



This budget maintains an adequate cash and fund balance in the general fund. A strong cash and fund balance can be quantified, but it should also be qualified. Recommended practices set the percentage of an entity's budget dedicated to reserves as ranging from NO LESS than 5% to 15%. But more importantly, a good cash and fund balance should identify what requirements will arise in the following fiscal years. This budget maintains solid cash and fund balance levels to support future year's operations and carry operations through possible economic downturns, such as the one currently being experienced. The projected fiscal year end 2014 cash and fund balances are 15% of the current budget and 16.6% of the projected fiscal year 2014 anticipated appropriations. These graphs illustrate the County's historically volatile but currently steady cash and fund balances with a twenty-eight (28) year history + a two (2) year projection of year-end cash and fund balance at fiscal year ending June 30.

