

# BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

General government operations and capital projects funded for Fiscal Year 2002/2003 represent a broad range of general services provided by Leon County. This includes services provided by the legislative and administrative branches of County government like the County Commission and the County Administrator. Additionally, general government funding is allocated in support of services provided by the Property Appraiser, the Tax Collector, the Supervisor of Elections, the County Attorney, and the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department.

### FUNDING

In Fiscal Year 2002/2003 a total of \$23,511,369 was allocated by the Board of County Commissioners in support of general government operations. This allocation represents almost 13% of the total Fiscal Year 2002/2003 budget.

### HIGHLIGHTS

Key highlights of the Fiscal Year 2002/2003 operating and capital budget, with respect to general government services include:

- ◆ As authorized by the County Commission, FY 2002/2003 will be the first year that low-income seniors are able to realize an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption.
- ◆ County Administration will provide continued leadership and guidance on several major issues including the Charter Government initiative.
- ◆ The FY 2002/2003 budget provides continued support of all Leon County's Constitutional Officers.
- ◆ The FY 2002/2003 provides continued support for the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department.
- ◆ Capital projects funded in support of general government services include several MIS and GIS projects in an effort to improve and maintain a high level of technical capability among the entire Leon County governmental organization.



The County Information desk is located on the Plaza Level of the County Courthouse.

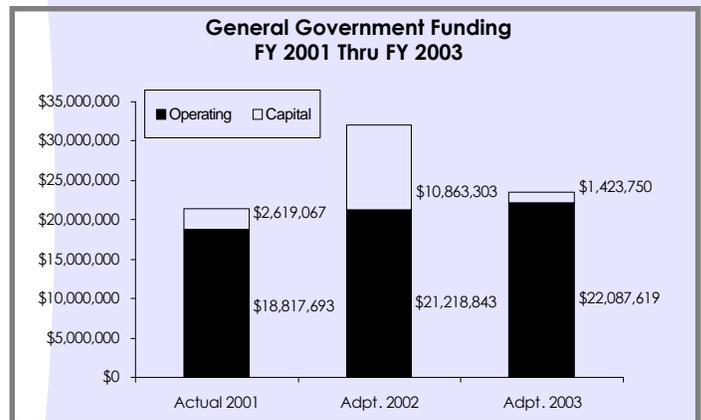


Figure 10: General Government funding for the past three fiscal years.

## COUNTY FACT

Due to the Commission authorizing a senior low-income homestead exemption in FY 2002, over 1700 County citizens will realize over \$314,000 in property tax savings.