

ASSESSOR 2009 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

Assigned target: \$2,503,025

Permanent Ongoing Reductions/Revenues		
Proposal Name	\$	FTEs
Four Day Workweek Pilot (Reduction)	\$ 12,802	
Overtime and Auto Allowance Reductions (Reduction)	\$ 300,000	
FTE Reduction (Reduction)	\$ 69,074	(1.00)
Equipment Replacement Reduction (Reduction)	\$ 250,000	
TOTAL IMPACT	\$ 631,876	(1.00)

Life Boat Reductions		
Proposal Name	\$	FTEs
Target Reduction Contra (Reduction)	\$ 375,000	
TOTAL IMPACT	\$ 375,000	0.00

Permanent Ongoing Reductions

Four Day Workweek Pilot. This program continues the County Executive's priority to create both environmentally- and employee-friendly policies. The pilot will close the Black River facility in Renton one day per week resulting in savings associated with the maintenance and operation of the facility as well as savings to employees through one less round-trip commute per week. Savings will be to the Facilities Space Management Charge account. Assessments occupies one sixth of the building. Additional savings are achieved by the Department of Development and Environmental Service and Public Health, the other occupants of the Black River building.

Overtime and Auto Allowance Reductions. This request removes \$150,000 from both the overtime account and the auto allowance account. Cost savings will be achieved through more efficient use of resources. Part of the savings in auto usage is due to the removal of drivers with low vehicle usage from the Runzheimer Program for auto reimbursement. This change follows through on the recommendations in the King County Vehicle Replacement Performance Audit.

FTE Reduction. Efficiencies have allowed for the proposal of the reduction of a Residential Appraiser Assistant from the budget.

Equipment Replacement Reduction. In an effort to find savings to address the General Fund shortfall, this equipment replacement funding, which was added to the budget in 2007, will be removed, and the equipment replacement funding model of using funds available through efficiencies and underexpenditure that was used previously will be resumed.

Lifeboat

The following agency programs have been placed in the lifeboat. Funding for these programs expires on June 30, 2009 unless King County secures sufficient flexibility and revenue tools from the state legislature to sustain them.

Target Reduction Contra. A \$375,000 target reduction contra will be imposed on the budget effective July 1, 2009. On an annualized basis, this reduction will grow to \$750,000 for 2010.