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City Seeks Public Input on Upcoming Budget

Community Encouraged to Take Online Survey and Attend April 9 Open House

WHO/WHAT

As the City begins to build its proposed budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2012, the City of Sacramento is seeking community input on budget priorities and cost cutting strategies. An online “Budget Input Survey” has been posted to the City’s web page, www.cityofsacramento.org, and will be open through April 23.

The City is also hosting a community Budget Open House at City Hall on Saturday, April 9. Attendees are invited to stop by anytime between 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to learn about the City’s budget and provide input on budget priorities and solutions. Results from the survey will be presented to the City Council in early May as part of the proposed budget process.

WHEN/WHERE

Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
New City Hall lobby, 915 I Street

BACKGROUND

Like many cities throughout the nation, Sacramento is suffering from the prolonged economic recession. As a result, the City is anticipating a budget deficit of \$35 to \$40 million. This projected shortfall represents the need to reduce the \$237 million net General Fund operating costs by nearly 20 percent. Although the City has initiated several budget-saving strategies over the last several years, next fiscal year’s budget will represent the fifth consecutive year of budget reductions because expenditures are growing at a faster rate than available revenues to pay for those services.

The proposed budget will be submitted to the City Council by May 1, budget hearings will commence during May and June, and a budget will be adopted by June 30, 2011. For more information about the city budget, download the [Budget 101 fact sheet](#).

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