

**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
AGENCY PROGRAM COMMENTARY
1999 - 2001**

The County Governments of Arkansas respectfully request that the County General Aid (Turnback) Fund be increased to \$23,707,544.00 in FY 1999/2000 and \$26,078,298 in FY2000/2001 and all be placed in Category A of the Revenue Stabilization Act.

1. Previous annual appropriations to county aid have not kept up with the inflation of the dollar. In 1979, County Aid Funds represented 2.1% of the States' general revenues, today the present appropriation represents only 1% of those revenues.
2. Sixty-seven Arkansas counties rely, to some degree, on federal Payment-In-Lieu-of-Taxes funds. These funds have been increased only slightly since the inception of PILT in 1976.
3. The costs of programs which have been mandated by the state and federal governments are contributing to our increased needs for revenue. Some of the examples of this are the Motor Voter Legislation; Disabled Access to Polls, Solid Waste (RECRA); Clear Water Act, Americans With Disabilities Act; and others.

Arkansas counties are a political subdivision of the State for the extension of human service delivery.

COUNTY AID SPECIAL REVENUES

The request for County Aid - Special Revenues is an appropriation authority amount and not an actual dollar amount from General Revenue. The money which comes through this appropriation is county road turnback, severance taxes, bond sales, etc. Request for FY 1999/2000 is \$110,000,000.00 and FY 2000/2001 is \$120,000,000.00

Military Land Sales (Severance Taxes)

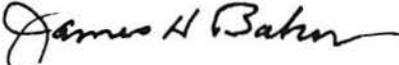
FY 1999/2000 - \$1,500,000 with carry forward

Military Land Taxing Unit Distribution (Special Revenues)

FY 1999/2000 - \$2,500,000 with carry forward

Mineral Lease Moneys (Unanticipated Special Revenues)

FY 1999/2000 - \$20,000,000 and FY2000/2001 - \$20,000,000

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COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL AID
SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1996

Assets					Liabilities				
Cash and Investments	Fixed	Other	Total	Current	Long-Term	Total	Total Equity		
\$ 453,734	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 453,734	\$ 453,734	\$ 0	\$ 453,734	\$ 0		

Revenues					Expenditures					Other Sources (Uses)
Inter- governmental	Federal	Licenses and Fees	Other	Total	Salaries and Matching	Grants and Aid	Capital	Other Operating	Total	
\$ 181,849,654	\$ 105,109	\$ 0	\$ 345,416	\$ 182,300,179	\$ 0	\$ 177,131,187	\$ 0	\$ 4,795,521	\$ 181,926,708	\$ 0

Findings	Recommendations
None	None

Audited by Division of Legislative Audit
SA0407496

**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION SUMMARY**

AGENCY TITLE County Aid (074) Appropriations		1997-99 Expenditures				1999-01 Biennium Request				1999-01 Executive Recommendation			
		Actual 1997-98	No. of Pos.	Budgeted 1998-99	No. of Pos.	Year 1 1999-00	No. of Pos.	Year 2 2000-01	No. of Pos.	Year 1 1999-00	No. of Pos.	Year 2 2000-01	No. of Pos.
Code	Name												
073	General Revenue to Counties	\$21,485,650		\$21,552,313		\$23,707,544		\$26,078,298		\$21,552,313		\$21,552,313	
074	Special Revenue to Counties	69,500,371		100,000,000		110,000,000		120,000,000		110,000,000		120,000,000	
190	Mineral Lease Monies	3,152		20,000,000		20,000,000		20,000,000		20,000,000		20,000,000	
1CW	Military Land Sale	46,462		1,462,134		1,500,000		Carry Forward		1,500,000		Carry Forward	
1CX	Military Land Taxing Unit Distribution	77,437		2,436,890		2,500,000		Carry Forward		2,500,000		Carry Forward	
TOTALS		\$91,113,072		\$145,451,337		\$157,707,544		\$166,078,298		\$155,552,313		\$161,552,313	
Funding Sources			% of Total		% of Total		% of Total		% of Total		% of Total		
Fund Balances													
General Revenues		21,485,650	23.6%	21,552,313	14.8%	23,707,544	15.0%	26,078,298	15.7%	21,552,313	13.9%	21,552,313	13.3%
Special Revenues		69,500,371	76.3%	100,000,000	68.8%	110,000,000	69.7%	120,000,000	72.3%	110,000,000	70.7%	120,000,000	74.3%
Federal Funds		127,051	0.1%	23,899,024	16.4%	24,000,000	15.2%	20,000,000	12.0%	24,000,000	15.4%	20,000,000	12.4%
Const. & Fiscal Agency Fund													
State Central Services Fund													
Non-Revenue Receipts													
Cash Funds													
Other													
Total Funding		91,113,072	100.0%	145,451,337	100.0%	157,707,544	100.0%	166,078,298	100.0%	155,552,313	100.0%	161,552,313	100.0%
Excess Appro./ (Funding)													
TOTAL		\$91,113,072		\$145,451,337		\$157,707,544		\$166,078,298		\$155,552,313		\$161,552,313	
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**ARKANSAS BUDGET SYSTEM
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET REQUEST
1999 – 2001**

These appropriations provide spending authority for the Treasurer's Office to distribute General, Special and Federal funds to counties. The Association of Arkansas Counties is requesting General Revenue Turnback be increased to \$23,707,544 in FY99 and \$26,078,298 in FY01. Continuation of the appropriations used to distribute funds received from the federal government for mineral and oil leases is requested. Also requested is an additional \$10,000,000 in FY00 and \$20,000,000 in FY01 in the special revenue appropriation used to distribute sales tax to the counties.

The Executive Recommendation for General Revenue Turnback to Counties is the current level of \$21,552,313 each year of the 1999-01 biennium. Continued state support to offset a portion of all county's expenses for statewide primary elections, expenses for court reporters and administrative assistants, as well as significant amounts for the public defender system, precludes the ability to increase Aid to Counties at this time. Appropriation for Special Revenues and Federal Revenues received by the Counties is recommended at the requested amount.

AGENCY	APPROPRIATION	TREASURY FUND	ANALYSIS OF	PAGE
Name: County Aid Code: 074	Name: Various Appropriations Code: 073,074,1CX,1CW,190	Name: County Aid Fund Code: MLC	BUDGET REQUEST BR20	10

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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			98-99 FISCAL YEAR			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99	98-99	99-00		00-01		99-00		00-01		00-01	
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	EXECUTIVE 99-00	00-01	LEGISLATIVE 99-00	00-01
GENERAL REV.-COUNTIES	21,485,650	21,552,313	21,552,313	21,552,313	2,155,231	23,707,544	21,552,313	4,525,985	26,078,298	21,552,313	21,552,313		
TOTAL	21,485,650	21,552,313	21,552,313	21,552,313	2,155,231	23,707,544	21,552,313	4,525,985	26,078,298	21,552,313	21,552,313		
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****										
FUND BALANCES			*****										
GENERAL REVENUES	21,485,650	21,552,313	*****	21,552,313	2,155,231	23,707,544	21,552,313	4,525,985	26,078,298	21,552,313	21,552,313		
SPECIAL REVENUES			*****										
FEDERAL FUNDS			*****										
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****										
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****										
CASH FUNDS			*****										
OTHER			*****										
TOTAL FUNDING	21,485,650	21,552,313	*****	21,552,313	2,155,231	23,707,544	21,552,313	4,525,985	26,078,298	21,552,313	21,552,313		
EXCESS APPRO/ (FUNDING)			*****										
TOTAL	21,485,650	21,552,313	*****	21,552,313	2,155,231	23,707,544	21,552,313	4,525,985	26,078,298	21,552,313	21,552,313		

DEPT 004 CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES
 AGY 074 COUNTY AID
 APPRO 073 GENERAL REVENUES TO COUNTIES
 FUND MLC COUNTY AID FUND(074)

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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			-----99-00 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99	98-99	BASE	CHANGE	TOTAL	BASE	CHANGE	TOTAL	EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO							99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01
SPECIAL REV.-COUNTIES	69,500,371	100,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000	10,000,000	110,000,000	100,000,000	20,000,000	120,000,000	110,000,000	120,000,000		
TOTAL	69,500,371	100,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000	10,000,000	110,000,000	100,000,000	20,000,000	120,000,000	110,000,000	120,000,000		
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****										
UNDEVELOPED BALANCES			*****										
GENERAL REVENUES			*****										
SPECIAL REVENUES	69,500,371	100,000,000	*****	100,000,000	10,000,000	110,000,000	100,000,000	20,000,000	120,000,000	110,000,000	120,000,000		
FEDERAL FUNDS			*****										
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****										
IN-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****										
CASH FUNDS			*****										
OTHER			*****										
TOTAL FUNDING	69,500,371	100,000,000	*****	100,000,000	10,000,000	110,000,000	100,000,000	20,000,000	120,000,000	110,000,000	120,000,000		
ACCESS APPROZ (FUNDING)			*****										
TOTAL	69,500,371	100,000,000	*****	100,000,000	10,000,000	110,000,000	100,000,000	20,000,000	120,000,000	110,000,000	120,000,000		

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 GY 074 COUNTY AID
 PPRO 074 SPECIAL REVENUES TO COUNTIES
 UNDEVELOPED BALANCES MLC COUNTY AID FUND(074)

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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			-----99-00 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99	98-99	BASE	CHANGE	TOTAL	BASE	CHANGE	TOTAL	EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO							99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01
GRANTS/AIDS	46,462	1,453,538	Carry Forward	1,500,000	0	1,500,000	Carry Forward			1,500,000	Carry Forward		
TOTAL	46,462	1,453,538		1,500,000	0	1,500,000				1,500,000			
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****										
FUND BALANCES			*****										
GENERAL REVENUES			*****										
SPECIAL REVENUES			*****										
FEDERAL FUNDS	46,462	1,453,538	*****	1,500,000		1,500,000				1,500,000			
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****										
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****										
CASH FUNDS			*****										
OTHER			*****										
TOTAL FUNDING	46,462	1,453,538	*****	1,500,000		1,500,000				1,500,000			
EXCESS APPRO/ (FUNDING)			*****										
TOTAL	46,462	1,453,538	*****	1,500,000		1,500,000				1,500,000			

DEPT 004 CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES
 AGY 074 COUNTY AID
 APPRO 1CW MILITARY LAND SALE
 FUND HLC COUNTY AID FUND(074)

Total Authorized Appropriation in first year of biennium was \$1,500,000.

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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			98-99 AUTHORIZED			-----99-00 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99		BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE				
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	APPRO							99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01			
UNTS/AIDS	77,437	2,422,563	Carry Forward	2,500,000	0	2,500,000	Carry Forward			2,500,000	Carry Forward					
TOTAL	77,437	2,422,563		2,500,000	0	2,500,000				2,500,000						
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****													
GENERAL BALANCES			*****													
GENERAL REVENUES			*****													
SPECIAL REVENUES			*****													
GENERAL FUNDS	77,437	2,422,563	*****	2,500,000		2,500,000				2,500,000						
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****													
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****													
STATE FUNDS			*****													
OTHER			*****													
TOTAL FUNDING	77,437	2,422,563	*****	2,500,000		2,500,000				2,500,000						
LESS APPROX/ (FUNDING)			*****													
TOTAL	77,437	2,422,563	*****	2,500,000		2,500,000				2,500,000						

PT 004 CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES
 FY 074 COUNTY AID
 PRO 1CX MILITARY LAND TAXING UNIT DISTRIBUTION
 FUND MLC COUNTY AID FUND(074)

Total Authorized Appropriation in first year of biennium was \$2,500,000.

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CHARACTER TITLE	-----EXPENDITURES-----			98-99			-----99-00 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----00-01 FISCAL YEAR-----			-----R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S-----			
	97-98	98-99	98-99	99-00 FISCAL YEAR		00-01 FISCAL YEAR		EXECUTIVE		LEGISLATIVE						
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	AUTHORIZED APPRO	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	BASE	CHANGE LEVEL	TOTAL REQUEST	99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01	99-00	00-01	
UNANTICIPATED SPECIAL REV	3,152	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	0	20,000,000	20,000,000	0	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000					
TOTAL	3,152	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	0	20,000,000	20,000,000	0	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000				
PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCES			*****													
FUND BALANCES			*****													
GENERAL REVENUES			*****													
SPECIAL REVENUES			*****													
FEDERAL FUNDS	3,152	20,000,000	*****	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000				
STATE CENTRAL SERVICES FUND			*****													
NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS			*****													
CASH FUNDS			*****													
OTHER			*****													
TOTAL FUNDING	3,152	20,000,000	*****	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000				
EXCESS APPRO/ (FUNDING)			*****													
TOTAL	3,152	20,000,000	*****	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000		20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000				

DEPT 004 CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES
 AGY 074 COUNTY AID
 APPRO 190 MINERAL LEASE MONIES
 FUND HLC COUNTY AID FUND(074)

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