# AUGUSTA COUNTY POPULATION GROWTH

Year	Population	% Change
7/1/2023 est.	77,913	0.55%
4/1/2020 census	77,487	5%
2010 Census	73,750	

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Weldon Cooper

#### **LEADING EMPLOYERS**

<u>Employer</u>	# of Employees	
Augusta County School E	Board 1,000+	
Augusta Medical Center	1,000+	
Hershey Chocolate of VA	A 1,000+	
Target Corp	1,000+	
McKee Foods Corp	1,000+	
AAF McQuay, Inc.	500-999	
Hollister, Inc.	500-999	
County of Augusta	500-999	
NIBCO of Virginia	250-499	
University Instructors, In	nc. 250-499	

#### Unemployment Rate:

County – 2.3 % (Dec 2023) State – 2.7% (Dec, 2023) U.S. – 3.5% (Dec 2023)

#### **AUGUSTA COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS**

County Employees: 579 (incl. Social

Services)

Incorporated Towns in the County:

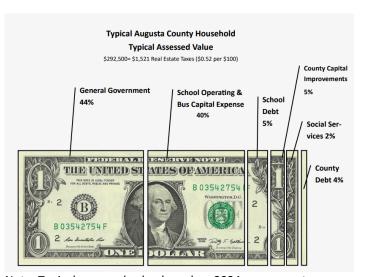
Craigsville

Independent Cities in the County:

Staunton and Waynesboro

Area in Square Miles: 968(2<sup>nd</sup> Largest in Virginia by total area)

Typical Assessed Value of a Home in the County\*\*: \$292,500



Note: Typical assessed value based on 2024 assessment.

Cost of Living\*: 10.2% lower than the US average

\*Source: <a href="www.bestplaces.net">www.bestplaces.net</a>
\*\*Source: Commissioner of Revenue

#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Chairman- Jeffery Slaven –North River
Vice-Chair – Pamela Carter –Pastures
Supervisor – G.L. "Butch" Wells-Beverley Manor
Supervisor – Michael Shull–Riverheads
Supervisor – Gerald Garber –Middle River
Supervisor – Carolyn Bragg — South River
Supervisor – Scott Seaton – Wayne

### **PROPERTY TAX HISTORY**

Year	Real Estate Tax Rate	
95-96 to 08-09	\$0.58	
09-10 to 12-13	\$0.48	
13-14	\$0.51	
14-15	\$0.56	
15-16 to 17-18	\$0.58	
18-19 to 21-23	\$0.63	
2024-Proposed	\$0.52	



ADVERTISED

OPERATING BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025



Augusta County Government Center

18 Government Center Lane

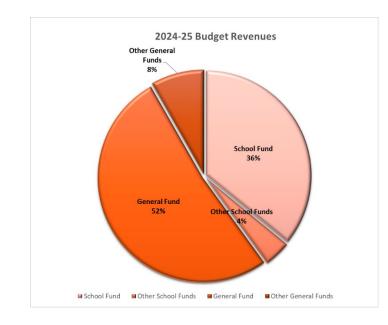
Verona, VA 24482 (540) 245-5600 (Office)

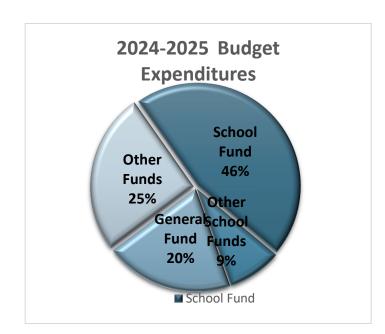
<sup>\*</sup>Source: VA Employment Commission-Labor Market information

### **REVENUES BY FUND**

# 2024-25 BUDGET REVENUES

		BUDGET YEAR		INCREASE
	FUND AND SOURCES	2023-24	2024-25	OR
		REVISED	ADVERTISED	DECREASE
	SCHOOLS:			
41- SCHOOL OPERATING FUND 43- SCHOOL CAFETERIA FUND 44- SCHOOL CAP. IMP. FUND		93,697,667	95,175,052	1,477,385
		4,867,001	4,568,475	(298,526)
		3,931,500	357,790	(3,573,710)
47-	SCHOOL HEAD START FUND	3,842,395	3,731,083	(111,312)
48- GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FUND		2,158,134	2,326,130	167,996
	TOTAL SCHOOL SOURCES	108,496,697	106,158,530	(2,338,167)
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
11-	GENERAL OPERATING FUND	131,737,797	137,109,929	5,372,132
12- FIRE REVOLVING LOAN FUND 13- ASSET FORFEITURE FUND 14- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND 15- REVENUE RECOVERY FUND 20- ARPA FUND 23- VIRGINIA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		470,457	482,062	11,605
		35,800	12,300	(23,500)
		477,450	2,450	(475,000)
		2,340,700	2,169,700	(171,000)
		807,420	80,000	(727,420)
		14,047,209	14,500,847	453,638
24-	COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES FUND	3,629,500	3,664,000	34,500
45- DEBT FUND		26,671	36,611	9,940
70-	COUNTY CAP. IMP. FUND	45,498,523	916,186	(44,582,337)
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	199,071,527	158,974,085	(40,097,442)
	TOTAL SOURCES	307,568,224	265,132,615	(42,435,609)
	TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS	88,406,375	82,004,571	(6,401,804)
	FUND BALANCES & RESERVES	143,080,156	126,032,902	(17,047,254)
	GRAND TOTAL-ALL FUNDS	539,054,755	473,170,088	(65,884,667)





### **EXPENDITURES BY FUND**

# 2024-25 BUDGET EXPENDITURES

	BUDGET YEAR		INCREASE	
FUND AND USES	2023-24	2024-25	OR	
	REVISED	ADVERTISED	DECREASE	
SCHOOLS:				
41- SCHOOL OPERATING FUND	139,566,172	145,722,699	6,156,527	
43- SCHOOL CAFETERIA FUND	6,744,073	7,330,070	585,997	
44- SCHOOL CAP. IMP. FUND	45,002,334	2,164,763	(42,837,571)	
45- DEBT FUND	9,828,457	11,388,677	1,560,220	
47- SCHOOL HEAD START FUND	3,842,395	3,731,083	(111,312)	
48- GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FUND	2,183,487	2,332,325	148,838	
TOTAL SCHOOL USES	207,166,918	172,669,617	(34,497,301)	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
11- GENERAL OPERATING FUND	59,474,021	64,196,641	4,722,620	
12- FIRE REVOLVING LOAN FUND	605,000	605,000	0	
13- ASSET FORFEITURE FUND	57,300	48,000	(9,300)	
14- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	477,450	2,450	(475,000)	
15- REVENUE RECOVERY FUND	1,189,450	818,924	(370,526)	
20- ARPA FUND	8,441,292	1,783,125	(6,658,167)	
23- VIRGINIA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND	15,599,208	16,126,999	527,791	
24- COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES FUND	5,681,000	5,800,000	119,000	
45- DEBT FUND	732,092	4,842,268	4,110,176	
70- COUNTY CAP. IMP. FUND	25,191,747	50,936,834	25,745,087	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	117,448,560	145,160,241	27,711,681	
TOTAL USES	324,615,478	317,829,858	(6,785,620)	
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	88,406,375	82,004,571	(6,401,804)	
FUND BALANCES & RESERVES	126,032,902	73,335,659	(52,697,243)	
GRAND-TOTAL ALL FUNDS	539,054,755	473,170,088	(65,884,667)	
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### **AUGUSTA 2025 INITIATIVES**

- Countywide
  - Recruitment and retention
- General Government
  - New support personnel (Admin. & Building Inspections)
- Education
  - Recruitment and retention
  - Address maintenance infrastructure needs
  - Address social & emotional needs of students and staff
  - Increase funding for bus capital replacement
- Judicial
  - Commonwealth attorney personnel related to Public Safety Camera implementation
  - Preservation of historical documents in Circuit Court
- Public Safety
  - Sheriff office public safety camera implementation
  - Personnel related to public safety camera implementation
  - Additional personnel in Sheriff's office
  - Fire & rescue personnel to begin implementing F&R strategic plan
- Other
  - Restore capital funding
  - Increase revenue for MRRJ operating expenses
  - o Courthouse debt service