

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: August 18, 2022

To:

The Honorable Chair and Members

Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Lesher

County Administrator

Re:

Follow-up Information from August 15, 2022, Board of Supervisors Meeting - State

**Cost Shifts** 

At the Board of Supervisors meeting on August 15, 2022, the Board asked several questions regarding the impact of the State Cost Shifts on the FY 2022/23 Budget. An August 1, 2022, <a href="memorandum">memorandum</a> entitled "State Cost Shift Update for the FY 2022/23 Adopted Budget" presented the total State Cost Transfers of \$106.4 million. These transfers are \$15.9 million more than the FY 2021/22 transfers of \$90.5 million. The most significant increases were in the Arizona Long Term Care System for \$10.3 million and the change in the Class 1 (commercial property) assessment ratio from 18.0% to 17.5% for \$3.9 million. The tax rate for FY 2022/23 would have needed to increase by approximately \$0.17 to neutralize the impact of the FY2022/23 budgeted cost shifts. The decision to keep the FY 2022/23 General Fund Primary Tax Rate the same as in FY 2021/22 required that these additional costs be absorbed within the General Fund's adopted budget for FY 2022/23. As was recommended on page 6 of the <a href="memorandum">memorandum</a> dated April 29, 2022, entitled "Transmittal of the Recommended Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget," the FY 2021/22 ending fund balance was used to cover these costs.

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