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DATE: May 30, 2025
TO: Members of the Board of Supervisors and Board of Directors
FROM: M. Christina Rivera, County Executive
SUBJECT: FY 2025-26 Available Funding Sources

In previous years, this memo has provided an overview of sources available to fund departments' add-back requests, program change requests, Board Budget Requests, County Executive recommendations, or other Board priorities during Budget Hearing Deliberations. These requests are listed in the County Executive Recommendations and Budget Deliberation Tool (**Tab 3**) and are described in more detail in **Tab 4 – Add Backs and Program Change Requests**; and **Tab 6 – Board Budget Requests**.

This year, in order to prepare for potential reductions from federal and state sources, the County Executive is recommending only a limited amount of funding for maintenance of existing services and for the most critical emergent needs.

It is important to emphasize that the Board's adopted Financial Policies include the Basic Fiscal Principle to deliver County services and programs based on a structurally balanced budget. Consequently, staff recommendations are based on existing Board policies.

On-Going Sources: \$7.1 million

General Fund Capacity, \$7.1 million

Final General Fund projections include ongoing capacity of \$7,137,811 above what was required to balance the Recommended Budget. This balance is largely the result of updated property tax growth projections.

One-Time Sources: \$500,000

In order to help strategically mitigate expected loss of federal funding, the County Executive is not recommending that **projected not yet realized** year end fund balances be utilized during

budget hearing. This year, as part of early budgeting planning, \$500,000 of General Fund balance was set aside as a one-time allocation to fund a recommended Community Budget process.

Additional year-end General Fund unallocated fund balance will not be known until the close of books, which annually is typically completed at the end of July. **Tab 3** includes recommendations for any year end General Fund balance that is realized at the close of books.

