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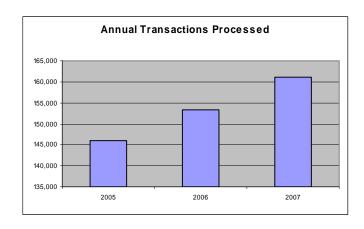
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Mission:

Provide accurate and accessible records and information in a fast and friendly manner to the citizens of Sedgwick County while meeting statutory requirements and preserving documents filed.

The Register of Deeds Office is responsible for recording all real estate transactions in Sedgwick County. These transactions include deeds, mortgages, oil and gas leases and platted additions to all cities in the County. The Department also files financial statements and security agreements for personal property under the Uniform Commercial Code which include federal and state tax liens, corporation papers, power of attorney, county school records, and military discharges. In addition to recording transactions, the Register of Deeds is responsible for maintaining, preserving and releasing public records based on statutory requirements. Mortgage registration fees collected by the Register of Deeds are deposited into the County's General Fund.

Recent changes in the Register of Deeds office include the conversion of old microfilm records to digital images, electronic recording and a website allowing immediate access to documents for both internal and external customers at any given time. Special objectives in the future include the completion of electronic imaging, E-recording and the E-signature project. These initiatives will continue to expedite the process of filing with the Register of Deeds and enhance the availability of retrieval in the future. These special initiatives have been funded by the Tech Enhancement Fund, which allows the office to collect an additional \$2 fee per page for recording real estate transactions to enhance technology and equipment.



Rudget Summary by Category

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	2005	2006	2006	2007	% Chg.
Expenditures	Actual	Adopted	Revised	Budget	06-07
Personnel	871,605	929,848	945,940	1,136,366	20.1%
Contractual Services	585,073	165,007	1,109,375	904,488	-18.5%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	
Commodities	36,422	87,582	59,582	69,000	15.8%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	
Equipment	104,855	30,000	31,000	231	-99.3%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	1,597,956	1,212,437	2,145,897	2,110,085	-1.7%
Revenue					
Taxes	-	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	
Charges For Service	11,088,265	9,952,662	9,952,662	10,344,329	3.9%
Other Revenue	6,638	1,932	1,932	1,930	-0.1%
Total Revenue	11,094,902	9,954,594	9,954,594	10,346,259	3.9%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	24.50	23.25	24.00	24.00	0.0%

Budget Summary by Fund

Expenditures General Fund Tech Enhancement	2006 Revised 865,806 1,280,091	2007 Budget 885,332 1,224,753
Total Expenditures	2,145,897	2,110,085



Budget Summary by Program

		Expenditures				Full	-Time Equivale	nts (FTEs)	
Program	2005 Actual	2006 Adopted	2006 Revised	2007 Budget	% Chg. 06-07	2006 Adopted	2006 Revised	2007 Budget	% Chg. 06-07
Register of Deeds	212,392	222,952	222,952	219,424	-1.6%	4.50	4.00	4.00	0.0%
Imaging and Archiving	569,533	642,854	642,854	665,908	3.6%	16.50	16.50	16.50	0.0%
Tech Enhancement	816,032	346,631	1,280,091	1,224,753	-4.3%	2.25	3.50	3.50	0.0%
Total	1,597,956	1,212,437	2,145,897	2,110,085	-1.7%	23.25	24.00	24.00	0.0%

Tech Enhancement Expenditures For The Register Of Deeds								
	2004	2005	2006	2007				
Item	Actual	Actual	Revised	Recom.				
Personnel	\$61,330	\$103,221	\$93,967	\$254,265				
Temp Staff	\$69,699	\$15,760	\$25,000	\$25,000				
Software Maintenance	\$35,231	\$35,188	\$37,708	\$37,708				
Travel	\$5,171	\$4,162	\$5,000	\$5,000				
E-filing Project		\$477,247	\$615,779	\$209,280				
Microfilm Restoration Project			\$242,000					
Microfilm Processing	\$5,519	\$9,495	\$9,500	\$9,500				
Misc. Contractuals	\$14,934	\$35,290	\$42,137	\$16,000				
OCRing Software			\$125,000					
Ingeo Recording Software				\$600,000				
Software upgrades	\$8,609		\$13,000	\$10,000				
Purchased Software		\$6,604	\$5,000	\$5,000				
Operating Supplies	\$15,021	\$23,257	\$36,000	\$51,000				
Computer Hardware	\$37,255	\$102,028	\$20,000	\$2,000				
Office Equipment	\$30,378	\$3,780	\$10,000					
Total	\$283,147	\$816,032	\$1,280,091	\$1,224,753				

Department Performance Measures and Goals

·		2005	2006	2007
Type of Measure	Performance Measure	Actual	Est.	Proj.
Input: Resources needed to produce a unit of output	Number of FTE's	24.5	24	24
Output: Amount of product	Annual Transactions	146,044	153,346	161,013
or service provided	Annual Walk-in Clients	10,500	11,250	12,500
	Daily phone inquiry average	80	84	98
	Annual website visits	53,079	55,733	58,520
Efficiency: Inputs consumed	Average daily transactions per employee	23.84	25.04	26.29
to produce a unit of output	Percent of staff meeting efficiency standard	95%	100%	100%
Service Quality: Client satisfaction, and timeliness	Customer Survey of Excellent Service Percentage of employees receiving Customer Service Award Recognition	73%	92.44% 82%	96% 91%
Outcome: Qualitative consequence associated with the service	Percent of documents archived and returned within four business days	100%	100%	100%

Goals:

- Maintain all records in an accurate and accessible manner for internal and external customers
- Implement an efficient plan for off site data entry by coordinating with other County departments and programs
- Follow statutory requirements concerning the processing of documents and their retention for public good



• Register of Deeds

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Fund: General Fund				6	5001-110
Francis dita man	2005	2006	2006	2007	% Chg.
Expenditures	Actual	Adopted	Revised	Budget	06-07
Personnel	198,852	209,119	209,119	215,193	2.9%
Contractual Services	7,932	5,251	7,251	3,000	-58.6%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	
Commodities	3,654	8,582	5,582	1,000	-82.1%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	
Equipment	1,954	-	1,000	231	-76.9%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	212,392	222,952	222,952	219,424	-1.6%
Revenue					
Taxes	-	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	
Charges For Service	10,115,653	8,975,130	8,975,130	9,347,246	4.1%
Other Revenue	-	-	-	-	
Total Revenue	10,115,653	8,975,130	8,975,130	9,347,246	4.1%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	4.00	4.50	4.00	4.00	0.0%

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- Build upon the electronic database established in 2004
- Implement an efficient plan for off site data entry

Recordings

Data responsibilities include inputting document information into the computer system and imaging responsibilities include working the documents prior to being scanned. This area ensures beginning indexing has been completed and the documents are capable of being recorded and prepared for scanning, which allows the images to be distributed to stakeholders in a more efficient and timely manner.

Archiving responsibilities include incorporating all mediums of storage into digital images with records dating back to the 1800's with preservation as a priority so records may be accessible to future generations. Currently there are books, microfilms, and a mainframe computer system for location of documents.

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Personnel	569,533	642,854	642,854	665,908	3.6%
Contractual Services	-	-		-	
Debt Service	-	-		-	
Commodities	-	-		-	
Capital Improvements	-	-		-	
Equipment	-	-		-	
Interfund Transfers	-	-		-	
Total Expenditures	569,533	642,854	642,854	665,908	3.6%
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Taxes	-	-		-	
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Charges For Service	-	-		-	
Other Revenue	-	-		-	
Total Revenue	-	-		-	
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	17.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	0.0%

Goal:

• Set up satellite stations with cooperation of other departments



• Tech Enhancement

In 2002, the Kansas Legislature passed a bill granting the Register of Deeds the authority to charge an additional fee of \$2 per page for recording real estate transactions. These mortgage fees are deposited into Register of Deeds Tech Enhancement Fund. **K.S.A. 28-115(a)** states these funds shall be used by the Register of Deeds to acquire equipment and technological services for the storing, recording, archiving, retrieving, maintaining and handling of data recorded or stored in the office of the Register of Deeds.

Previously the department shared unspent revenue collected with various County departments supporting the recording of land related data such as the County Clerk, County Appraiser and DIO's GIS Department. The Register of Deeds has outlined several projects receiving priority attention and will not be disbursing funds to these departments in 2006 or 2007.

Fund: ROD Technology Enhan	ncement				55001-236
	2005	2006	2006	2007	% Chg.
Expenditures	Actual	Adopted	Revised	Budget	06-07
Personnel	103,221	77,875	93,967	255,265	171.7%
Contractual Services	577,142	159,756	1,102,124	901,488	-18.2%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	
Commodities	32,768	79,000	54,000	68,000	25.9%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	
Equipment	102,901	30,000	30,000	-	-100.0%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	816,032	346,631	1,280,091	1,224,753	-4.3%
Revenue					
Taxes	-	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	
Charges For Service	972,612	977,532	977,532	997,083	2.0%
Other Revenue	6,638	1,932	1,932	1,930	-0.1%
Total Revenue	979,250	979,464	979,464	999,013	2.0%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	3.50	2.25	3.50	3.50	0.0%

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