

2023-24 Round Two Budget Questions and Answers

Date Submitted	Questions/Request	Response
4/10/2023	Please explain the staffing decrease in the Audit Department. This department needs to be fully staffed to effectively support the external audit process, in addition to their other responsibilities.	As part of the budget process, we reviewed vacant positions. We reviewed the number of days the position is vacant and if there was a sub in the position. Those positions without a sub and vacant for an extended time were used to help reduce positions. The position in the Audit department has been vacant for 1000 days.
4/10/2023	In ARP, there is a retention bonus for SSOs for \$8,000. These are frontline workers; how much will each SSO receive? Splitting \$8,000 amongst the SSOs is ridiculous.	The \$8,000 is what is left of the original \$141,000 budgeted for one-time incentive to SSOs. \$133,000 has been distributed.
4/10/2023	The recruitment incentive for SSOs is \$37,500. How much is the incentive for each SSO?	The recruitment incentive for 25 new hires. Each hire will receive 1,500.
4/10/2023	Security Operations decreased by \$95,000 in three positions; on page 78 of 91, there were 18 SSOs deleted from Special Aid. Are these funded somewhere else? Did we decrease SSOs? If so, this need to be added back.	According to the information on pages 167/168, the positions in question are long-term vacant part-time guard positions. These positions are used to cover the Hudson Street facility on Saturday and Sunday. The positions have been unfilled and are being covered by other staff.
4/10/2023	We are already short on bus drivers. There is a decrease of around 10 bus drivers. Why?	There are 10 internal vacant positions that we have not filled and we need to fill school routes first.
4/11/2023	Please provide a summary comparing every sentry position in the district between 2022-23 and 2023-24, including ARP and CRSSA positions by location.	Link for the Sentry Summary Report: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1zR_ptATa6o3LWOn9Z8wvpwnV9paVlgDX/edit#gid=836412512