


# CULVER CITY TOGETHER




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**CULVER CITY**  
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### At A Glance

-  **3**  
California Gold Ribbon Schools
-  **1200+**  
AP Exams Given Yearly
-  **85+**  
Professional Athlete Alumni
-  **2**  
K-5 Language Immersion Schools
-  **4**  
CIF Championships
-  **100%**  
College & Career Ready

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At Culver City Unified School District, we take our responsibility seriously and are committed to excellence for all students in what we call The 4 A's: Academics. Athletics.

**Culver City is a destination district:**  
Families choose Culver City because of our  
successful **independent** school system

# LAST LIAISON MEETING REVIEW

## Second Interim Report Summary: Qualified Budget Certification

- March 15 Reduction in Force (RIF) of 39 Full Time Employees (in addition to 2024 RIF)
- Austerity measures implemented
- Continuation of benefits for employees is at risk
- Needed +\$1M/year to attain Positive Budget Certification 3% reserves

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## New Factors Influencing District Budgeting

- Reduced State Discretionary Block Grant
- **Loss of Federal funding based on changes at the US Dept of Education: Title IIA and Title III**
- Increased operational costs/lower revenue

## CA State Budget Certification

- To stay fiscally stable, districts work to maintain POSITIVE certification status by submitting budget reports that meet **3% reserves over the next three years**
- Both QUALIFIED and NEGATIVE certifications trigger interventions designed to correct the fiscal trajectory, ranging from external reviews to RECEIVERSHIP
- RECEIVERSHIP occurs when the district requires a loan to stay operational. During receivership, the Board and Superintendent lose control of operations and a state administrator is assigned to take charge. **This process often results in the closing of schools.**

# CCUSD Reserve

## Current State of Budget

We only meet reserve through reallocation of RDA dollars (which expire at the end of 27-28 school year) AND \$4M in cuts annually through 27-28. Otherwise, our budget is negative.

**For 2024-25:**

**Reserve without additional dollars = 0.46%**

**Reserve using RDA dollars = 3.0%**

**For 2025-26:**

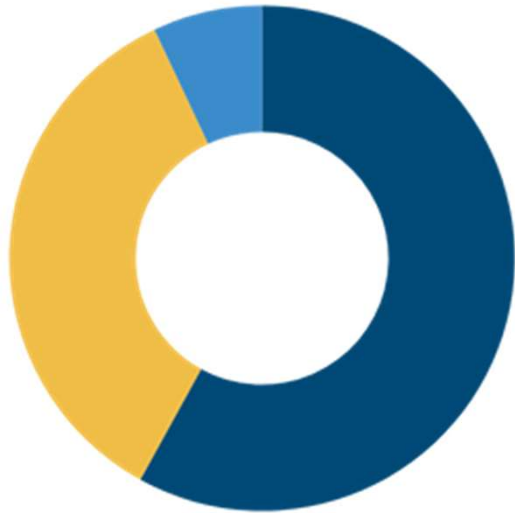
**Reserve without additional dollars = 0.29%**

**Reserve with additional dollars = 3.11%**

# CCUSD'S GENERAL FUND HAS ONLY **5% LOCAL REVENUE**

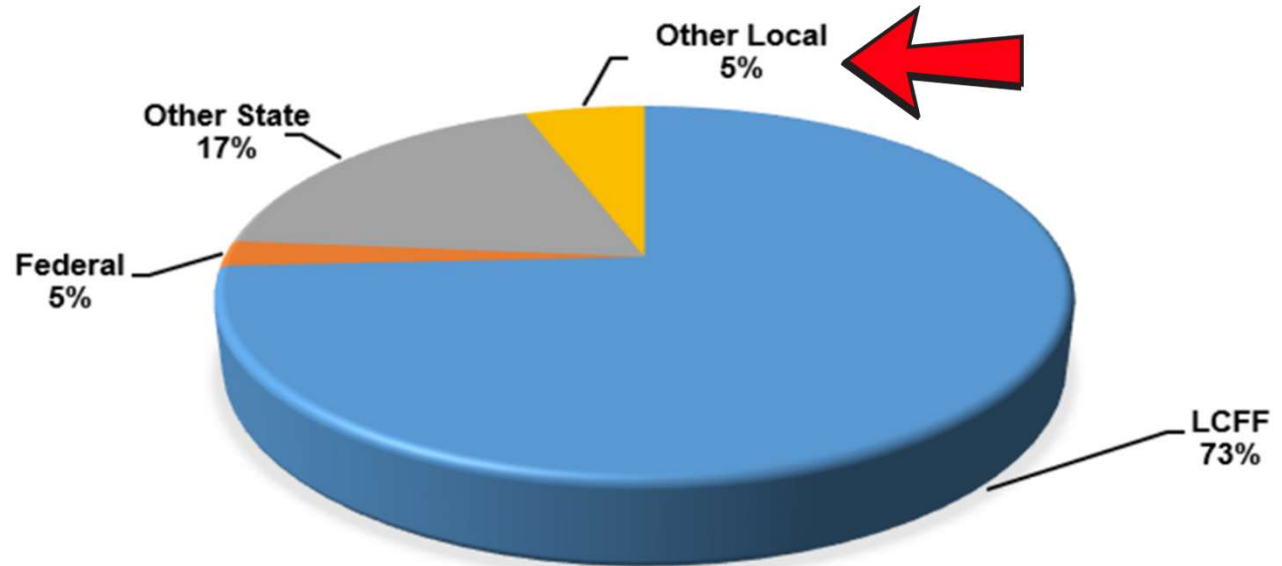
**THIS IS VERY LOW IN COMPARISON TO THE  
32-36% LOCAL REVENUE MOST CA SCHOOL DISTRICTS RECEIVE**

Historical School Funding across California



- Local Funding: **32-36%**
- State Funding: **54-64%**
- Federal Funding: **6-23%\***

CCUSD 2025-2026 Budget Proposal  
General Fund Revenue Sources



# JUNE 10, 2025 BUDGET PROPOSAL HAS MAJOR IMPACT TO STUDENT OUTCOMES

## 2025 CDE required Fiscal Stability Plan (FSP) is a stop gap

- One-time unconventional **\$3.2M** drawdown on restricted Redevelopment (RDA) funds
- Further painful RIFs and austerity measures of at least **\$4M** are necessary to meet 3% state mandated reserves and avoid state interventions

Reductions of essential positions  
to be considered

- Administrative Staff
- Health and Wellbeing Services

It may be necessary to discontinue  
crucial support and narrow  
popular offerings such as

- Tutoring & Interventions
- Electives & Advanced Placement Classes
- Enrichment & Activities

# Partnerships to RETAIN Culver City's destination district distinction

**SCHOOL COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT FOR SALES TAX**

**JOINT USE  
AGREEMENT UPDATE**

INCLUDE MONETARY  
COMPONENT

SMMUSD'S JUA IS  
\$10M+ PER YEAR



**CITY - USD  
PARTNERSHIPS**



**SMALL EXPENDITURE  
RELIEF**

100% SRTS +\$30K

GO PASS +\$49K

FAST TRACK PAID EVENT  
PARKING MECHANISMS

ADVERTISING TO  
INCREASE ENROLLMENT

SHARE GRANT WRITING  
EXPERTISE

# A Joint Use Partnership that **RETAINS** Culver City's destination district distinction



## **CITY'S CONTRIBUTION:**

\$7.5M/YEAR  
FOR 3 YEARS

## **CITY IMPACT:**

PUBLIC ENJOYS EXPANDED USE  
OF FACILITIES INCLUDES

- MAINTENANCE AND STAFFING OF FACILITIES
- MORE FLEXIBILITY FOR CCUSD TO HOST PRCS PROGRAMS

## **CCUSD IMPACT:**

THRIVING YOUTH THROUGH

- POSITIVE BUDGET CERTIFICATION
- CONTINUED BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES
- RETENTION OF ESSENTIAL EDUCATORS FOR PRIORITY INTERVENTIONS

# Reduced Level Joint Use Partnership



## **CITY'S CONTRIBUTION:**

\$2.5M/YEAR  
FOR 3 YEARS

## **CITY IMPACT:**

PUBLIC ENJOYS EXPANDED USE  
OF FACILITIES INCLUDES

- MAINTENANCE AND STAFFING OF FACILITIES
- MORE FLEXIBILITY FOR CCUSD TO HOST PRCS PROGRAMS

## **CCUSD IMPACT:**

BUYS TIME TO IMPLEMENT  
CREATIVE REVENUE GENERATING  
SOLUTIONS

- POSITIVE BUDGET CERTIFICATION
- CONTINUED BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES
- RETAINS A FEW PRIORITY INTERVENTIONS
- RDA DRAWDOWN AND MAJOR REDUCTIONS STILL REQUIRED



# THANK YOU!

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**Partner with us to retain Culver City's destination district distinction**  
and families will continue to choose Culver City because of our successful **independent** school system

Please consider convening a future **special joint session** with both bodies (the entire council and school board) to discuss this important item together - as is the practice in many independent municipalities

