



# Annual Operating Budget Ordinance Bladen County, North Carolina

**Budget Ordinance  
FY 2024-2025**

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**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of Bladen County, North Carolina, in regular session assembled:

. . . **Section 1:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of Bladen County government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 according to the following summary and schedules:

Fund Summary	Estimated Revenues	Fund Balance Appropriated	Total Appropriation
General	\$ 44,832,749	\$ 8,070,752	\$ 52,903,501
Facilities Fees	\$ 45,000	\$ 51,500	\$ 96,500
Social Services	\$ 10,410,323		\$ 10,410,323
Enterprise-Solid	\$ 3,854,510		\$ 3,854,510
Emergency Telephone	\$ 114,901	\$ 308,299	\$ 423,200
Enterprise-Water Debt	\$ 568,888		\$ 568,888
Enterprise-Water	\$ 2,948,500	\$ 346,249	\$ 3,294,749
Economic Development	\$ 687,610		\$ 687,610
Revaluation	\$ 250,000		\$ 250,000
EMS	\$ 4,354,053		\$ 4,354,053
Tobermory FD	\$ -		\$ -
Ammon FD	\$ 72,103		\$ 72,103
Clarkton FD	\$ 124,725	\$ 15,000	\$ 139,725
East Arcadia FD	\$ -		\$ -
Hickory Grove FD	\$ 77,128	\$ 12,405	\$ 89,533
Kelly FD	\$ 42,278		\$ 42,278
White Lake FD	\$ 71,877		\$ 71,877
White Oak FD	\$ 69,304	\$ 31,473	\$ 100,777
Tar Heel FD	\$ 794,400		\$ 794,400
Bladenboro FD	\$ 157,465		\$ 157,465
Carvers Creek FD	\$ 50,383	\$ 23,817	\$ 74,200
Lisbon FD	\$ 83,401		\$ 83,401
Elizabethtown FD	\$ 219,108	\$ 37,801	\$ 256,909
Dublin FD	\$ 205,000	\$ 99,200	\$ 304,200
Bay Tree FD	\$ 94,064	\$ 24,636	\$ 118,700
General Service FD	\$ 25,200		\$ 25,200
Atkinson FD	\$ 3,660	\$ 1,248	\$ 4,908
Rowan FD	\$ 17,491		\$ 17,491
Acme Delco Riegelwood FD	\$ 32,200		\$ 32,200
Buckhead FD	\$ 6,100		\$ 6,100
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,818,241		\$ 1,818,241
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 72,030,662</b>	<b>\$ 9,022,380</b>	<b>\$ 81,053,042</b>

. . . That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund the following:

Department	Appropriations
Governing Board	\$ 394,685
Administration	\$ 299,724
Human Resources	\$ 194,145
Planning	\$ 151,481
Workplace Safety	\$ 25,028

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Elections	\$	524,240
Finance	\$	600,325
Revenue Administration	\$	799,458
Information Technology	\$	336,529
Geographic Info System	\$	231,941
Register of Deeds	\$	513,158
Central Services	\$	2,492,389
Motor Pool	\$	1,032,332
Housekeeping	\$	424,050
Sheriff	\$	4,922,366
Jail	\$	4,935,529
Communications	\$	885,247
Aviation	\$	10,000
Pre-Trial Release Program	\$	103,630
VIPER	\$	50,000
School Resource Officers	\$	961,494
Courthouse Security	\$	137,095
BCC Deputies	\$	-
Animal Control	\$	403,537
Emergency Services	\$	473,315
Building Inspections	\$	356,395
Coroner	\$	52,355
Forestry Services	\$	288,105
Health-Admin	\$	1,074,926
Health-Environmental	\$	464,981
Health-WIC	\$	347,575
Health-Bio Terrorism	\$	35,742
Health-Family Planning	\$	356,483
Health-Maternal	\$	331,149
Health-School Health	\$	250,000
Health-TB Project	\$	62,380
Health-Child Health	\$	233,161
Health-Care Management	\$	263,054
Health-Promotion	\$	206,819
Health-Medication Assistance Program	\$	24,420
Health-IAP	\$	41,390
Health-Communicable Disease	\$	36,123
Health-CAP	\$	444,217
Mental Health	\$	52,725
Veteran Services	\$	94,256
Division on Aging-Transportation	\$	180,978
Division on Aging-Transportation Admin	\$	192,909
Division on Aging-General/Medical Trans	\$	97,121
Division on Aging-In Home Aide Level 1	\$	393,675
Division on Aging-Congregate Nutrition	\$	271,505
Division on Aging-Home Delivered Nutrition	\$	84,671
Division on Aging-Senior Center Ops	\$	135,476
Division on Aging-Senior Center General Pur	\$	4,000
Division on Aging-Adult Day Care	\$	50
Division on Aging-Housing/Home Improvement	\$	30,000
Soil Conservation	\$	172,708
Extension Service	\$	381,204
Parks & Recreation	\$	504,942
Library	\$	825,376

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Governing Board - Other Admin Costs	\$	1,579,759
Beaver Management Program	\$	60,000
JCPC-Outside Agencies	\$	68,349
JCPC-Administration	\$	13,500
JCPC-Teen Court/4H/Restitution/Community Service	\$	88,575
Education	\$	13,654,311
Service Agencies	\$	86,004
Charitable Agencies	\$	6,425
Contingency	\$	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>44,749,492</b>
Plus: Transfers to Other Funds	\$	8,154,009
<b>Total General Fund Appropriations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>52,903,501</b>

. . . **Section 2.** It is estimated that the following revenues, listed by major source, will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 to meet the foregoing appropriations.

<b>A. General Fund</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 26,498,489
Sales Tax	\$ 7,723,172
Other Taxes/Licenses	\$ 180,000
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 2,473,152
Permits/Fees	\$ 300,200
Sales/Services	\$ 6,009,594
Investment Earnings	\$ 1,490,423
Miscellaneous	\$ 72,406
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 8,070,752
Other Financing Sources	\$ 20,313
Transfers from Other Funds	\$ 65,000
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 52,903,501</b>

<b>B. Facilities Fees</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 45,000
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 51,500
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 96,500</b>

<b>C. Social Services</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 5,923,653
From General Fund	\$ 4,486,670
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,410,323</b>

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**D. Enterprise - Solid Waste Fund**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Sales/Service	\$ 24,000
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 22,000
Operating Revenues	\$ 3,793,510
Investment Earnings	\$ 15,000
Other Financing Sources	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 3,854,510</b>

**E. Emergency Telephone System**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
NC911 Funds	\$ 92,905
911 Grant	\$ 21,996
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 308,299
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 423,200</b>

**F. Water - Debt**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 568,888
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 568,888</b>

**G. Enterprise - Water**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Tap-on Fees	\$ 55,000
Water Sales	\$ 2,823,000
Miscellaneous	\$ -
Permits/Fees	\$ 48,000
Investment Earnings	\$ 22,500
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 346,249
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 3,294,749</b>

**H. Economic Development**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 49,104
Sales and Services	\$ 491,461
From General Fund	\$ 147,045
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 687,610</b>

**I. Revaluation Fund**

<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
From General Fund	\$ 250,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 250,000</b>

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<b>J. Emergency Medical Services</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ -
Billing Revenue	\$ 2,702,000
From General Fund	\$ 1,452,053
Miscellaneous	\$ 200,000
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,354,053</b>

<b>K. Tobermory Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ -
Sales Taxes	\$ -
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b>L. Ammon Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 58,924
Sales Taxes	\$ 8,200
Investment Earnings	\$ 4,979
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 72,103</b>

<b>M. Clarkton Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 103,566
Sales Taxes	\$ 15,200
Investment Earnings	\$ 5,959
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 15,000
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 139,725</b>

<b>N. East Arcadia Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ -
Sales Taxes	\$ -
Investment Earnings	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b>O. Hickory Grove Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 68,505
Sales Taxes	\$ 8,623
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 12,405
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 89,533</b>

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<b>P. Kelly Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 37,394
Sales Taxes	\$ 4,884
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 42,278</b>

<b>Q. White Lake Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 63,525
Sales Taxes	\$ 8,352
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 71,877</b>

<b>R. White Oak Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 59,031
Sales Taxes	\$ 8,714
Investment Earnings	\$ 1,559
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 31,473
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 100,777</b>

<b>S. Tar Heel Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 681,722
Sales Taxes	\$ 73,350
Investment Earnings	\$ 39,328
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 794,400</b>

<b>T. Bladenboro Rural Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 143,408
Sales Taxes	\$ 13,977
Investment Earnings	\$ 80
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 157,465</b>

<b>U. Carvers Creek Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 43,658
Sales Taxes	\$ 6,700
Investment Earnings	\$ 25
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 23,817
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 74,200</b>

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<b>V. Lisbon Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 72,721
Sales Taxes	\$ 10,680
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 83,401</b>

<b>W. Elizabethtown Rural Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 188,938
Sales Taxes	\$ 30,110
Investment Earnings	\$ 60
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 37,801
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 256,909</b>

<b>X. Dublin Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 175,500
Sales Taxes	\$ 24,500
Investment Earnings	\$ 5,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 99,200
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 304,200</b>

<b>Y. Bay Tree Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 77,349
Sales Taxes	\$ 15,951
Investment Earnings	\$ 764
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 24,636
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 118,700</b>

<b>Z. General Service Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 22,342
Sales Taxes	\$ 2,858
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ -
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 25,200</b>

<b>AA. Atkinson Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 3,160
Sales Taxes	\$ 500
Investment Earnings	\$ -
Fund Balance Appropriated	\$ 1,248
<b>Total Fund Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,908</b>



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<b>AB. Rowan Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 17,491
Sales Taxes	\$ -
Total Fund Revenue	\$ 17,491

<b>AC. Acme Delco Riegelwood Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 32,200
Sales Taxes	\$ -
Total Fund Revenue	\$ 32,200

<b>AD. Buckhead Fire District</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 6,100
Sales Taxes	\$ -
Total Fund Revenue	\$ 6,100

<b>AE. Debt Service Fund</b>	
<u>Major Source</u>	<u>Revenue Amount</u>
From General Fund	\$ 1,818,241
Total Fund Revenue	\$ 1,818,241

<b>Total Revenue for all Funds</b>	<b>\$ 81,053,042</b>
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... **Section 3:** There is hereby levied in the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the rate of \$.785 on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation of taxable property listed as of January 1, 2024, for the purpose of raising the revenues from the current years property tax as set forth in the foregoing estimates of revenues, and in order to finance the foregoing appropriations.

... Such rate is based on an estimated total appraised value of property for the purpose of taxation of \$3,376,876,438 with an assessment ratio of 100 percent of appraised value. The estimated collection rate is 96.62 percent.

... There are hereby levied the following tax rates in the same fiscal year stated above for the identified fire tax districts and fire service districts:

<b>Fire Tax and Service Districts</b>	<b>Tax Rate/\$100</b>
Bladenboro Rural	0.075
Carvers Creek	0.050
Lisbon	0.070

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Elizabethtown Rural	0.100
Dublin	0.098
Tobermory	
Ammon	0.070
Clarkton	0.080
East Arcadia	
Hickory Grove	0.080
Kelly	0.070
White Lake	0.080
White Oak	0.060
Tar Heel	0.100
Bay Tree	0.090
General	0.025
Atkinson	0.080
Rowan	0.070
Acme Delco Riegelwood	0.120
Buckhead	0.090

... **Section 4:** There is hereby authorized the IRS mileage reimbursement rate of 67¢ per mile, thru December 31, 2024, to employees who are required to use their personal vehicle for authorized County business (except as noted in Travel Policy). Rates change each January.

... **Section 5:** There is hereby authorized the following **Solid Waste** fees:

Collection Fees	\$	105.00	C&D	\$	100.00
Disposal	\$	115.00	Shingles	\$	100.00
			MSW	\$	100.00

... **Section 6:** There is hereby authorized the following **Water District** fees for water use:

<b>Residential Rate:</b>			
First 1000 Gallons (3/4" x 5/8" and 1" Meter)	0-1,000	\$	20.00
Cost for additional gallons	1,000-20,000	\$	3.50
	20,000-50,000	\$	3.65
	50,000-100,000	\$	3.80
	Above 100,000	\$	4.00
<b>Commercial Rate:</b>			
First 1000 Gallons		\$	35.00
Cost Per Additional 1000 Gallons		\$	3.50
<b>Industrial Rate:</b>			
Minimum usage 500,000 Gallons per month			


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. . . **Section 7:** The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund as contained herein under the following conditions:

- A.** He may transfer amounts between objects of expenditures within a department without a report being required.
- B.** He may transfer amounts between departments of the same fund with an official report on such transfers at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners.
- C.** He may transfer amounts between funds and from Contingency appropriations within any fund with an official report on such transfers at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

. . . **Section 8:** Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer, and the Revenue Director for directions in carrying out their duties.

ADOPTED: This the **3rd day of June, 2024.**



Charles R. Peterson  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
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Maria C. Edwards, Clerk