

Freehold Soil Conservation District

Proposed Budget - Fiscal Year 2026

July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Explanation of Budget Categories

I. Salaries, Wages, Benefits

Category includes: Compensation for District employees, both full and part-time. A limited amount of overtime is necessary for the County Fairs and Chapter 251 plan review. Health, dental, pension benefits, FICA, longevity bonus, clothing allowance and unemployment / disability benefits.

Budget includes: Annual and / or merit increase deemed appropriate by the Board of Supervisors.

II. Professional Services

Category includes:

- A. Cost of retainer for legal council
- B. Cost of annual audit
- C. Cost of payroll services
- D. Cost of tax savings plan

III. Materials and Supplies

Category includes: Cost for daily supplies required for office operations (postage, water cooler, desks, cabinets, paper, etc.)

IV. Vehicular Operations

Category includes: All costs for the operation of the District's vehicle fleet (gasoline, repairs, maintenance, lettering and registration)

V. Building and Utilities

Category includes: Costs associated with the District's office located at 4000 Kozloski Road Freehold Township (rent and maintenance contracts)

VI. Professional Development and Public Information

Category includes: Purchase of books, manuals, pamphlets and other materials used for training of District personnel. Cost of registration and tuition of continuing education (Soil Erosion and Sediment Control courses given at Rutgers University) as authorized by the Board of Supervisors.

Cost of public information publications (Annual Report and Newsletter)

VII. Insurance

Category includes: Premiums for all insurance needed for the District's operations (comprehensive business, automobile, workers' compensation, treasurer's bond, blanket bond, etc.)

VIII. Scholarships

Category includes:

- A. \$ 2,500 Freehold Soil Conservation Scholarship
- B. \$ 2,500 William T. Schauer Conservation Scholarship

Scholarship B as of FY 1998, scholarships A created by District resolution, dated March 22, 1978, and administered by the Freehold Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors, awarded annually.

IX. Vehicle and Equipment Purchase

Category includes: Allocation for vehicle purchases and other equipment on a year to year basis.

District Bank Accounts

Chapter 251 Checking	Columbia Bank
Regular Checking	Columbia Bank
Payroll Checking	Columbia Bank
Scholarship CMA	State Of New Jersey Cash Management Fund
Chapter 251 CMA	State Of New Jersey Cash Management Fund
District CMA	State Of New Jersey Cash Management Fund
Money Market - Chapter 251	Columbia Bank
Money Market - District	Columbia Bank
Money Market - Scholarship	Columbia Bank
Certificate of Deposit - Chap 251	Columbia Bank
Certificate of Deposit - District	Columbia Bank
Certificate of Deposit - Scholarship	Columbia Bank

Health Benefits

See next page
Per month

valid thru 12/31/2025

Dental Coverage

See next page
Per Month

valid thru 12/31/2025

Vision Coverage

VSP Plan
Per Month

(effective to 6/30/26)

Mileage Allowance:	May change due to federal prevailing rate
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FICA	7.65% (6.20% and 1.45%)
Unemployment	0.7
Disability	0.1

Field Personnel Clothing Allowance:			
Per Year	275.00	Field Staff	(x9)=2,200
	200.00	Senior Staff	(x6)=1,200
	100.00	Clerical	(x3)=300
