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# Fiscal Year 2025 Executive Budget Review CULTURE, RECREATION AND TOURISM



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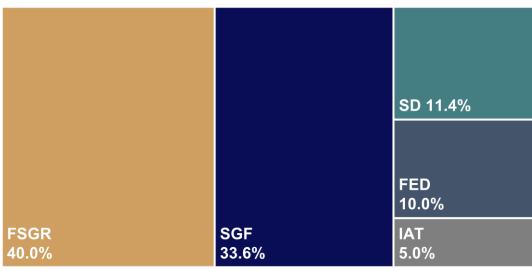
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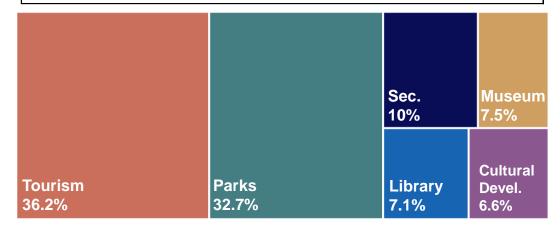
### FY 25 BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

## **Total Funding = \$134,920,744**

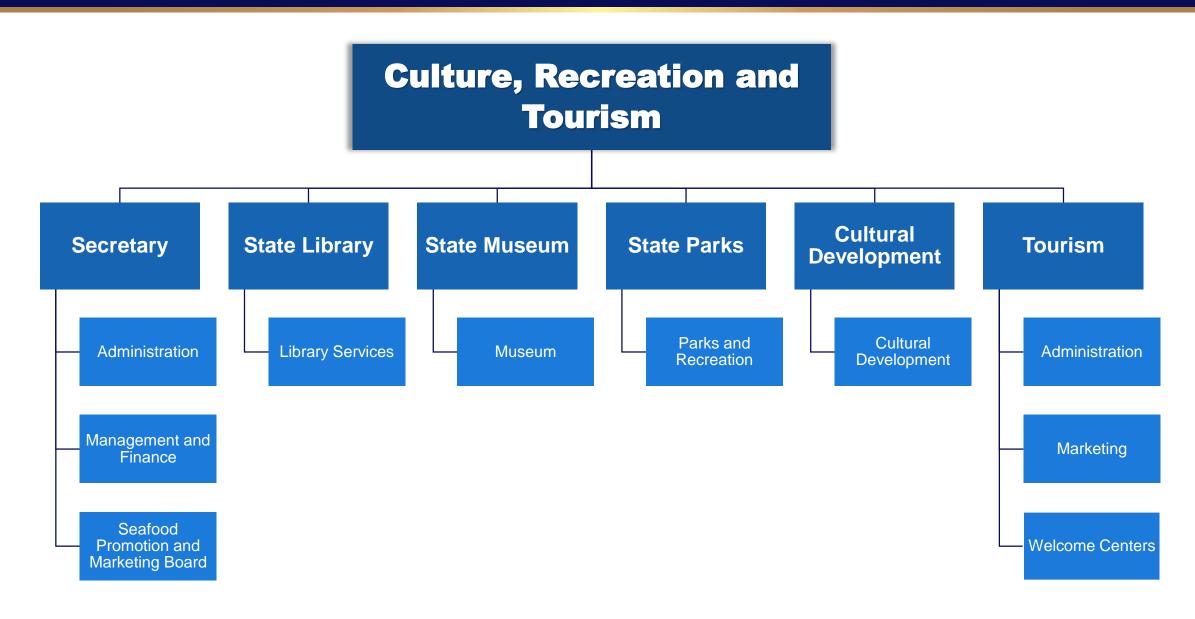
Means o	f Fina	nce	
State General Fund		\$	45,346,114
Interagency Transfers			6,719,967
Fees & Self-generated			53,987,006
Statutory Dedications			15,419,551
Federal Funds			13,448,106
	Total	\$	134,920,744



Agency Funding & Authorized Positions					
		Amount	Positions		
Secretary	\$	13,455,146	58		
State Library		9,514,276	48		
State Museum		10,053,502	68		
State Parks		44,111,050	311		
Cultural Development		8,914,492	33		
Tourism		48,872,278	76		
Tota	I \$	134,920,744	594		



#### **DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION**



#### Office of the Secretary

#### **Administrative Program:**

 Ensures efficient, accountable and entrepreneurial operation of all agencies within the department

#### **Management and Finance Program:**

 Directs mandated functions of human resources, fiscal and information services of six offices within the Department and the Office of Lieutenant Governor

#### **Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board Program:**

 Assists state seafood industry through product promotion and market development



#### Office of State Library and Office of State Museum

#### Office of State Library:

- Provides consulting, support, training, certification, IT support, children's services, interlibrary loan, online resources, and support for federal E-rate program to 340 public libraries
- Provides recorded and braille books, reference support, research assistance, readers advisory, and reading programs for adults and children to the states blind and physically handicapped population
- Provides research assistance, reference help, interlibrary loan, document delivery, etc. to state federal and local governments; also serves as a state depository

#### Office of State Museum

- Collects, preserves, and interprets buildings, artifacts, documents and other items that reveal Louisiana's history and culture
- Educates, and provides enjoyment for the people of Louisiana, visitors, and others through the development of exhibits and historical and cultural programs



Louisiana State Museum The Cabildo in New Orleans

#### **Office of State Parks**

#### **Parks and Recreation Program:**

- Increases and improves the focus on Louisiana's natural resources for Louisiana's citizens and visitors through planning, constructing, and operating a system of parks, historic sites and preservation areas.
- Enriches education opportunities through training and raises the quality of visitors' experience.
- The Office of State Parks maintains a total of 21 state parks and 17 historic sites.



Poverty Point Reservoir State Park



Fontainebleau State Park

#### **Office of Cultural Development**

#### **Cultural Development Program:**

- Administers statewide programs, provide technical assistance, and outreach to preserve Louisiana's historic places, archaeology, and French language
- Increases the number of Louisiana citizens and visitors participating in and experiencing arts activities
- Supports programmatic missions and goals of the office of cultural development divisions



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#### **Office of Tourism**

#### **Administrative Program:**

 Coordinates efforts and initiatives of the other programs of the Office of Tourism

#### **Marketing Program:**

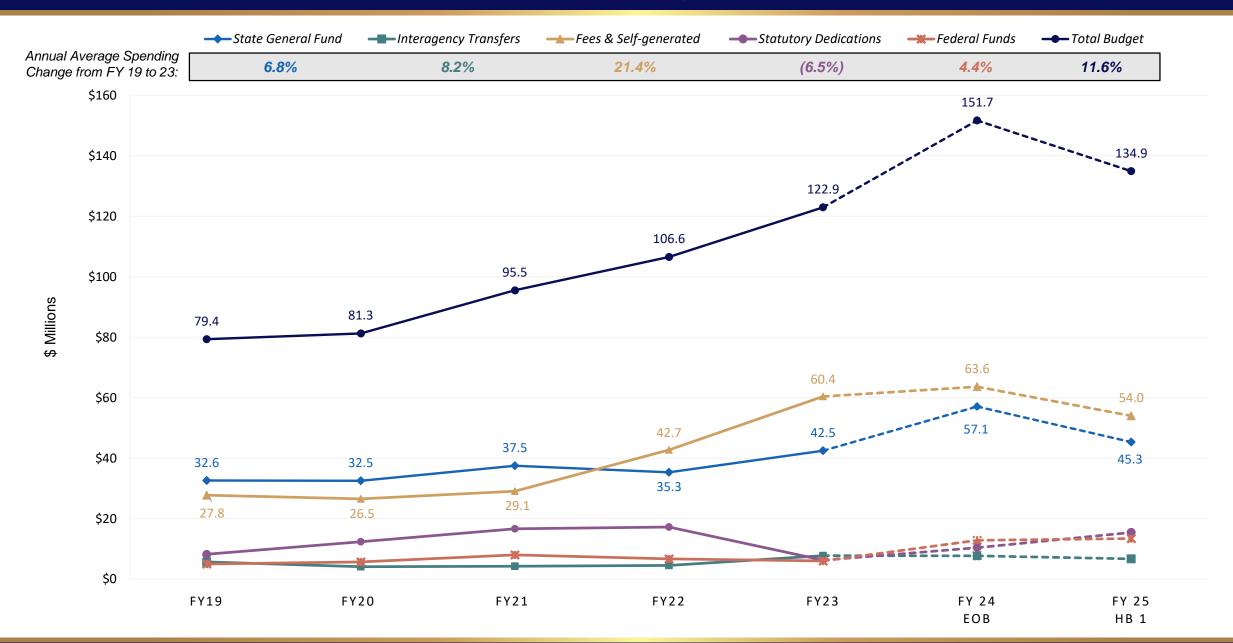
 Provides advertising and publicity for the assets of the state Louisiana

#### **Welcome Centers Program:**

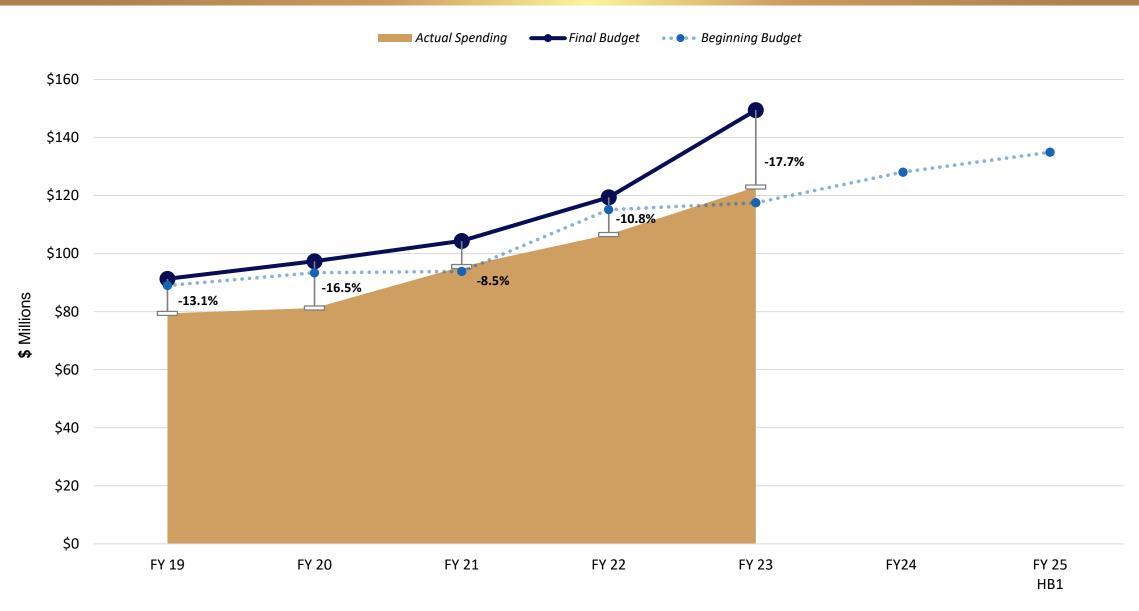
 Provides a safe, friendly environment in which to welcome visitors, informs them about area attractions, and encourages them to spend ore time in the state



## HISTORICAL SPENDING



## HISTORICAL BUDGET



Note: additional information can be found under the general department section

## Sources of Funding

State General	Interagency	Self-generated	Statutory	Federal
Fund	Transfers	Revenue	Dedications	Funds
\$45.3 M	\$6.7 M	\$54 M	\$15.4 M	\$13.4 M
The chief operating fund of the State recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference from various taxes, licenses, fees, and other revenue sources except for those identified as other means of financing	<ul> <li>\$5.4 M in intra-department transfers from the Office of Tourism</li> <li>\$402,496 from the Department of Education</li> <li>\$14,802 from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor</li> <li>\$9,000 from the Department of Health</li> <li>Transfers from Facility Planning and Control and the Department of Transportation and Development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$33.7 M from the Louisiana Tourism Promotion District, which receives 3/100 of 1% from the sales tax dedication and other various fees and sales</li> <li>\$17.5 in the Louisiana State Parks Improvement and Repair Dedicated Fund Account</li> <li>\$1.3 M from museum fees and sales, library fees, and book royalties</li> <li>\$500,000 in the Poverty Point Reservoir Development Dedicated Fund Account</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$14 M from the Major Events Incentive Fund</li> <li>\$500,000 from the Events Incentive Fund</li> <li>\$630,000 from the Litter Abatement and Education Account</li> <li>\$289,551 from the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$7.8 M from the National Park Service's Land and Water Conservation Fund and the National Historic Preservation Act</li> <li>\$3.5 M from Title 20 of the U.S. Code § 9141 – Library Grants to States</li> <li>\$886,984 from the National Endowment for the Arts</li> <li>\$100,000 from the US Department of Commerce Market Development Cooperator Program grant</li> <li>\$900,000 from US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration</li> </ul>

## **FUNDING COMPARISON**

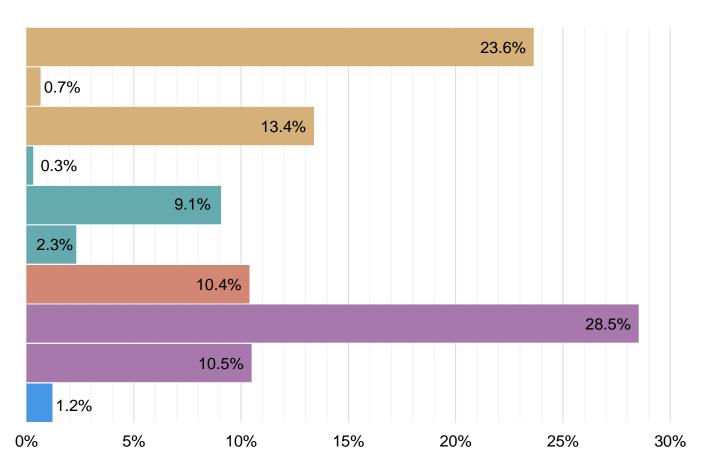
Means of Finance	E	FY 23 Actual Expenditures	FY 24 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/23	FY 25 HB1 Budget	E	Change xisting Operating to HB1	Budget	Change Actual Expendit to HB1	ures
SGF	\$	42,497,875	\$ 57,075,416	\$ 45,346,114	\$	(11,729,302)	(20.6%)	\$ 2,848,239	6.7%
IAT		7,786,371	7,725,004	6,719,967		(1,005,037)	(13.0%)	(1,066,404)	(13.7%)
FSGR		60,385,231	63,627,700	53,987,006		(9,640,694)	(15.2%)	(6,398,225)	(10.6%)
Stat Ded		6,285,778	10,419,551	15,419,551		5,000,000	48.0%	9,133,773	145.3%
Federal		5,993,960	12,822,003	13,448,106		626,103	4.9%	7,454,146	124.4%
Total	\$	122,949,215	\$ 151,669,674	\$ 134,920,744	\$	(16,748,930)	(11.0%)	\$ 11,971,529	9.7%

	Significant funding changes compared to the FY 24 Existing Operating Budget						
State General Fund	Interagency Transfers	Fees & Self-generated	Statutory Dedications	Federal Funds			
<ul> <li>(\$11.7 M) decrease primarily due to:</li> <li>(\$10.3 M) to remove funding carried forward into FY 24 for existing contractual obligations and purchases that are no longer needed in FY 25</li> <li>(\$2.6 M) to remove funding for one-time projects</li> </ul>	(\$1 M) decrease due to:  Funding carried forward into FY 24 for existing contractual obligations and purchases entered into during FY 23 that are no longer needed	<ul> <li>(\$9.6 M) net decrease due to items such as:</li> <li>(\$10.5 M) decrease in various fees and sales revenues</li> <li>\$2.8 M increase based on REC forecast of Tourism Promotion District revenues</li> <li>(\$1.9 M) decrease in the State Parks Improvement and Repair Dedicated Fund Account</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$5 M net increase due to:</li> <li>(\$5 M) from one time funding to the Major Events Incentives Fund</li> <li>\$10 M increase in the Major Events Incentive Fund</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$626,103 net increase due to:</li> <li>\$900,000 increase from the U.S. Dept. of Commerce Economic Development Administration</li> <li>(\$273,897) decrease reflective of funds from FY 23 carried forward into FY 24</li> </ul>			

## EXPENDITURE RECOMMENDATION FY 25

## Total Budget = \$134,920,744

Expenditure	e Ca	tegory
Salaries	\$	31,896,702
Other Compensation		881,474
Related Benefits		18,078,836
Travel		420,641
Operating Services		12,230,766
Supplies		3,130,496
Professional Services		14,016,643
Other Charges		38,499,812
Interagency Transfers		14,150,376
Acquisitions/Repairs		1,614,998
Total	\$	134,920,744



## **EXPENDITURE COMPARISON**

Expenditure Category	FY 23 Actual Expenditures	FY 24 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/23	FY 25 HB1 Budget	Change Existing Operating Bud to HB1	get	Change Actual Expendi to HB1	tures
Salaries	\$ 26,636,293	\$ 31,651,281	\$ 31,896,702	\$ 245,421 0	.8%	\$ 5,260,409	19.7%
Other Compensation	2,486,813	881,474	881,474	0 0	.0%	(1,605,339)	(64.6%)
Related Benefits	16,233,581	18,901,194	18,078,836	(822,358) (4	.4%)	1,845,255	11.4%
Travel	1,011,530	420,641	420,641	0 0	.0%	(590,889)	(58.4%)
Operating Services	12,900,306	12,174,965	12,230,766	55,801 0	.5%	(669,540)	(5.2%)
Supplies	3,713,630	3,195,296	3,130,496	(64,800) (2	.0%)	(583,134)	(15.7%)
Professional Services	17,875,305	11,203,645	14,016,643	2,812,998 25	.1%	(3,858,662)	(21.6%)
Other Charges	27,810,749	57,706,264	38,499,812	(19,206,452) (33	.3%)	10,689,063	38.4%
Interagency Transfers	11,023,444	13,371,453	14,150,376	778,923 5	.8%	3,126,932	28.4%
Acquisitions/Repairs	3,257,564	2,163,461	1,614,998	(548,463) (25	.4%)	(1,642,566)	(50.4%)
Total	\$ 122,949,215	\$ 151,669,674	\$ 134,920,744	\$ (16,748,930) (11	.0%)	\$ 11,971,529	9.7%

## SIGNIFICANT EXPENDITURE CHANGES

#### Compared to the FY 24 Existing Operating Budget

Professional Services	Other Charges	Acquisitions/Repairs
\$2.8 M increase in the Office of Tourism to provide for increases in marketing services for Louisiana tourism	<ul> <li>(\$19.2 M) net decrease due to items such as:</li> <li>(\$10 M) for the one-time funding for the tourism "Year of Music" marketing campaign</li> <li>(\$5 M) in one time funding to the New Orleans Super Bowl Host Committee</li> <li>(\$2.6 M) for various other special legislative projects with one time funding for FY 24</li> <li>(\$500,000) for one time funding to the Events Incentive Fund for events such as the Strawberry Festival</li> <li>\$10 M for the organizing committee of the February 2025 Super Bowl to be held in New Orleans</li> <li>\$900,000 for renovations to the New Orleans Jazz Campus</li> <li>\$500,000 for grant funding for planning, marketing, and conducting events held in the state</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(\$548,463) net decrease due to items such as:</li> <li>(\$1.8 M) decrease in funding for acquisitions and repairs in FY 24 that is no longer needed in FY 25</li> <li>\$26,200 increase for replacement computers and monitors at welcome centers throughout the state</li> <li>\$1.2 M increase for the replacement of 33 vehicles in the Office of State Parks</li> </ul>

## OTHER CHARGES/INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS

#### **Other Charges**

Amount	Description
\$ 14,500,000	Tourism - Major Events Incentive Program and associated administrative costs
4,525,737	Secretary - Litter abatement and Dew Drop-America's Rock and Roll Museum Program
3,995,186	Cultural Development - Local aid, arts grants, and administration
3,532,854	Parks - Division of Outdoor Recreation, paid via federal funds with 50% match
3,016,586	Library - Electronic resources, subscriptions, archives, staff training, Homework Louisiana, Statewide Lending Service operating costs, and Louisiana Book Festival
2,346,552	Parks - Permanent sewer connection installation
1,792,241	Parks - Various marketing, personnel, operation, training, and administration expenses
1,681,167	Tourism - Marketing, rural areas, civil rights, birding trails, international marketing, Events Incentive Program, and welcome centers
1,584,538	Secretary - Staff development and seafood promotion
929,322	Museum - New Orleans Jazz Museum renovations, legal services, supplies, professional services, and contractual services
595,629	Cultural Development - Salaries and related benefits for authorized other charges positions
\$ 38,499,812	Total Other Charges

## OTHER CHARGES/INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS

#### **Interagency Transfers**

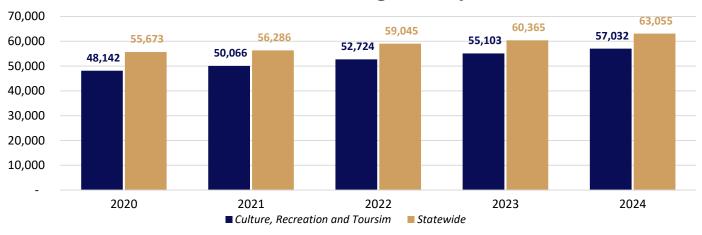
Amount	Description
\$ 5,417,969	Transfers for various tourism-related activities within CRT and Office of the Lt. Governor
4,170,243	Office of Risk Management
1,742,640	Rent and maintenance of state-owned buildings; warehouse rental
1,393,142	Human resource services, Office of the Secretary
306,529	DOA - Messenger, telephone, and printing services
296,351	Office of Technology Services
287,417	Capitol Park Security
208,358	Civil Service
124,597	Legislative Auditor Fees
101,540	Operating and commodity services
64,985	Office of State Procurement
36,605	Uniform Payroll Service
\$ 14,150,376	Total Interagency Transfers

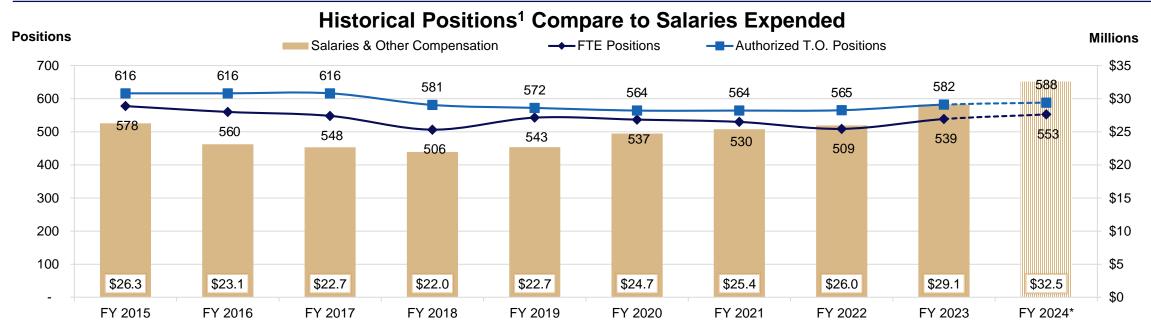
#### PERSONNEL INFORMATION

#### **FY 2025 Recommended Positions**

594	Total Authorized T.O. Positions (571 Classified, 23 Unclassified)
14	Authorized Other Charges Positions
105	Non-T.O. FTE Positions
61	Vacant Positions (January 29, 2024)

#### **Historical Average Salary**

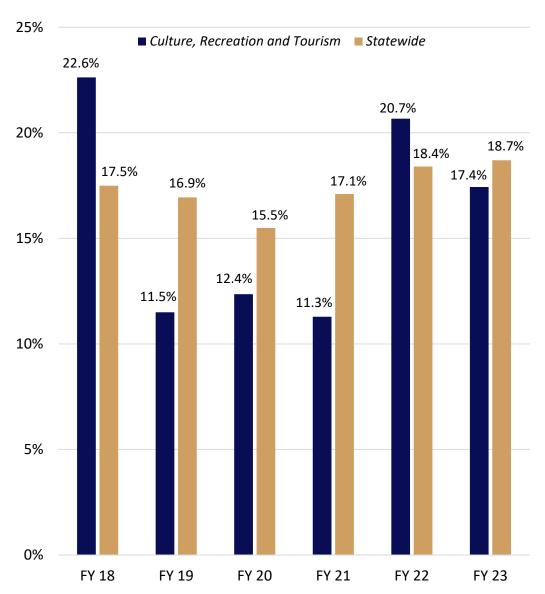




<sup>1</sup> FTE Source: Dept. of Civil Service Weekly Report on State Employment

\* Existing Operating Budget on 12/1/23

## **TURNOVER HISTORY**



**Top Positions Vacated FY 2023** 

Position	Number of Employees	Separations	Turnover Rate
Parks Buildings and Grounds Attendant	50	29	58.0%
Park Ranger I	9	5	55.6%
Maintenance Repair I	11	4	36.4%
Maintenance Repair II	32	4	12.5%
Maintenance Foreman	15	3	20.0%

Source: Department of Civil Service Turnover Statistics

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# General Department Information

#### PRIOR YEAR ACTUALS FY 23

#### Were projected revenues collected?

	nal Budget FY23 carryfwrd)	Revenue Collections	Difference
SGF	\$ 46,710,664	\$ 42,497,875	\$ (4,212,789)
IAT	10,590,108	7,786,763	(2,803,345)
FSGR	45,279,602	35,834,180	(9,445,422)
SD	34,671,517	19,865,276	(14,806,241)
FED	12,450,101	5,894,252	(6,555,849)
Total	\$ 149,701,992	\$ 111,878,347	\$

The department collected \$37.8 M less than the FY 23 budget. The leading cause of this is due to under collections in dedicated funds within the Office of State Parks and the Office of Tourism.

#### Were collected revenues spent?

	Revenue Collections		Expenditures		Difference
SGF	\$	42,497,875	\$	42,497,875	\$ 0
IAT		7,786,763		7,786,371	(392)
FSGR		35,834,180		40,172,666	4,338,486
SD		19,865,276		26,498,343	6,633,067
FED		5,894,252		5,993,960	99,708
Total	\$	111,878,347	\$	122,949,216	\$ 11,070,869

The department collected \$11.1 M less than was spent in total. This is attributed mostly by dedicated funds and self-generated revenue within the Office of State Parks.

The department tapped into fund balances from both the LA Tourism Promotion District Fund (FSGR) and the Parks Repair and Improvement fund (SD).

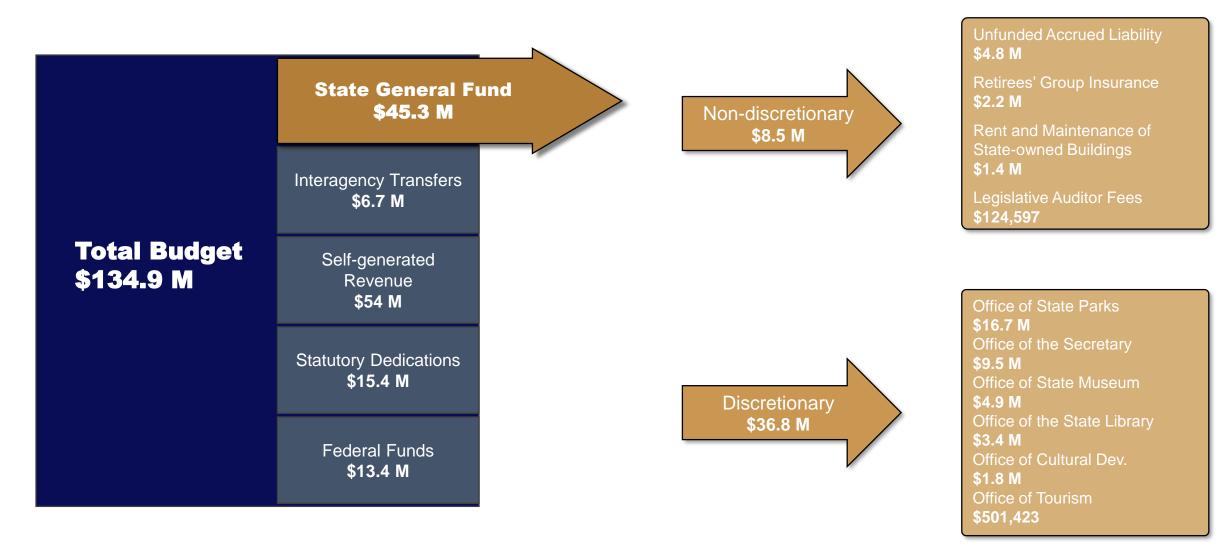
### **EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET FY 24**

The FY 2023-24 Existing Operating Budget (EOB) was frozen on December 1, 2023. This point-in-time reference is used in both the Executive Budget and the General Appropriations Bill.

Means of Finance	Appropriation		Mid-Year Adjustments		Existing Operating Budget	
General Fund	\$	46,767,278	\$	10,308,138	\$	57,075,416
Interagency Transfers		6,719,967		1,005,037		7,725,004
Self-generated Revenue		52,923,418		10,704,282		63,627,700
Statutory Dedications		9,919,551		500,000		10,419,551
Federal 11,7		11,737,146		1,084,857		12,822,003
Total	\$	128,067,360	\$	23,602,314	\$	151,669,674

	Mid-year Adjustments Summary										
July	August	September	October	November							
No change	\$12.3 M  Various means of finance carried into FY 24 from the prior fiscal year	\$810,960  Increase in Federal Funds to reflect the receipt of the Library Services and Technology Act grant	\$10.5 M  Increase in self-generated revenues and the Events Incentive Fund (SD) within the Office of Tourism to launch a new marketing campaign	No change							

#### DISCRETIONARY EXPENSES FY 25



<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not add precisely due to rounding \*

## FY 23 STATE PARKS REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

State Park	FY23 Revenue	FY23 Expenditure	Profit / Deficit	FY23 Visitation	Cost per Visitor	Revenue per Visitor	Avg. T.O.
Bayou Segnette	\$1,243,146	\$1,242,962	\$184	132,086	\$9.41	\$9.41	15
Bogue Chitto	\$675,002	\$1,674,320	(\$999,318)	142,660	\$11.74	\$4.73	9
Chemin-A-Haut	\$355,307	\$675,440	(\$320,133)	29,917	\$22.58	\$11.88	7
Chicot	\$938,613	\$1,637,544	(\$698,931)	124,572	\$13.15	\$7.53	16
Cypremort Point	\$251,042	\$369,442	(\$118,400)	34,038	\$10.85	\$7.38	4
Fairview-Riverside	\$397,727	\$400,757	(\$3,030)	78,577	\$5.10	\$5.06	3
Fontainebleau	\$1,230,319	\$1,479,029	(\$248,710)	248,986	\$5.94	\$4.94	17
Grand Isle	\$391,468	\$346,025	\$45,443	5,323	\$65.01	\$73.54	4
Jimmie Davis	\$884,359	\$1,030,765	(\$146,406)	115,342	\$8.94	\$7.67	12
Lake Bistineau	\$314,775	\$667,194	(\$352,419)	68,808	\$9.70	\$4.57	6
Lake Bruin	\$169,129	\$434,543	(\$265,414)	28,135	\$15.44	\$6.01	5
Lake Claiborne	\$491,031	\$777,511	(\$286,480)	61,849	\$12.57	\$7.94	9
Lake D'Arbonne	\$607,139	\$1,108,647	(\$501,508)	55,787	\$19.87	\$10.88	13
Lake Fausse Pointe	\$492,328	\$628,182	(\$135,854)	42,567	\$14.76	\$11.57	8
North Toledo Bend	\$406,723	\$905,200	(\$498,477)	50,216	\$18.03	\$8.10	9
Palmetto Island	\$412,964	\$580,840	(\$167,876)	67,885	\$8.56	\$6.08	7
Poverty Point Reservoir	\$794,119	\$1,125,371	(\$331,252)	102,128	\$11.02	\$7.78	14
Sam Houston Jones	\$684,009	\$723,542	(\$39,533)	95,906	\$7.54	\$7.13	9
South Toledo Bend	\$613,027	\$810,239	(\$197,212)	49,226	\$16.46	\$12.45	10
St. Bernard	\$253,121	\$349,419	(\$96,298)	52,589	\$6.64	\$4.81	4
Tickfaw	\$437,823	\$879,280	(\$441,457)	45,141	\$19.48	\$9.70	10
Total	\$12,043,171	\$17,846,252	(\$5,803,081)	1,631,738	\$312.78	\$229.17	191
Average	\$573,484	\$849,822	(\$276,337)	77,702	\$14.89	\$10.91	9.10

Source: Information provided by CRT

#### FY 23 HISTORIC SITES REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

State Historic Site	FY 23 Revenue	FY 23 Expenditure	Profit / Deficit	FY 23 Visitation	Cost per Visitor	Revenue per Visitor	Avg. T.O.
Audubon	\$75,590	\$506,506	(\$430,916)	9,029	\$56.10	\$8.37	5
Centenary	\$40	\$39,622	(\$39,582)	80	\$495.28	\$0.50	0
Fort DeRussy	\$0	\$231	(\$231)	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
Fort Jesup	\$6,564	\$240,491	(\$233,927)	1,155	\$208.22	\$5.68	0
Fort Pike	\$0	\$8,343	(\$8,343)	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
Forts Randolph and Buhlow	\$13,447	\$132,850	(\$119,403)	11,508	\$11.54	\$1.17	2
Fort St. Jean Baptiste	\$11,893	\$306,066	(\$294,173)	7,777	\$39.36	\$1.53	3
Kent House	\$0	\$56,000	(\$56,000)	15,001	\$3.73	\$0.00	0
Longfellow-Evangeline	\$8,375	\$454,762	(\$446,387)	9,667	\$47.04	\$0.87	5
Los Adaes	\$0	\$5,814	(\$5,814)	335	\$17.36	\$0.00	0
Mansfield	\$9,001	\$245,471	(\$236,470)	4,557	\$53.87	\$1.98	2
Marksville	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
Plaquemine Locks	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
Port Hudson	\$66,327	\$277,119	(\$210,792)	19,037	\$14.56	\$3.48	2
Poverty Point World Heritage Site	\$84,625	\$562,757	(\$478,132)	16,499	\$34.11	\$5.13	7
Rebel	\$1,856	\$27,735	(\$25,879)	441	\$62.89	\$4.21	2
Rosedown	\$373,940	\$792,238	(\$418,298)	27,970	\$28.32	\$13.37	6
Total	\$651,658	\$3,656,005	(\$3,004,347)	123,056	\$1,072.37	\$46.29	34
Average	\$38,333	\$215,059	(\$176,726)	7,239	\$63.08	\$2.72	2

Some state historic sites are closed to the public or open by appointment only.

## FY 23 MUSEUM REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Name	FY 23 Revenue	FY 23 Expenditure	Profit / Deficit	FY 23 Visitation	Cost per Visitor	Revenue per Visitor	Avg. T.O.
Cabildo	\$255,338.34	\$765,334.07	(\$509,995.73)	79,231	\$9.66	\$3.22	7
Presbytere	\$243,952.57	\$1,258,874.94	(\$1,014,922.37)	46,027	\$27.35	\$5.30	41
1850 House	\$20,885.51	\$2,602.88	\$18,282.63	6,408	\$0.41	\$3.26	0
Jazz Museum	\$300,482.11	\$743,640.27	(\$443,158.16)	53,801	\$13.82	\$5.59	7
Capitol Park	\$224,102.75	\$569,550.20	(\$345,447.45)	29,752	\$6.64	\$2.61	7
Patterson	\$10,053.56	\$189,941.32	(\$179,887.76)	4,776	\$39.77	\$2.11	2
E.D. White	\$800.00	\$77,101.20	(\$76,301.20)	360	\$214.17	\$2.22	1
LASHOF	\$32,467.69	\$403,432.53	(\$370,964.84)	5,658	\$71.30	\$5.74	3
Total	\$1,088,082.53	\$4,010,477.41	(\$2,922,394.88)	226013.00	\$383.12	\$30.05	68.00
Average	\$136,010.32	\$501,309.68	(\$365,299.36)	28251.63	\$47.89	\$3.76	8.50