Public relations booklet front cover created for the 1915 Panama-Pacific-International-Exposition.

Yolo County is the home of some of the world's greatest dairy cows. In the herd shown here are three record-breakers. In the foreground is Tilly Alcartra, with a year's milk production of 30,452.6 pounds.
**OUR VISION 2022**

Yolo County 2022 has preserved agriculture and used open space and natural areas to separate our distinctive communities.

Yolo County 2022 is a place for healthy living supported by easy mobility and a 21st century technology community.

Yolo County 2022 has a strong local economy and an abundance of water.

A great place to call home!

**OUR MISSION**

The mission of Yolo County is to provide responsive county services and to be financially sustainable. We engage our residents and partner with our community.

**OUR CORE VALUES**

- Service
- Performance
- Integrity
- Responsibility
- Innovation
- Teamwork
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In fiscal year 2008-09, as with many, the Yolo County organization was shaped by economic forces beyond its control - a national economy in turmoil and a state on the brink of fiscal collapse. Of all California counties, Yolo County is the hardest pressed to respond to times of fiscal strain. Longstanding Board of Supervisors policies which preserve and protect agriculture and open space, as well as a string of past events that have led to Yolo County receiving the lowest share of property tax in the state, have resulted in us paying dearly for what we value.

As an arm of the state, counties deliver services to millions of Californians (see following page for a list that illustrates the breadth and volume of those services we provide to all county residents). Many of our programs are designed to provide a safety net to our residents most in need. Other county services benefit the wealthy as well as the poor, such as public health or criminal prosecution. Yolo County is there at the beginning of life with a birth certificate to mark the official record, and for some, at the end when after dying alone and sometimes unnoticed, the county steps in to provide a proper memorial to a human life.

Despite economic uncertainty, despite being punished for protecting agriculture and open space, and despite being at the back of the line to receive property tax revenue, we refuse to be defined by these factors. What we lack in financial resources to protect and provide for our citizens, we make up for in ingenuity and leadership, and with our greatest asset - our employees.

Under the strong leadership of the Board of Supervisors and with the dedication of our employees, Yolo County persevered in 2008-09 with clear direction based on a strategic plan with goals and a vision for where this county should be by 2012, and beyond. This annual report provides merely the highlights of all we have accomplished toward meeting our objectives. It highlights what we value - values which remain even in the most difficult of economic times. And with broad strokes, it paints the picture of our many achievements as they fall under the Board of Supervisors’ adopted goals:

- Financially sustainable county government
- Environmentally sensitive and quality county infrastructure, facilities and technology
- Top quality workforce providing responsive services
- Preservation of agriculture and open spaces with planned development
- Partnering for a successful Yolo County
- A safe and healthy community

We continue to meet and exceed these objectives, but now do so with a smaller operating budget due to declines in the economy and state reductions to critical programs and services. Regrettably, we do so also with significant reductions in staff and an ever rising need for our services due to these same factors. Despite these harsh realities, the Board of Supervisors and our county employees remain committed to serving the residents of Yolo County with our values intact.

On behalf of the entire Yolo County organization, it is my privilege to present the Yolo County 2008-2009 Annual Report - a picture of the many accomplishments of our Yolo County workforce.

Robyn Truitt Drivon
Interim County Administrator
With 7.3 employees per 1,000 residents, Yolo County provides, throughout the county, all the services listed below by playing three very different roles: (1) as a regional government, the county provides countywide services, including elections, criminal prosecutions and public health; (2) for the residents of the unincorporated areas, Yolo County provides all municipal services a city would provide, including patrol services, trash collection, and road maintenance; and (3) as a political subdivision of the state, the county provides state and federal services including child protective services, food stamps, and mental health services.

### (1) Countywide Services
- Adult Detention (Jail)
- Agricultural Commissioner
- Aid to Victims of Crime and Violence
- AIDS Education, Prevention, Testing
- Animal Regulation
- Assessor
- Auditor-Controller
- Child Abductions
- Communicable Disease Control
- Cooperative Extension
- Coroner/Medical Examiner
- District Attorney (Prosecution)
- Domestic Violence
- Elections
- Emergency Children’s Shelters
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Protection Programs
- Epidemiology
- Flood Control
- Forensic Labs
- Hazardous Waste Collection
- Homeless Shelters
- Immunizations
- Indigent Burials
- Juvenile Detention
- Juvenile Justice Programs
- Landfill/Recycling
- Law Library
- Livestock Inspector
- Local Agency Formation Commission
- Probation (Juvenile and Adult)
- Public Administrator
- Public Defender
- Public Guardian-Conservator
- Recorder/Vital Statistics
- Regional Parks
- Treasurer/Tax Collector
- Weights and Measures
- Veterans Services

### (2) Municipal Services
- Airports
- Building Inspector/Code Enforcement
- Building Permits/Plan Checking
- County Clerk/City Clerk
- County Counsel/City Attorney
- Disaster Preparedness
- Economic Development
- Emergency Services
- Fire Protection
- Housing
- Library Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Pest Control
- Planning and Zoning
- Police Protection
- Sewers
- Street Lighting/Maintenance
- Street Trees/Landscaping
- Streets/Roads/Highways/Storm Drains
- Water Delivery
- Weed Abatement

### (3) Statewide Services
- Adult Protective Services
- Anti-Tobacco Programs
- California Children’s Services
- CalWORKS
- Child Care Licensing
- Child Health and Disability Program
- Child Protective Services
- Child Support Services
- Drug and Alcohol Abuse Services
- Family Planning
- Food Stamps
- Foster Care
- Foster Grandparents
- General Assistance
- In-Home Support Services
- Job Training
- Maternal and Child Health
- Medical Care Services
- Medically Indigent Adults
- Mental Health Services
- Public Health/Laboratory
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
In 2007, the Board of Supervisors, along with the County Administrator, department heads and staff, embarked on an ambitious strategic planning process to establish clear guidance and direction for actions of the county. This process established a vision for Yolo County in 15 years (2022) which contained the following:

Yolo County has preserved agriculture and used open space and natural areas to separate our distinctive communities. Yolo County is a place for healthy living supported by easy mobility and a 21st century technology community. Yolo County has a strong local economy and an abundance of water. A great place to call home!

The following goals were adopted for the year 2012 in an effort to achieve this desired future for Yolo County:

- Financially sustainable county government
- Environmentally sensitive and quality county infrastructure, facilities and technology
- Top quality workforce providing responsive services
- Preservation of agriculture and open spaces with planned development
- Partnering for a successful Yolo County
- A safe and healthy community

Since the original strategic planning process, which now occurs annually, the county has realized many accomplishments in support of the above established goals. The following are just a few of the many significant accomplishments made in fiscal year 2008/09 through the collective efforts of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, the directors of all 24 departments and all county employees. In most cases, the accomplishments below meet more than just the one established goals under which they fall.

**Financially sustainable county government**

- Through a countywide effort, led by the County Administrator’s Office, pursued and received the following in American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding: $2,851,703 for transportation; $10,000,000 for health and human services; $2,750,000 for public safety; $80,421 for community services; and $129,000 for energy programs.

- As part of the Countywide General Plan update for the year 2030 and beyond, an Economic Development Strategy was drafted by the Economic Development Division.

- With assistance from the Auditor-Controller’s Office, the Parks & Resources Department completed the first audit of the county’s Cache Creek rafting concessionaires, resulting in the capture of over $38,000 in fees not previously collected.
The Treasurer-Tax Collector’s Office collected 96.6% of billed property tax.

The Auditor-Controller’s Office managed the county treasury pool (average balance of $250 million) with an annual rate of return during the nationwide fiscal crisis of approximately 3.1%.

The General Services Department sold $41,836 of unused county assets, saved departments $248,000 by bidding out various commodities, negotiated a reduction in mail rates saving $10,000 annually and rearranged the courier route with no impact to service for an annual savings of $5,200.

Probation increased revenue through the lease of available juvenile detention facility bed space to Sacramento County and the federal government.

The Public Guardian’s Office, responsible for marshalling and protecting the property of conservatees, consolidated the storage of property of 75-100 conservatees into one place, a savings in space and time.

Through negotiations with labor representatives, Human Resources achieved a countywide savings of $5,100,000 in employee furloughs or salary deferrals.

Environmentally sensitive and quality county infrastructure, facilities and technology

The Health Department increased staff productivity, improved clients services and met audit, information security and privacy mandates through enhanced and effective use of information technology.

A construction and demolition recycling program, along with a countywide office recycling program and a new procurement policy, were established by the Integrated Waste Management Division to divert waste from the landfill.

The Assessor’s Office instituted electronic filing of business property statements and the Treasurer-Tax Collector’s Office began accepting electronic payments of property taxes.

The Clerk-Recorder’s Office converted official records and images into digital format for easy public access.

General Services completed renewal and construction projects for a number of county facilities including Administration, Probation and Sheriff. The department also completed design and bid documents, and proceeded with construction of new libraries in West Sacramento and Winters.
As a result of a joint effort with local child support agencies, the courts, county health and human services entities, employers, and various state and federal agencies, the Department of Child Support Services is now using an automated system to make it easier and faster to locate individuals and collect child support, reducing delays in payments to families.

The Sheriff’s Department completed installation of patrol car surveillance systems and mobile data computers.

In a joint effort, the Sheriff’s Department, General Services and the County Administrator’s Office pursued and received $30 million in provisional AB 900 funding for expansion of the jail, contingent upon siting of a reentry facility (siting agreement with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation). This agreement was later rescinded by the Board of Supervisors due to the inability to negotiate a siting plan with the state.

The Information Technology Department completed a major rewrite of the Law Suite software for the District Attorney’s office, the Probation Department and Collections, improving efficiency and data accuracy, management and sharing of information.

Top quality workforce providing responsive services

A new director was appointed to the Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Department who improved employee communication and morale, along with facilitating improved billing procedures.

Human Resources completed bargaining with six labor groups, resulting in multi-year agreements.

A new Health Department Director/Health Officer was appointed as well as a new Medical Director for the Department of Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health.

County Counsel and Human Resources began the process of updating county code relating to personnel matters in an effort to remove obsolete references, be in compliance with new statutory requirements and ensure conformity with labor memoranda of understanding.

Human Resources developed and piloted an innovative and successful high school intern program aimed at attracting young people to local government careers.

The Public Defender’s Office improved cross-training of staff in an effort to alleviate interruptions to workflow during absences, especially as a result of furloughs.
Goals 2012 and Achievements in 2008-2009

**Preservation of agriculture and open spaces with planned development**

- Substantial progress was made on the General Plan update with development of the Clarksburg Agricultural District and completion of draft policies and the Environmental Impact Report, which included extensive attention and coordination regarding issues of climate change.

- Through the efforts of the Board of Supervisors, the County Administrator’s Office and the Department of Parks & Resources, the county was able to acquire the environmentally sensitive and rich 314-acre Davis Global Communications Site from the National Park Service, which is now managed as part of Grasslands Regional Park, just south of Davis. $150,000 in funding for demolition of the Davis Global Communications Site facility was acquired and demolition completed.

- Completed the final year of a three-year Ag Marketing Initiative, which included a variety of events developed to encourage residents to consume local food and agricultural products, value Yolo County’s agricultural roots and heritage, and support processors, organic producers, wineries and agri-tourism.

- The Agriculture Department partnered with the California Department of Food & Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to secure funding for a dog team housed in Sacramento to inspect incoming shipments.

**Partnering for a successful Yolo County**

- The Board of Supervisors, the County Administrator’s Office and the Parks & Resources Department provided the leadership necessary to form the Delta Counties Coalition (and a related Technical Advisory Committee) with the five Delta counties (Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano and Yolo) to create a unified voice for the protection and preservation of the Delta and its communities.

- Through the Planning & Public Works Department, collaborative planning principles were developed with the City of Woodland, ultimately ratified by the County Administrator’s Office and adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

- Continued as a leader in climate change in the county, region and state which included working on overall county climate change policy, acquiring grant funds from the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District and PG&E to assist city and school partners in joining the California Climate Registry, and continuing to reduce the county’s carbon footprint in county facilities and fleet. Yolo County received a variety of awards for these efforts.
Began construction on joint-use library facilities in Winters and West Sacramento through partnership with the Winters Joint Unified School District, the City of Winters and the City of West Sacramento.

Significant progress was made on the Alternative Transportation Corridor between the cities of Davis and Woodland, in partnership with the City of Davis and the City of Woodland, which included moving forward with a feasibility study.

Through collaboration with First 5 Yolo, the Library established bilingual story times and parenting workshops in all seven county branch libraries.

A safe and healthy community

The Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Department established an evidence-based assertive community treatment program, with Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63) funds which reduced utilization of 24-hour, seven days a week facilities.

As a result of extensive research and outreach with growers and consumers on the part of Cooperative Extension, small-scale growers in Yolo County are now including dry beans in Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) subscription boxes for healthy food choices. This also results in an additional crop choice for growers.

The Information Technology Department collaborated in planning with the Yolo Emergency Communications Agency to enhance radio systems countywide.

The District Attorney’s Office launched the Yolo Truancy Abatement Committee, a forum for truancy stakeholders to share intervention practices and to standardize the process when it becomes necessary for the District Attorney to become involved. Since creation of this forum, school districts have reported a 50% drop in truancy.

A security upgrade was completed at the Leinberger Minimum Security Detention Facility.

The Department of Employment & Social Services substantially increased the number of foster family homes through effective partnerships with the Foster Parent Association and Foster Care and Kinship Education, and by working with the Child Abuse Prevention Council.
The Board of Supervisors is the duly elected legislative body for the County of Yolo. The Board sets and adopts policies and establishes programs for law and justice; health and mental health; social services; land use, transportation, water resources, air quality and flood management; agriculture; economic development; emergency services; intergovernmental relations; libraries; and areas of general governance. Based on these policies, the Board fixes salaries, appropriates funds and adopts annual budgets for all county departments.

The five members of the Board of Supervisors are elected by district. Supervisors are non-partisan and serve four-year terms. In Yolo County, members of the Board also sit as the governing body for Yolo County Housing, In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority, Yolo County Financing Corporation, eight county service areas and 13 fire districts. In addition, the Board of Supervisors participates in a number of joint powers authorities with other governments including the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, Sierra-Sacramento Valley Emergency Services Agency, Sacramento Area Council of Governments and Sacramento Regional Sanitation District. Further, members of the Board participate in regional and statewide organizations including the California State Association of Counties, Delta Protection Commission, Port of Sacramento, Yolo County Transportation District, Area 4 Agency on Aging and Northern California Water Association.

The County Administrator’s Office implements the policies of the county organization as set by the Board of Supervisors as well as providing executive management for county departments and agencies. The County Administrator is responsible for the development, preparation and management of the annual recommended budget; assistance with policy development and participating in and cooperating with various local, regional and statewide organizations. The office is also responsible for the overall administration, management and support functions for the county and specifically, Clerk of the Board, economic development, intergovernmental affairs, Office of Emergency Services (OES), public information and tribal affairs.

Did you know the County Administrator’s Office...

- produced a 428 page recommended county budget
- prepared agendas and minutes for 28 Board of Supervisors meetings which included reviewing and analyzing recommended actions and supporting documents for over 600 agenda items
- tracked 84 bills in 2008 in the state legislature and took positions on 24 (Governor signed 10 bills that Yolo County supported); in 2009, tracked 41 bills and took positions on 12 bills. 2 bills the Board supported passed the legislature
- awarded almost $1.5 million in grants for homeless providers, First Time Home Buyer loan assistance, infrastructure, Esparto brownfields and small business assistance; completed environmental clearance for $1 million in Community Development Block Grants
- broadcast 115 press releases on county business and published 12 columns in three newspapers on county services and programs
- presented or participated in 8 multi-jurisdictional emergency exercises, both in Yolo County and regionally
- conducted basic Emergency Operations Center orientation for approximately 65 county personnel and allied agency representatives
**Assessor**

The Assessor’s office is responsible for determining the assessed value of all taxable real and personal property located within the boundaries of Yolo County. The department annually prepares the local assessment roll that is used to compute property tax bills.

**Did you know the Assessor’s Office...**

- processed property tax assessments valued at $20.3 billion
- processed 30,621 homeowner’s exemption claims
- processed 5,393 supplemental property tax assessments
- completed 60,778 local roll units
- reviewed 12,300 properties for declines in value for the 2008-09 roll

**Clerk-Recorder**

The responsibilities of the Clerk-Recorder are mandated by law and include the processing and maintaining of records such as official records, marriage, birth and death certificates, notary oaths, fictitious business names, process servers and more. The department also provides services outside the legislated mandates by performing marriage ceremonies and serving as a passport processing agent for the U.S. State Department.

**Did you know the Clerk-Recorder’s Office...**

- recorded 35,769 documents
- filed 1,309 fictitious business statements
- issued 895 marriage licenses
- performed 326 marriage ceremonies
- provided 21,571 copies of documents, maps and vital records to the public
- reviewed, certified and forwarded 3,496 passport applications to the U.S. State Department

**Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector**

The Office of the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector is responsible for the treasury management, general accounting, property tax collection, financial reporting, auditing, cost accounting, budgeting, property tax accounting, payroll, debt management and countywide collection services.

**Did you know the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector...**

- processed near 215,500 transactions for 2008-09 including payments to all county vendors and employee payroll
- conducted 15 audit related projects
- issued approximately 72,500 property tax bills, deposited all payments within three business days during peak processing times and collected $273 million in property taxes
- managed the county treasury pool (average balance of $267 million) with an annual rate of return of approximately 3.2%
- collected $1.6 million of revenue assigned to Collection Services
Department Responsibilities & Key Measurements

General Services

The General Services Department constructs, manages and maintains all county facilities, coordinates and oversees purchasing, printing and reprographics, and provides courier services. The department also manages the county airport, utilities and fleet services.

Did you know the General Services Department...

... managed 29 capital projects valued at approximately $17 million which included the Winters and West Sacramento libraries

... responded to approximately 6,575 facility work orders (that’s more than 4 for each county employee!)

... completed approximately 3,037 vehicle service orders, disposed of 62 surplus vehicles to auction, transferred 25 vehicles within the county (recycling serviceable vehicles between departments to avoid buying new vehicles), processed 17,553 refueling transactions and completed 75 Department of Transportation-required vehicle inspections and 87 emissions tests

... worked with departments to reduce fuel carbon emissions by 6.8%

... processed 1,034 purchase orders totaling $13.6 million, 104 service contracts totaling $2.1 million, 12 revenue contracts totaling $89,000

... completed 15 bids saving departments $332,127

... corrected 20 invoices and quotes saving departments $21,384

... completed 414 printing requisitions, 254 business card/envelope requisitions and 27 signage requisitions

... managed 42 leases

... managed and facilitated 6 new Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grants and three state grants for the county airport

... managed rental agreements and leases for 13 hangars, 3 balloon launching companies, 9 tie downs, 1 crop duster, 1 farm and 9 ground leases

County Counsel

The Office of the County Counsel provides civil legal representation to the Board of Supervisors, the County Administrator’s Office, county departments and agencies, as well as to the boards and staff of several special districts and specified public entities.

Did you know the County Counsel’s Office...

... provided 8,936 hours of legal services to county departments

... provided 1,519 hours of legal services to non-county agencies

Elections

The Elections Department maintains the roll of registered voters and is responsible for setup and oversight of elections affecting Yolo County. The department also plays a critical role in educating the public on elections process and encouraging voter registration and voting.

Did you know the Elections Department...

... handled an increase in voter registration to a historical high of 106,295

... recruited over 600 poll workers

... selected 115 polling sites

... distributed 39,987 mail ballots
**Department Responsibilities & Key Measurements**

**General Government**

**Human Resources**

The Human Resources Department is responsible for a broad spectrum of work involved in recruiting, selecting, developing and retaining a high quality workforce for county government.

Did you know the Human Resources Department...

- hired 3 at will, 80 extra help, 1 limited term and 60 regular employees
- separated 187 employees, 61 due to retirements.
- facilitated 126 promotions, 6 reclassifications, 24 employee events, 147 worker’s compensation claims
- scheduled 198 pre-employment medical appointments
- made 4,370 job data entries into HR database, i.e. hire date, term, promotion, reclassification, pay rate changes, etc.
- made 670 personal data entries into HR database, i.e. addresses, name changes and other employee demographics
- made 1,701 data entries for health benefits, deferred compensation and Flexible Spending Account enrollments
- conducted 47 recruitments
- provided facilitator led training for 764 attendees and online training for 265 attendees
- received and processed 1,289 employment applications

**Information Technology**

The Department of Information Technology & Telecommunications oversees the operations and maintenance of the county’s technology infrastructure including hardware, software and telecommunications support. The department also provides these services to several client districts and agencies.

Did you know the Department of Information Technology & Telecommunications...

- completed 19,260 computer-related service requests
- blocked 23,341,480 spam emails
- received 27,244,504 emails (including spam)
- blocked or quarantined 22,356 viruses
- maintained 3,516 telephones and 3,545 voicemail boxes
- received 1,414 telephone service requests
- managed and maintained 88.5 miles of fiber/copper cable routes

**Library**

The Yolo County Library provides library services to all areas of the county except the City of Woodland, which provides its own library services. Branch libraries are located in the communities of Clarksburg, Davis, Esparto, Knights Landing, West Sacramento, Winters and Yolo with Central Administration in Woodland.

Did you know the Library...

- circulated 1,519,577 books, periodicals, DVDs, CDs and other items
- issued 91,099 library cards to county residents
- received 740,493 visitors to the library to borrow materials, use the public access Internet, volunteer, donate materials and attend a program or a meeting
- answered 53,846 questions from the public
- received more than 15,746 gifts and donations
- added an additional 25,541 new items for a total of 317,531 items in the collection
Department Responsibilities & Key Measurements

Child Support Services

The Child Support Services Department determines parentage, establishes orders for support and medical coverage, and collects and distributes funds from absent parents who have a financial responsibility to support their children.

Did you know Child Support Services...

... handled 11,829 cases, averaging 9,847 open at any given time
... established 1,008 paternities
... established 1,029 orders for child support
... collected and distributed $13,473,288 in child support owed

District Attorney

The District Attorney is the county’s chief criminal prosecutor. A chief investigator, chief deputy district attorney and chief of finance and administration lead the department’s three major units: investigations, prosecutions, and finance and administration.

Did you know the District Attorney’s Office...

... handled 309 new child abduction cases
... recovered 46 children and returned them to the custodial parent
... received 10,178 criminal cases, prosecuted 6,557 misdemeanor cases
... held over 100 countywide outreach events for over 1,000 seniors, including presentations at retirement homes, senior centers and other locations with the intent to educate on scams, ID fraud and personal safety
... collected $364,941 to return to businesses, merchants and citizens
... accepted 21 new filings, received 17 convictions and assisted in obtaining 41 protection orders through the Violence Against Women program
... received 65 case referrals and accepted 36 convictions through the Spousal Abuse program
... received 44 cases, accepted 23 and completed 29 felony cases through sentencing through the Elder Abuse program
... enrolled/approved 67 participants in a diversion program through the Juvenile Accountability Grant
... served 131 adult sexual assault victims
... opened 149 investigations and arrested 222 subjects, 52% for methamphetamine related offenses. 207 of the subjects arrested were for felony violations and 126 of the arrestees had prior convictions
... seized 24 firearms
... referred 7 minors to Child Protective Services
Probation

Responsibilities of the Probation Department include supervision of both juvenile and adult offenders who have been placed on probation by the courts; working in the community to prevent criminal activity; providing intervention programs for youth offenders; and operating the juvenile detention facility, work alternative sentencing program, and transportation unit.

Did you know the Probation Department...
... served 28 youth in the Juvenile Drug Court and Intervention Program
... served 47 minors in the Yolo County Construction Program
... sent 27 new minors to out-of-home placement by the courts
... admitted 486 Yolo County youth to the Juvenile Detention Facility
... supervised approximately 3,415 active formal adult probation cases
... made 6,444 face-to-face contacts with moderate- through high-risk youth on supervised probation

Public Defender

The Public Defender’s Office provides legal services to indigent persons accused of felony and misdemeanor criminal violations; juveniles prosecuted for alleged conduct that would be criminal if they were adults; parents, children and legal guardians when children are detained by Child Protective Services for alleged abuse or neglect; proposed mental health conservatorship cases and other persons whose liberty or parenting interest may be affected by the government.

Did you know the Public Defender’s Office...
... handled 3,448 felony cases
... handled 3,570 misdemeanor cases
... handled 1,026 juvenile cases (840 delinquency and 186 dependency cases)
... handled 172 conservatorship cases

Public Guardian/Public Administrator

By court order, the office of the Public Guardian/Public Administrator manages the estates and/or affairs of persons who cannot care for themselves due to serious physical illness, mental illness or other disability. Public Administrator services include managing the indigent burial/creation program and handling the estates of persons who die in Yolo County without a will, or without a relative in the state willing or able to act as administrator. In addition, this department oversees the County Veterans Service Office, assisting veterans and their eligible dependents in accessing Veterans Administration benefits.

Did you know the Public Guardian/Public Administrator’s Office...
... served 182 people on mental health and probate conservatorship
... the indigent cremation/burial program serves an average of 100 Yolo County residents per year, averaging two a week

Veterans Service Office...
... coordinated 1,722 rides for medical appointments for elderly, homeless and disabled veterans to VA medical facilities
... responded to 9,947 calls, requests and questions about veterans services
... provided veterans benefit services to 11,000 veterans with approximately 5,950 spouses and 2,850 children
... generated $1,973,378 in new benefit payments to veterans
... generated $1,751,378 in one-time benefits for veterans
... generated $63,754 in Medi-Cal cost avoidance for veterans
... generated $513,964 in tuition and fee waivers for veterans at the local California state colleges, community colleges and universities
Sheriff-Coroner

The Office of the Sheriff-Coroner is the chief law enforcement agency in the county. The department provides the following services: patrol, civil, detention, coroner, investigation, court security and animal control.

Did you know the Sheriff-Coroner’s Office…

… responded to 16,496 calls for animal service
… held an average daily population of 191 in the animal shelter
… issued 79 citations to boaters
… arrested 24 boaters for DUI

and also…

… provided 1,088 on the water patrol hours
… served 4,164 legal documents
… investigated 812 deaths
… transported 9,744 detainees to court and 1,191 out of county
… recorded 9,702 bookings at the jail - 2,283 felony bookings, 5,345 misdemeanor bookings, 2,074 felony and misdemeanor bookings
… issued 959 citations
… made 1,983 arrests
… responded to 34,484 calls for service
Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health

The Department of Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health provides alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment services to adults and juveniles; and mental health services to seriously mentally ill adults, seriously emotionally disturbed children/youth and their families.

Did you know the Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Department...

... provided alcohol and drug services to 1,456 clients
... served 123 clients through the METH (methamphetamine) grant
... provided mental health services to 2,795 consumers
... served 103 Mental Health Services Act full service partners - consumers considered high risk for homelessness or institutionalization due to the severity of their mental illness and who receive intensive services to prevent being sent to an institution
... provided Alcohol & Other Drug Prevention services to 20 schools throughout the county, covering 1,402 students in primary, junior high and high school.

Employment & Social Services

The Department of Employment & Social Services provides income support, food stamps and other aid to eligible low-income individuals and families; employment and training services to increase workforce participation and decrease dependency; and protective and supportive services for both children and vulnerable adults.

Did you know the Employment & Social Services...

... issued 11,807 food stamps
... managed Medi-Cal cases for 24,415 individuals
... provided 5,339 adults and children CalWORKs services each month
... received 498 adult protective services referrals
... served 1,870 consumers of In-Home Support Services
... assisted 50 refugee resettlement individuals
... served 921 people each month by the Community Services Block Grant program
... provided 130 people general assistance payments each month
... served an average of 175 customers monthly through the Workforce Investment Act program
... assisted 49,934 visitors in the One Stop Employment Center
... received 1,707 child protective services referrals
... provided child welfare case management services to an average of 514 children per month
... provided services to over 350 children per month in foster care, group homes and other out-of-home placements
... handled 120,639 phone calls
... provided assistance to 96,206 people through the Customer Service Team members in lobbies
The Health Department provides health services to county residents including: programs for the medically indigent, older adults and detainees; communicable disease prevention and control; protection of food, drinking water and ground water; waste and vector control; emergency preparedness and response; and vital records. In addition, the department provides health education on nutrition, tobacco prevention, and safety and public health nursing services, including home visitation.

Did you know the Health Department...

... administered 192,112 medications to adults in detention and 12,540 medications to juvenile wards
... provided 5,840 sick call visits to adult and juvenile detention
... provided case management services to an average of 595 clients per month in the California Children's Services (CSS) program
... provided 1,961 hours of physical and occupational therapy for 110 children through the medical therapy unit of CCS
... completed an estimated 14,378 well child screenings and exams and completed care coordination for approximately 1,800 children through the Child Health & Disability Prevention program
... coordinated an estimated 564 well child exams through the Foster Care program
... conducted 931 home visits through the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health program
... maintained a monthly WIC (Women, Infants, Children) caseload of 5,275 clients
... provided nutrition education and promoted physical activity to 17,381 residents
... provided 598 individual HIV and 92 Hepatitis C testing and counseling sessions
... received 20 reports of new HIV cases through the HIV surveillance program
... conducted 64 HIV/STD presentations reaching 1,189 people in Yolo County
and also...

... followed 4 cases of lead poisoned children and provided follow up and education for 18 children with elevated blood lead levels
... completed over 2,702 laboratory tests, including water bacteriology, tuberculosis, rabies, West Nile virus, salmonellosis, fungus, parasites and pertussis
... issued 1,367 permits for food facilities, 353 public pool and spa permits, 86 public water system permits and investigated 522 potential contacts between humans and potentially rabid animals
... regulated 5,187 Certified Unified Program Agency program elements at over 1,104 facilities and responded to 70 hazardous material emergencies in addition to inspecting all solid waste disposal, storage and handling sites
... processed 1,531 service requests including 70 food facility plan reviews, 643 land use document reviews, and collected 1,595 water samples to determine water quality and conducted 5,729 inspections
... investigated 289 complaints of various types in addition to 130 reports of sub-standard housing conditions
... provided 27,676 months of medical coverage for indigent adults and children
... served 2,306 indigent people with at least 1 visit and provided 7,572 indigent primary care visits
... vaccinated 778 persons at a UCD-Health Department seasonal flu clinic
... enrolled 976 medical providers and community partners in the California Health Alert Network (CAHAN) for immediate health alerting
... facilitated online training for 701 response partners to serve in varying levels of responsibility in mass vaccination Point of Dispensing (POD) clinics
Planning & Public Works

The Planning & Public Works department regulates land use planning, building inspection and code enforcement, integrated waste services, roads, engineering and other public works.

Did you know the Planning & Public Works Department...

... received 70 planning applications
... issued 898 building permits
... completed 500 building plan checks
... received 307,564 tons of discarded materials at the landfill
... disposed of 197,239 tons of the discarded materials
... recycled or reused 110,325 tons of the discarded materials; including 9,089 tons of construction and demolition debris and 31,512 tons of wood and green waste materials
... recycled 5,588 large appliances (dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, etc.)
... recycled 369,560 pounds of electronic waste, including cell phones, clocks, radios, shop tools, small kitchen appliances, vacuums, computers, office machines, plus 508,740 pounds of TVs, computers monitors, and laptops
... held 12 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) events and collected over 247 tons of hazardous waste, with 5,160 households participating
... patched county roads and filled potholes using approximately 7,500 tons of asphalt
... maintained 760 miles of roads, 170 bridges and 1,650 culverts
... chip sealed approximately 44 miles of rural county roads
**Agriculture and Weights & Measures**

The Department of Agriculture and Weights & Measures oversees an array of regulatory and service programs designed to protect public health and safety and the environment, promote agriculture, and ensure the integrity of the marketplace.

*Did you know the Department of Agriculture and Weights & Measures...*  
- issued 4,909 commodity export shipping certificates  
- processed 14 agricultural civil penalties  
- received 37,450 pesticide use reports  
- performed 34 pesticide safety trainings in English and Spanish  
- conducted 53 on-farm hazardous material inspections  
- inspected 4,713 weighing and measuring devices  
- inspected 100 locations and 16,184 packages for proper quantity control  
- inspected 152 scanner locations  
- inspected 1,933 gasoline pumps  
- inspected 31 mobile home parks and two condominium projects with 5,161 meters

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**Cooperative Extension**

Cooperative Extension is a joint program of the University of California Division of Agriculture & Natural Resources and Yolo County. They work to improve the quality of life for county residents including agricultural producers and employees, consumers and families through education, training and research.

*Did you know Cooperative Extension...*  
- oversaw 12 4-H clubs with 437 youth members and 196 adult volunteers.  
- graduated 22 new master gardeners increasing the program to 96 volunteers  
- provided 160 workshops and events on agricultural, nutrition, health, urban horticulture and human development, reaching ~4,000 participants  
- trained 80 adults (food pantry volunteers, pre-and elementary school teachers) and conducted classes for parents who in turn provided over 30,000 hours to 722 students and their families in nutrition education and healthy lifestyle habits

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**Parks & Resources**

Parks & Resources provides stewardship, planning and facility development for a countywide park system; policy and advocacy development for countywide water, flood, Delta and natural resources; and enforcement/administration of Mining & Reclamation Act regulations and county mining ordinances and programs within the Cache Creek Management Area.

*Did you know the Parks & Resources Department...*  
- operates and maintains 17 parks totaling 2,292 acres  
- managed 9 capital improvement projects totaling $3.9 million  
- restored over 300 acres of native grasslands  
- inspected 7 gravel mining sites for enforcement of the state Surface Mining & Reclamation Act  
- monitored water quality along 15 mile stretch of Cache Creek  
- conducted a prescribed burn and restored 25 acres of riparian habitat along 2 miles of Cache Creek
Operating indicators help users, such as members of the public, rating agencies and creditors understand a government’s operations and resources. They also provide a context for understanding and assessing a government’s economic condition. The information presented below includes various public assistance and law enforcement caseload data and activity-based measurements. The data is compiled by county departments and is used to monitor the performance of county programs. This data may indicate trends that could significantly impact operations and resources in future years.

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<td>Pesticide Permits Issued</td>
<td>620</td>
<td>640</td>
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<td>Phytosanitary Certificates Issued</td>
<td>3,601</td>
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<td>Phytofield Acres Inspected</td>
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<td>15,638</td>
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<td>Weights &amp; Measures Devices Inspected</td>
<td>7,757</td>
<td>8,349</td>
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<td><strong>Building Division</strong></td>
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<td>Permits Issued</td>
<td>1,129</td>
<td>1,114</td>
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<td><strong>Clerk-Recorder</strong></td>
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<td>Documents Recorded</td>
<td>59,047</td>
<td>49,392</td>
<td>40,544</td>
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<td><strong>County Counsel</strong></td>
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<td>Attorney Hours</td>
<td>11,132</td>
<td>12,928</td>
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<td><strong>District Attorney</strong></td>
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<td>Felony Cases Filed</td>
<td>3,077</td>
<td>2,937</td>
<td>1,971</td>
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<td>Misdemeanor Cases Filed</td>
<td>4,905</td>
<td>4,798</td>
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<td><strong>Health</strong></td>
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<td>Primary Care Clinic Visits</td>
<td>9,624</td>
<td>11,000</td>
<td>14,045</td>
<td>7,572</td>
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<td>Detention Health Sick Calls</td>
<td>7,261</td>
<td>5,900</td>
<td>8,400</td>
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<td>Women, Infants &amp; Children (WIC) Caseload</td>
<td>4,725</td>
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<td>4,775</td>
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<td><strong>Library</strong></td>
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<td>Total Circulation</td>
<td>894,010</td>
<td>1,313,985</td>
<td>1,042,766</td>
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<td><strong>Probation</strong></td>
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<td>Minors Booked</td>
<td>746</td>
<td>1,170</td>
<td>1,446</td>
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<td>Minors Released</td>
<td>765</td>
<td>1,148</td>
<td>1,371</td>
<td>1,389</td>
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<td>Average Juvenile Hall Daily Population</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>57</td>
<td>76</td>
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<td><strong>Public Assistance</strong></td>
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<td>Average Monthly Active Elder Abuse Cases</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>Elder Abuse Reports</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>298</td>
<td>411</td>
<td>488</td>
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<td>Food Stamps Cases</td>
<td>3,407</td>
<td>3,792</td>
<td>4,095</td>
<td>4,873</td>
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<td>Value ($) of Food Stamps Issued</td>
<td>$10,697,861</td>
<td>$11,813,123</td>
<td>$13,667,119</td>
<td>18,004,077</td>
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<td>Average Monthly In-Home Support Hours</td>
<td>106,102</td>
<td>120,772</td>
<td>149,597</td>
<td>164,622</td>
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<td><strong>Sheriff</strong></td>
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<td>Patrol Calls</td>
<td>38,751</td>
<td>38,249</td>
<td>38,508</td>
<td>34,484</td>
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<td>Jail Bookings</td>
<td>9,384</td>
<td>10,631</td>
<td>10,187</td>
<td>9,706</td>
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<td>Average Daily Jail Population</td>
<td>416</td>
<td>421</td>
<td>427</td>
<td>412</td>
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<td>Average Daily Animal Shelter Population</td>
<td>240</td>
<td>255</td>
<td>231</td>
<td>191</td>
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<td><strong>Tax Collector</strong></td>
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<td>Tax Bills Issued</td>
<td>60,834</td>
<td>62,065</td>
<td>63,954</td>
<td>64,454</td>
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<td><strong>Waste Management</strong></td>
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<td>Tonnage Entering Landfill</td>
<td>194,231</td>
<td>183,242</td>
<td>175,315</td>
<td>197,239</td>
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<td>Tonnage Recycled</td>
<td>91,467</td>
<td>96,241</td>
<td>107,798</td>
<td>110,325</td>
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Statement of Net Assets

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the county's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the county's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The county's total net assets decreased by $16.2 million during the fiscal year. During the fiscal year, net assets invested in capital assets increased by $1.2 million, primarily due to increases related to the construction and improvements of three libraries. Restricted net assets decreased by $5.8 million primarily due to the expenditure of Realignment reserves for Health and for expenditures related to capital projects.

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<td>Current and other assets</td>
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<td>Unaudited</td>
<td>$140,135,688</td>
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<td>Audited</td>
<td>$165,961,113</td>
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<td>Total assets</td>
<td>$306,096,801</td>
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<td>Non-current &amp; capital assets</td>
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<td>Current liabilities</td>
<td>$52,510,972</td>
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<td>Long-term liabilities</td>
<td>58,074,459</td>
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<td>Total liabilities</td>
<td>$110,585,431</td>
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<td>Invested in capital assets</td>
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<td>net of related debt</td>
<td>$138,825,065</td>
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<td>Restricted</td>
<td>65,996,859</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unrestricted</td>
<td>(9,310,554)</td>
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<td>Total net assets</td>
<td>$195,511,370</td>
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Net Assets Components

- The largest component of the county’s net assets is **invested in capital assets, net of related debt** used to acquire those assets, in the amount of $138.8 million or 71% of the total net assets. Even though the county’s investment in capital assets is reported net or related debt, the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate the county’s debt, and so the resources needed to pay these liabilities must be provided from other resources.

- **Restricted net assets** amount to $66 million and are resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. External restrictions include those imposed by grantors, contributors, laws and regulations of other governments, or restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provision or legislation, including those passed by the county itself.

- **Unrestricted net assets** are resources the county may use to meet its ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. Unrestricted net assets totaled a ($9.3) million deficit at the end of fiscal year 2008-09, a decrease of $11.6 million. The most significant factor resulting in the decrease was the $12.7 million increase in other postemployment benefits liabilities.

Statement of Activities

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the county’s revenues totaled $242.8 million, an increase of $8.4 million from the previous year, and expenses totaled $236.3 million, an increase of $18.5 million.

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<th>Statement of Activities</th>
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<td><strong>Program Revenues:</strong></td>
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<td>Charges for services</td>
<td>$51,803,116</td>
<td>19.73%</td>
<td>$41,707,875</td>
<td>15.79%</td>
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<td>Operating grants and contributions</td>
<td>$147,018,633</td>
<td>56.00%</td>
<td>$152,156,937</td>
<td>57.59%</td>
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<td>Capital gains and contributions</td>
<td>$10,676,239</td>
<td>4.07%</td>
<td>$14,136,130</td>
<td>5.35%</td>
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<td><strong>General Revenues:</strong></td>
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<td>Property taxes</td>
<td>$45,397,627</td>
<td>17.29%</td>
<td>$45,156,244</td>
<td>17.09%</td>
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<td>Sales tax</td>
<td>3,115,026</td>
<td>1.19%</td>
<td>3,269,216</td>
<td>1.24%</td>
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<td>Other taxes</td>
<td>$934,769</td>
<td>0.36%</td>
<td>1,029,703</td>
<td>0.39%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Use of property and money</td>
<td>3,549,821</td>
<td>1.35%</td>
<td>6,045,251</td>
<td>2.29%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other general revenues</td>
<td>14,416</td>
<td>0.01%</td>
<td>685,875</td>
<td>0.26%</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total revenue</strong></td>
<td>$262,509,647</td>
<td>100.00%</td>
<td>$264,154,231</td>
<td>100.00%</td>
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| **Expenses**            |      |            |      |            |
| General government      | $32,310,911 | 11.49% | $31,430,226 | 11.60% |
| Public protection       | 85,466,928 | 30.38% | 83,785,236 | 30.56% |
| Public ways and facilities | 9,416,418 | 3.35% | 10,064,666 | 3.72% |
| Health and sanitation   | 54,217,873 | 19.28% | 57,401,539 | 21.19% |
| Public assistance       | 80,078,036 | 28.47% | 79,496,910 | 29.35% |
| Education               | 6,167,941 | 2.19% | 5,283,181 | 1.95% |
| Recreation and cultural services | 2,577,899 | 0.92% | 1,205,613 | 0.45% |
| Debt service interest   | 1,634,044 | 0.58% | 1,259,520 | 0.47% |
| Airport                 | 457,100 | 0.16% | 417,161 | 0.15% |
| Central landfill        | 8,933,891 | 3.18% | 1,515,592 | 0.56% |
| **Total Expenses**      | $281,261,041 | 100.00% | $270,859,644 | 100.00% |

| Change in net assets:   | (18,751,394) | (6,675,413) |
| Net assets, beginning of the year* | 214,262,764 | 218,412,690 |
| Net assets, end of year | $195,511,370 | $211,737,277 |

* July 1, 2008 net assets include a restatement of $2,525,487.

Revenues

Program revenues are derived directly from the program itself, or from parties outside the county’s taxpayers or citizenry.

- Charges for services are revenues that arise from charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from the goods, services or privileges provided.

- Grants and contributions are monies received primarily from the state and federal governments and are generally restricted to specific program.

General revenues are taxes, unrestricted interest, rents and other items not reported as program revenues.

Expenses

Expenses are classified by function or service.

- General government are expenses for administrative offices that include the Board of Supervisors, Clerk of the Board, County Administrator, Assessor, Auditor-Controller, Treasurer-Tax Collector, County Counsel, Elections, Human Resources, General Services, Risk Management, Information Technology and Surveyor-Engineer.

Where the money comes from...

- Capital grants & contributions: 4%
- Property taxes: 17%
- Sales tax: 1%
- Other taxes: 0%
- Other general revenues: <1%
- Use of property & money: 1%
- Charges for services: 20%
- Operating grants & contributions: 57%

Where the money goes...

- Health & Sanitation: 19%
- Education: 2%
- Public Assistance: 29%
- Debt Service Interest: <1%
- Recreation & Cultural Services: 1%
- Airport: <1%
- Central Landfill: 3%
- Public Ways & Facilities: 3%
- General Government: 11%
- Public Protection: 31%
- Public Protection: 31%
- Operating grants & contributions: 57%

Public Ways and Facilities
Repairs, maintenance and construction of public roads and transit services.

Health and Sanitation
Indigent health care, public and environmental health, alcohol and drug programs, mental health services and emergency medical services.

Public Assistance
Social service programs, housing assistance, victims of crime assistance, employment services and veterans services.

Education
The operating and capital costs of providing library services and agricultural education through the Cooperative Extension department.

Recreation/Cultural Services
The cost of operating the county parks system and contributions to Yolo County Historical Society for support of the County Museum and the Yolo Arts Council.

Debt Service Interest
Both interest expense incurred on both short-term and long-term debt financing.

Airport
Operating and capital improvement and expenditure to operate and manage the county airport.

Central Landfill
Operating and capital improvement expenditures to operate the county central landfill.
Your Property Tax Dollars

Property taxes are assessed, collected and distributed by the county. The chart below summarizes the distribution of the 1% General Tax Levy.

Who spends property tax dollars...

- **School Districts**: 54%
- **Special Districts**: 3%
- **City**: 18%
- **County**: 10%
- **Redevelopment Agencies**: 15%

The largest share of your property tax dollars, 54%, is allocated to by school districts.

In addition to the 1% General Tax Levy, many jurisdictions add “special taxes” to your tax bill to fund operations, capital improvements and repayment of debt. Most of these “special taxes” are parcel taxes and are not levied based on property value, but are based on the amount of benefit a parcel receives from the services or improvements. School General Obligation Bonds special assessments are levied as an additional percentage of the assessed value of your property. All of these special assessments along with the 1% General Tax Levy are collected by the Treasurer-Tax Collector as part of your tax bill and distributed to the appropriate agencies by the Auditor-Controller.

You can view your tax bill online: [www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org)

Readers wanting more detailed financial information should refer to the county’s 2008-09 Comprehensive Annual Financial report (CAFR) available online:

[www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org) (go to: Government > Departments > Auditor-Controller > Publications)