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Commissioners Announce First Budget Work Session of FY2026

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) will host their first Budget Work Session (BWS) for fiscal year (FY) 2026 on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in the CSMC Meeting Room, located on the 1st floor of the Chesapeake Building at 41770 Baldridge Street in Leonardtown.

The CSMC oversee the annual budget process for St. Mary's County Government (SMCG), which includes multiple budget work sessions (BWS) that are open to the public and available for online viewing, as well as a Budget Public Hearing, providing ample opportunity for community engagement.

Residents are encouraged to visit <u>https://bit.ly/SMCG-FY26-Budget</u> to view the budget timeline and meeting schedule, watch meeting videos, and even leave feedback on local priorities.

The budget includes revenue, reserve, and tax information, as well as expenditures for county departments, state agencies, elected officials, non-profits, and more. Once finalized, the budget guides county government decisions for the coming fiscal year and lays the groundwork for years to come.

"As we enter this budget season, we know there will be challenges and competing needs across our community," said Commissioner President, Randy Guy. "Our goal is to produce a balanced and fiscally sound budget, that considers the needs and priorities of the residents we serve. We encourage all our residents to tune in to these work sessions and participate in the budget process"

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