

2025 MOA Budget



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A budget is not only a reflection of our values and priorities, but the vehicle through which they become results.



Mayor's Priorities



**GOOD
GOVERNMENT**



**SAFE STREETS
AND TRAILS**



**BUILDING
OUR FUTURE**

2025 Budget Goals

1. Address **homelessness** head-on.
2. Expand and align Anchorage's **crisis response** services.
3. Improve and invest in **snow removal**.
4. Invest in **traffic calming and safe public spaces**.
5. Support **childcare and early education**.
6. **Get the basics right:** Continue core MOA constituent work; improve recruitment & retention to ensure day-to-day services.

Overview

OPERATING

\$636M proposed operating budget
\$173,250 under the tax cap

CAPITAL

\$58.9M capital bond proposal

UTILITIES AND ENTERPRISE DEPARTMENTS



2025 Key Budget Highlights



1. Address homelessness effectively and compassionately

- Funded **winter shelter** plan
- Funding for **year-round shelter** at 56th Ave, matching state funding.
- \$2M for **housing** to move people out of homelessness
- 10% increase to Healthy Spaces budget to enhance **camp cleanup**



SHELTER



HOUSING



HEALTH



PARTNERSHIP

2. Crisis response services

- \$1.36M to bring the Mobile Crisis Team to **24-hour service**
- \$4.1M to fully fund the **Anchorage Safety Patrol**
- Shift Anchorage Safety Patrol from Anchorage Health Department to Anchorage Fire Department



3. Improve snow removal

- 5.7% **increase in operator pay** to improve capacity and expertise
- \$3.5M proposed levy for **snow removal**



4. Invest in Traffic Calming and Safe Public Spaces

- \$4.5M in capital projects to **support traffic calming** and safety
- \$7.3M in **trail and park improvements**, including for Town Square Park
- \$116k for Neighborhood Greenways pilot programs for low-cost **improvement to neighborhood walking and biking**



5. Support Childcare and Early Education

2025 is the first year the Anchorage Child Care and Early Education Fund will be deployed

- \$2M in stimulus payments to **stabilize the childcare sector**
- \$2M to **fund pilot projects** to increase quality affordable childcare and early education access



6. Improve Employee Recruitment and Retention to Ensure Service Delivery

- Increase recruitment and retention in **Prosecution** to bolster public safety system
- 1.5% non-rep wage increase
- Incorporation of 2024 executive pay adjustments to make jobs competitive



Capital Budget Highlights

- Traffic calming and pedestrian safety
- Parks and trails projects, including funding to revitalize Town Square Park
- Critical road and drainage work
- Improving Chugach State Park Access
- Public safety investments, including emergency vehicles
- Senior Center upgrades



Two Proposed Levies for April Ballot

1. \$3.5M
Snow removal levy
to replace broken and outdated equipment
2. \$3M
Public safety levy
to replace Anchorage Police Department's aging vehicle fleet





Thank you