



STATE SENATOR **Barbara Anne Washington**  
**2024 Legislative Review**



Dear Jackson County neighbor,

The 2024 legislative session and my fourth as your state senator came to a close on May 17.

With differing opinions and 34 diverse districts to account for, Senate debates were often contentious and lengthy this session. I was proud to stand with my colleagues for a record-breaking 50 hours to block the vote on Senate Joint Resolution 74, which would have altered the century-old simple majority rule to pass a constitutional amendment.

Unfortunately, we were unable to stop two controversial measures from being signed into law. While I supported the provisions of Senate Bill 727 that raise teachers' pay and fix the education foundation formula, I voted against the school voucher language that could detract funds from public schools. The other new law, House Bill 2634, defunds abortion providers and their affiliates, like Planned Parenthood, which could decrease access to vital preventive and lifesaving services.

Serving our community is the most rewarding and challenging job I've ever held. Thank you for sharing your stories and concerns, and for contributing to my legislative success! It has been an honor of a lifetime to speak and serve on your behalf.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara A. Washington".

Senator Barbara Anne Washington  
Proudly Serving District 9





# Legislation Awaiting the Governor's Signature

## Raise the Age

**Senate Bill 754** is a public safety proposal that includes my legislation to raise the age to certify youth for trial as adults from 12 to 14. The bill also establishes a conviction review unit to investigate and report findings on claims of innocence, simplifies the process and shortens the wait time to expunge criminal records, and permits civilian review boards to review and rectify disciplinary actions against law enforcement officers.

## Eviction Proceedings

**House Bill 2062** prohibits local governments from enforcing eviction moratoriums. I was glad to amend the language and strip the discriminating "source of income" clause.

## Veterans Care Package

**Senate Bill 912** is a veterans care package that will simplify the process for our nation's defenders to apply for disabled license plates and placards, strengthen the state's suicide prevention efforts, increase access to benefits and services, and establish a new medallion program for those who served in Afghanistan.



## Federal Reimbursement Allowance

**Senate Bill 748** extends the federal reimbursement allowance (FRA) until 2029. This program collects fees from hospitals doing business in Missouri and leverages the revenue to draw down matching federal funds for Medicaid. The FRA is a critical component of our state's operating budget and helps support vital hospital, assisted care and ambulance services.

## Tax Credits for KC Nuclear Facility

**Senate Bill 1388** authorizes a state and local tax exemption for all sales and purchases involved with constructing a nuclear security enterprise in Kansas City.

# Welcoming Visitors to the Capitol



Top, left to right: Ed Adams' appointment to State Fair Commission; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's Capitol Day. Bottom, left to right: Kansas City's Youth Police Initiative Team; Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense Rally; Metropolitan Community College-KC Day at the Capitol.



# Capital for the Kansas City Community

Nothing gives me greater pride than serving on the Senate Appropriations Committee and securing funding for our community. Pending the governor's approval, the five senatorial districts that comprise the Kansas City community will receive \$2,039,116,921 to fund needed services and an additional \$270,514,493 for capital improvements, maintenance and repairs.



## Community Enrichment

- \$1.25 Million - Juneteenth Celebrations
- \$1 Million - Negro League Baseball Museum
- \$944,000 - Urban Farm Programs
- \$500,000 - Alphapointe
- \$500,000 - Mattie Rhodes Center
- \$350,000 - Buck O'Neil Center
- \$250,000 - Prospect Business Association
- \$125,000 - Black Archives of Mid-Missouri
- \$100,000 - Kanbe Markets
- \$100,000 - Total Man

## Health & Wellness

- \$5 Million - Care to Learn
- \$1 Million - Community Assistance Council
- \$2 Million - Double Up Food Bucks
- \$2 Million - Community Builders
- \$1.8 Million - Recovery Support Services
- \$1.5 Million - Swope Health
- \$600,000 - Samuel Rodgers and Jordan Valley
- \$100,000 - Amethyst Place
- \$500,000 - Morningstar
- \$50,000 - Giving Hope and Help

## Arts & Entertainment

- \$5 Million**  
Kansas City Museum
- \$3 Million**  
Jackson County Sports Authority
- \$3 Million**  
ArtsTech
- \$2 Million**  
Starlight Theater/Zoo
- \$250,000**  
Arts Asylum
- \$311,171**  
Bruce Watkins Center
- \$100,000**  
American Jazz Museum

## Education

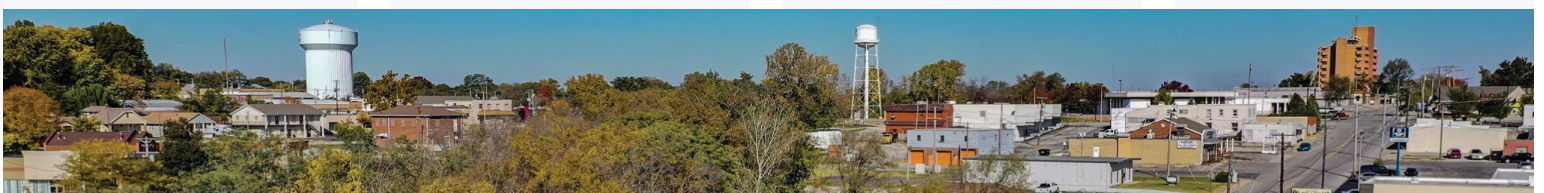
- \$1,284,564,815**  
Public Schools
- \$350,000**  
Launch KC
- \$250,000**  
We Code KC
- \$100,000**  
Blaque Freedom School
- \$250,000**  
W.E.B. DuBois
- \$250,000**  
Tutoring Enrichment
- \$100,000**  
Turn the Page
- \$100,000**  
aSTEAM Program

## Jobs & Training

- \$7 Million**  
MO Excels Workforce Initiatives
- \$1.5 Million**  
Full Employment Council
- \$1.6 Million**  
Workforce and Pre-Apprenticeship
- \$350,000**  
Launch KC
- \$100,000**  
Lyrik's Institution
- \$250,000**  
Youth Build KC
- \$100,000**  
KC G.I.F.T.

## Youth Services

- \$750,000**  
Youth and Police Initiative
- \$350,000**  
After School Gun Violence
- \$350,000**  
Violence Prevention Initiative
- \$250,000**  
Homeless Student Impact Center
- \$100,000**  
Urban League
- \$100,000**  
Higher Aspirations
- \$100,000**  
Harris Park



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**VOTE** ★ ★ ★  
**Election Information**  
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**Primary Election: Aug. 6**

**General Election: Nov. 5**  
 Register before Oct. 9

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**Register to Vote**

Online: [sos.mo.gov](http://sos.mo.gov)  
 800-NOW-VOTE

Local Election Board:  
[kceb.org](http://kceb.org)

Jackson County 816-325-4600  
 Kansas City 816-842-4820

# Fiscal Year 2025 Operating Budget

On May 10, the Legislature passed a spending plan for FY '25. Pending the governor's approval, the operating budget for FY '25 totals \$47.481 billion.

**FISCAL YEAR 2025**  
 MISSOURI OPERATING BUDGET

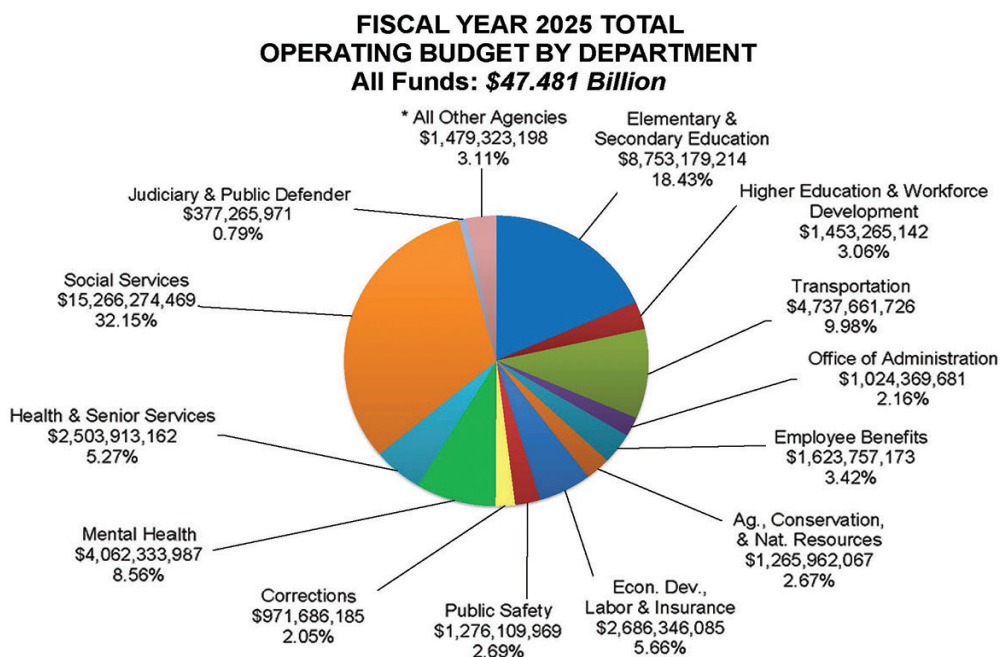
**WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM**

**GENERAL REVENUE...\$14.568 Billion (30.7%)**  
 The main sources of General Revenue are:  
 Individual Income Tax      Insurance Premium Tax  
 Sales and Use Tax          Liquor and Beer Tax  
 Corporate Income Tax

**FEDERAL FUNDS.....\$21.425 Billion (45.1%)**

**OTHER FUNDS.....\$11.489 Billion (24.2%)**  
 Other funds are resources dedicated to specific purposes.  
 Examples include:  
 Lottery and Gaming Proceeds  
 Highway and Road Funds  
 Conservation Parks, Soil & Water Funds  
 Proposition C and Cigarette Tax

**TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS:**  
**\$47.481 Billion**



\* Includes: Revenue, National Guard, Elected Officials, General Assembly, and Statewide Real Estate