Board of County Commissioners

***Mission**: Provide quality public services to the community so everyone can pursue freedom and prosperity in a safe, secure, and healthy environment.*

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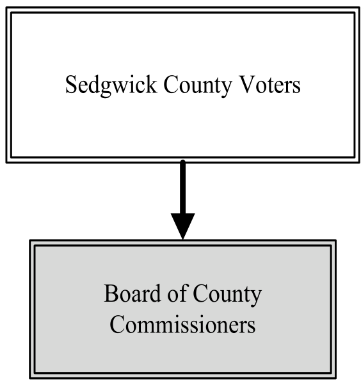
Overview

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) serves as Sedgwick County's primary governing body. It sets policies for the entire County organization and directs the resources needed to put those policies into action. In addition to its executive responsibilities, the BOCC also functions as the County Board of Canvassers for elections, the Board of Health, and the governing body for Fire District 1.



The BOCC appoints the County's top leadership positions, including the Sedgwick County Manager, the Sedgwick County Counselor, the Public Works Director, the Director of the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department (MABCD), and the Sedgwick County Appraiser.

Under Kansas Statute, the BOCC exercises both legislative and administrative authority over county government. In its legislative role, it reviews and adopts resolutions (similar to "bills" in the U.S. Congress and Kansas Legislature) as well as ordinances typically handled by municipal governing bodies.

Strategic Goals:

- *Establish, maintain, and nurture partnerships to ensure effective and efficient delivery of service; train, encourage, and recognize employees for hard work, creativity, and innovation in delivering quality public services*
- *Foster two-way communication with citizens and employees to build trust, confidence, and teamwork, and to ensure informed decisions*
- *Allocate and use resources for basic and essential services that are responsive to the changing needs of the community*

Accomplishments and Strategic Results

Accomplishments

In 2025, the BOCC advanced strong governance, public safety enhancements, community support, and prudent financial management despite ongoing economic challenges and a structural budget imbalance.

The BOCC also adopted a balanced budget prioritizing core services, employee stability, and relief for residents. Key actions included not capturing the full 8.1 percent assessed valuation growth, resulting in a mill levy of 28.701 mills. This provided meaningful property tax relief while protecting essential operations.

Sedgwick County's budget directed $16.7 million in additional compensation funding County-wide to support staff retention and recruitment. It also added positions and resources for high-priority areas, including bolstering Emergency Communications (911) with new frontline roles, a Fire Station Alerting System, and emergency dispatch protocols; compensation adjustments and added staff for the District Attorney's Office; and enhancements for Emergency Medical Services (EMS), including pay adjustments, positions, and fleet upgrades.

Strategic Results

The County achieved the following strategic results in 2025:

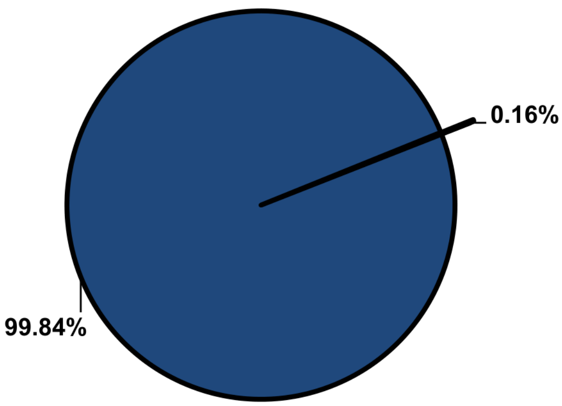
- INTRUST Bank Arena welcomed 291,969 attendees across 69 events.
- Maintained top-tier financial strength, including being assigned a AAA credit rating from Standard & Poor's Global Ratings and recognition with the cashVest 90+ Award for exemplary public finance liquidity management (scoring 90+ for four consecutive quarters, maximizing taxpayer dollars).
- Focused on core services and staffing stability amid a structural imbalance, with a glide path to resolve it within two years while avoiding mill levy increases.
- Demonstrated efficient governance by cutting non-core spending (e.g., over $1.0 million reduced in culture/arts/entertainment subsidies, with no entity cut more than 10.0 percent) to fund employee compensation and service protections.

Significant Budget Adjustments

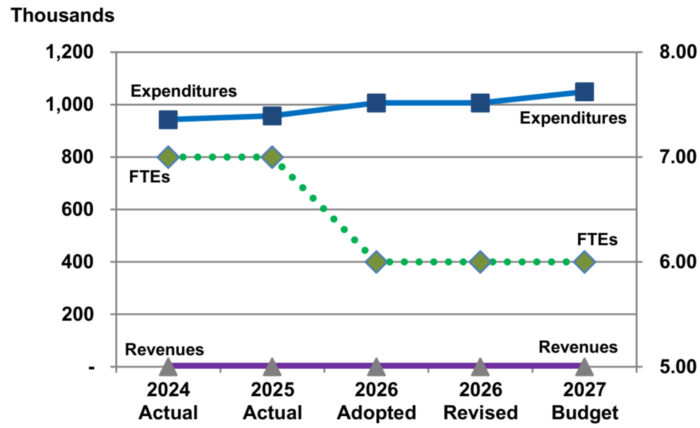
There are no significant adjustments to the Board of County Commissioners' 2027 Recommended Budget.

Departmental Graphical Summary

Board of County Commissioners
Percent of Total County Operating Budget



Expenditures, Program Revenue & FTEs
All Operating Funds



Budget Summary by Category

Expenditures	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Adopted	2026 Revised	2027 Budget	Amount Chg '26 Rev.-'27	% Chg '26 Rev.-'27
Personnel	863,083	850,471	881,769	881,769	924,218	42,449	4.81%
Contractual Services	62,003	84,499	106,419	106,419	106,419	-	0.00%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Commodities	17,967	21,789	18,381	18,381	18,381	-	0.00%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	**943,053**	**956,759**	**1,006,569**	**1,006,569**	**1,049,018**	**42,449**	**4.22%**
Revenues							
Tax Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	
All Other Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Revenues	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)							
Property Tax Funded	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	-	0.00%
Non-Property Tax Funded	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total FTEs	**7.00**	**7.00**	**6.00**	**6.00**	**6.00**	**-**	**0.00%**

Budget Summary by Fund

Fund	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Adopted	2026 Revised	2027 Budget	Amount Chg '26 Rev.-'27	% Chg '26 Rev.-'27
General Fund	943,053	956,759	1,006,569	1,006,569	1,049,018	42,449	4.22%
Total Expenditures	**943,053**	**956,759**	**1,006,569**	**1,006,569**	**1,049,018**	**42,449**	**4.22%**

Significant Budget Adjustments from Prior Year Revised Budget

	Expenditures	Revenues	FTEs
Total	-	-	-

Budget Summary by Program

Program	Fund	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Adopted	2026 Revised	2027 Budget	% Chg '26 Rev.-'27	26'-27' FTEs
Commission	110	943,053	956,759	1,006,569	1,006,569	1,049,018	4.22%	6.00
Total		**943,053**	**956,759**	**1,006,569**	**1,006,569**	**1,049,018**	**4.22%**	**6.00**

Personnel Summary by Fund

Position Titles	Fund	Grade	Budgeted Compensation Comparison 2026 Adopted	2026 Revised	2027 Budget	FTE Comparison 2026 Adopted	2026 Revised	2027 Budget
County Commissioner	110	ELECT	535,427	551,475	551,475	5.00	5.00	5.00
Executive Assistant	110	GRADE 55	56,700	58,968	58,968	1.00	1.00	1.00
Subtotal					**610,443**			
Add:								
Budgeted Personnel Savings					-			
Compensation Adjustments					51,777			
Overtime/On Call/Holiday Pay					-			
Benefits					261,998			
Total Personnel Budget					**924,218**	**6.00**	**6.00**	**6.00**