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About this Guide

This guide provides a summary of expenditure for the Tobago House of Assembly for the period 2023-2027. It provides Members of Parliament and stakeholders with an overview of the Assembly's responsibilities. The primary purpose of this guide is to consolidate the information contained in the various Budget Documents pertaining to the Tobago House of Assembly and provide readers with an analysis of that information. This guide is based primarily on:

- the Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure 2027;
- the Draft Estimates of Development Programme 2027;
- the Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and of the Tobago House of Assembly 2027;
- the Public Sector Investment Programme 2027; and
- the State Enterprises Investment Programme 2027.

Overview of Head 15: Tobago House of Assembly

$2,571,633,500 2027 Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure	$166,860,000 2027 Estimates of Development Programme
$2,738,493,500 2027 Total Allocation[1]	3.72% % of National Budget[2]

[1] Total Allocation = Recurrent Expenditure + Development Programme

[2] National Budget is calculated by adding the Total Recurrent Expenditure and Total Consolidated Fund. Head 18 – Ministry of Finance, Sub-Head 04 – Current Transfers and Subsidies, Sub-Item 11 - Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF) (Infrastructure Development Fund allocation is part of the Ministry of Finance allocation for Fiscal Year. Therefore, the total recurrent expenditure for the THA does not include the IDF funding.
Therefore, Percentage of the National Budget = [(THA's Recurrent Expenditure + THA's Consolidated Fund) ÷ (National Budget)] × 100

About the Tobago House of Assembly[3]

Executive Leadership

Chief Secretary: Farley Augustine
Chief Administrator: Ms. Denise Toby-Quashie

Mission:

Serving as the primary governing body for the island of Tobago, the THA holds legislative responsibility for Tobago's affairs within the national framework of Trinidad and Tobago and empowers Tobago through leadership, innovation and sustainable development.

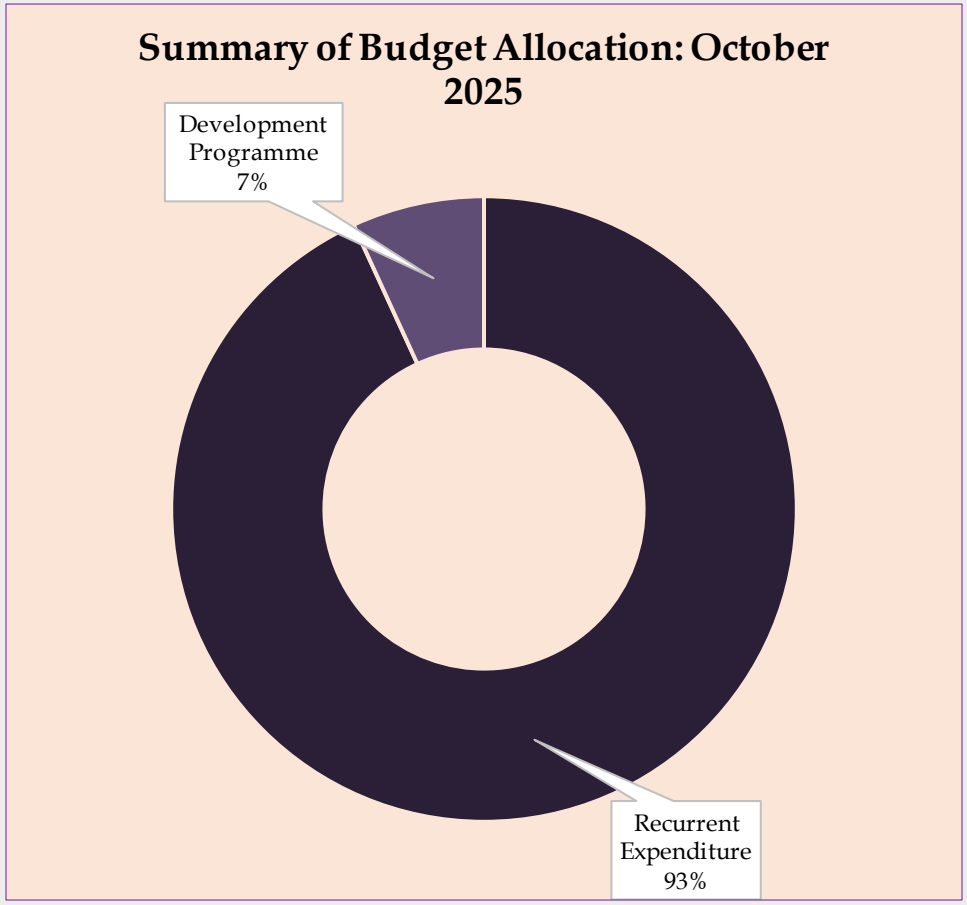
Divisions:

- Office of the Chief Secretary
- Education, Skills and Innovation
- Health and Wellness
- Public Infrastructure and Transportation
- Community Development and Social Protection
- Finance, Trade and the Economy
- Housing, Settlements and Public Utilities
- Strategic Planning and Development
- Youth Empowerment and Sport
- Environment, Climate Resilience and Energy
- Food Security
- Legal Affairs
- Tourism, Antiquities and Creative Industries

[3] The Divisions and general information about the Tobago House of Assembly can be found at: https://www.tha.gov.tt/

Review of Budget 2026 Allocation

Budget Allocation: October 2025



Recurrent Expenditure	$2,821,074,800
Development Programme	$201,500,000
Total	$3,022,574,800

Supplementation and Variation of Appropriation for fiscal year 2026[4]

➢ Supplementation of Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2026[5]

During Fiscal Year 2026, it was necessary to have a Supplementation of Appropriation of resources to fund urgent and critical Recurrent in areas where insufficient allocation was provided. The source of these additional funds was the Consolidated Fund. The Tobago House of Assembly requested and was granted the following supplementations:

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Recurrent Expenditure - $79,000,000

06/001/06: Tobago House of Assembly - $79,000,000

To meet the shortfall in allocation resulting from the revised Salaries and Cost of Living Allowance and other terms and conditions of employment for members of the Teaching Service as embodied in the Memorandum of Understanding dated 18th April 2025.

Development Programme - $15,000,000

09/004/C759: Reconstruction of Scarborough Secondary School - $79,000,000

To provide for the expenditure associated with the reconstruction of the Scarborough Secondary School.

[4]Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives for the Second Session (2026/2027), Thirteenth Parliament on the consideration of proposals for the Supplementary and Variation Appropriation for the fiscal year 2026 June 12, 2026. Accessed: July 02, 2026. Available: https://www.ttparliament.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/p13-s2-H-20260615-SFC-R.pdf

[5] Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives for the Second Session (2026/2027), Thirteenth Parliament on the consideration of proposals for the Supplementary and Variation Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2026 June 12, 2026. Accessed: July 12, 2026. Available: https://www.ttparliament.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/p13-s2-H-20260615-SFC-R.pdf

The Assembly's total allocation as a percentage of the National Budget for the period 2023-2027

Year [6]	Total Allocation[7]	National Budget[8]	Percentage of National Budget
2023	$2,578,527,821	$69,379,928,103	3.7%
2024	$2,604,475,069	$63,674,007,690	4.1%
2025	$2,613,495,740	$65,450,506,594	3.9%
2026	$3,037,574,800	$76,782,919,774	3.9%
2027	$2,783,493,500	$73,542,254,337	3.7%

[6] For Fiscal Years 2023-2025, actual figures were used to calculate the total allocation. However, estimates were used to calculate the total allocation for Fiscal Years 2026 (Revised) and 2027.
[7] Total Allocation for the Tobago House of Assembly =Recurrent Expenditure + Consolidated Fund Expenditure
[8] The National Budget =Recurrent Expenditure + Development Programme Expenditure: Consolidated Fund

The Assembly's Total Allocation as a Percentage of the National Budget by Subhead

3.62%	6.57%
Recurrent Expenditure[9]	Consolidated Fund[10]

3.72%

Total Percentage[11]

[9] Recurrent Expenditure as a Percentage of Total Recurrent Expenditure = $\left(\frac{\text{THA's Recurrent Expenditure}}{\text{Total Recurrent Expenditure}}\right) \times 100$

[10] Consolidated Fund as a Percentage of Total Consolidated Fund = $\left(\frac{\text{THA's Consolidated Fund Allocation}}{\text{Total Consolidated Fund}}\right) \times 100$

[11] Percentage of the National Budget = $\left[\frac{(\text{THA's Recurrent Expenditure + Ministry's Consolidated Fund})}{\text{National Budget}}\right] \times 100$

Where the Assembly spends its money



01 Personnel Expenditure:

$1,131,075,700



03 Minor Equipment Purchases:

$34,719,900



Consolidated Fund (DP): **$166,860,000**



02 Goods and Services: **$804,841,600**

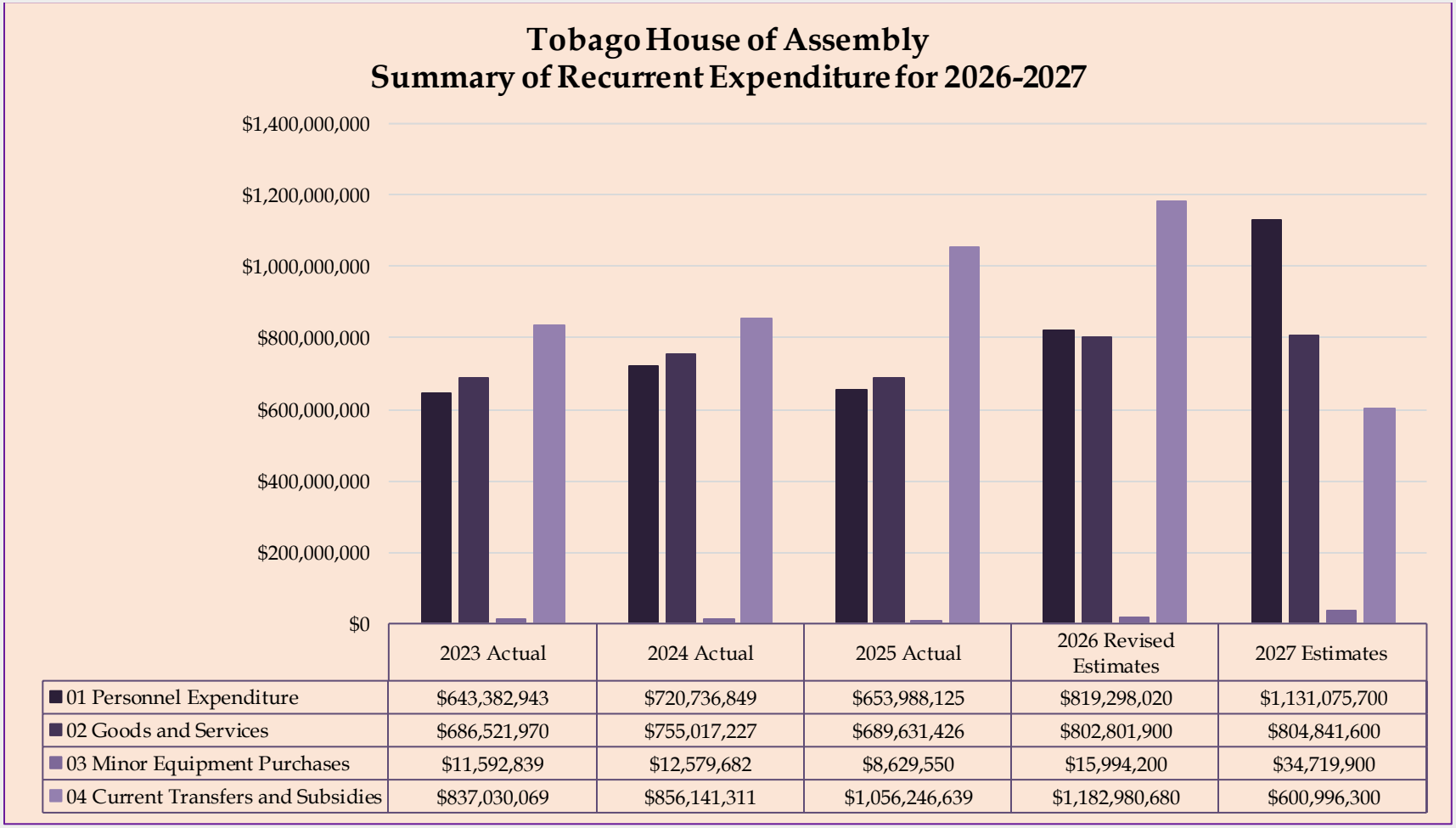


04 Current Transfers and Subsidies:

$600,996,300

Summary of Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal 2023-2027[12]

The Graph below illustrates the budget allocation of the Tobago House of Assembly's Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Years 2023-2027.



	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
01 Personnel Expenditure	$643,382,943	$720,736,849	$653,988,125	$819,298,020	$1,131,075,700
02 Goods and Services	$686,521,970	$755,017,227	$689,631,426	$802,801,900	$804,841,600
03 Minor Equipment Purchases	$11,592,839	$12,579,682	$8,629,550	$15,994,200	$34,719,900
04 Current Transfers and Subsidies	$837,030,069	$856,141,311	$1,056,246,639	$1,182,980,680	$600,996,300

[12] Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and the Tobago House of Assembly for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Statutory-Board-2027.pdf . Accessed on: October 12, 2027.

Analysis of Summary of Recurrent Expenditure[13]

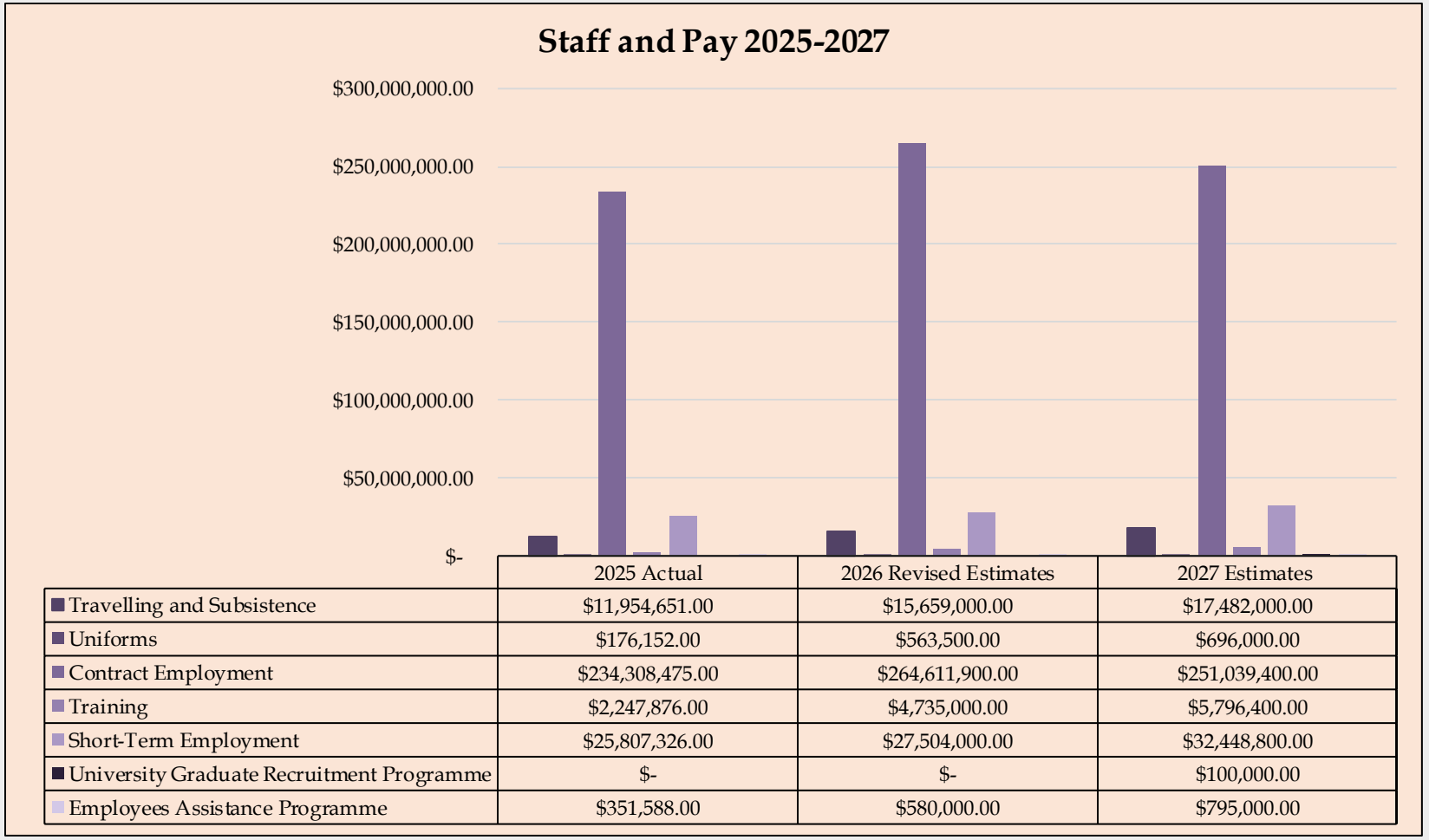
Recurrent Expenditure refers to the expenditure incurred in the day-to-day operations of the Assembly for Personnel Expenditure, Goods and Services, Minor Equipment Purchases and Current Transfers and Subsidies. Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year 2027 is **$2,571,633,500**.

- Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year 2027 is **$2,571,633,500**, which represents **3.62**% of the total Estimated Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year 2027.
- **Revised** Recurrent Expenditure for Fiscal Year 2026 was **$2,821,074,800**. Comparing this figure with the estimated figure for Recurrent Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2027, the allocation decreased by **$249,441,300** or **8.8%.**
- Sub-Head 01 **Personnel Expenditure** has received **43**% of the 2027 budgetary allocation**.** Comparing this with the **revised** Fiscal Year 2026 allocation, there is an increase of **$311,777,680** or **38**%.
- Sub-Head 02 **Goods and Services** has received the **second largest** allocation for the Ministry, accounting for **33**% of the allocation for Fiscal 2027. Comparing this with Fiscal Year 2026 (Revised), there is an increase of **$2,039,700** or **0.25**%.
- Sub-Head 03 **Minor Equipment Purchases** has consistently received the **lowest** allocation for the period 2023-2027. It has fluctuated over the period, and it represents **1**% of the total allocation for Fiscal 2027.
- Sub-Head 04 **Current Transfers and Subsidies** has fluctuated over the period 2023 to 2027 and accounts for **23**% of the allocation for Fiscal 2027.

[13] Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and the Tobago House of Assembly for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Statutory-Board-2027.pdf . Accessed on: October 12, 2026.

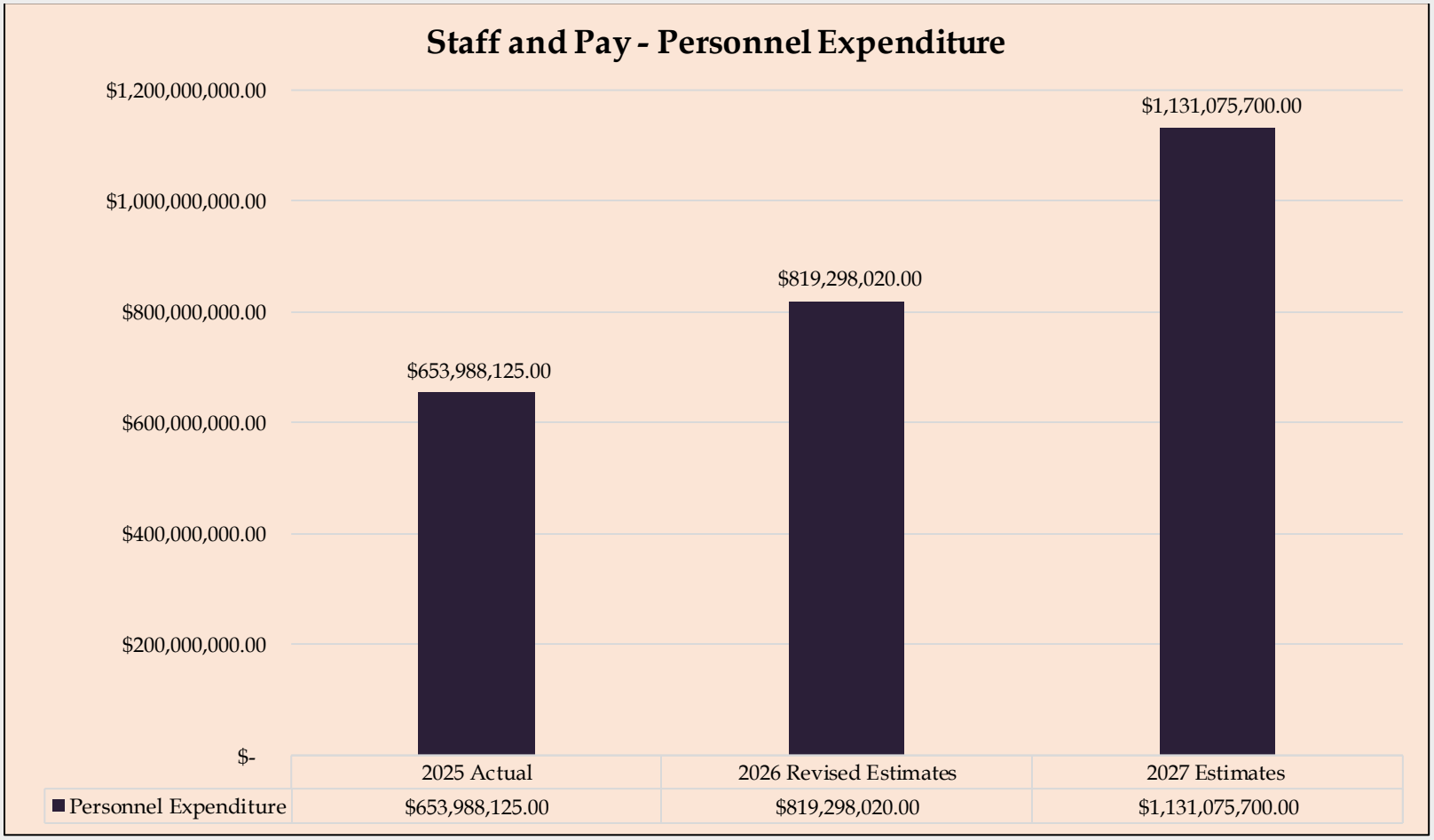
Staff and Pay

The allocation of staff expenditure for Fiscal Year 2027 is **$1,439,433,300** which represents an increase of approximately **27**% from the last Fiscal Year 2026 (Revised). The following charts provide a breakdown of staff-related expenditure for the period 2025 to 2027[14].



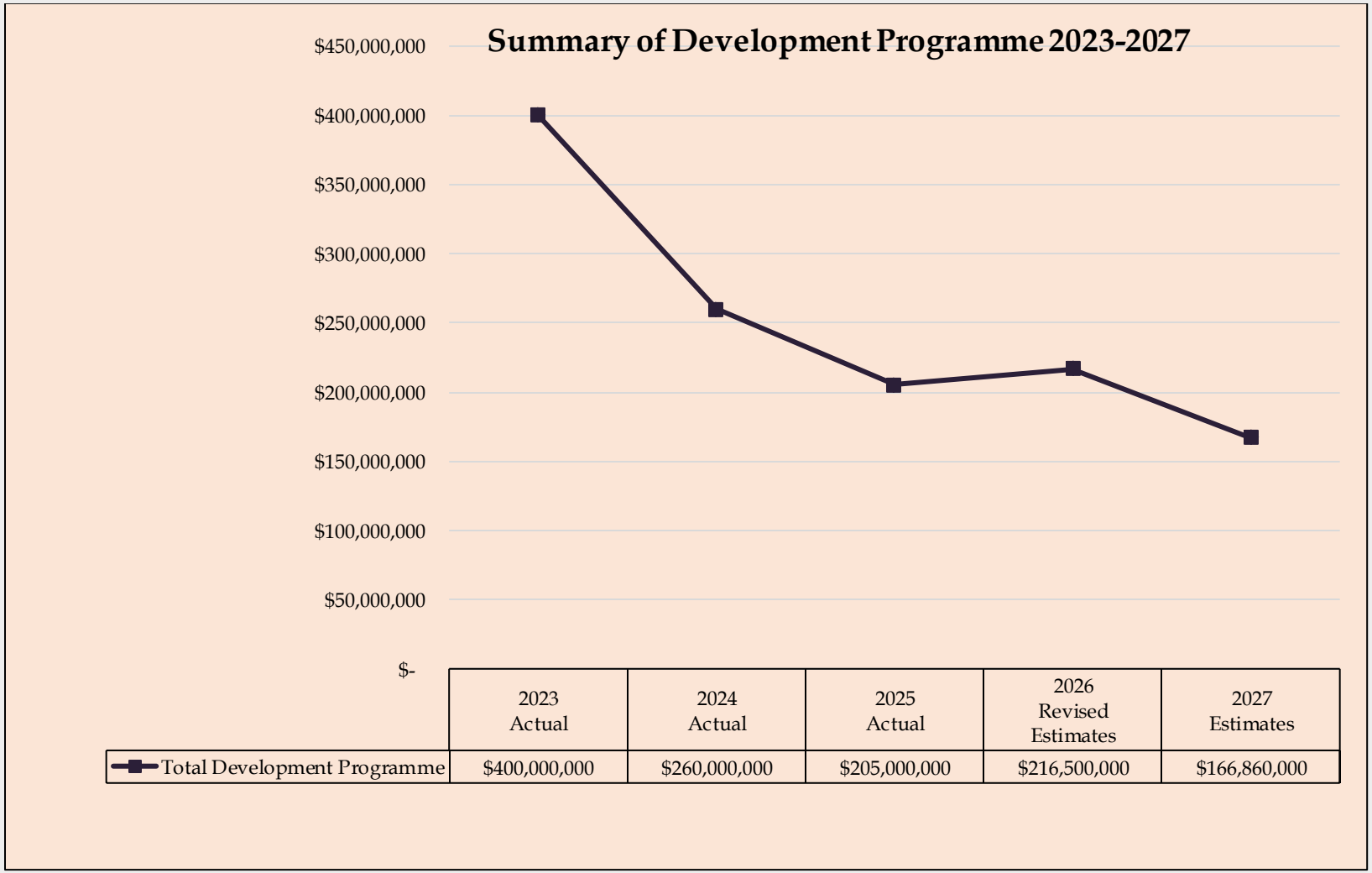
	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
Travelling and Subsistence	$11,954,651.00	$15,659,000.00	$17,482,000.00
Uniforms	$176,152.00	$563,500.00	$696,000.00
Contract Employment	$234,308,475.00	$264,611,900.00	$251,039,400.00
Training	$2,247,876.00	$4,735,000.00	$5,796,400.00
Short-Term Employment	$25,807,326.00	$27,504,000.00	$32,448,800.00
University Graduate Recruitment Programme	$-	$-	$100,000.00
Employees Assistance Programme	$351,588.00	$580,000.00	$795,000.00

[14] Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and the Tobago House of Assembly for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Statutory-Board-2027.pdf . Accessed on: October 12, 2026.


Staff and Pay - Personnel Expenditure
$1,200,000,000.00
$1,000,000,000.00
$800,000,000.00
$600,000,000.00
$400,000,000.00
$200,000,000.00
$-
$653,988,125.00
$819,298,020.00
$1,131,075,700.00
2025 Actual
2026 Revised Estimates
2027 Estimates
Personnel Expenditure
$653,988,125.00
$819,298,020.00
$1,131,075,700.00

Summary of Development Programme Expenditure: 2023-2027

Development Programme is capital expenditure aimed at improving and enhancing development in different areas of Trinidad and Tobago which includes human resources and economic and social development. The allocation to the Tobago House of Assembly for development programmes and projects for Fiscal Year **2027** = **$166,860,000** For Fiscal 2027, these funds are disbursed **entirely** from the **Consolidated Fund** – no provisions were made for disbursement from the Infrastructure Development Fund.



	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
Total Development Programme	$400,000,000	$260,000,000	$205,000,000	$216,500,000	$166,860,000

Details of the Consolidated Fund by Item[15]



002 Productive Sectors: **$300,000**



004 Social Infrastructure: **$77,610,000**



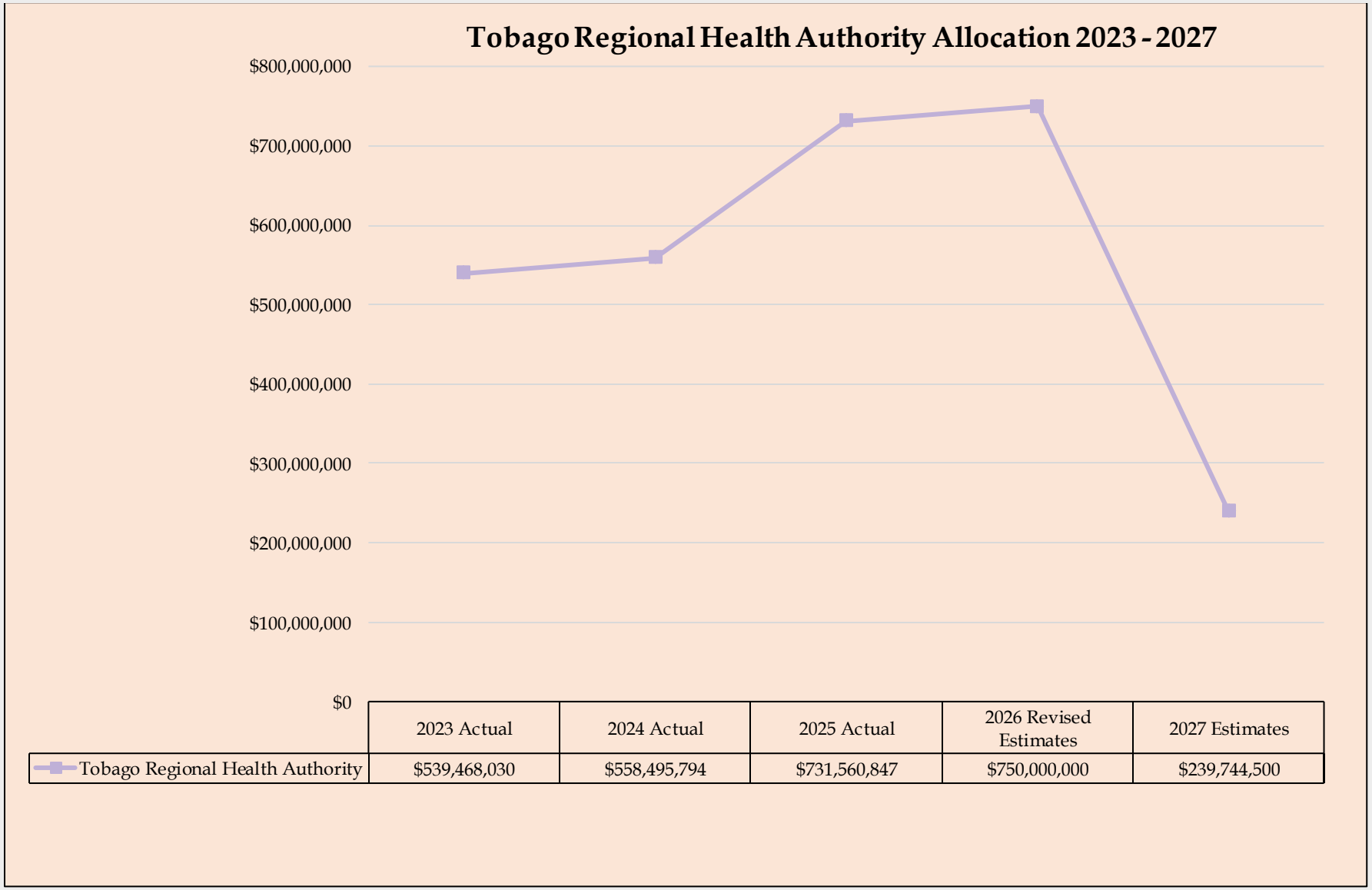
003 Economic Infrastructure: **$66,900,000**



005 Multi – Sectoral and Other Services: **$22,050,000**

[15] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 13, 2026.

Expenditure Unique to the THA: Tobago Regional Health Authority



	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
Tobago Regional Health Authority	$539,468,030	$558,495,794	$731,560,847	$750,000,000	$239,744,500

Public Sector Investment Programme Tobago 2027[16]

Allocation by Strategic National Development Plan (SNDP) Pillars

Pillar	Sector	2027 Allocation ($TT Million)	Percentage (%)
Pillar I: Restoring Confidence and Fiscal Stability	Public Safety and Citizen Security	10.3	3.2%
	Law Enforcement	6.0	2.8%
Pillar II: Unlocking Productive Investment and Jobs	Agriculture for Food Security	13.2	4.8%
	Capacity Building/Institutional Strengthening	0.5	0.2%
	Culture	0.2	0.1%
	Economic Restructuring and Transformation	4.6	1.7%
	Tourism	14.4	5.3%
	Youth Development and Entrepreneurship	5.7	2.1%
Pillar III: Commercialising and Optimising Public Assets	Electricity	1.0	0.4%
	Water Security	6.0	2.2%
	Administration	35.1	12.8%
Pillar IV: Modernising Infrastructure, Transport and Digital Services	Drainage	5.5	2.0%
	Information Technology and Digital Infrastructure	7.4	2.7%
	Roads and Bridges	25.2	9.2%
	Transport	54.2	19.9%
Pillar V: Protecting the People through Social Investment and Safety Nets	Community Development	5.4	2.0%
	Education	18.5	6.8%

[16] For more in-depth descriptions of the projects within the Pillars and Sectors, consult the Public Sector Investment Programme Tobago 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PSIP-TOBAGO-2027-DIGITAL-FINAL.pdf Accessed on: October 14, 2026.

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Pillar	Sector	2027 Allocation ($TT Million)	Percentage (%)
	Health/HIV AIDS	17.9	6.5%
	Housing and Shelter	16.4	6.0%
	Social Development	2.5	0.9%
	Sport and Recreation	15.8	5.8%
	Environment	7.6	2.8%

Social Sector Investment Programme 2027[17]

Project Name	Planned Activities for 2027
Strengthen food security and household resilience	Through scaled-up approaches to local food production, the proposed Mega Farm initiative will increase production of priority crops, reduce dependence on imported food and strengthen the resilience of local food supply chains. By supporting domestic production and agricultural livelihoods, the initiative will reduce exposure to food and supply shocks.
Advance people-centred policies to cater to special needs persons	The policies will focus on reducing barriers to participation and ensuring that vulnerable persons have improved access to social, educational and community opportunities.
Strengthen an integrated approach to climate adaptation and community protection	Through increased investment in disaster resilience, coastal protection and environmental sustainability initiatives, the THA will strengthen the framework for an integrated approach to climate adaptation and community protection. These investments will help safeguard households, livelihoods and community infrastructure from climate-related hazards, particularly in communities disproportionately affected by flooding, coastal impacts and other disasters. The initiatives reinforce resilience-building as an important component of the social safety net by reducing households' and communities' exposure and vulnerability to climate-related shocks.
Accelerate digital transformation	The THA will modernise digital infrastructure, decommission legacy networks and transition towards secure, interoperable and cloud-based government platforms.

[17] Social Sector Investment Programme 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/SSIP-2027-for-web-1.pdf Accessed on: October 14, 2026.

Project Name	Planned Activities for 2027
	This will be complemented by targeted workforce development in information technology and data literacy, alongside the strategic adoption of AI. Improved digital systems will also support more effective coordination and delivery of social programmes.
Advance the transition towards more sustainable energy and transport	The THA will invest in electric vehicle charging infrastructure and gradually convert its fleet to hybrid and electric vehicles to promote cleaner transportation, reduce reliance on fossil fuels and enhance long-term energy security. These measures will also help mitigate the impact of fuel price volatility and supply pressures while contributing to broader environmental sustainability and emissions-reduction objectives.
Promote a more village-based, eco-conscious and culturally rooted tourism model	Greater emphasis will be placed on leveraging Tobago's cultural heritage, natural assets and creative industries to expand opportunities for community-based tourism and connect local creative entrepreneurs with international markets. These initiatives will create opportunities for businesses, artists and entrepreneurs to develop sustainable livelihoods and participate more meaningfully in economic growth. Through this approach, the THA will strengthen the livelihood dimension of social protection while promoting more inclusive, community-driven and sustainable local economic development.
Establish an "Office of Mega Projects"	The THA will establish an Office of Mega Projects to provide an institutional framework for improving the planning, appraisal, prioritisation and monitoring of major public investments. This initiative will strengthen project governance and oversight, helping to ensure that public resources are directed towards investments with measurable economic and social benefits. Enhanced accountability and project

Project Name	Planned Activities for 2027
	management will support more efficient use of public resources and help translate major investments into tangible improvements in the lives of citizens and communities.

Status of Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 2023

For Fiscal Year 2023, the following projects were scheduled for implementation under the Tobago House of Assembly, and therefore warrant further inquiry regarding implementation status and progress towards completion[18]:

Projects/Programmes	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/003/01/E082 – Agro Forestry and Upper Watershed Management	800,000	500,000	-	400,000	400,000
09/003/01/F461 – Improvement to Botanic Gardens, Tobago	1,000,000	500,000	-	500,000	500,000
09/003/01/H558 – Development of Blenheim Sheep Multiplication	400,000	200,000	719,871	200,000	200,000
09/003/01/H560 – Development of Sheep Fattening Facility - Studley	400,000	200,000	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/11/A781 – Fairfield Complex Costal Protection Works	800,000	500,000	-	-	500,000
09/003/11/D298 – Trinidad and Tobago Hospitality and Tourism Institute, Tobago Campus	1,500,000	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	500,000
09/003/15/D560 – Windward Road	2,000,000	2,000,000	-	1,000,000	500,000
09/004/08/B499 – Affordable Housing Project	2,000,000	2,000,000	100,200	2,000,000	1,000,000
09/004/13/C780 – Youth Apprenticeship Programme	1,000,000	1,000,000	54,547	1,000,000	1,000,000
09/004/14/A318 – Upgrading of Plymouth Community Centre	500,000	500,000	-	800,000	500,000

[18] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 13, 2026.

Projects/Programmes	2023 Actual	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/005/06/A010 – Networking the Division of Finance and Planning	500,000	500,000	2,578,549	500,000	500,000
09/005/06/A024 – Networking Department of Education with Schools	500,000	500,000	194,764	800,000	700,000
09/005/06/A026 – Secondary School Computerisation Programme	500,000	500,000	-	500,000	400,000
09/005/06/A051 – Digitising THA Operations	1,000,000	2,000,000	624,505	800,000	800,000
09/005/06/F628 – Renovation of Chief Secretary's Residence	500,000	300,000	68,378	200,000	500,000
09/005/06/F644 – Establishment of an Innovation Centre	200,000	300,000	-	500,000	500,000
09/005/06/F654 – Construction of Abattoirs at Hope and Roxborough	500,000	500,000	-	500,000	-
09/005/06/F655 – MILSHIRV Upgrade and Rehabilitation Works	500,000	300,000	-	200,000	200,000
09/005/06/F656 – Buccoo Integrated Facility	500,000	800,000	-	-	150,000
09/005/06/F657 – Construction of New Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (Tobago)	1,000,000	1,600,000	-	300,000	300,000

Status of Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 2024

For Fiscal Year 2024, the following projects were scheduled for implementation under the Tobago House of Assembly, and therefore warrant further inquiry regarding implementation status and progress towards completion[19]:

Projects/Programmes	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/002/01/I470 – Construction of Marketing Facilities	500,000	3,652,295	300,000	300,000
09/003/01/H520 – Development of the Banana Industry	200,000	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/01/H576 – Establishment of a Centralised Composting Facility at Goldsborough	500,000	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/06/H600 – Improvement of facilities at Louis D'or Demonstration Station	200,000	208,098	200,000	200,000
09/003/15/D672 – Roxborough/Bloody Bay Road – Retaining Wall	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	750,000
09/003/15/D688 – Mt. George/Castara Road	1,000,000	-	500,000	500,000
09/003/15/D694 – Store Bay Local Road Extension	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	1,000,000
09/004/04/B826 – Establishment of School Health Programme	100,000	-	100,000	100,000

[19] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 13, 2026.

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09/004/04/G604 – Teaching Tobago's Young People to Swim	100,000	-	100,000	100,000
09/004/13/C722 – Montgomery Recreation Ground	500,000	904,195	50,000	300,000
09/005/06/A020 – Networking Division of Community Development and Culture	500,000	5,142,408	-	500,000
09/005/06/A052 – Project Monitoring Information System Upgrade	800,000	-	500,000	500,000
09/005/06/F610 – Construction of Storage Shed at Tractor Pool	500,000	61,605	300,000	200,000

Status of Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 2025

For Fiscal Year 2025, the following projects were scheduled for implementation under the Tobago House of Assembly, and therefore warrant further inquiry regarding implementation status and progress towards completion[20]:

Projects /Programmes	2025 Actual	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/003/01/D156 – Flying Fish Processing	-	50,000	100,000
09/003/01/H484 – Development of Research Unit (Crops and Livestock)	-	600,000	400,000
09/003/01/H574 – Development of a Goat Multiplication and Breeding Centre at Hope	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/01/H596 – Improvement Facilities at Runnemede Breeding Unit	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/01/H598 – Improvement of Facilities at Charlotteville Breeding Unit	-	200,000	200,000
09/003/01/H607 – Friendship Estate Agro-Park Development	163,625	500,000	500,000
09/004/04/C782 – Development of Tobago Community College	67,500	100,000	-
09/004/04/G526 - Establishment of an Adult Education Programme Unit	-	200,000	-
09/004/08/B456 – Development of Belle Garden Estate Phase II	7,446	500,000	500,000
09/004/08/B490 – Revitalisation of Milford Court Commercial Plaza	29,342	500,000	500,000

[20] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 13, 2026.

Status of Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 2026

For Fiscal Year 2026, the following projects were scheduled for implementation under the Tobago House of Assembly, and therefore warrant further inquiry regarding implementation status and progress towards completion[21]:

Projects /Programmes	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/003/01/E314 – Bloody Bay Nature Park and Lookout Upgrade	300,000	300,000
09/003/11/G520 – Tobago Development Fund	1,000,000	800,000
09/003/11/G521 – Micro Enterprises Centres	300,000	300,000
09/003/15/D725 – Scarborough Redevelopment Project	400,000	400,000
09/004/04/G614 – Spanish in Primary Schools	100,000	100,000
09/004/08/B500 – Developing New Tourism and Recreational Infrastructure for the Highlands Nature Train in Tobago	2,000,000	1,000,000
09/004/08/B501 – Disaster Relief Grant	600,000	-
09/004/14/A246 – Construction of Community Centre at Parlatuvier	400,000	400,000
09/005/06/F499 – Construction of Offices and Administration Building – Kendall Farm School	500,000	-
09/005/06/F658 – Climate Change Resilience Project	300,000	300,000

[21] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 14, 2026.

Projects /Programmes	2026 Revised Estimates	2027 Estimates
09/005/06/F659 – Critical Upgrade and Modernisation of Obsolete Disaster Management Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Infrastructure	300,000	500,000

Status of Projects Initiated in Fiscal Year 2027

For Fiscal Year 2027, the following new or re-activated projects are scheduled for implementation under the Tobago House of Assembly, and therefore warrant further inquiry regarding implementation status and progress towards completion[22]:

Projects /Programmes	2027 Estimates
09/003/01/B032 – Tobago Genetic Improvement Project in Small Ruminants	200,000
09/003/01/B033 – Upgrade of Irrigation Systems at Government Crop Production Stations	200,000
09/003/01/B034 – Conversion of Poultry Pens from Deep-Litter to Battery Cage Systems at Hope Farm	150,000
09/003/01/B035 – Integrated Zoonotic Disease Surveillance and Animal Health Production Programme	250,000
09/003/01/H494 – Assessment of Fish Stock	300,000
09/003/01/H538 – Facilities for Workers at Hope Farm	100,000
09/003/01/H612 – Milford Road Pigeon Point Coastal Rehabilitation Project	500,000
09/004/04/G570 – Department of Education ICT Training	100,000
09/004/13/C705 – Mt. Pleasant Hard Court	500,000
09/004/13/C782 – Inclusive Sport Participation Programme	200,000
09/004/13/C783 – Sport Tourism Development Programme	200,000

[22] Draft Estimates of Development Programme for Fiscal Year 2027: https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf Accessed on: October 14, 2026.

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Projects /Programmes	2027 Estimates
09/004/13/C784 – Community Sport Development Programme	200,000
09/004/14/A309 – Upgrading of Moriah Community Centre	500,000
09/004/14/A316 – Upgrading of Mason Hall Community Centre	200,000
09/005/06/A038 – THA Wide Area Network and Data Centre	300,000
09/005/06/F616 – Upgrading of Assembly Legislative Chambers	200,000
09/005/06/F646 – Restoration of CAST Building	600,000
09/005/06/F660 – Marine Resources Management Complex	500,000

Terms to Know

Term	Definition
Budget	An itemized summary of estimated or intended expenditures for a given period along with proposals for financing them. The budget is the main economic policy tool of the government and indicates how it plans to use public resources to meet policy goals.
Budget Statement	A listing of planned revenue and expenditure for a given period of time.
Consolidated Fund	This fund refers to all revenues (taxes, custom duties and interest) or other monies raised or received by Trinidad and Tobago. Funds appropriated by Parliament and authorized for meeting expenditure for the service of Trinidad and Tobago are taken from the Consolidated Fund.
Departments	Departments refer to governmental organizations not headed by a Minister that deal with a particular area of interest that may cover matters where direct political oversight is inappropriate or unnecessary
Development Programme	Development Programme refers to capital expenditure aimed at improving and enhancing development in different areas of Trinidad and Tobago which includes human resources, economic and social development. The monies used to fund Development Programme expenditure are derived from two sources namely the Consolidated Fund and the Infrastructure Development Fund
Draft Estimates Details of Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure	This document provides details at sub-item level for a three-year period of the Recurrent Expenditure Budget for each Head of Expenditure and a Summary of Recurrent Expenditure totals by Head. It also includes a Chart of Accounts and classification of Expenditure Sub-

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	items under the Personnel Expenditure, Goods & Services and Minor Equipment Purchases Sub-Heads.
Draft Estimates of Development Programme	This document provides a summary and details of all projects for the Consolidated Fund covering a three-year period for the Heads of Expenditure of Ministries/Departments and the THA. It also includes a summary and details of projects falling under Head 701 - IDF for the same three-year period.
Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and of the Tobago House of Assembly	This document provides details of the Budget (Revenue/Income and Expenditure) at sub-item level for all Statutory Boards and other Similar Agencies and the Tobago House of Assembly (THA). It also includes a Chart of Accounts and classification of Expenditure Sub-items under the Personnel Expenditure, Goods and Services and Minor Equipment Purchases Sub Heads.
Expenditure	Spending to fulfill a government obligation, generally by issuing a cheque or disbursing cash. Expenditure is sometimes distinguished between capital and current. Capital expenditures are investments in physical assets, such as roads and buildings that can be used for a number of years. Current expenditures reflect spending on wages, benefit payments, and other goods or services that are consumed immediately.
Head of Expenditure	This refers to all Ministries / Departments or State Agencies that make up the Schedule to the Appropriation Bill.
Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF)	This fund refers to the mechanism used, in the main, to finance capital projects being implemented by existing and newly established special-purpose state entities to execute

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	projects assigned to them by ministries, the Tobago House of Assembly and other state agencies. Importantly, monies utilized from this Fund must be approved by the Parliament.
Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP)	The Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP) is a strategic investment management tool used by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to transform its vision and policies into tangible programmes and projects. The PSIP is aligned to the Policy Framework of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago. This Framework articulates the Government's strategic vision to create a nation where families thrive, young people succeed, and communities grow stronger through responsible governance and forward-thinking policies. This vision is to be achieved through socio-economic transformation driven by strategic diversification, targeted investments, technological advancements, innovation, safer communities, sustainable employment opportunities, and robust public-private sector collaboration. In accordance with the Policy Framework of the Government of Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, the planned programme of works will focus on advancing programmes and projects in the following priority sectors: • Agriculture and Food Security; • Artificial Intelligence, Digital Transformation, New Media, and Social Media; • Ease of Doing Business; • Economic Diversification; • Education Policy Direction; • Government Efficiency; • Healthcare Reform; • Crime and Justice Reform; •Housing; • Regenerative Economy; • Sports Development; • Tourism Growth; • Transport; • Youth Development; and •Workers Agenda.
Recurrent Expenditure	Recurrent expenditure refers to all payments other than for capital assets. Recurrent Expenditure for Trinidad and Tobago is broken down into the following subheads: Personnel

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	Expenditure includes salaries of employees in the Public Service; Goods and Services includes office supplies, contract employment, maintenance of vehicles etc.; Minor Equipment Purchases includes wireless equipment, cell phones, vacuum cleaners, etc.; Current Transfers and Subsidies includes allocations to non-profit institutions, regional organizations, state enterprises, etc.; and Current Transfers to Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies includes allocations to the Tobago House of Assembly, statutory boards and all local government bodies.
Social Sector Investment Programme (SSIP)	The Social Sector Investment Programme (SSIP) delivers a people-first, systems-strong agenda, protecting vulnerable incomes, unlocking human capital, speeding healthcare throughput, building safe and resilient communities, and tightening value-for-money across the social sector. The SSIP is anchored in the Government's vision to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals through its programmes and projects. The SSIP is guided by the Government's National Policy Framework.
Statutory Authority	"Statutory Authority" means a local authority and any commission, board, committee, council or body (whether corporate or unincorporated) established by or under an Act other than the Companies Act declared by the President under section 3 to be subject to the provisions of this Act.
State Enterprises' Investment Programme (SEIP)	The State Enterprises' Investment Programme (SEIP) focuses on capital infrastructure projects undertaken by State Enterprises and Statutory Authorities in the following areas: energy, electricity, transport, tourism, communication, education and training, community, housing,

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	health, public order and safety and public administration. The SEIP is financed through internally generated funds and loans serviced by either the Agencies or Government.

General Useful Information

Documents	Web Link
Parliament Website	https://www.ttparliament.org/
Parliament YouTube Channel	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDvTAcd3t8yEAIiM-Ck49lg
Budget Statement 2027	https://www.finance.gov.tt/publications/national-budget/budget-statements/
Draft Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure for the Financial Year 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Recurrent-Expenditure-2027.pdf
Draft Estimates of Development Programme for the Financial Year 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Development-Programme-2027.pdf
Draft Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and the Tobago House of Assembly for Financial Year 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PRINT-VERSION-Statutory-Board-2027.pdf
Public Sector Investment Programme 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PSIP-TRINIDAD-2027-DIGITAL-FINAL.pdf
Social Sector Investment Programme 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/SSIP-2027-for-web-1.pdf

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State Enterprises Investment Programme 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/state-enterprise-investment-programme-2027/
Public Sector Investment Programme Tobago 2027.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PSIP-TOBAGO-2027-DIGITAL-FINAL.pdf
Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure for the Financial Year 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Estimates-of-Recurrent-Expenditure-2026.pdf
Estimates of Development Programme for the Financial Year 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Estimates-of-Development-Programme-2026.pdf
Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Statutory Boards and Similar Bodies and the Tobago House of Assembly for Financial Year 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Estimates-of-the-Revenue-and-Expenditure-of-the-Statutory-Boards-and-Similar-Bodies-and-of-the-Tobago-House-of-Assembly-2026.pdf
Public Sector Investment Programme 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/PSIP-Trinidad2025-Final-Digital.pdf
Social Sector Investment Programme 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/SSIP-2026.pdf
State Enterprises Investment Programme 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/SEIP-2026-for-web.pdf

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Documents	Web Link
Public Sector Investment Programme Tobago 2026.	https://www.finance.gov.tt/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/PSIP-TOBAGO-2027-DIGITAL-FINAL.pdf
Auditor General Report	https://auditorgeneral.gov.tt/sites/default/files/Auditor%20General%27s%20Report%202025.pdf