Community Programs

***Mission**: Support local agencies providing enhanced quality of life for the residents of Sedgwick County.*

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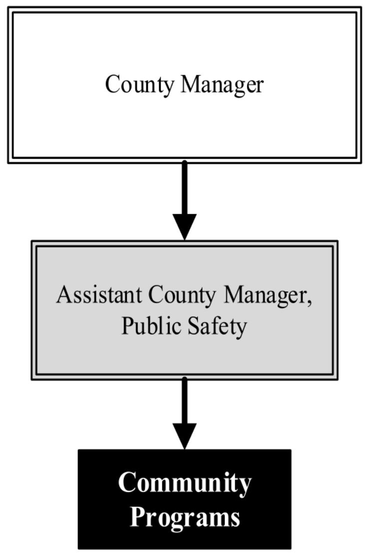
Overview

Sedgwick County offers economic assistance for various area agencies that provide significant contributions to the community. Agencies funded by Community Programs submit budget proposals outlining funding needs and justification for local government assistance.

Sedgwick County provides funding to the Wichita Transit Authority (WTA) for Oaklawn/Sunview services. The WTA provides access for more than 3,000 residents to employment and education opportunities, as well as various other destinations at an affordable cost.



Strategic Goals:

- *Continue to extend Wichita Transit Services to the Oaklawn neighborhood*
- *Support the Child Advocacy Center in its efforts to lead the community in eliminating the suffering of abused children*
- *Balance community service expectations with the willingness to pay through taxation*

Highlights

- In 2025 WTA provided over 3,700 rides to and from the Oaklawn/Sunview community, located in the unincorporated area of the county

Accomplishments and Strategic Results

Accomplishments

Sedgwick County supports the WTA – Oaklawn/Sunview project and the Mediation Center. Each of these programs provide assistance to citizens in a way that produces ancillary benefits to County operations. The Mediation Center provides a dispute resolution option that does not impact the court system, leaving those resources available for more complex issues.

The grand total of trips for 2025 was 3,748, which is an average of 312 rides per month. This is an increase from the previous year and demonstrated strong passenger usage.

The Mediation Center provided services for Small Claims Court with parties reaching a resolution approximately 60.0 percent of the time, reducing pressure on the court system.

One hundred percent of the clients seen by child family advocates were offered additional services for a variety of needs, including but not limited to therapy, basic needs, financial assistance, medical assistance, filing for a Protection From Abuse (PFA) order, and completing an application for Crime Victims Compensation.

Strategic Results

Community Programs continues to recognize the important role that specialty organizations play in providing services that enhance the quality of life for members of the community.

Budget Allocations			
	2025 Actual	*2026 Revised*	*2027 Budget*
Mediation Center	$8,000	$8,000	$8,000
Wichita Transit Authority for Oaklawn	*($27,838)	$38,795	$38,795
Child Advocacy Center	$218,000	$218,000	$218,000
Total	$198,162	$264,795	$264,795

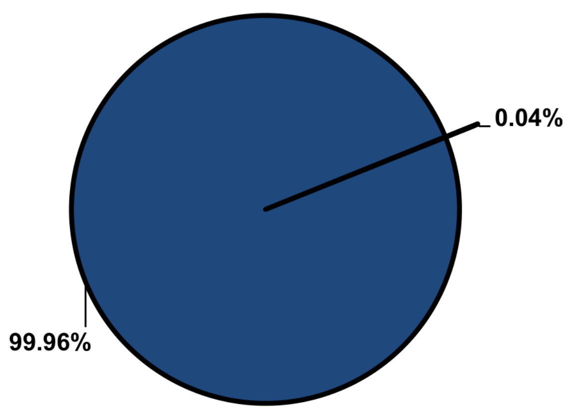
*the 2025 actual budget allocation for WTA - Oaklawn/Sunview was negative due to the timing of the of 2025 contractual payment occurring in 2024

Significant Budget Adjustments

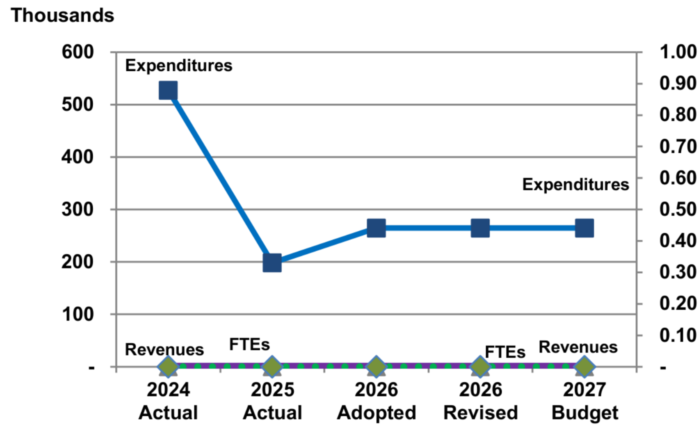
There are no significant adjustments to Community Programs' 2027 Recommended Budget.

Departmental Graphical Summary

Community Programs
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Contractual Services	527,681	198,162	264,795	264,795	264,795	-	0.00%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Commodities	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	**527,681**	**198,162**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**-**	**0.00%**
Revenues							
Tax Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	
All Other Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Revenues	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)							
Property Tax Funded	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Non-Property Tax Funded	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total FTEs	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	

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	527,681	198,162	264,795	264,795	264,795	-	0.00%
Total Expenditures	**527,681**	**198,162**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**-**	**0.00%**

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
Community Programs	110	527,681	198,162	264,795	264,795	264,795	0.00%	-
Total		**527,681**	**198,162**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**264,795**	**0.00%**	**-**