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ANNUAL BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year 2024-25

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Budget Methodology

The Sacramento County Employee Retirement System (SCERS) Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual Budget of \$21,485,000 represents the financial resource needs to achieve SCERS strategic priorities and initiatives. The following budget methods are utilized in the SCERS 2024-2025 annual operating budget:

Salaries and Benefits:

- Salaries and benefits are projected using 26 pay period payroll costs ending in December 2023, plus adjustments for new positions.
- Salary savings are calculated based on the anticipated hire dates of vacant positions.
- Retirement Debt Service, Workers Compensation Insurance, and Unemployment Insurance are derived from the County Allocated Cost Package (ACP).
- Terminal pay and overtime are estimated based on the prior year's actual expenses and adjusted accordingly for current needs.

Services and Supplies:

 Service and supplies are based on charges derived from Allocated Cost Package, County Department of Technology, and SCERS' prior year actual expenses adjusted accordingly for current needs. Certain line items are based on contract amounts and anticipated cost changes.

Other Charges:

- Depreciation expense includes depreciation for Leased Assets and IT Equipment purchased in prior and current fiscal years.
- The Countywide Cost Plan Allocation are costs allocated to SCERS for central government support.
- The Amortization of Intangible Assets is amortized on software projects implemented in prior and current fiscal years.

Contingencies:

• Contingencies are calculated using 1% of the total budgeted amounts for Salaries and Benefits, Service and Supplies, and Other Charges.

Capitalized Costs:

 Capitalized costs are composed of capital improvement projects, new workflow software system, and IT equipment purchases. The budgeted amount is based on contract amounts and anticipated spending.

Budget Changes

Significant changes to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget are outlined below.

Salaries and Benefits:

Increase of 2.7% to reflect salaries, COLA, and steps adjustments. No new positions are requested.

Services and Supplies:

- Increase in Software of \$286,000 or 100.0% is due to reclassification of charges from Information Technology Services to Software.
- Increase in Medical Services of \$230,000 or 115.0% is due to the anticipated increase of the disability cases being processed.
- Increase in Department of Technology Labor (DTech) of \$216,000 or 161.2% is due to the anticipated increase of projects and associated DTech costs.
- Increase in Business/Conference Expense of \$41,000 or 29.7% due to anticipated increase of staff attending trainings and conferences.
- Increase in Election Services of \$35,000 or 100.0% is due to Board elections anticipated in FY 24-25.
- Decrease in Information Technology Services of \$964,000 or 97.9% is mainly due to a project oversight contract ending December 2023 and other line items reclassified to Software.
- Decrease in Temporary Staffing of \$260,000 or 56.5% is due to the decrease in costs to accommodate short-term staffing needs for transition projects.
- Decrease in Education & Training Services of \$123,000 or 87.9% is due to training contract ending December 31, 2024 and Linea contract ending December 2023.
- Decrease of Other Professional Services of \$17,000 or 5.4% is due to contracts expiring. Other Professional Services include \$125,000 for Strategic Planning and \$60,000 for Compliance Audit consultants.

Budget Changes (Continued)

Other Charges:

Decrease in Amortization on Intangible Assets of \$17,193,000 or 99.3% is due to amortizing previously capitalized assets, as well as amortization of new software solutions, which are expected to be ready for their intended use in FY 24-25.

Capitalized Costs:

- Increase on IT Equipment of \$43,000 or 84.3% is due to anticipated purchase of new equipment.
- Increase in Software System Development of \$750,000 or 75.0% is due to anticipated implementation of new software.

Category Changes of Isolated Expenses:

FY 2024-25 Budget re-categorized specific expenses within a prior year category for a more accurate description. See below for affected categories.

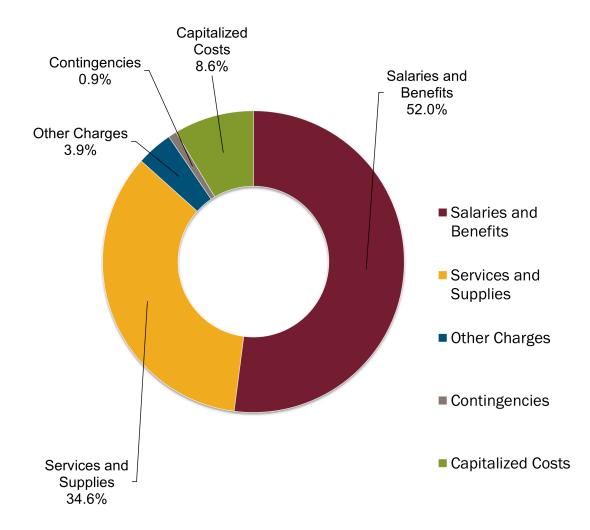
FY 2024-25	Included in FY 2023-24
Business/Conference Expense	Business Conferences and Travel
Software	Information Technology Services
Software	Data Processing
Information Technology Services	Other Professional Services
Education & Training	Other Professional Services
Other Professional Services	Periodicals & Subscriptions

BUDGET SUMMARY BY EXPENSE TYPE

(Dollar Amounts Rounded to the Nearest Thousand)

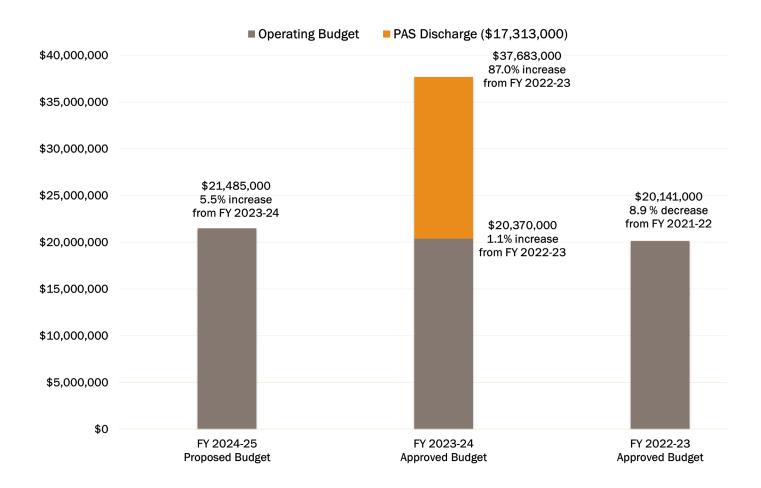
	FY 2024-25		FY 2023-24 to FY	ı	FY 2023-24	FY 2022-23			
Expense Type	Pro	posed Budget	2024-25 Change (%)	24-25 Change (%) Approved Budge		Approved Budget		Amended Budge	
Salaries and Benefits	\$	11,183,000	2.7%	\$	10,894,000	\$	8,856,000		
Services and Supplies		7,430,000	-2.2%		7,597,000		7,649,000		
Other Charges		834,000	-95.4%		17,949,000		691,000		
Contingencies		194,000	1.0%		192,000		172,000		
Total		19,641,000	-46.4%		36,632,000		17,368,000		
Capitalized Costs		1,844,000	75.5%		1,051,000		2,773,000		
Grand Total	\$	21,485,000	-43.0%	\$	37,683,000	\$	20,141,000		

FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 PROPOSED BUDGET BY EXPENSE TYPE



THREE-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON

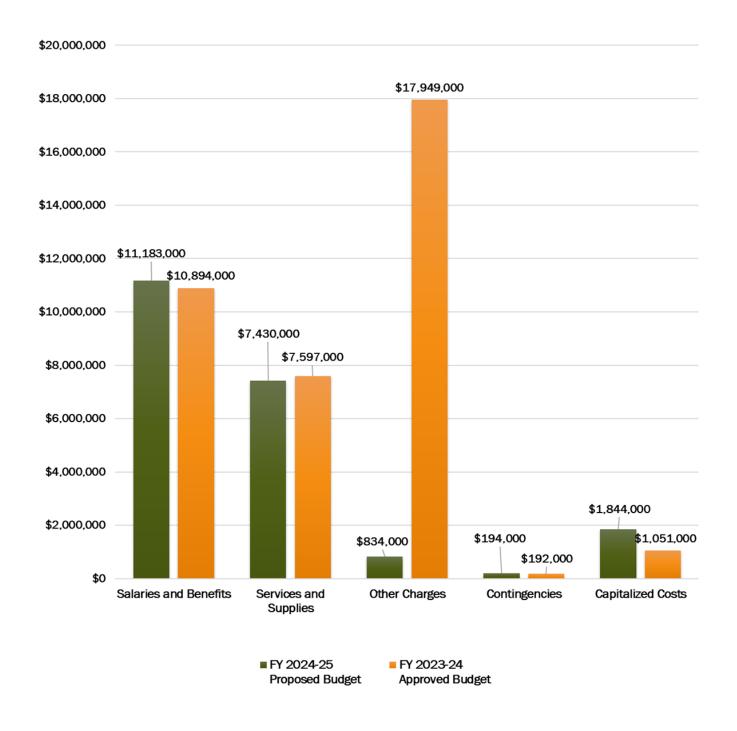
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For FY2023-24, the 87% increase is inclusive of the one-time, full amortization of the capitalized Pension Administration System (PAS) project incurred in prior years.

For FY 2024-25 the 5.5% proposed increase reflects new spending compared to FY 2023-24 Approved budget, excluding FY 2023-24 Pension Administration System (PAS) project.

FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 PROPOSED BUDGET AND FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 APPROVED BUDGET



Functional Area Allocation Approach

Functions:

- Administration Team administers office and facility management, human resources, and agency administration duties.
- Benefits Team oversees the administration of benefits and related member services.
- Board of Retirement Members attend business conferences and Board meetings to oversee the SCERS Agency.
- Finance Team manages financial processes, including budgeting, accounting, cash management, financial planning and analysis, and financial reporting.
- Information Technology Team supports functionality of information technology software, maintenance and equipment, and the IT modernization program.
- Investment Team monitors the oversight and implementation of the investment program.

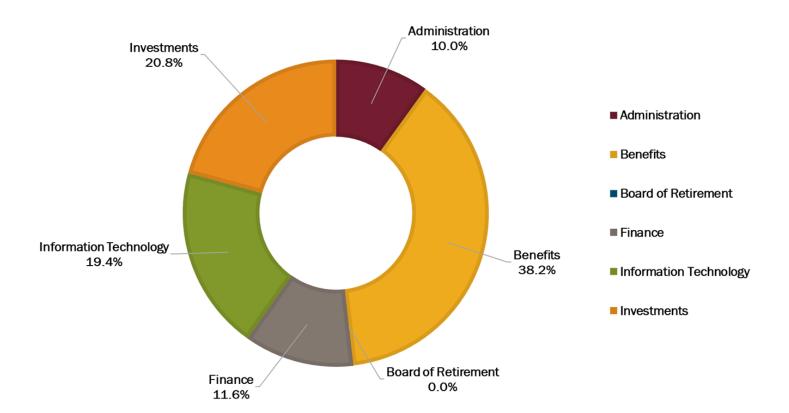
Methodology:

The following summarizes the methodologies used to allocate direct and indirect expenses:

- Salary and Benefit costs are allocated to each function. A salary and benefit percent-tototal is calculated for each respective function and utilized to allocate expenses. The Board of Retirement function is comprised of stipends for non-County employed Board members to attend regular and special Board and Committee meetings.
- Services and Supplies
 - Indirect expenses such as County allocated costs, fiduciary liability insurance, office supplies, postage and printing services, and rents are allocated based on the Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) functional percent-to-total. Indirect expenses are not charged to the Board of Retirement function.
 - Direct expenses such as actuarial, information technology expenses, investmentrelated expenses and legal expenses are charged directly to the respective functions incurring the costs.
- Other Charges are comprised of depreciation expenses, Countywide cost allocation, and amortization of intangible assets. Other charges are allocated to all functions except Board of Retirement based on the Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) functional percent-to-total.
- Contingencies are allocated to all functions except Board of Retirement based on the Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) functional percent-to-total.
- Capitalized Costs are comprised of new developments of software systems and IT equipment. Capitalized costs are allocated to the Information Technology function.

Proposed Budget by Function

FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 FUNCTIONAL BUDGET



FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 FUNCTIONAL BUDGET SUMMARY

	Administration					
Expense Type		Percentage				
Salaries and Benefits	\$	1,667,009	14.9%			
Services and Supplies		359,834	4.8%			
Other Charges		91,411	11.0%			
Total		2,118,254	10.9%			
Contingencies		21,263	11.0%			
Capitalized Costs		-	0.0%			
Total		21,263	1.0%			
GRAND TOTAL	\$	2,139,517	10.0%			

Benefi	ts
Amount	Percentage
\$ 4,963,272	44.4%
2,646,382	35.6%
493,816	59.2%
8,103,470	41.7%
114,869	59.2%
-	0.0%
114,869	5.6%
\$ 8,218,339	38.2%

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	Board of Ret	tirement
	Amount	Percentage
\$	8,000	0.1%
		0.0%
		0.0%
	8,000	0.0%
	-	0.0%
	-	0.0%
	-	0.0%
\$	8,000	0.0%

	Finance						
Expense Type		Amount	Percentage				
Salaries and Benefits	\$	1,845,573	16.5%				
Services and Supplies		489,858	6.6%				
Other Charges		124,442	14.9%				
Total		2,459,873	12.6%				
Contingencies		28,947	14.9%				
Capitalized Costs			0.0%				
Total		28,947	1.4%				
GRAND TOTAL	\$	2,488,820	11.6%				

Information To	echnology	
Amount	Percentage	
\$ 1,134,361	10.1%	
1,103,439	14.9%	
69,463	8.3%	
2,307,263	11.9%	
16,158	8.3%	
1,844,000	100.0%	
1,860,158	91.3%	
\$ 4,167,421	19.4%	
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Investments							
Amount Percentage							
\$ 1,564,785	14.0%						
2,830,487	38.1%						
54,868	6.6%						
4,450,140	22.9%						
12,763	6.6%						
	0.0%						
12,763	0.6%						
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\$ 4,462,903	20.8%						

Expense Type	Amount
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 11,183,000
Services and Supplies	7,430,000
Other Charges	834,000
Total	19,447,000
Contingencies	194,000
Capitalized Costs	1,844,000
Total	2,038,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 21,485,000

Budget Detail

	1	FY 2024-25	Increase/			FY 2023-24	\$ Ex	/ 2023-24 pended As of	FY 2023-24 Percentage Expended as	FY 2023-24 Anticipated Percentage Expended at
ACCOUNT TITLE	Pro	posed Budget	Decrease	Percentage %	A	pproved Budget	12	2/31/2023	12/31/2023	6/30/2024
Salaries and Benefits	١.				١.					
Salaries & Wages-Regular Employees	\$	7,612,000	\$ 169,000	2.3%	Ι΄.		\$	2,710,478	36%	73%
Salaries & Wages-Committee Members		8,000	-	0.0%	ı	8,000		4,240	53%	106%
Salaries & Wages-Time & One Half O/T		10,000	-	0.0%		10,000		3,240	32%	65%
Salaries & Wages-Straight Time O/T		2,000	(2,000)	-50.0%		4,000		423	11%	21%
Salaries & Wages-Premium Pay		107,000	2,000	1.9%		105,000		47,876	46%	91%
Extra Help		-	(52,000)	-100.0%		52,000		225	0%	1%
Allowances		6,000	-	0.0%		6,000		3,025	50%	101%
Terminal Pay		44,000	(31,000)	-41.3%		75,000		24,684	33%	66%
Employee Assistance Program (EAP)		2,000	(2,000)	-50.0%		4,000		887	22%	44%
County Employee Plan Select		4,000	(2,000)	-33.3%		6,000		1,650	28%	55%
Group Insurance		1,020,000	58,000	6.0%		962,000		276,099	29%	57%
Dental Plan		97,000	(38,000)	-28.1%		135,000		48,407	36%	72%
Health Savings		49,000	-	0.0%		49,000		16,350	33%	67%
Life Insurance		1,000	-	0.0%		1,000		363	36%	73%
OASDI		540,000	45,000	9.1%		495,000		176,024	36%	71%
401A Plan		100,000	2,000	2.0%		98,000		40,477	41%	83%
Retirement-1995/2003 POB Debt Service		-	(329,000)	-100.0%		329,000		164,639	50%	100%
Retirement-2004 POB Debt Service		675,000	506,000	299.4%		169,000		80,089	47%	95%
Retirement-Normal & UAAL		1,559,000	(80,000)	-4.9%		1,639,000		562,682	34%	69%
Unemployment Insurance		-	(7,000)	-100.0%		7,000		-	0%	0%
Workers Compensation Insurance		18,000	1,000	5.9%		17,000		8,409	49%	99%
Salary Savings Factor		(671,000)	49,000	-6.8%	l	(720,000)		-	0%	0%
Salaries and Benefits Total	\$	11,183,000	\$ 289,000	2.7%	\$	10,894,000	\$	4,170,267	38%	77%

Budget Detail (Continued)

ACCOUNT TITLE	FY 2024-25 Proposed	Increase/	Percentage	FY 2023-24 Approved	FY 2023-24 \$ Expended As of	FY 2023-24 Percentage Expended as	FY 2023-24 Anticipated Percentage Expended at
ACCOUNT TITLE	Budget	Decrease	%	Budget	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	6/30/2024
Services and Supplies	4.000	Φ.	0.00/	4 000	Φ 240	240/	600/
401A Adminnistrative Services- ACP	, ,	\$ -	0.0%	,		31%	62%
Accounting Services	79,000	4,000	5.3%	75,000	66,618	89%	89%
Actuarial Services	155,000	5,000	3.3%	150,000	109,304	73%	100%
Advertising/Legal Notices	4,000	-	0.0%	4,000	1,937	48%	97%
Alarm Services	2,000	7.000	0.0%	2,000	1,069	53%	107%
Assessment Collection	7,000	7,000	100.0%	-	9,712	100%	100%
Benefit Administration Services- ACP	14,000	3,000	27.3%	11,000	5,292	48%	96%
Board Meetings	6,000	-	0.0%	6,000	2,402	40%	80%
Building Maintenance Services	70,000	-	0.0%	70,000	1,727	2%	7%
Business Conference and Travel	-	(138,000)	-100.0%	138,000	58,313	42%	85%
Business/Conference Expense	179,000	179,000	100.0%	-	-	100%	0%
County Facility Use Charges	4,000	-	0.0%	4,000	1,875	47%	94%
Countywide IT Services - ACP	67,000	10,000	17.5%	57,000	28,642	50%	100%
Data Processing Supplies	30,000	9,000	42.9%	21,000	12,243	58%	117%
Department of Finance Services	325,000	1,000	0.3%	324,000	138,363	43%	85%
Department of Technology Fee- ACP	64,000	17,000	36.2%	47,000	30,525	65%	130%
Department of Technology Labor	350,000	216,000	161.2%	134,000	92,364	69%	138%
Department of Technology Labor- ACP	12,000	-	0.0%	12,000	6,326	53%	105%
Department Services Transportation- ACP	70,000	(43,000)	-38.1%	113,000	56,468	50%	100%
DPS Department Services Team	176,000	2,000	1.1%	174,000	87,000	50%	100%
Education & Training Services	17,000	(123,000)	-87.9%	140,000	625	0%	1%
Election Services	35,000	35,000	100.0%			100%	0%
Employee Recognition	25,000	(5,000)	-16.7%	30,000	4,734	16%	32%
Employee Tuition Reimbursement	11,000	(3,000)	-21.4%	14,000	1,500	11%	21%
Employee Services- ACP	53,000	17,000	47.2%	36,000	18,107	50%	100%
Finance Internal Audits- ACP	3,000	1,000	50.0%	2,000	1,206	60%	121%
Finance Payment Services- ACP	45,000	29,000	181.3%	16,000	8,199	51%	102%
Finance Payroll Services- ACP	4,000	1,000	33.3%	3,000	1,715	57%	114%
Finance System Control & Recon- ACP	20,000	5,000	33.3%	15,000	7,580	51%	101%
GS-Mail/Postage Charges	170,000	30,000	21.4%	140,000	74,094	53%	106%
GS-Messenger Services	6,000	1,000	20.0%	5,000	2,662	53%	106%
GS-Parking Charges	87,000	(43,000)	-33.1%	130,000	33,180	26%	33%
GS-Printing Services	50,000	25,000	100.0%	25,000	19,102	76%	153%
GS-Purchasing Services	4,000	2,000	100.0%	2,000	10,315	516%	1032%
GS-Surplus Property Management	4,000	1,000	33.3%	3,000	24,223	807%	1615%
GS-Warehousing Charges	1,000	-	0.0%	1,000	90	9%	18%
Information Technology Services	21,000	(964,000)	-97.9%	985,000	218,713	22%	30%
Insurance-Premium	203,000	-	0.0%	203,000	173,538	85%	85%
Interest Expense-Lease (ROU) Investment Services/Consultants and	228,000	(25,000)	-9.9%	253,000	128,682	51%	102%
Other	1,937,000	181,000	10.3%	1,756,000	1,407,738	80%	125%
Labor Relations Services- ACP	11,000	2,000	22.2%	9,000	4,501	50%	100%
Land Line Charges- ACP	-	-	0.0%	-	9,660	0%	0%
Legal Services	1,225,000	125,000	11.4%	1,100,000	244,033	22%	44%
Liability Insurance- ACP	67,000	19,000	39.6%	48,000		0%	0%

Budget Detail (Continued)

ACCOUNT TITLE	FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget	Increase/	Percentage %	FY 2023-24 Approved Budget	FY 2023-24 \$ Expended As of 12/31/2023	FY 2023-24 Percentage Expended as 12/31/2023	FY 2023-24 Anticipated Percentage Expended at 6/30/2024
Medical Services	430,000	230,000	115.0%	200,000	179,397	90%	179%
Memberships	35,000	5,000	16.7%	30,000	15,888	53%	106%
Office Equipment Maintenance	2,000	2,000	100.0%	-	-	100%	100%
Office Equipment Modular Furniture	26,000	1,000	4.0%	25,000	660	3%	5%
Office Supplies	15,000	(8,000)	-34.8%	23,000	2,356	10%	20%
Other Professional Services	297,000	(17,000)	-5.4%	314,000	81,131	26%	52%
Periodicals & Subscriptions	5,000	-	0.0%	5,000	39,857	797%	900%
Postage Services	25,000	5,000	25.0%	20,000	3,641	18%	36%
Printing Services	23,000	9,000	64.3%	14,000	11,429	82%	163%
Rents/Leases- Equipment	12,000	-	0.0%	12,000	7,295	61%	122%
Rents/Leases/RL Property	48,000	-	0.0%	48,000	21,131	44%	88%
Reporting Services	30,000	(20,000)	-40.0%	50,000	1,531	3%	6%
Safety Program- ACP	1,000	-	0.0%	1,000	540	54%	108%
Security Services	1,000	-	0.0%	1,000	-	0%	0%
Software	286,000	286,000	100.0%		10,670	100%	100%
Telecommunication	19,000	1,000	5.6%	18,000	1,558	9%	0%
Telecommunication- ACP	9,000	(3,000)	-25.0%	12,000	3,246	27%	54%
Temporary Staffing Services	200,000	(260,000)	-56.5%	460,000	105,393	23%	46%
Training Services- ACP	13,000	3,000	30.0%	10,000	4,757	48%	95%
Transcribing Services	1,000	(9,000)	-90.0%	10,000		0%	0%
Wide Area Network	110,000	25,000	29.4%	85,000	42,267	50%	99%
Services and Supplies Total	\$ 7,430,000	\$ (167,000)	-2.2%	\$ 7,597,000	\$ 3,637,436	48%	80%

ACCOUNT TITLE	FY 2024-25 oposed Budget	Increase/	Percentage %	FY 2023-24 proved Budget	 FY 2023-24 Expended As of 12/31/2023	FY 2023-24 Percentage Expended as 12/31/2023	FY 2023-24 Anticipated Percentage Expended at 6/30/2024
Other Charges							
Amortization on Intangible Assets	\$ 120,000	\$ (17,193,000)	-99.3%	\$ 17,313,000	\$ 17,313,000	100%	100%
Countywide Cost Allocation- ACP	68,000	68,000	100.0%			100%	100%
Depreciation Expense	646,000	10,000	1.6%	636,000	317,938	50%	100%
Other Charges Total	\$ 834,000	\$ (17,115,000)	-95.4%	\$ 17,949,000	\$ 17,630,938	98%	100%
Contingencies Appropriation For Contingencies	\$ 194.000	\$ 2.000	1.0%	\$ 192,000	\$ -	0%	100%
Contingencies Total	\$ 194,000	\$ 2,000	1.0%	192,000	\$ -	0%	-100%
TOTAL	\$ 19,641,000	\$ (16,991,000)	-46.4%	\$ 36,632,000	\$ 25,438,641	69%	89%
Capitalized Costs							
IT Equipment	\$ 94,000	\$ 43,000	84.3%	\$ 51,000	\$ 17,822	35%	187%
Software System Development	1,750,000	750,000	75.0%	1,000,000	417,659	42%	84%
Capitalized Costs Total	\$ 1,844,000	\$ 793,000	75.5%	\$ 1,051,000	\$ 435,481	41%	89%
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 21,485,000	\$ (16,198,000)	-43.0%	\$ 37,683,000	\$ 25,874,122	69%	92%

Summary of Positions

	FY 2024-25 Change	Requested	Approved	Filled		
Position Title	Request	FY 2024-25	FY 2023-24	FY 2023-24 (*)		
Accountant	0	2	2	2		
Accounting Manager	0	2	2	2		
Accounting Technician	0	3	3	3		
Admin Svcs Officer 1	0	1	1	1		
Admin Svcs Officer 2	0	1	1	1		
Asst Retirement Admin-Benefits Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Asst. Retirement Administrator-Enterprise Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Asst Retirement Admin-Investment Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Asst Retirement Admin-Operations Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Chief Investment Officer Retirement Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Executive Secretary	0	1	1	1		
Info Tech Applications Analyst Lv 2	0	1	1	1		
Info Tech Systems Supp Spec Lv 2	0	1	1	1		
Office Specialist Lv 1	0	4	4	4		
Office Specialist Lv 2	0	6	6	3		
Paralegal	0	2	2	1		
Retirement Administrator	0	1	1	1		
Retirement Benefits Specialist Lv 1	0	6	6	3		
Retirement Benefits Specialist Lv 2	0	12	12	12		
Retirement General Counsel Rng B	0	1	1	1		
Retirement Investment Analyst Lv 2	0	1	1	1		
Retirement Services Analyst	0	3	3	1		
Retirement Services Manager	0	2	2	2		
Retirement Services Supervisor	0	4	4	2		
Sr Accountant	0	3	3	3		
Sr Accounting Manager	0	1	1	1		
Sr Public Information Officer	0	1	1	1		
Sr Retirement Benefits Specialist	0	7	7	5		
Sr Retirement Investment Officer	0	2	2	2		
Supv Information Technology Analyst	0	1	1	1		
Info Tech Business Systems Analyst 3	0	1	1	1		
Information Technology Technician Lv 2	0	1	1	1		
Grand Total	0	76	76	63		

Note: SCERS' proposed budget headcount for fiscal year 2024-25 is 76, which does not include the Senior Personnel Analyst (SPA). The SPA position is contracted through the County Department of Personnel Services.

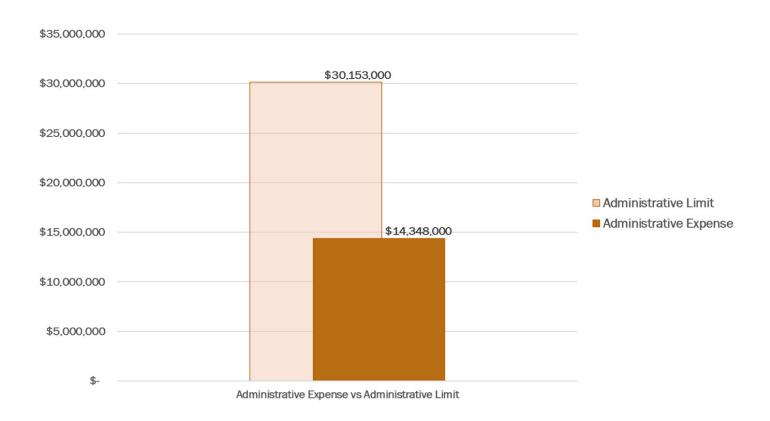
^(*) Fiscal year 2023-24 filled positions are presented as of March 1, 2024.

Administrative Expense Annual Budget Limit

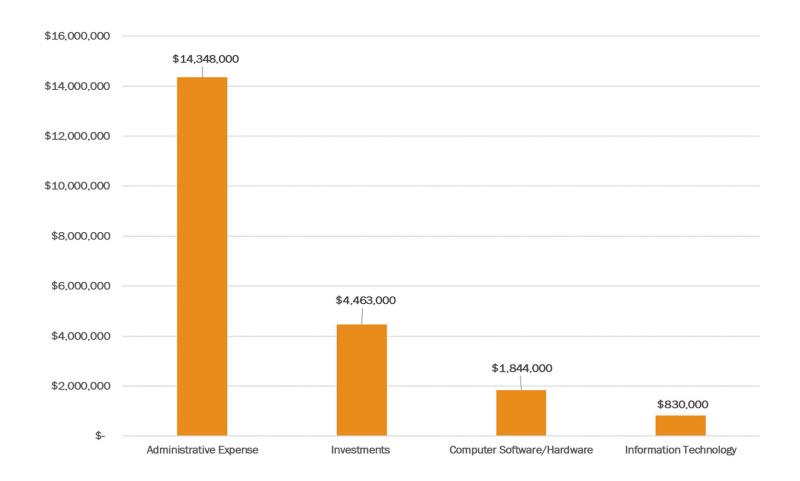
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	%		FY 2024-25	%		FY 2023-24	F	Increase/ (Decrease) rom PY Budget
Total Budget		\$	21,485,000		\$	37,683,000		(16,198,000)
Investments Related Costs			(4,463,000)			(5,400,000)		937,000
Computer Software/Hardware & Computer			(1,844,000)			(18,364,000)		16,520,000
Technology Consulting services Costs			(830,000)			(1,122,000)		292,000
Administrative Expenses Budget		\$	14,348,000		\$	12,797,000	\$	1,551,000
Total Actuarial Accrued Liability as of								
June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, respectively		\$2	14,358,854,000		\$:	13,578,984,000		\$779,870,000
Administrative Expenses Budget Limit at								
Twenty-one Hundredths of One Percent	0.21%		\$30,153,000	0.21%		\$28,515,000		\$1,638,000
Administrative Expenses Budget	0.10%		14,348,000	0.09%		12,797,000		0.01%
Budget Limit in Excess of Administrative								
Expenses	0.11%		\$15,805,000	0.12%		\$15,718,000		-0.01%

FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 BUDGET LIMIT SUMMARY



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Glossary

Account Title and Description

401A Administrative Services - ACP

Expenses attributed to the administration of the 401A.

401A Plan

Employer's 3% match of management employee's salary, including premium pay and auto allowance, for the IRC 401(a) Retirement Savings Deferred Compensation Plan.

Accounting Services

Expenses related to annual external audit.

Actuarial Services

Expenses attributed to actuarial services.

Advertising/Legal Notices

Expenses comprised of publicizing public hearings, legal notices, employment announcements, and solicitations for professional consultants and service providers.

Alarm Services

Expenses related to alarm services allocated from the County Department of General Services.

Allowances

This line item is comprised of car allowance provided to the Chief Executive Officer.

Amortization of Intangible Assets

This is amortization expense of intangible assets, including the Pension Administration System (PAS).

Appropriation for Contingencies

This line item is comprised of 1% of the total Salaries and Benefits, total Services and Supplies, and Other Charges expenses.

Assessment Collection

This line item is County Revenue Recovery fees for the collection of outstanding accounts receivables.

Benefit Administration Services - ACP

Expenses related to the administration of employee benefits. The costs are allocated based on the number of permanent authorized positions.

Board Meetings

Retirement Board expenses, including refreshments and meals.

Building Maintenance Services

Expenses related to building maintenance, including lighting installments, electrical system maintenance, and other utility services.

Business Conferences and Travel

In Fiscal Year 2024-2025, this account title is renamed to "Business/Conference Expense."

Business/Conference Expense

Expenses comprised of educational seminars, conferences, and meetings attended by Board members and SCERS staff, including registration, hotel, transportation, meals, tolls, parking and other travel costs. This account title was previously known as "Business Conference and Travel".

County Employee Plan Select

Expenses related to the cost of employee plan selection and changes.

County Facility Use Charges

This is a County allocated cost for the County's shared meeting room based on the applicable facility's per-square-foot costs as calculated by the Department of General Services, Department of Regional Parks, and Risk Management. The costs are allocated based on the number of permanent authorized positions.

Countywide Cost Allocation - ACP

This is a County allocated cost indirect overhead and support service costs. Additional services are provided separately which are distributed through billing or cost transfer mechanisms such as Employee Fringe Benefits, County Executive Office, Labor Relations, Data Processing-Shared Systems, Civil Service Commission, Personnel Services, Finance, County Counsel, Regional Parks, General Services, Liability, Worker's Compensation, Regional Radio Communications System, Department of Technology, and other cost allocations.

Countywide IT Services - ACP

This is a County allocated cost for services provided by the Department of Technology which include County data centers, Countywide service desk, Countywide security, 3-1-1 contact center/Countywide communications center, and policy and planning initiatives. The charges are prepared based on historical usage data and input from County Departments.

Data Processing Supplies

Expenses for purchases of non-capitalized equipment, software, and supplies, including computers, monitors, laptop computers, and printers.

Dental Plan

Expenses related to the cost of the employee dental plan.

Department of Finance Services

Expenses related to pension payroll services performed by the County Department of Finance. Charges are based on the cost per warrant and the total number of warrants processed.

Department of Technology Fee - ACP

Expenses related to services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Technology for Power Business Intelligence, data storage, and virtual servers.

Department of Technology Labor

Expenses related to services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Technology for special projects and internal orders.

Department of Technology Labor - ACP

Expenses related to services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Technology for desktop support, server support, and data migration.

Department Services Transportation - ACP

Expenses related to transportation services offered by the County Department of General Services for facilitation of transportation.

Depreciation Expense

Depreciation expense for capital assets such as building improvements, furniture, computer hardware, information system, office equipment, and leased buildings (GASB 87).

DPS Department Services Teams

This is a County allocated cost for personnel services, including central human resources, employee benefits, and labor relations services provided by the Department of Personnel Services. Personnel services costs are allocated based on SCERS' total FTE positions. In addition, SCERS is charged directly for the Senior Personnel Analyst position assigned exclusively to SCERS.

Education & Training Services

Expenses pertaining to training and education, including annual membership of online learning programs.

Election Services

Expenses related to SCERS Board member elections.

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Expenses pertaining to employee assistance programs.

Employee Recognition

Expenses comprised of water and coffee supplies for staff, refreshments for staff meetings, and other employee recognition items.

Employee Tuition Reimbursement

Employee tuition reimbursement payments that range from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per employee, based on the employee's bargaining unit and labor agreement.

Employment Services - ACP

Expenses related to employment services support, such as hiring and termination.

Extra Help

This line item is comprised of temporary employees. Retired temporary employees are limited to 960 hours per year.

Finance Internal Audits - ACP

Expenses related to internal audit services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Finance.

Finance Payment Services - ACP

Expenses related to payment services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Finance.

Finance Payroll Services - ACP

Expense related to payroll services provided by County of Sacramento Department of Finance.

Finance System Control & Recon - ACP

This is the County allocated cost for maintaining overall function of the County's financial system - COMPASS, by performing system testing, upgrading, responding to service desk tickets, and maintaining user security. The costs of the System Control & Reconciliation unit are allocated to County departments and offices based on transaction counts for all document types, except payment issuance and payment clearing transactions.

Group Insurance

Employer's contributions of health and dental insurance premiums. This is provided in the County's Personnel Cost Forecasting Report which calculates prior calendar year actual premium payments through December pay period 26 and adjusted to incorporate anticipated staffing changes in the budgeted fiscal year.

GS-Mail/Postage Charges

Expenses related to U.S. postage and handling fees for sorted and unsorted first class mailings and certified mailings provided by County Department of General Services, including distribution of notices and forms to SCERS members, and postage costs for pension warrant and annual statements. The total annual cost for postage is determined by usage. Refer to account line-item Postage Services for mailing services provided by external vendor.

GS-Messenger Services

This is a County allocated cost from County Department of General Services for delivery of County inter-departmental mail. Annual cost is based on each daily mail/messenger pick-up or delivery stop.

GS-Parking Charges

Expense for parking space provided to employees.

GS-Printing Services

Expenses for quantity printing service provided by County Department of General Services, including forms, letters, and other materials. The annual printing cost depends upon the size and complexity of printing services requested. See account line-item Printing Services for printing services provided by external vendors.

GS-Purchasing Services

This is a County allocated cost from County Department of General Services, Contract and Purchasing Services Division, for a centralized purchasing process and for monitoring contracted vendor performance and resolving problems with vendors. Costs are based upon SCERS' pro-rata share of the combined purchase order dollar values by fund center. Data from COMPASS for the most recent full fiscal year is used as the basis for allocation.

GS-Surplus Property Management

This is a County allocated cost from County Department of General Services for services related to collection, classification, storage, and redistribution of surplus county-owned equipment, vehicles, and other personal property. The costs are allocated based on SCERS' total FTE positions.

GS-Warehousing Charges

Expenses related to central warehouse and records management service provided by County Department of General Services, including the receipt, storage, retrieval, and destruction of semi-active and/or inactive records. Costs are based upon SCERS' space usage in square footage at a rate of \$0.73 per square foot.

Health Savings

This line item includes the Retirement Health Savings Plan (RHSP) costs for each eligible employee at \$25 per pay period.

Information Technology Services

Expenses related to SCERS' public website hosting, intranet hosting, and maintenance and application support for the Pension Administration System.

Insurance - Premium

This represents the annual fiduciary insurance policy cost.

Interest Expense-Lease (ROU)

Interest expense portion of SCERS office lease payments. Governmental Accounting Standard Board Statement No. 87 requires lessee (SCERS) to reduce the lease liability as payments are made and recognize an outflow of resources for interest on the liability.

Investment Services/Consultants and Other

Investment-related expenses for consulting services and third-party vendor services, including the accounting and reporting of private market investments. This line item excludes investment manager fees, which are paid directly from investment and are not included in the budget.

IT Equipment

This line item is to record any large purchases of Information Technology (IT) equipment that is to be capitalized, including portable computers (PCs), laptops, and tablets.

Labor Relations Services - ACP

This is a County allocated cost from the County Office of Labor Relations for administering the collective bargaining process between the County and its employee organizations. This includes contract negotiations, administration, training, and resolving disputes through mediation, arbitration, and administrative hearings. The costs are allocated based on SCERS' total FTE positions.

Land Line Charges - ACP

This is the County allocated cost for administration of phone lines.

Legal Services

Expenses related to legal services, such as legal consultation and representation.

Liability Insurance - ACP

Expenses related to allocation of liability insurance from County of Sacramento.

Life Insurance

Expenses related to cost of employee life insurance.

Medical Services

Expenses pertaining to disability retirement applications processing, including independent medical examinations, laboratory work, and specialized copying services.

Memberships

Annual membership dues for professional associations.

OASDI

Employer's mandated Social Security and Medicare Tax payments.

Office Equipment Maintenance

Expenses comprised of maintenance of office equipment, such as desks, chairs, tables, filing cabinets, and other office furniture.

Office Equipment Modular Furniture

Expenses comprised of purchases of desks, chairs, tables, filing cabinets, and other office furniture.

Office Supplies

Expenses comprised of consumable supplies and miscellaneous office items.

Other Professional Services

Expenses attributed to professional services, such as graphic design, communication consulting, customer experience management, strategic planning, video production, photography, financial statements formatting, process improvement, and disaster recovery plan services.

Periodicals and Subscriptions

Expenses related to subscriptions, such as international business newspapers, daily financial newspapers, and other news and article subscriptions.

Postage Services

Expenses comprised of mail preparation services performed by contract vendors for presorting, stuffing and sealing envelopes, U.S. Postal Services for direct mailings, Federal Express charges, BRM Permit charges, and other express mailing services.

Printing Services

Expenses related to specialty printing, rush orders, and quantity printing, including member handbooks, member annual statements, newsletters to members, notices to members, envelopes, folders, portfolios, and stationery provided by contract vendors.

Rents/Leases-Equipment

Lease expenses for printers and photocopiers, including maintenance and repair service.

Rents/Leases/RL Property

Expenses related to lease operating expenses and storage fees.

Reporting Services

Expenses for contract services provided by the Office of Administrative Hearings related to disability retirement cases as required by the Retirement Board.

Retirement - 1995/2003 POB Debt Service

This is a County allocated cost pertaining to the principal and interest payments of the 1995/2003 Pension Obligation Bond (POB). Costs are allocated based on SCERS' total salaries.

Retirement - 2004 POB Debt Service

This is a County allocated cost pertaining to the principal and interest payments of the 2004 POB. Costs are allocated based on SCERS' total salaries.

Retirement - Normal & UAAL

This represents the employer's share of pension cost, which includes normal cost and Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) contributions.

Safety Program - ACP

This is a County allocated cost from the County Department of Personnel Services for managing the Countywide Safety/Accident Prevention and Industrial Hygiene programs. The costs of the Safety Program are allocated to SCERS based on the allocation methodology for the Workers' Compensation Insurance program (70 percent five-year claims history and 30 percent estimated risk calculated by weighted payroll).

Salaries & Wages - Committee Members

Salaries and wages for Board members who are not County employees to attend regular and special Board and Committee meetings.

Salaries & Wages - Premium Pay

Salaries and wages for pay differential based on a 3.35% management base pay, 5% pay differential for out of class staff, and 2.5% to 5% educational incentive for qualified employees in specified positions.

Salaries & Wages - Regular Employees

This line item is comprised of regular salaries and wages for Sacramento County Employee Retirement System (SCERS) personnel. SCERS uses the fiscal year 2023-24 Personnel Cost Forecasting (PCF) Report provided by County of Sacramento (County) as the basis, and updates anticipated staffing changes for fiscal year 2024-25. The PCF is based on data extracted from the human resources module of the Sacramento County Comprehensive Online Management Personnel and Accounting System (COMPASS) for pay period 26 ending December 2023, which includes a 4% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) based on the current Consumer Price Index estimates.

The budget reflects step increases based on the anniversary of an employee's start date. Exempt positions are budgeted based on anticipated step increases. Vacant positions are budgeted at the lowest step.

Salaries & Wages - Straight Time O/T

Straight overtime costs for operational needs, including leaves of absence and vacancies. Certain job classifications are paid straight overtime as prescribed by the labor agreements. Employees have the option to select monetary compensation or receive compensatory time off.

Salaries & Wages - Time & One-Half O/T

Salaries and wages time and one-half for operational needs, including leaves of absence and vacancies. Certain job classifications are paid regular time and one-half as prescribed by the labor agreements. Employees have the option to select monetary compensation or receive compensatory time off.

Salary Savings Factor

Salaries and benefits savings for vacant positions not anticipated to be filled during budgeted fiscal year periods.

Security Services

Expenses related to fingerprinting services provided by the State of California.

Software

Expenses related to software subscriptions.

Software System Development

This line item is comprised of capitalized costs related to SCERS' implementation of a workflow solution software, including the software and hardware costs (if any). Costs for the software related to activities in the application development stage will be capitalized and amortized over the estimated useful life of the software. Amortization of the capitalized costs will begin once the software is ready for its intended use.

Telecommunication

Expenses related to telecommunication outside of the County services, such as cell phones and television services.

Telecommunication - ACP

This is a County allocated cost from Department of Technology for telecommunication and cellular services, including in-house planning, installation and maintenance of telephone systems and ongoing support and security compliance of cellular telephone service and equipment, along with external vendor cellular telephone charges. The charges are prepared based on input from County departments and historical usage data, and represent estimated Department of Technology costs for the fiscal year.

Temporary Staffing Services

Temporary services to cover operational needs, temporary vacancies, leaves of absences, and special projects as needed.

Terminal Pay

This line item represents anticipated payments for accrued leave balances and for one-half of sick leave balances upon retirement for management employees.

Glossary (Continued)

Account Title and Description

Training Services - ACP

Expenses related to training support received by County of Sacramento.

Transcribing Services

Expenses related to qualified legal reporters to record disability retirement hearings, prepare transcripts as necessary, and copy medical reports.

Unemployment Insurance

County allocated cost for the administration of unemployment insurance claims. The costs are allocated to SCERS based on 90 percent five-year claims history and 10 percent total full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

Wide Area Network

This is a County allocated cost from Department of Technology for Wide Area Network (WAN), which includes infrastructure design, implementation, support, and maintenance services for the County's WAN. The charges are prepared based on historical usage data and County Departments' input regarding estimated Department of Technology costs for the fiscal year.

Workers Compensation Insurance-Employer Cost

Employer's cost for Workers' Compensation Insurance claims payments and administration. The costs are allocated to County departments based on 70 percent of a five-year claims history and 30 percent estimated risk calculated by weighted payroll. The County purchases excess Workers' Compensation insurance to cover claims above a self-insured retention of \$3.0 million.

