



## County Landfill Tonnage



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ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF OUR CITIZENS  
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# focus

## Hardin County's Budget is Stretched but Still Holding!

We are half-way through our current fiscal budgeting year and it is a good time to review what we have spent and how much we have left to spend. The current economic recession has caused our **revenues to decrease by \$694,000**; therefore, we must reduce our expenditures, making this fiscal year an especially challenging one to fulfill our county's mission:

***"To maximize all available resources to provide well-planned, adequately resourced, and professionally executed public programs and infrastructure to the citizens of Hardin County."***

We are closely monitoring four key areas: (1) landfill tonnage, (2) asphalt road work (3) fuel costs and (4) the Detention Center's Budget.

Total expenditures to date are \$762,000 less than last year due to the belt-tightening efforts among our dedicated employees.



**We are Stretched But Still Holding**



### County Landfill Tonnage

Our County Landfill generated 73,000 tons of waste in the last six months compared to 100,000 tons last year. This reduced volume is due to increased fuel costs as customers in counties further away no longer bring their waste to our landfill.

Our budget anticipated 180,000 tons of waste for the year ending June 30, 2010. We hope to compensate for the reduced volume through the sale of **"carbon credits"** which may generate \$300,000 to \$500,000.

On the bright side, reduced landfill waste means a longer life for our county landfill!



### Asphalt and Fuel Costs

Projected fuel costs for this year are down \$52,000 (or 14%) from last year, but could increase during the summer. On the other hand, projected asphalt expenditures for this year are 64% more than last year, an increase of \$321,000.



Detention Center revenue is down 20% (\$471,000) for the first half of the year while expenditures have increased just \$49,175.

We are patiently awaiting a \$300,000 late payment from our State Government, to compensate us for state prisoners housed in our Detention Center. This should go a long way to reduce this deficit.

Overall, with revenues decreasing by \$694,000, the County has reduced its expenditures by \$1,337,759, which indicates we are \$643,786 better off than we were at this point last year!



### Detention Center Budget