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The Placer County Final Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 is presented in this document. The Final Budget was adopted by the Board of Supervisors subsequent to a public hearing held on September 13, 2016 to consider changes and technical revisions to the Proposed Budget, previously approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 7, 2016. We would like to thank the efforts of departmental budget preparers, department heads, and staff from the Offices of the County Executive and the Auditor-Controller. We would also like to recognize and thank the Board of Supervisors for their leadership and support.

The Final Budget was compiled in accordance with the County Budget Act (sections 29000 through 29144 of the Government Code) and includes applicable schedules prescribed by the State Controller. This document sets forth the appropriations (spending limits) for the provision of services by the County and the estimated financing sources by which the spending plan will be funded; and includes all governmental and proprietary funds of the County, dependent special districts and other agencies whose affairs and finances are under the supervision and control of the Board of Supervisors. California law requires that the County's budget must balance; that is, appropriations cannot exceed available financing sources.

The Final Budget is also a communication tool that speaks directly to the citizens, businesses, and visitors of Placer County. The charts and graphs that accompany the State-required schedules are provided as a means to display meaningful information contained within the required budgetary schedules, including revenues and sources by fund, expenditures by category and function, and per-capita revenue and operating expenditures. Charts presenting the distribution of the total one percent (1%) property tax charged have also been included so that taxpayers can see how their tax dollars fund schools, fire districts, water agencies and city and county services.

This year's budget book continues a focus to be of broader use to our readers. New this year is a display of the County's continued efforts in Priority Based Budgeting, with programs and budgets organized within each departmental budget according to their service system. Along with a narrative of departmental programs and services, the budget document also includes a "Spotlight on Critical Issues" section. We hope you find this expanded information useful as we continue our efforts to communicate what we do and the compelling value of the services we provide.

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