



FY 2017 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 40

BUDGET QUESTION: Clarify the historical percentages of the General Fund used for schools. The numbers shown on slide 56 is the entire General Fund revenue – even those revenues designated by the State for things like the Sheriff’s Office and the Treasurer. What does the funding trend actually look like when those designated revenues are pulled out?

RESPONSE: The following chart displays the historical trend of the County’s transfer to the Schools as a percentage of non-designated revenues as compared to the transfer as a percentage of the total General Fund revenue (as shown on slide #56 from the School Board’s 2/16/16 presentation to the Board of Supervisors). This data is taken directly from prior year adopted budget documents. Finance staff has not spent time researching the past causes of fluctuations in these percentages and, due to mandated records destruction requirements, likely does not have the information at this point in time that would allow us to thoroughly do so.

