

## **FY2021 Operating Budget**

Members of the Community. The Community is providing you the following fiscal year (FY) 2021 budget information in lieu of our practice of visiting the Community members and sharing the Community's fiscal year budget in person. We hope you understand that because of COVID-19 we cannot risk further transmission by doing a face-to-face meeting with Community members. Instead we are sharing this information electronically. For your information, the Community Council will be considering the FY 2021 budget tomorrow, Thursday, August 27, at a special Community Council meeting conducted via webex. However, we encourage you to reach out to your Council members if you have questions or would like to discuss the budget. Please continue to take the necessary precautions to prevent COVID-19 transmission including washing your hands, social distancing, and wearing masks in public.

Overall Operating budget increased slightly from FY2020 Increased Boys and Girls Club funding during transition Transfer funds to Gila River Farms to subsidize farming operations Includes 11 new positions

Increased funding for Dept of Housing Development for housing renovations

Reduced travel and meeting expenses by 50%

Did not fund Mul Chu Tha (due to COVID-19 concerns)

Funded Christmas Gift for employees and retirees.

No increase in benefit costs

Reduced tobacco tax funding for Gila River Health Care grants by 50% to be evaluated at mid-year for COVID-19 effects

Did not fund CSD Health Initiative this year (due to COVID-19 concerns)

## FY2021 Capital Budget

Added Casa Blanca School project funded by a loan and paid back by Dept of Interior thru leaseback method

Purchased radios for Police Department using funds from Contract Cost Support settlement.

Funded a modular for Veterans Office, tribal funds

Continues funding the construction of homes for 2015 list