

FY 2026 Budget Forum

May 6, 2025

11:00 AM- 12:30 PM

Agenda Items



- **Budget Calendar**
- **FY 2025 University Budget Update and Projections**
- **FY 2026 University Budget Update**
 - **Tuition and State Funds Revenue Comparison**
 - **State of Maryland**
 - **Revenue Assumptions**
 - **Deficit Breakdown**
 - **Revenue Comparison**
 - **Deficit Approach**
 - **Budget Reduction Detail**
 - **Budget Projections**
 - **What does this mean for BSU?**

Budget Development Process Calendar

May*

- VPAF host campus budget forum

June

- Budget Office begins the process of reconciling and preparing the working budget for use in Workday

July

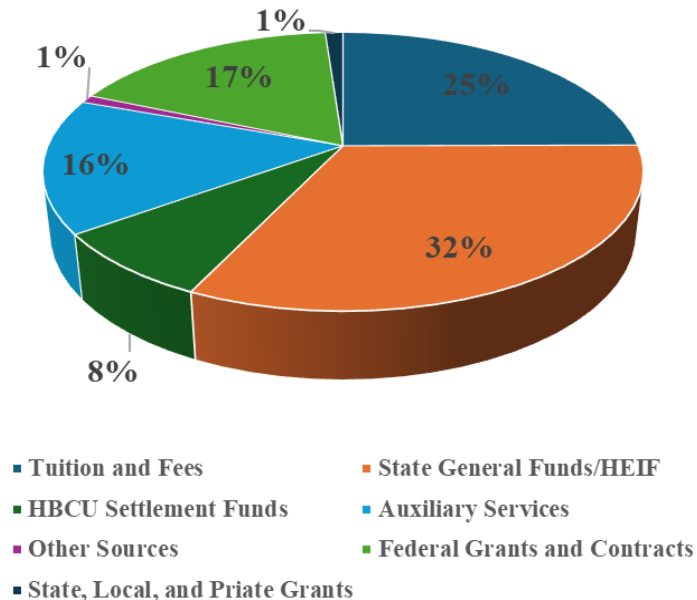
- Budget Office informs the campus community that budgets are available

***Due to ongoing fiscal challenges, we re-acknowledge that this year's budget process has not followed its normal course**

FY 2025 University Budget

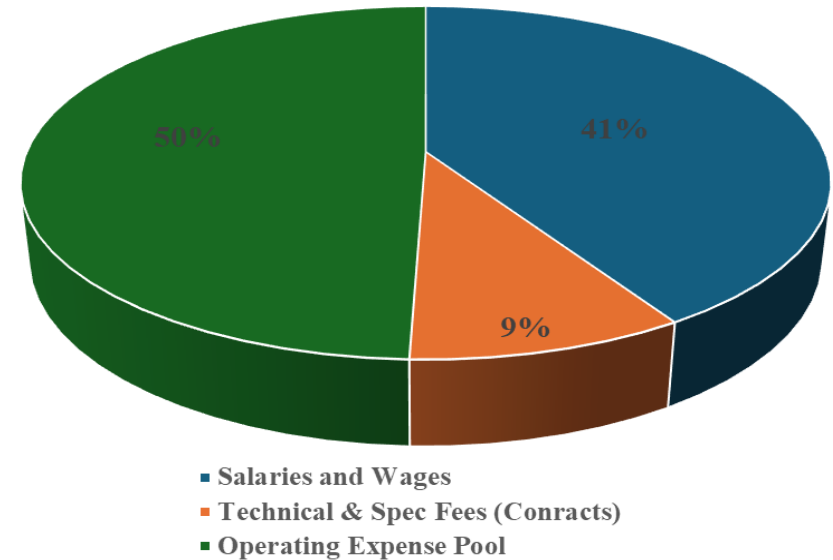
Unrestricted & Restricted Revenues	FY 2025	% Budget
Tuition and Fees	54,885,195	25%
State General Funds/HEIF	70,764,911	32%
HBCU Settlement Funds	17,476,088	8%
Auxiliary Services	34,400,107	16%
Other Sources (Interest Income, Parking)	2,014,935	1%
Federal Grants and Contracts	38,209,513	17%
State, Local, and Private Grants	2,500,000	1%
	220,250,749	100%

FY 2025 Revenue Budget



Unrestricted & Restricted Expenditures	FY 2025	% Budget
Salaries and Wages	90,526,023	41%
Technical & Spec Fees (Contracts)	20,789,229	9%
Operating Expense Pool (Travel, Supplies, Equipment, Contractual Services, Scholarships, etc.)	108,935,497	50%
	220,250,749	100%

FY 2025 Expenditure Budget



FY 2025 Budget Projections

Unrestricted Revenues

Class Description	FY 2025 Budget	Period Activity (USD)	Projected thru 6/30/25	\$ Variance	% Variance
Tuition & Fees	54,885,195	\$ 49,401,832	51,401,832	(3,483,363)	93.7%
State Appropriation/HEIF/Coalition	88,240,999	\$ 84,086,089	88,363,488	122,489	100.1%
Federal Grants and Contracts	918,843	\$ 978,011	918,843	-	100.0%
Sales & Services-Auxiliary	34,400,107	\$ 27,096,244	30,096,244	(4,303,863)	87.5%
Other Sources	2,924,475	\$ 3,215,717	4,191,142	1,266,667	143.3%
Transfer to Fund Balance	(1,828,383)			1,828,383	0.0%
Grand Total	179,541,236	164,777,893	174,971,549	(4,569,687)	97.5%

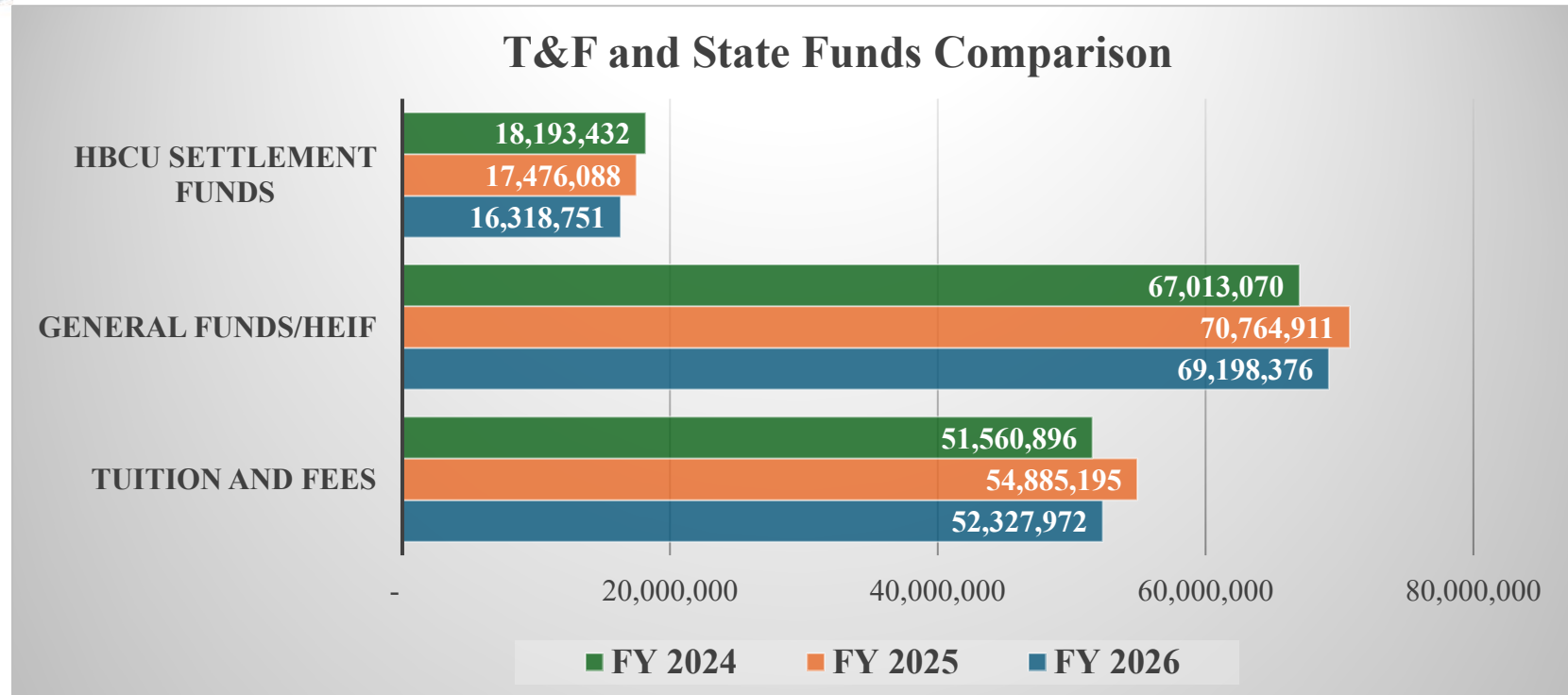
Unrestricted Expenses

Class Description	FY 2025 Budget	Total Encumb/Actuals	Projected thru 6/30/25	\$ Variance	% Variance
USM - Parent Account Set: 01 - Salaries and Wages	89,397,24	70,542,273	88,392,273	1,005,251	98.9%
USM - Parent Account Set: 02 - Technical and Special Fees	16,957,166	11,948,305	15,037,140	1,920,026	88.7%
USM - Parent Account Set: 06 - Fuel and Utilities	3,581,063	3,252,479	3,518,665	62,398	98.3%
USM - Parent Account Set: 12 - Grants Subsidies and Contributions	10,763,875	3,986,763	9,586,763	1,177,112	89.1%
USM - Parent Account Set: 14 - Land and Structures	6,601,575	4,158,576	6,601,575	-	100.0%
USM - Parent Account Set: Operational Expense Pool	52,240,033	43,200,890	50,699,071	1,540,962	97.1%
Grand Total	179,541,236	137,089,286	173,835,487	5,705,749	96.8%

	+/-	Profit	1,136,062*		
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*Profit subject to change at year-end closing

Tuition, Fees, and State General Funds Comparison



	FY24	% Change	FY25	% Change	FY26	% Change FY25- FY26
Tuition and Fees	51,560,896	6%	54,885,195	6%	52,327,972	-5%
General Funds/HEIF	67,013,070	8%	70,764,911	6%	69,198,376	-2%
HBCU Settlement General Funds	18,193,432	72%	17,476,088	-4%	16,318,751	-7%
Total	136,767,398	13%	143,126,194	5%	137,845,099	-4%

State of MD FY 2026 Budget

- Revenue shortfalls aligned with Governor Moore’s budget [Budget Highlights Fiscal Year 2026](#)
- State of Maryland’s Revenue Deficit - \$3B
- University System of Maryland Budget Deficit - \$111.1M
- Bowie State University’s State Appropriation Budget Deficit - \$4.7M
 - Estimated \$3.5M State General Funds reduction
 - Estimated \$1.2M HBCU Coalition Funds reduction
- In April, USM sent a Supplemental \$44M reduction. BSU’s portion of reduction is \$1.5M
- Recent system-wide budget cuts and projected gaps between revenue and expenses have increased the university’s estimated shortfall to **\$13.6 million**

FY 2026 Revenue Assumptions

- The university budget assumes an enrollment headcount of 6,107 for fall 2025 and that headcount will be 5,496 or 90% for spring 2026
- 2% In-State and Out-of-State Tuition increases*
- Continue to address the \$22M outstanding student debt. Currently, student debt is \$18M
- FY 2026 Total Revenues are \$213.1M, a 7.0M reduction over FY 2025
- FY 2026 Total Expenses are \$213.1M, a 6.6M increase over FY 2025
- Overall, anticipating an estimated **\$13.6M** revenue shortfall over FY 2025

* The Board of Regents will approve FY 2026 Tuition & Fees and Self-Supporting Fees in June 2025

FY 2026 Deficit Breakdown

Revenue Explanations - \$7M

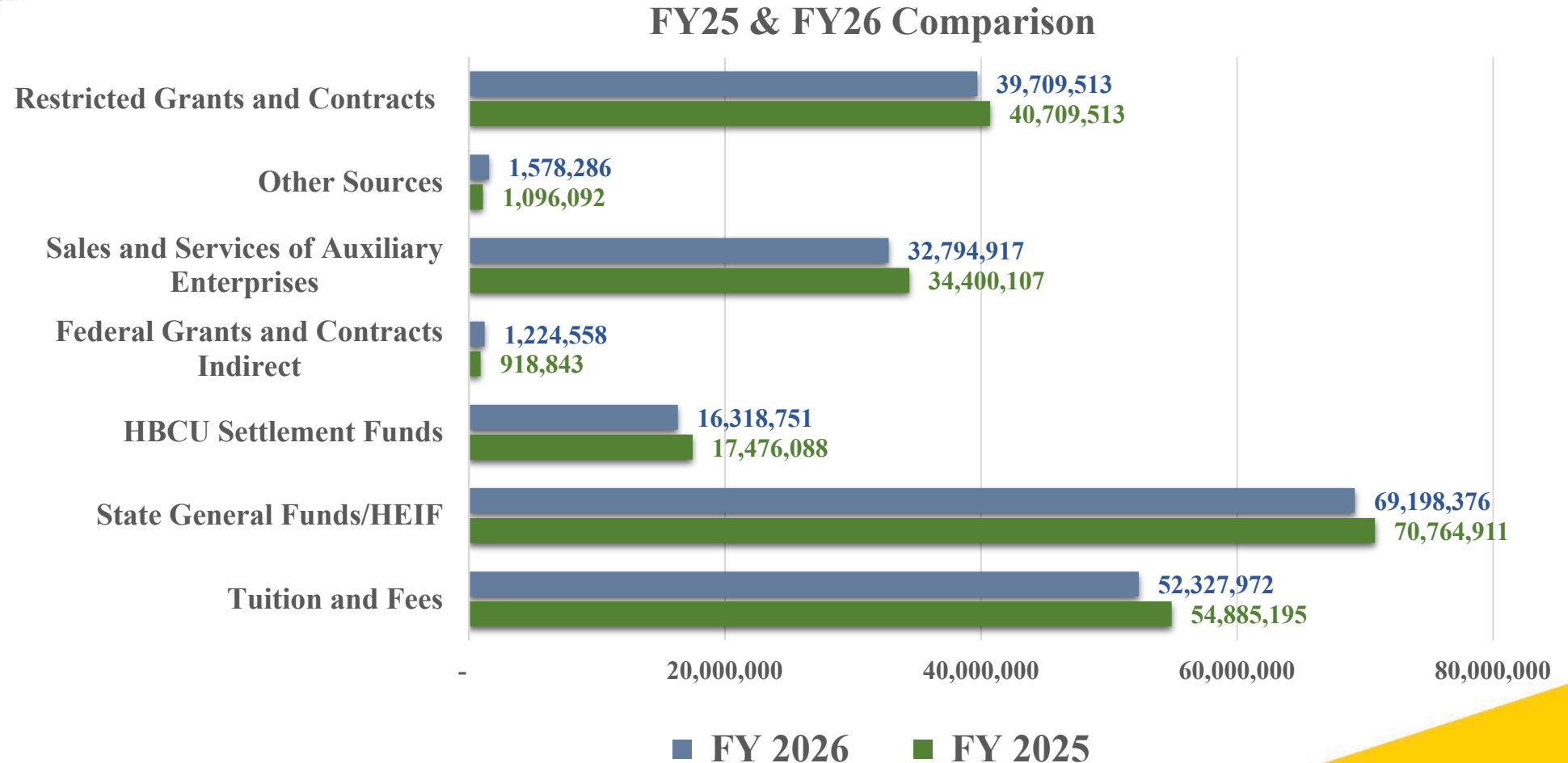
- \$3.5M State General Fund reduction; net reduction of \$1.6M over FY25
- \$2.6M Tuition & Fee reduction - 6,107 vs. 6513 (FY25)
- \$1.2 M HBCU Settlement Funds reduction
- \$1.6M reduction associated with Auxiliary Services
- \$1M net reduction associated with Federal Grants
- \$800k increase associated with Other Revenues

Expenditure Explanations - \$6.6M

- \$2.4M increase for COLA & Merit
- \$800k increase for Health & Fringe changes
- \$800K increase for CRM Philanthropic Engagement
- \$200k increase for Financial Aid
- \$1.1M increase for New Facilities (Humanities) operating
- \$1.2M reduction associated with HBCU Settlement Funds
- \$2.5M increase for IT Contingency

*102 AFSCME Exempt Employees
114 AFSCME Non-Exempt Employees

FY 2026 University Revenue Comparison



BSU's Approach to Addressing the Deficit

All options are being considered, including layoffs. Our approach to addressing the budget gap includes:

- Cost reduction strategies
 - **Regaining efficiency by eliminating redundancy..** Example: Removing 2 room scheduling software, EduNav, Occulist, SFP vs. CS.
 - **Re-negotiating Contracts-** replacing high-cost contracts with lower-cost options. Example: Replacing Randstad staffing
 - **Use of technology and AI:** Using vendors for one-time investments and hiring engineering talent to reduce talent and process debt. Example: Network assessment and refresh of the infrastructure.
 - **Gaining effectiveness through improving business processes..**
- Reduction in vacant positions and operational expenses
- Online Program Management
- Improving operational/functional efficiency
 - Efficient lighting aids in the reduction of utility costs.
 - Evaluating classroom schedules for better space management utilization
- Conducting comprehensive program assessments.
- Increasing and diversifying Auxiliary revenue streams
 - Additional Camps
 - Food Service Contract review
 - External rentals of our facilities

Vacant Position and Operations Budget Reduction Detail

Division	FTE	Salary & Fringes	Operational	Total	%
Academic Affairs	37.00	4,584,736	1,604,884	6,189,620	45.5%
Administration & Finance	5.00	409,525	1,994,375	2,403,900	17.7%
Enrollment Mgmt & Student Affairs	1.00	93,380	827,972	921,352	6.8%
IT	1.00	122,773	563,007	685,780	5.0%
Philanthropic Engagement	0.00	-	178,000	178,000	1.3%
Research & Innovation	0.00	-	12,268	12,268	0.1%
University Relations	1.00	146,076	140,683	286,759	2.1%
Legal and Equity	1.00	103,226	39,966	143,192	1.1%
President	0.00		46,189	46,189	0.3%
Economic Development	1.00	129,286	13,682	142,968	1.1%
Auxiliary Services	4.00		1,605,190	1,605,190	11.8%
HEERF (Restricted Funds)			1,000,000	1,000,000	7.3%
Total	51.00	5,589,002	8,026,216	13,615,218	100%

FY 2026 Revenue Budget Projections

	FY 2025		FY 2026		FY 25-26
	Budget		Budget		Change
Current Unrestricted Revenue:					
Tuition and Fees	54,885,195	31%	52,327,972	30%	(2,557,223)
State General Funds/HEIF	66,781,842	37%	64,653,575	37%	(2,128,267)
HEIF	3,983,069	2%	4,544,801	3%	561,732
HBCU Settlement General Funds	17,476,088	10%	16,318,751	9%	(1,157,337)
Federal Grants and Contracts Indirect	918,843	1%	1,224,558	1%	305,715
Sales and Services Educational Activities	23,500	0%	23,500	0%	-
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises	34,400,107	19%	32,794,917	19%	(1,605,190)
Other Sources	2,900,975	2%	3,342,787	2%	441,813
Transfer to Fund Balance	(1,828,383)	-1%	(1,788,001)	-1%	40,382
Total Unrestricted Revenue	179,541,236		173,442,860		(6,098,376)
Current Restricted Revenue:					
Federal Grants and Contracts	34,209,513		37,209,513		3,000,000
HEERF	4,000,000		-		(4,000,000)
Private Gifts, Grants and Contracts	500,000		500,000		-
State and Local Grants and Contracts	2,000,000		2,000,000		-
Total Restricted Revenue	40,709,513		39,709,513		(1,000,000)
Total Revenue	220,250,749		213,152,373		(7,098,376)

What does this mean for BSU?

1. Difficult times are ahead
2. Focus on the bigger picture
3. Recruitment and retention belong to everyone
4. Everyone helps with Auxiliary Revenue
5. Everyone must manage their budget efficiently
6. Limited/Essential spending

Questions