

## General Instructions to Complete the Municipal Budget Workbook

- a) This workbook shall be used for completing the **Municipal Introduced and Adopted Budgets**.
- b) It is designed to automatically calculate amounts linked from various data entry points.
- c) The individual tabs containing formulas are locked to protect the formulas.
- d) Fill in only the gray sections of the worksheet.
- e) **Begin by navigating to the "Key Inputs" tab.**

Select the Municipality and County by clicking the dropdown menu. This will populate the Municipality, County, and dates throughout the workbook. Continue to complete each of the fields in order to populate throughout the workbook. **Enter the exact number of utilities and the utility types.** Do not skip sets of utility pages.
- f) In all applicable signature lines, insert the email address of the applicable official.
- g) **The completed Budget document must be saved as a Macro-Enabled Workbook.**

Once approved by the Governing Body, the completed Introduced Budget must be submitted to the Division
- h) via the FAST "Introduced Budget" record portal and it must be named as: **<municode>\_introbudget\_20xx (all 4 digits municode must be included).**

Once approved by the Governing Body, the completed Adopted Budget must be submitted to the Division via
- i) the FAST "Adopted Budget" record portal and it must be named as: **<municode>\_adoptbudget\_20xx (all 4 digits municode must be included).**
- j) Only the Chief Financial Officer has access to the "Submit for Review" tab within the FAST portal.
- k) If copying data from a prior workbook, copy and use **Paste Values** to preserve formatting.

On the Key Inputs tab, users can select "Standard" or "Expanded" for a variety of sections to reduce the number of unused pages throughout the document. The following sheets can be adjusted: Grant Revenues (9), Other Special Items of Revenue (10), General Appropriations (15), Grant Appropriations (24), and
- l) Capital Budget (40b, 40c, and 40d). **All sections are preset to "Standard" and should only be switched to "Expanded" if more pages are needed.**
- m) Please review the additional instructions "Quick Guide for completing the Municipal Budget" link below:  
[https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/pdf/Budget\\_Document\\_Instructions.pdf](https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/pdf/Budget_Document_Instructions.pdf)
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