



TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT

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LETTER OF BUDGET TRANSMITTAL

October 24, 2024

Division of Local Government
1313 Sherman Street, Room 521
Denver, CO 802023

RE: 2025 Budget Submission

Attached are the 2025 budget and budget message for TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT in Las Animas County, Colorado, submitted pursuant to Section 29-1-113, C.R.S. This budget was adopted on October 23, 2024. If there are any questions on the budget, please contact:

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I, Zachary Shapiro as President of the Trinidad Ambulance District, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the 2025 budget.

Sincerely,

Zachary Shapiro
President

RESOLUTION 24-0004
TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET ADOPTION &
APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY

A RESOLUTION SUMMARIZING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, ADOPTING A BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO THE FUNDS AND IN THE AMOUNTS SET FORTH HEREIN FOR THE TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT (THE "DISTRICT"), LAS ANIMAS COUNTY, COLORADO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 2025, AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District has authorized its consultants to prepare and submit a proposed budget to said governing body at the proper time;

WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Directors of the District for its consideration;

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, published or posted in accordance with the law, said proposed budget was open for inspection by the public at a designated place, a public hearing was scheduled for October 23, 2024 and interested electors were given the opportunity to file or register any objections to said proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, whatever increases may have been made in the expenditures, like increases were added to the revenues so that the budget remains in balance, as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT, LAS ANIMAS COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO:

Section 1. Budget Revenues. That estimated revenues for each fund as more specifically set out in the budget attached hereto are accepted and approved.

Section 2. Budget Expenditures. That estimated expenditures for each fund as more specifically set out in the budget attached hereto are accepted and approved.

Section 3. Adoption of Budget. That the budget as submitted and attached and incorporated herein by this reference, and if amended, then as amended, is hereby approved and adopted as the budget of District for the year stated above and the 2025 amended budget is approved.

Section 4. Levy of General Property Taxes. That the foregoing budget indicated that the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for

GENERAL FUND:

Current Operating Expenses	<u>\$1,025,993</u>
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 201,556</u>
Debt Service	<u>\$ 0</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$1,227,549</u>

TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE:

Current Operating Expenses	<u>\$1,582,540</u>
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 0</u>
Debt Service	<u>\$ 137,784</u>
TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND	<u>\$1,720,320</u>

That the valuation for assessment, as certified by the Las Animas County Assessor, is \$365,049,168.

Section 5. Mill Levy. That for the purposes of meeting all expenses of operations and maintenance of the District for the budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 2.907 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District. That for the purposes of meeting all expenses of debt of the District for the budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 2.907 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District.


Section 6. Property Tax and Fiscal Year Spending Limits. That, being fully informed, the Board finds that the foregoing budget and mill levies do not result in a violation of any applicable property tax or fiscal year spending limitation.

Section 7. Certification. The District's agents are hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify to the County Commissioners of Las Animas County, Colorado, the mill levies for the District hereinabove determined and set.

Section 8. Appropriations. That the amounts set forth as expenditures and balances remaining, as specifically allocated in the budget attached hereto, are hereby appropriated from the revenues of each fund, to each fund, for the purposes stated and no other.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of October 2024.

TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By: 
Zachary Shapiro, President

ATTEST:


Joseph Richards, Secretary

**TRINIDAD AMBULANCE DISTRICT
2025 BUDGET
GENERAL FUND**

	2023 Actual	2024 Estimated	2025 Projected
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$4,225,770	\$ 5,061,770	\$ 5,431,081

INCOME

Property Tax	\$ 1,081,616	\$ 1,376,198	\$ 1,061,197
Specific Ownership Tax	\$ 189,723	\$ 160,000	\$ 160,000
Interest from Taxes	\$ 2,811	\$ 600	\$ 600
County Contract	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Refunds/Abatements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest from Savings	\$ 1,428	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
RETAC Grants	\$ 292,667	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000
Delinquent Taxes	\$ 15,512	\$ -	\$ -
Overpayment Refunds	\$ (8,919)	\$ (5,000)	\$ (5,000)
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,574,838	\$ 1,547,798	\$ 1,227,797

PAYROLL EXPENSE

Salaries	\$ 162,910	\$ 194,228	\$ 334,000
FICA - Medicare	2,362	2,816	4,843
FICA - Social Security	10,100	12,042	20,708
State Unemployment	\$ 579	\$ 433	\$ 433
Workers Comp	\$ 6,808	\$ 7,792	\$ 9,379
Retirement	11,404	13,596	23,380
Health Insurance	\$ 45,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 54,000
Employee Appreciation	\$ 5,317	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSE	\$244,480	\$ 289,407	\$ 455,243

OPERATING EXPENSES

Laundry/Uniform			
Uniform	\$ 9,856	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
Legal/Professional			
Accounting/Payroll Fees	\$ 21,083	\$ 35,000	\$ 25,000
Employee Screening	\$ 626	\$ 1,000	\$ 500
Attorney Fees	\$ 28,274	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Board Fees	\$ 4,700	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Medical Direction	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Billing Service	\$ 58,696	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
ESO Software	\$ 4,522	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Management Software	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Dues/Subscriptions	\$ 4,419	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,000
Election Costs	\$ 6,166	\$ -	\$ 35,000
Fees			
Bank Charges	\$ 26	\$ 500	\$ 250
Treasurer's Fee 1.5%	\$ 23,900	\$ 30,000	\$ 20,000
Office Expense			
Office Supplies & Postage	\$ 12,758	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000
Public Relations			
PR Expense	\$ 6,201	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,000
Utilities			
Telephone	\$ 12,006	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Utilities	\$ 20,729	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000
Insurance			
Insurance (Property/ Auto)	\$ 39,213	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
Rent Expense			
East Station	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Repair/ Maintenance			
Building Repairs	\$ 3,201	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Janitorial Expense	\$ 1,675	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Snow Removal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Telephone Repairs	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Extermination	\$ 480	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Computer Repairs	\$ 992	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500

Education			
Travel	\$ 9,484	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Registration fees	\$ 2,255	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Books	\$ 528	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Supplies	\$ 6,098	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 1,375	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Computers/Software	\$ 5,677	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Medical Equipment & Supplies			
Medical Supplies	\$ 65,996	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Medical Equipment	\$ 1,077	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Medical Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,000
Oxygen	\$ 4,108	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Operatons Supples			
Computer Equipment	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000
Rescue Task Force	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Communications Equipment	\$ 4,749	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 375,870	\$ 566,000	\$ 570,750

CAPITAL EXPENSES

Ambulance			\$ -
Command Vehicle	\$ -		\$ -
Computer Equipment			\$ -
Medical Equipment	\$ 79,165	\$ 110,000	\$ -
Special Operations	\$ 323		\$ 88,000
Stretchers	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000
USDA RD Loan Interest		\$ 79,513	\$ -
USDA RD Loan Principal		\$ 58,066	\$ -
Reserve Contingency	\$ -	\$ 36,500	\$ 74,556
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$ 118,488	\$ 323,079	\$ 201,556

Total Revenue	\$ 1,574,838	\$ 1,547,798	\$ 1,227,797
Total Expenses	\$ 738,838	\$ 1,178,486	\$ 1,227,549

NET **\$ 836,000** **\$ 369,312** **\$ 248**

NEW BUILDING FUNDS **\$ 780,000** **\$ 1,070,345** **\$ -**

ENDING FUND BALANCE **\$ 5,061,770** **\$ 5,431,081** **\$ 5,431,329**

**TRINIDADAMBULANCE DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE
2025 BUDGET**

	2023 Actual	2024 Estimated	2025 Projected
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$374,524	\$ 1,792,903	\$ 1,922,311

INCOME

Service Fees	\$ 4,812,752	4,351,000	4,400,000
Insurance Adjustments	\$ (2,084,900)	\$ (2,638,469)	(2,508,000)
Down Payment / Earnest Money	\$ -	0	165,000
Interest Income	\$ -	0	46,750
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,727,852	\$ 1,712,531	\$2,103,750

PAYROLL EXPENSE

Salaries	\$ 965,839	1,151,772	1,112,410
FICA - Medicare	14,005	16,701	16,130
FICA - Social Security	59,882	71,410	68,969
State Unemployment	\$ 1,921	2,567	2,567
Workers Comp	\$ 40,374	46,208	55,621
Retirement	32,774	38,966	33,344
Health Insurance	\$ 69,051	100,000	126,000
Employee Appreciation	\$ 938	1,500	1,500
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSE	\$1,184,784	\$1,429,124	\$1,416,540

Vehicle Expenses			
Fuel	\$ 56,261	75,000	75,000
Tires	\$ 4,561	10,000	10,000
Maintenance	\$ 10,839	25,000	35,000
Repairs	\$ 24,492	35,000	35,000
License Fees	\$ -	1,000	1,000
Vehicle Supplies			
Vehicle Supplies	\$ 28,536	8,000	10,000
TOTAL VEHICLE EXPENSE	\$124,689	\$ 154,000	\$166,000

LOAN EXPENSE

January 25, 2025 Interest +Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,892
July 25, 2025 Interest +Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68,892
TOTAL LOAN EXPENSE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137,784

Total Revenue	\$ 2,727,852	\$ 1,712,531	\$2,103,750
Total Expenses	\$1,309,473	\$1,583,124	\$1,720,324
NET	\$ 1,418,379	\$ 129,407	\$ 383,426

ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,792,903	\$ 1,922,311	\$ 2,305,736
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CERTIFICATION OF VALUATION BY
Las Animas County COUNTY ASSESSOR

New Tax Entity? YES X NO

Date 08/20/2024

NAME OF TAX ENTITY: TRINIDAD AMB DIST

USE FOR STATUTORY PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMIT CALCULATION ("5.5%" LIMIT) ONLY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-121(2)(a) and 39-5-128(1), C.R.S., AND NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25, THE ASSESSOR CERTIFIES THE TOTAL VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2024

Table with 11 rows listing valuation items and amounts: 1. PREVIOUS YEAR'S NET TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION: \$473,433,925; 2. CURRENT YEAR'S GROSS TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION: \$365,846,720; 3. LESS TOTAL TIF AREA INCREMENTS, IF ANY: \$797,552; 4. CURRENT YEAR'S NET TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION: \$365,049,168; 5. NEW CONSTRUCTION: \$867,323; 6. INCREASED PRODUCTION OF PRODUCING MINE: \$0; 7. ANNEXATIONS/INCLUSIONS: \$0; 8. PREVIOUSLY EXEMPT FEDERAL PROPERTY: \$0; 9. NEW PRIMARY OIL OR GAS PRODUCTION FROM ANY PRODUCING OIL AND GAS LEASEHOLD OR LAND: \$0; 10. TAXES RECEIVED LAST YEAR ON OMITTED PROPERTY AS OF AUG. 1: \$0.00; 11. TAXES ABATED AND REFUNDED AS OF AUG. 1: \$5336.60

† This value reflects personal property exemptions if enacted by the jurisdiction as authorized by Art. X, Sec. 20(8)(b), Colo. Constitution
* New Construction is defined as: Taxable real property structures and the personal property connected with the structure
≈ Jurisdiction must submit to the Division of Local Government respective Certifications of Impact in order for the values to be treated as growth in the limit calculation; use Forms DLG 52 & 52A
Φ Jurisdiction must apply to the Division of Local Government before the value can be treated as growth in the limit calculation; use Form DLG 52B

USE FOR TABOR "LOCAL GROWTH" CALCULATION ONLY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ART X, SEC.20, COLO. CONSTITUTION AND 39-5-121(2)(b), C.R.S., THE Las Animas County ASSESSOR CERTIFIES THE TOTAL ACTUAL VALUATION FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2024

Table with 7 rows listing additions to taxable real property: 1. CURRENT YEAR'S TOTAL ACTUAL VALUE OF ALL REAL PROPERTY: \$1,591,688,883; 2. CONSTRUCTION OF TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS: \$12,393,540; 3. ANNEXATIONS/INCLUSIONS: \$0; 4. INCREASED MINING PRODUCTION: \$0; 5. PREVIOUSLY EXEMPT PROPERTY: \$545,334; 6. OIL OR GAS PRODUCTION FROM A NEW WELL: \$0; 7. TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY OMITTED FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S TAX WARRANT: \$0

DELETIONS FROM TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY

Table with 3 rows listing deletions from taxable real property: 8. DESTRUCTION OF TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS: \$291,792; 9. DISCONNECTIONS/EXCLUSIONS: \$0; 10. PREVIOUSLY TAXABLE PROPERTY: \$399,120

† This includes the actual value of all taxable real property plus the actual value of religious, private school, and charitable real property
* Construction is defined as newly constructed taxable real property structures
§ Includes production from new mines and increases in production of existing producing mines

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-128(1), C.R.S., AND NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25, THE ASSESSOR CERTIFIES TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS: TOTAL ACTUAL VALUE OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY \$2,079,435,162

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-128(1.5), C.R.S., THE ASSESSOR PROVIDES: HB21-1312 ASSESSED VALUE OF EXEMPT BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY (ESTIMATED): ** \$884,300

** The tax revenue lost due to this exempted value will be reimbursed to the tax entity by the County Treasurer in accordance with 39-3-119.5(3), C.R.S.

NOTE: ALL LEVIES MUST BE CERTIFIED to the COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15