

FEBRUARY 2024



Hearing & Speech Board

Fiscal Year in Review 2024

At A Glance

Fund Balance: \$932,000

Decreased \$163,000

Revenue: \$376,000

Applications: 786 (-6%)

Renewals: 5,033 (+3%)

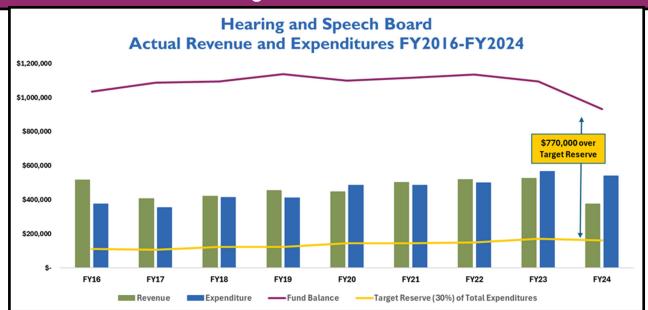
Expenditures: \$539,000

Significant Highlights

- Revenue decreased due to the fee reduction in June 2023.
- Overall costs decreased due to a decline in HELMS obligations, the use of one-time funding to support credentialing backlogs, and lower public disclosure and attorney general costs.
- In 2024, staffing costs increased as the program utilized additional FTEs and began implementing House Bill 1001, enacting the audiology and speech language pathology interstate compact.

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Revenue							
	FY2023		FY2024		Variance		Percent
							Change
Total	\$	524,000	\$	376,000	\$	(148,000)	(28%)
Expenditures Spending By Category							
Cost	FY2023		FY2024		Variance		Percent
Category							Change
Operations	\$	125,000	\$	162,000	\$	37,000	30%
Licensing	\$	166,000	\$	138,000	\$	(28,000)	(17%)
Disciplinary	\$	95,000	\$	85,000	\$	(10,000)	(11%)
Indirect	\$	93,000	\$	98,000	\$	5,000	5%
Subtotal	\$	479,000	\$	483,000	\$	4,000	1%
Legislation	\$	-	\$	23,000	\$	23,000	
HELMS Assessment	\$	87,000	\$	33,000	\$	(54,000)	(62%)
Total	\$	566,000	\$	539,000	\$	(27,000)	(5%)

Last Fee Change: Fee Decrease June 1, 2023



Revenue Projections

- Annual application growth: 1%
- Annual average renewal rate:
 90%

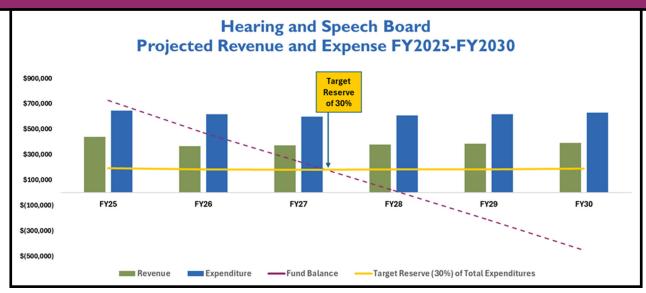
Cost Projections

- Average annual cost: \$619,000
- Expense growth rate FY2025: -20%
- Subsequent growth: -5% in FY2026 then 1% annually, driven by inflation, personnelrelated expenses, and disciplinary costs

Fee Activity Projections

- The department reduced fees in FY2023 to lower the surplus to the target reserve of 30%.
- The fund is projected to drop below target fund levels by FY2028, leading to a possible fee increase in 3+ years.

Fee Strategy: Possible Fee Increase in 3+ Years



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