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The 2025 Monroe County Budget:

- Global inflation has impacted on many areas of the budget including insurance, building repairs/maintenance, supplies and contracted services
- General Fund had a significant revenue decrease due to tax assessment appeals on commercial properties and court settlements - County Common Level Ratio has dropped to 50.1%
- Total budget of \$147 million (decrease of 9.8% over 2024)
- Grant and other funding sources totaling over \$68 million for 2024-2025
- 1.5 mill tax increase
- Only 2nd county tax increase since 2011
- This translates into a \$150.00 increase for a house assessed at \$100,000.00, and \$225.00 for a house assessed at \$150,000.00
- Debt service has increased due to courthouse expansion/renovation project completion
- Salaries and benefit costs have increased
- New positions required for Maintenance, Sheriff office, District Attorney, Information Services (IT)
- Funding for mandated services with no or little funding or reduced funding from state and federal sources:
 - Area Agency on Aging
 - Children and Youth
 - Corrections
 - Courts- District Justice Offices
 - Court Related Office- district attorney, domestic relations, probation, sheriff, public defender, pre-trial services
 - Emergency Services
- Funding provided for Economic Development, Housing Authority, Redevelopment Authority, Transit Authority, Airport Authority

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