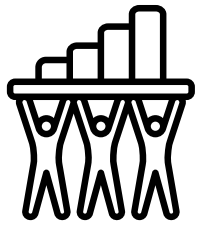
Public Safety Strategy and Performance

Strategic Plan Focus



Focus Area 1: Community Advancement

To invest in cultural capital and advancement strategies that promote participative governance that elevates a community to live, work, and play, while also positioning Burke County as a community of choice.



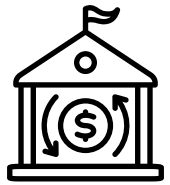
Focus Area 2: Economic Growth & Sustainment

To promote Burke County as a business and economic center in the region through recruitment of new industries and creating a healthy business climate for existing businesses.



Focus Area 3: Public Safety & Wellbeing

To ensure the safety of our residents through efficient and effective public safety agencies.



Focus Area 4: Fiscal Stewardship

To pursue a high-performing organization model that ensures high quality, transparency, and efficient use of public resources.



Focus Area 5: Employer of Choice

To promote a professional value-based employee centric workplace that promotes innovation, performance, integrity, and differentiation.

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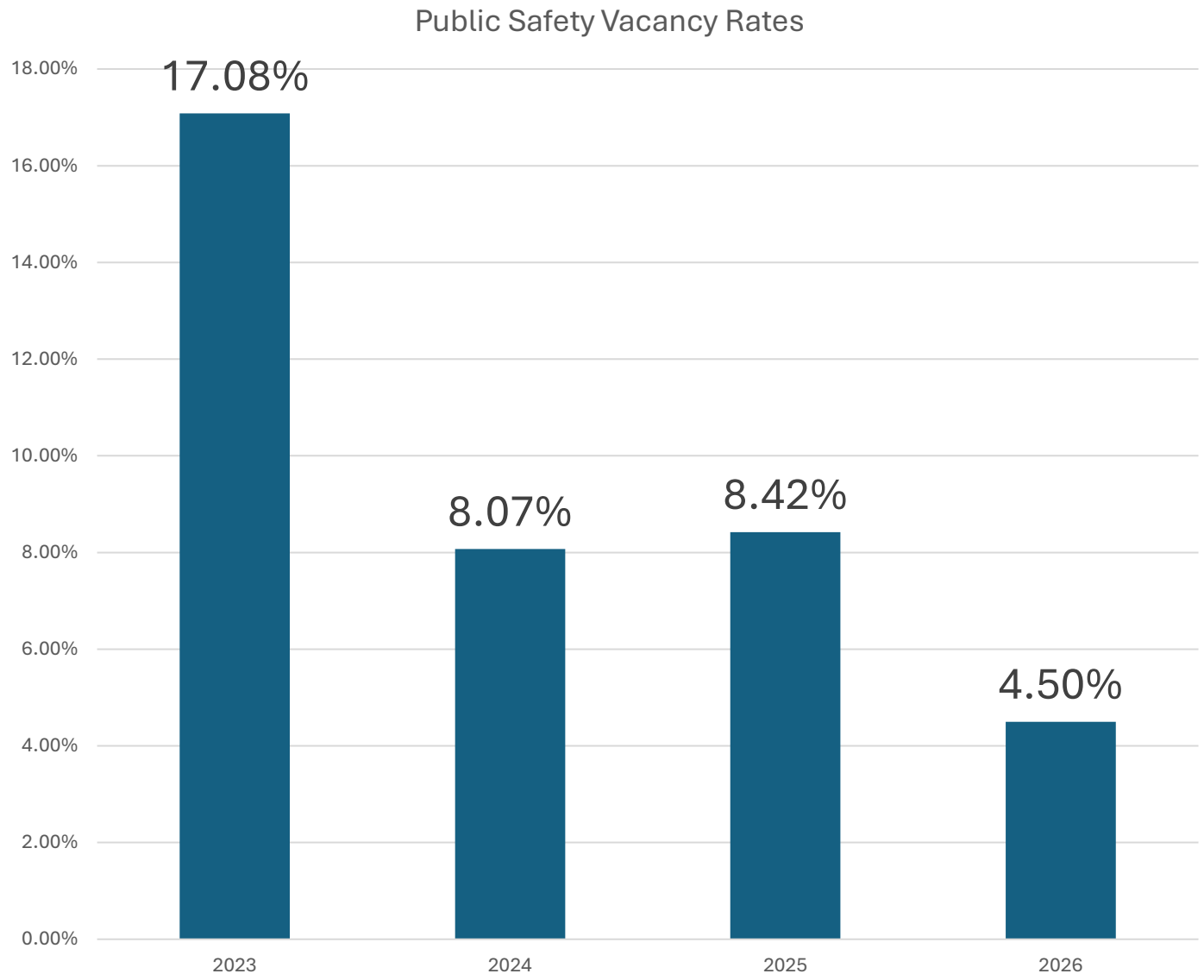
2022 Public Safety Focus Areas

- Fire Marshal: Increase annual inspection compliance rate. Was 14%
- Sheriff: Additional staffing and resources
- 911 Communications: Quality Assurance and Staffing Stabilization
- EMS: Reduction in response time, staff retention, and base location considerations

Public Safety Funding

Department	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	% Change
Detention Center	$5,749,295	$6,430,034	$6,824,177	$6,981,312	2%
Sheriff's Department	$8,334,000	$9,415,974	$10,640,279	$11,392,924	7%
Emergency Medical Services / EM	$7,713,065	$8,639,608	$8,562,050	$8,923,490	4%
Fire Marshal's Office	$428,075	$563,759	$588,664	$484,043	-18%
E-911/Communications	$2,625,355	$3,065,732	$3,477,312	$3,181,115	-9%
Total Public Safety Budget	$24,829,790	$27,999,945	**$30,092,482**	**$30,962,884**	3%

Public Safety Staffing



Patrol Staffing

