



Proposed City Budget Community Presentations

The City of Chula Vista will present a preliminary draft of the City Manager's Fiscal Year 2025-26 Proposed Budget at community budget presentations on April 7, 16, and 23. The public is invited to learn about and provide input on the preliminary budget, which serves as a financial plan, operations guide and policy document for City programs and services.

- Monday, April 7, 6 p.m. - Norman Park Senior Center (270 F St)
- Wednesday, April 16, 5:30 p.m. - Otay Ranch Library (The Hub: 2015 Birch Rd. Suite 407)
- Wednesday, April 23, 6 p.m. - Civic Center Library (365 F St)

City staff will then present the City Manager's Proposed Budget to the Chula Vista City Council on Tuesday, May 6. Following that meeting, the budget will be available online on the City's Budget [webpage](#).

The City operates on a fiscal year calendar from July 1 through June 30. Each year, the City Manager is required to present the City Council with a balanced General Fund budget, meaning total expenditure is equal to or less than total revenues.

The Citywide budget includes more than 200 funds, with the General Fund being the largest operating fund. The budget is generally composed of an operating budget and a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget. The operating budget covers the provision of services such as police, fire, parks and recreation, and libraries. Since these operations represent ongoing expenses, the budgets are prepared for a single fiscal year, and overall expenditures are equal to or less than anticipated revenues.

The CIP budget invests in long-term capital improvements, facilities, and equipment, with revenues collected and accumulated over time as fund balance. Capital projects often extend beyond a single fiscal year, and so capital budgets often include expenditures funded by both current year revenues and funds previously budgeted.