revenue is generated from licenses, fees and permits from the general fund account.

Major expenditures include personal service cost, materials and service, and interfund transfers.

The Board has agreed to cut cost from material and service fund:

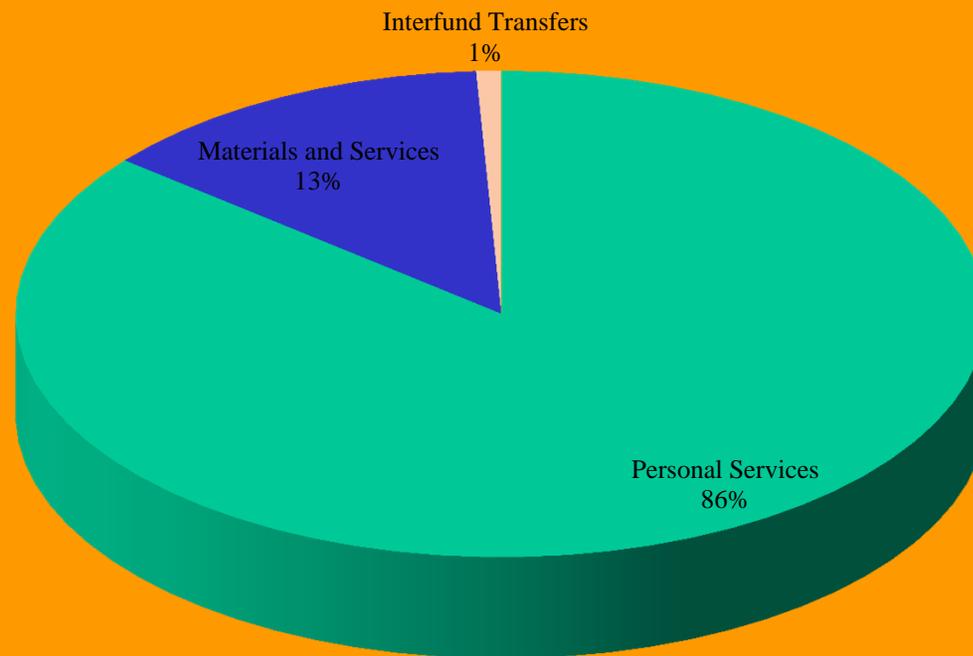
Commissioners 160 fund consist of 3 FTE *Full Time Equivalent employees*

Travel & Training #1 (reduced)	from \$10,000 to \$ 4,486
Travel & Training #2 (reduced)	from \$ 8,500 to \$ 4,486
Travel & Training #3 (reduced)	from \$10,000 to \$ 4,486

Financial Presentation



2011-12 Budget
Requirements by Category



Significant Changes



The Board of Commissioners have agreed to reduce their travel & training expenses by 55% , reducing this expenditure from \$10,000 to \$4,486. This cut will have a major impact on their legislative responsibility; limiting their interactions on essential issues that affect Klamath County.

Key issues



It is imperative that the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) maintain effective communication with local municipalities, State and Federal governments for the health and welfare of Klamath County. The Commissioners will work on the following issues for FY 2011-12:

- Develop, adopt and maintain the budget for Klamath County
- Develop long term funding alternatives providing mandated county services
- Establish quarterly meetings with liaison departments on goals & objectives
- Focus on creating an attractive environment for new businesses, employment opportunities and economic development
- Unfunded State and Federal mandates
- Secured Rural Schools reauthorization