

# **Greenbook**

## **LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget**

### **Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board**

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Appropriation Spreadsheet

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## Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board

### Quick look...

- The Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board (CSRAB) oversees the buildings, grounds, and operations of the Ohio Capitol Square Complex.
- Operations are supported by 69 full-time and two part-time staff.
- CSRAB's major funding sources are GRF (61.9%) and the Dedicated Purpose Fund Group (32.0%), which is driven largely by fee revenue from the Statehouse parking garage and events.
- New GRF funding appropriated to ALI 874400, Statehouse Facility Improvements (\$6.0 million in FY 2026).

Fund Group	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
General Revenue	\$5,901,787	\$6,633,858	\$13,003,530	\$7,212,135
Dedicated Purpose	\$1,435,513	\$1,830,149	\$6,179,827	\$4,251,906
Internal Service Activity	\$795,433	\$799,591	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total	\$8,132,732	\$9,263,598	\$20,183,357	\$12,464,041
% change	--	13.9%	117.9%	-38.2%
GRF % change	--	12.4%	96.0%	-44.5%

### Agency overview

The Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board (CSRAB) oversees the buildings, grounds, and operations of the Ohio Capitol Square Complex in downtown Columbus, including the Statehouse, the Senate Building, and the Statehouse underground parking garage. CSRAB is responsible for maintaining these facilities and the surrounding public green space, providing educational programs through the Statehouse Museum and the Education and Visitors Center, hosting special events, and protecting the historical and architectural significance of the buildings and grounds of Capitol Square.

The Board is comprised of 12 members, six of whom are current or former members of the General Assembly. Board members serve without compensation but are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. An executive director oversees daily operations and a staff of 69 full-time and two part-time employees.<sup>1</sup> This includes

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<sup>1</sup> Source: [State of Ohio Employee Headcount Trends](#) (visited July 28, 2025).

administrative staff, custodial and maintenance staff, gift shop staff, education and museum staff, and employees of the Statehouse underground parking garage.

## Analysis of FY 2026-FY 2027 budget

The budget appropriates a total of \$20.2 million in FY 2026 and \$12.5 million in FY 2027 for the Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board (CSRAB). Funding is appropriated through six line items, two from the GRF, which accounts for 61.9% of the biennial budget total; three from Dedicated Purpose Fund (DPF) funds, which account for 32.0%; and one from an Internal Service Activity (ISA) fund, which accounts for the remaining 6.1%.

### Operating Expenses (ALI 874321)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 874321, Operating Expenses</b>					
\$0	\$0	\$5,901,787	\$6,633,858	\$7,003,530	\$7,212,135
% change	--	N/A	12.4%	5.6%	3.0%

This line item pays for CSRAB's operating expenses, primarily personal services (payroll) for most of CSRAB's staff, except those who work in the Statehouse Museum Shop and parking garage.

Related temporary law included in the bill provides for the reappropriation of the certified available balance of GRF ALI 874321, Operating Expenses, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 to FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively.

The bill also provides an earmark of \$50,000 in each fiscal year to display United States, Ohio, or Ohio military flags with historical significance to the state of Ohio inside the Statehouse.

### Statehouse Facility Improvement (ALI 874400)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>GRF ALI 874400, Statehouse Facility Improvement</b>					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000,000	\$0
% change	--	--	--	N/A	-100%

This new line item is used to make Statehouse facility improvements. The budget reappropriates the certified available balance of this line item at the end of FY 2026 to FY 2027.

### Underground Parking Garage Operations (ALI 874601)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>Fund 2080 ALI 874601, Underground Parking Garage Operations</b>					
\$1,033,932	\$1,562,369	\$1,410,164	\$1,461,755	\$4,245,906	\$4,245,906
% change	51.1%	-9.7%	3.7%	190.5%	0.0%

This line item appropriates parking fees credited to the Underground Parking Garage Fund (Fund 2080). It supports the operations and maintenance of the Statehouse underground parking garage, which is used by state employees and legislators, other downtown Columbus workers, and visitors. The budget continues an ongoing \$500,000 GRF transfer for each year in the FY 2026-FY 2027 biennium as well as a temporary law provision that permits the cash in Fund 2080 to be used for personnel and operating costs related to Statehouse operations.

### Capitol Square Education Center and Arts (ALI 874603)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>Fund 4G50 ALI 874603, Capitol Square Education Center and Arts</b>					
\$0	\$904	\$0	\$850	\$6,000	\$6,000
% change	N/A	-100%	N/A	605.9%	0.0%

This line item is supported by private donations that are credited to the Capitol Square Gift Fund (Fund 4G50) and primarily supports the maintenance and acquisition of educational materials, art, and artifacts that are relevant to the Statehouse or Ohio history for display in the Capitol Square Complex.

### Capitol Square Improvements (ALI 874608)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>Fund 5AN1 ALI 874608, Capitol Square Improvements</b>					
\$0	\$0	\$25,349	\$367,544	\$1,927,921	\$0
% change	--	N/A	1,350.0%	424.5%	-100%

This line item is used to make improvements to Capitol Square. It is supported by a \$3.5 million one-time transfer from the FY 2023 GRF ending balance and interest accrued. As of July 2025, Fund 5AN1 had a cash balance of \$3.4 million. The budget reappropriates the certified available balance of this line item at the end of FY 2025 to FY 2026 to FY 2026 and FY 2027, respectively. The bill also redirects investment earnings from Fund 5AN1 to the GRF from July 15, 2025, forward.<sup>2</sup>

### Statehouse Gift Shop/Events (ALI 874602)

FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Appropriation	FY 2027 Appropriation
<b>Fund 4S70 ALI 874602, Statehouse Gift Shop/Events</b>					
\$746,993	\$801,788	\$795,433	\$799,591	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
% change	7.3%	-0.8%	0.5%	25.1%	0.0%

<sup>2</sup> Section 503.140 of H.B. 96 of the 136<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

This line item is generally funded by gift shop revenue and special event fees and is used to pay for the operations of the Statehouse Museum Shop, the costs associated with special events held in Capitol Square buildings and grounds, and tours and educational activities. The budget also transfers \$1.0 million in FY 2026 from the Underground Parking Garage Fund (Fund 2080) to the Statehouse Gift Shop/Events Fund (Fund 4S70) to support personnel and operating costs related to the operations of the Statehouse Gift Shop and events.

**FY 2026 - FY 2027 Final Appropriations  
All Fund Groups - Detail**

**H.B. 96 - Main Operating Appropriations Bill**

Detail by Agency			FY 2024	FY 2025	Appropriation FY 2026	Appropriation FY 2027	FY 2025 to FY 2026 % Change	FY 2026 to FY 2027 % Change
<b>CSR Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board</b>								
GRF	874321	Operating Expenses	\$5,901,787	\$6,633,858	\$7,003,530	\$7,212,135	5.57%	2.98%
GRF	874400	Statehouse Facility Improvements	\$0	\$0	\$6,000,000	\$0	N/A	-100.00%
<b>General Revenue Fund Subtotal</b>			<b>\$5,901,787</b>	<b>\$6,633,858</b>	<b>\$13,003,530</b>	<b>\$7,212,135</b>	<b>96.02%</b>	<b>-44.54%</b>
2080	874601	Underground Parking Garage Operations	\$1,410,164	\$1,461,755	\$4,245,906	\$4,245,906	190.47%	0.00%
4G50	874603	Capitol Square Education Center and Arts	\$0	\$850	\$6,000	\$6,000	605.88%	0.00%
5AN1	874608	Capitol Square Improvements	\$25,349	\$367,544	\$1,927,921	\$0	424.54%	-100.00%
<b>Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Subtotal</b>			<b>\$1,435,513</b>	<b>\$1,830,149</b>	<b>\$6,179,827</b>	<b>\$4,251,906</b>	<b>237.67%</b>	<b>-31.20%</b>
4S70	874602	Statehouse Gift Shop/Events	\$795,433	\$799,591	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	25.06%	0.00%
<b>Internal Service Activity Fund Group Subtotal</b>			<b>\$795,433</b>	<b>\$799,591</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	<b>25.06%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board Total</b>			<b>\$8,132,732</b>	<b>\$9,263,598</b>	<b>\$20,183,357</b>	<b>\$12,464,041</b>	<b>117.88%</b>	<b>-38.25%</b>