

2007-09 State Budget

City of Milwaukee Priorities for Budget Repair

- Shared Revenue – increase (or maintain) the Shared Revenue appropriation
- School Choice Property Tax Relief – maintain the poverty aid program
- Summer Youth Jobs Program - maintain \$500,000 per year support
- Community Policing Grants - maintain \$250,000 per year to support targeted policing
- Tipping Fees – no further increase in fees, unless offset by additional grants
- Levy Limits – no further restrictions
- General Transportation Aid – maintain the 2% increase
- Lift Bridge Aids – maintain 100% offset of operating and maintenance
- Mass Transit Aid – maintain increase to MCTS and other systems
- KRM Commuter Rail – provide a dedicated source of funding for mass transit before approving a rental car fee
- Library Aids - maintain the increased Library System Aid and Library Service Contract funding
- School of Public Health – maintain \$200,000 to study the UWM School of Public Health
- MPS Math Initiative – maintain funding for educational disparities
- Support funding for other Milwaukee Initiatives, including funding for Milwaukee County and Milwaukee Public Schools.

Proposed Fiscal Policy Initiatives:

- Housing Trust Fund – add SB 426, the TIF funding proposal
- Foreclosure Prevention Initiatives – add provisions to address foreclosure crisis
- Wireless 911 Cell Phone Surcharge – shift the surcharge to municipalities for emergency services
- Income Assignment – add provision that allows a municipal court to issue an order assigning income for payment of municipal debts.
- Parking Scofflaws – add provision that would allow cities to adopt an ordinance that provides for the immobilization and impoundment of vehicles owned by habitual parking violators.