

# Work nearing completion on 2011-12 county budget

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COUNTY LEVY ALLOCATIONS		
Allocation of levy authority in Dawson County's 14 political subdivisions was approved by resolution of the commissioners on Sept. 1. The subdivision levies are all part of the county's overall levy authority. None of the allocations includes bond funding.		
The subdivisions and budget requests are as follows:		
Political subdivisions	2011-12	2010-11
Dawson County Ag Society	\$29,165	\$217,455
Conrad Hospital District	\$214,200	\$214,200
Gothenburg Hospital District	\$725,460	\$725,000
No. 2 Fairview Cemetery District	\$6,820	\$6,820
No. 3 Cottonwood Cemetery District	\$2,125	\$2,125
No. 4 Platts Valley Cemetery District	\$5,989	\$5,914
No. 5 Mount Hope Cemetery District	\$3,900	\$3,900
No. 6 (unnamed) Cemetery District	\$7,616	\$7,224
No. 1 Lexington Fire District	\$72,407	\$65,088
No. 3 Denton Fire District	\$26,476	\$33,430
No. 4 Gothenburg Fire District	\$48,427	\$43,109
No. 7 Cozad Fire District	\$42,283	\$38,190
No. 8 Edenville Fire District	\$13,201	\$12,240
Railroad Transportation Safety District	\$196,620	\$180,463
Total	\$989,558	\$943,198

Numbers have nearly fallen into place for Dawson County's 2011-12 budget.

The first official steps were completed Thursday during the county board's regular bimonthly meeting.

Commissioners approved levy allocations for the 14 political subdivisions with taxing authority.

The total of the allocations jumps more than \$46,000 from \$943,198 last year to \$989,558 for a 4.92% increase.

The Railroad Transportation Safety District request increased more than \$16,000, or 9%, for the highest dollar increase but Lexington's Fire District is asking for 11.2% more funds this year as the largest percentage increase.

The levy allocations for the taxing entities represent only a small portion of the overall county budget and are a minimal portion of the total tax bill paid by Dawson County residents.