

## GENERAL FY-22 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CYCLE FAQ'S

### **What is the FY-22 budget development timeline?**

In the coming weeks and months areas will prepare templates to load FY-22 Workday budgets, materials for budget hearings in early August, and 3-year all-fund budgets. A calendar of budget development activities through spring and fall can be found [here](#).

### **Will the 10% reduction targets be adjusted for FY-22?**

Yes, the 10% core fund budget reductions modeled last year will be reduced to 7.5% for FY-22 planning. Areas will be required to provide information about how the 2.5% of restored funding will be used to further the OneWSU strategic plan; improve student enrollment and retention; support equity, access and inclusion; or generate new revenues.

### **The FY-21 targets were based on June 30, 2020 PBL. Will the FY-22 targets be recalculated based on June 30, 2021 PBL?**

No, FY-22 targets will be recalculated based on FY-21 targets. For example, if the FY-21 10% reduction was \$1,000,000, it will be adjusted to \$750,000 (2.5% restored) for FY-22 regardless of changes in PBL since June 30, 2020. All targets are rounded to \$100s.

### **If the state's economy has rebounded, why do we still have cuts?**

Due to an improving state economy, WSU's state appropriation remains intact. However, enrollment is trending down for next fall, so we must plan for a related decline in tuition and other core fund revenues. Current projections are for those declines to be between \$14 million - \$26 million.

### **Is this a permanent budget cut?**

No. FY-22 initial PBL allocations will not be adjusted. Separate budget amendments will be processed by the Budget Office to reduce area FY-22 allocations by the 7.5% target amounts. Areas should be mindful that the reductions may continue in the future, and planning should focus on rightsizing budgets for projected enrollment and ongoing impacts of COVID-19.

### **Are the hiring and purchasing freezes implemented last spring still in effect for FY-22 planning?**

The State has rescinded the hiring and purchasing freeze implemented last spring and WSU will also rescind this freeze effective July 1, 2021, though hiring must be done in accordance with the approved budgets.

### **Where can I get more information on what is required?**

FAQ's for preparation of Workday budgets are found [here](#).

FAQ's for the budget hearing process are found [here](#).

FAQ's for the 3-year budget process are found [here](#).