

2026 Budget Presentation

Marion County Assessor's Office

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Agency Overview – Mission and Values

The Marion County Assessor's Office locates, identifies, and appraises all taxable property accurately, uniformly, and equitably in accordance with Indiana Law. We serve the public with integrity in a helpful, professional, knowledgeable, and timely manner. We empower our employees to improve themselves and the Assessor's Office through continued training and career development. We communicate our policies, procedures, and information openly and honestly using the best available technology. We see innovation and improvement and are good stewards of the public's resources. We treat everyone with respect, dignity and compassion. To deliver impartial and accurate assessments for the citizens of Marion County.

***Fair and Equitable *Integrity * Communication *Transparency
*Knowledgeable *Positive Customer Experience**

Agency Overview

Real Estate

Data analysis for assessment
Annual Trending
Appeal Administration
Cyclical Reassessment
Customer Service

Administration

Policy
Financial Management
Communication
Operations
Facility operations

Data

Deeds transfers
Sales Disclosures
Mapping
Data requests
State reporting

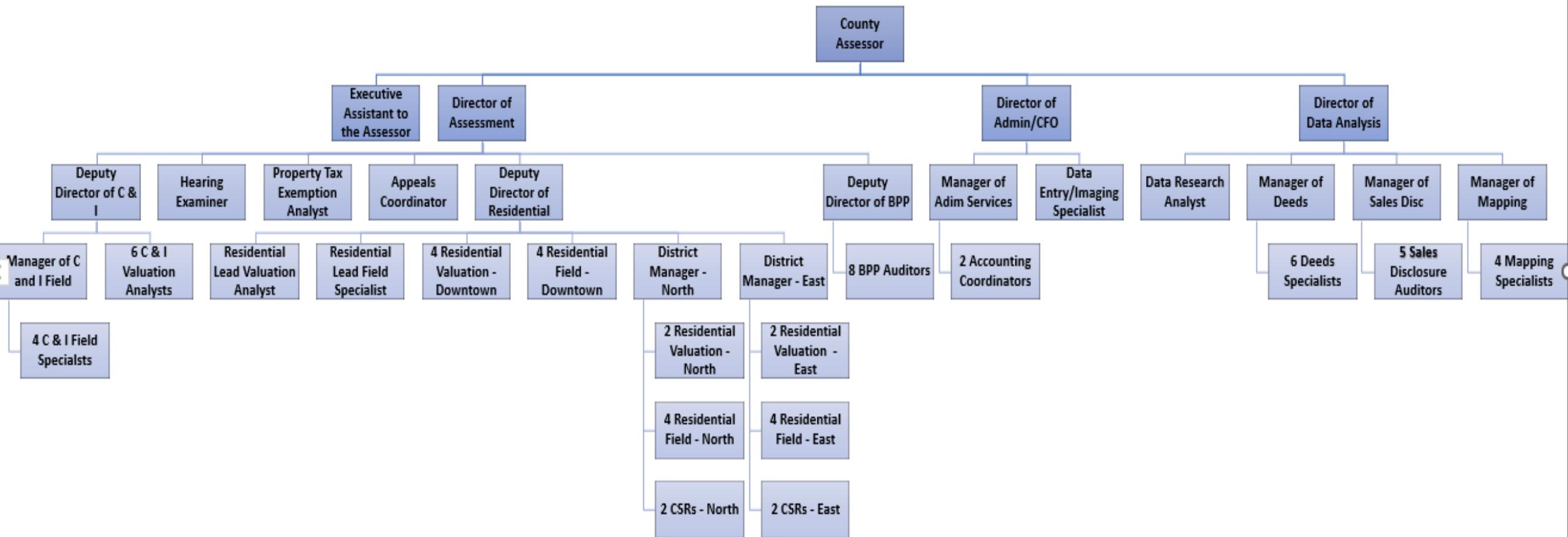
Personal Property

Audit of the self assessment personal property
Forms
Field review for new businesses
Mobile home assessments

Agency Staffing

- The Assessor's Office has a total of 93 full time positions. Currently we have 75 filled with 18 vacant positions.
- Overall Employment 65% Minority/Female
- Management 58% Minority/Female
- Opportunity for Career Advancement (*current employees have been hired for all jobs where internal candidates exist*)
- Education-Staff members achieve and maintain Assessor/Appraiser Certifications
- Voluntary Overtime
- Continued Telework Policy

Agency Overview – Org Chart – 93 FTEs



Programmatic & Fiscal Successes

- Handling Gentrification
- The Commercial-Industrial appeals all assigned/reviewed by a Valuation Analyst
- Continued timely work of residential appeals
- Met statutory DLGF certification schedule
- Continued Assessor University to allow assessor staff to obtain continuing education credits toward maintaining Assessor/Appraiser Certification
- Critically review agency needs when filling vacancies based on workload, duty consolidation and other gained efficiencies

Community Engagement & Outreach

- Consistent attendance at community/neighborhood meetings to educate and answer questions
- Homeowners Information Pamphlet
- Increased Online Services
- Utilize appeals data to improve neighborhood delineation
- Employ “Cattle Call” Hearings to give property owners the option to get their appeals resolved through a preliminary conference

2026 Goals, Priorities & Outcomes

- SB1 has forced the opportunity to evaluate our current processes and department/duty consolidation is emanate in 2026
- Explore how AI can assist in providing fair and equitable assessments more efficiently
- There are a few commercial appeals with large assessments that will require professional appraisals to compete in cases at the state level
- Utilize greater GIS functionality to improve historic neighborhood delineation problems and identify changes during Cyclical Reassessment
- Continue to ensure Assessor processes are available to the taxpayer online

Budget Breakdown - Total

FUND	2025 ADOPTED	2026 INTRODUCED	VARIANCE
County General	4,199,029	4,756,102	557,073
Reassessment Fund	2,249,435	2,117,874	(131,561)
Sales Disclosure Fund	312,677	189,102	(123,575)
Endorsement Fee Fund	415,144	348,741	(66,403)
Total	7,176,286	7,411,820	235,534

Revenue Sources

- Endorsement Fee: \$348,024
- Sales Disclosure Fund: \$209,868

-These fees are set by State Legislature

Budget Comparison BY Character

	2025 Adopted	2026 Introduced	Variance
Character 1	5,234,692	5,484,693	\$250,000
Character 2	27,566	27,601	36
Character 3	1,905,028	1,890,526	(14,502)
Character 4	9,000	9,000	
Total	7,176,286	7,411,820	235,534

Budget Breakdown – Character 1

Total - \$5,484,693

- This is an increase of \$250,001 and is due to funding the current staffing level with COLA, health insurance addbacks and benefits
 - Employees salaries and benefits
 - Level I, II and III certification requirements
 - Additional funds over last year to adhere to union contract mandated 4% raises

Budget Breakdown – Character 2

Total - \$27,601

- This is a \$36 increase from last year
 - Office and operating supplies
 - Janitorial supplies for XBE vendor
 - Boots and field equipment

Budget Breakdown – Character 3

Total - \$1,890,526

- This is a \$14,502 decrease from last year
 - District Office Rent
 - Professional Services
 - Parking and Mileage
 - Printing (MFD Ricoh)
 - Security
 - Subscription Services (mibor & costar)
 - Continuing Education Conference
 - IAAO Membership

Budget Breakdown – Character 4

Total - \$9,000

no variance from 2025

- Machinery and Office Furniture

Questions?