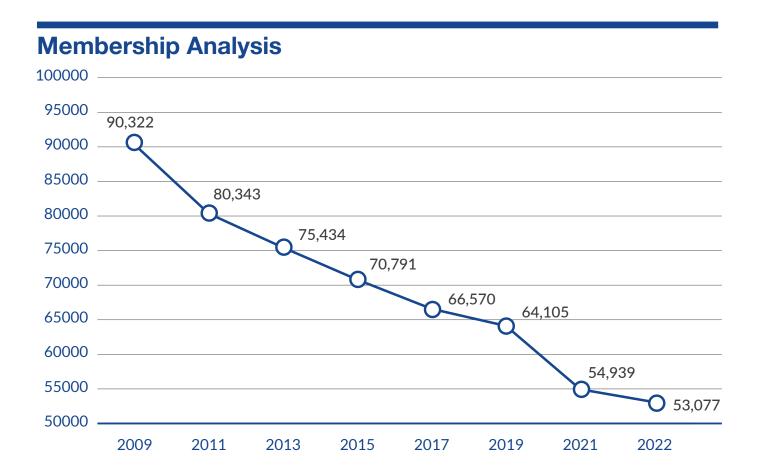
Funding the Future





By the Numbers

Timeframe: Since last dues increase was brought to Delegates and Membership in July 2009







Reduction in Staff

To assist with curtailing operational expenses, over the past 13 years, 16 full time staff positions have been eliminated.

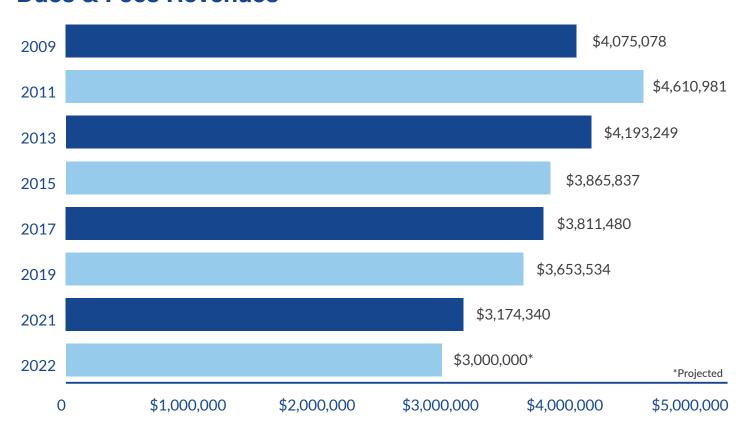




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Dues & Fees Revenues





Decline in Dues Revenue

Over the past 13 years, annual revenue has declined by roughly **\$1.6 million (annually)**

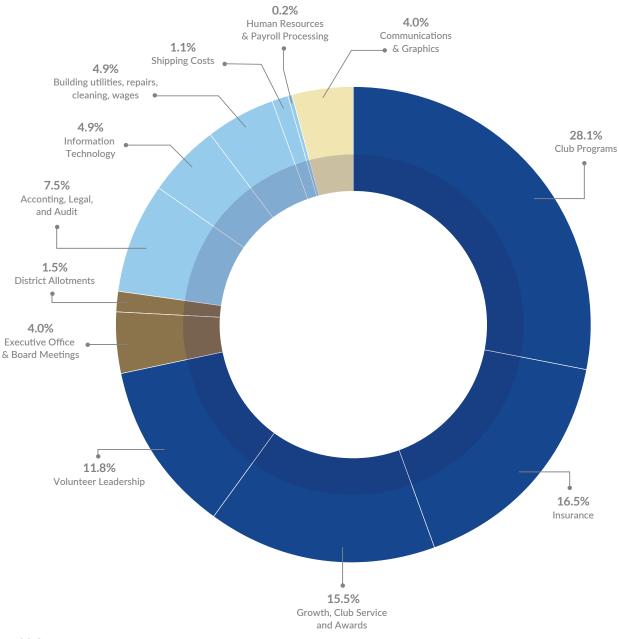
With a high of \$4.6 million in 2010 as compared to \$3.0 million projected 2022 fiscal year end



This is the **PROJECTED** budget shortfall for fiscal year 2022-2023 **WITHOUT** the proposed dues increase.



Membership Dues & Fees



Fiscal Year 2022







Fiscal Year 2022

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	PERCENT
Club Programs	\$19.00	28.1%
Insurance	\$11.13	16.5%
Growth, Club Services, & Awards	\$10.50	15.5%
Volunteer Leadership	\$8.01	11.8%
Accounting, Legal, & Audit	\$5.06	7.5%
Information Technology	\$3.34	4.9%
Building includes utilities, repairs, cleaning, wages	\$3.28	4.9%
Executive Office & Board Meetings	\$2.69	4.0%
Communications & Graphics	\$2.68	4.0%
District Allotments	\$1.00	1.5%
Shipping Costs	\$0.73	1.1%
Human Resources & Payroll Processing	\$0.16	0.2%
Total Annual Dues - Regular Members in Developed Countries	\$67.58	100.0%



Negative Effects of NO Dues Increase

Without a Dues increase, to close the projected \$300,000 budget gap will require the implementation of detrimental austerity measures which could include:

- Reduction in Club general liability insurance coverage limits for Clubs
 - o Negative effect limits the size and types of activities Optimist Clubs can hold in their communities
- Scaling back of marketing and graphics support to Clubs
 - Negative effect hinders the ability for Clubs to promote community awareness about their good works and stimulate Club Membership growth in order to continue the Optimist mission into the future
- Elimination of vital leadership trainings, such as: Vice President-Elect, Governor-Elect, and Optimist Leadership Academy trainings
 - Negative effect undermines the organization's effectiveness at planning for Club and District growth, succession, enrichment, and education
- Elimination or reduction of Optimist International Programs
 - Negative effect cuts into the heart of the organization's mission, vision, and purposes.
 Thousands of youth would lose out on the benefits of participating in OI's various programs; such as: golf tournaments, scholarship contests, and childhood health and wellness programs, etc.
- Limited ability to invest in technology and innovative programs
 - Negative effect limits mission potential, prevents implementation of upgrades for technology, web based efficiency, and innovative programs

* IN SUMMARY

The negative effect of NO dues increase will be to **severely inhibit** the organization's ability to ensure growth, relevance, and success into the future.



Positive Impact of a Dues Increase

A dues increase will provide the financial resources necessary to generate innovation, improve efficiency, and advance the Optimist mission:

By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.

Enhancements to Club/Member Services

 Positive impact – improve, strengthen, and add value to the Member experience, increase support for new clubs, expand dynamic leadership training opportunities, and further the Optimist mission

Investments into Innovative Programs

 Positive impact – continue and strengthen existing programs such as Oratorical World Championships, while exploring innovative opportunities

Improvements to Technology Infrastructure

 Positive impact – allows for modernization of the organization's website, software packages, and technology, increasing member access and utility

Expand Marketing & Communications

Positive impact – build a stronger brand awareness with both internal and external constituents

Staff Development

• **Positive impact** – investing in essential continued education, increasing skills and resources, enabling staff to better support the relevant needs of today's membership



The positive impact of a dues increase is the financial security to

"Press on to the GREATER Achievements of the Future!"

