

ADOPTED 2005 BUDGET

DEPT: MARCUS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

UNIT NO. 1916
FUND: General - 0001

OPERATING AUTHORITY & PURPOSE

Pursuant to Section 45.058 of the Wisconsin Statutes and in accordance with agreements between Milwaukee County War Memorial Center, Inc., and the County of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County War Memorial Center, Inc., presently operates the Milwaukee County Ben and Ceil Marcus Center for the Performing Arts (MCPA), formerly known in the community as the Performing Arts Center. The center was built with private money in 1969 and deeded to Milwaukee County as a public trust for the preservation and enrichment of the performing arts, including drama, music and dance. The facility is home to the Broadway Series, Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, Milwaukee Ballet,

Florentine Opera, Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra, First Stage Milwaukee, City Ballet Theatre, Hansberry-Sands Theatre Company and other performing arts groups. The MCPA is located at 929 North Water Street. In addition to the MCPA providing a first class facility for the performing arts, the Center supports a number of free community events and activities year-round, including ethnic and cultural festivals such as Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Cantos de Los Americas, 9week Live at the Center Festival at Peck Pavilion and KidZ Stage Children's programming.

BUDGET SUMMARY			
	2003 Actual	2004 Budget	2005 Budget
Property Tax Levy Contribution to Marcus Center for the Performing Arts	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 880,000	\$ 1,280,000

MISSION

To serve the community, the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts offers facilities and services of the highest quality, makes available a wide range of the performing arts, and acts as an energizing force for effective collaboration and advocacy in the arts community.

from \$880,000 to \$1,280,000. This represents a \$100,000 reduction of total County contributions from 2004 of \$1,380,000 that included \$880,000 in levy funding, a \$400,000 one-year debt forgiveness, and a \$100,000 major maintenance contribution.

OPERATING HISTORY

On May 20, 1993, the County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution [File No. 93-283(a)(a)] that approved a memorandum of understanding between the County and the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts (MCPA), which provided a fixed level of operating support of \$1.5 million for the years 1994 through 1998.

The memorandum of understanding was renewed in 1999 and provided an increase of \$100,000 for a total funding level of \$1,600,000 for the years 1999 through 2003.

- The MCPA will continue to provide quarterly reports and an annual budget request in accordance with past practice.
- The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) - Fiscal Affairs will evaluate professional service contracts (e.g. janitorial services, printing, etc.) and facilitate collaboration between the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts and other county supported entities to negotiate shared contracts. DAS - Fiscal Affairs will require the agency to monitor and report any savings. Anticipated savings will be realized in the future budgets.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Property tax levy funding for the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts increased \$400,000,

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ACTIVITY AND STATISTICAL SUMMARY						
	2003 Actual		2004 Budget		2005 Budget	
	<u>Events</u>	<u>Attend</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Attend</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Attend</u>
All Events Public & Private	3,223	753,702	3,300	850,000	3,225	775,000