

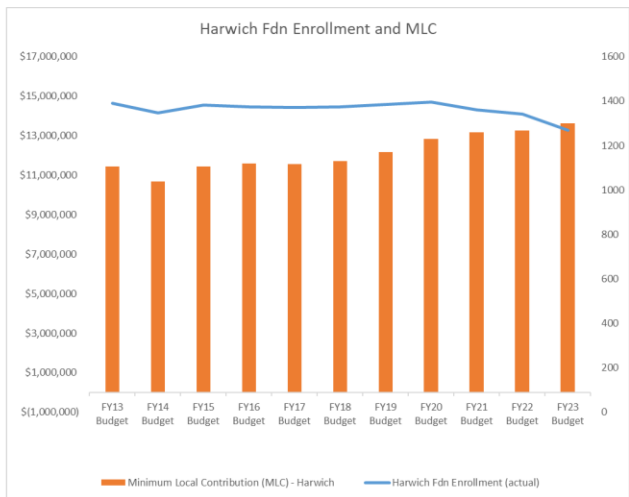
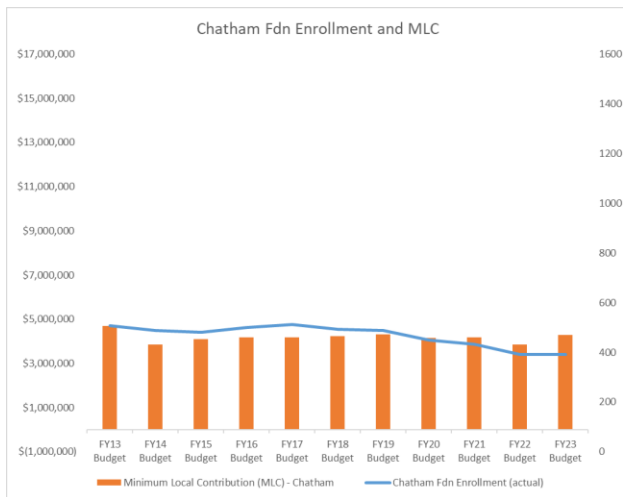


Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Assessments

Once the district’s budget has been developed, and the amount of general fund revenue estimated, the assessment process calculates the portion of the budget to be assessed against each town. This process relies upon the minimum local contribution (set by the state) and the relative foundation enrollment of each town.

General fund revenue increased from FY22 to FY23 by \$310,970. This is mostly due to an increase in Chapter 70 funding (the state’s primary aid for education) and transportation aid (the state offset for regional transportation).

The charts below show the trends in minimum contribution and foundation enrollment. Until FY23, Chatham’s foundation enrollment was falling at greater pace than Harwich’s foundation enrollment. This disparity led to larger assessment increases for Harwich. From FY22 to FY23, the foundation enrollment of Chatham was stable, whereas the foundation enrollment for Harwich fell. This meant a relatively bigger increase for Chatham than in previous years.



There are two methods being considered for determining the town assessments. If the proposed method is approved at both town meetings in spring 2022, it will be used for the FY23 budget assessment.

METHOD ONE: ORIGINAL METHOD

Town of Harwich
\$28,041,205

- \$680,155
- 2.5%

Town of Chatham
\$8,773,840

- \$249,143
- 2.9%

General Fund Revenue
\$5,986,359

- \$310,970
- 5.5%

METHOD TWO: PROPOSED METHOD

Town of Harwich
\$27,301,458

- \$(59,592)
- (-0.22)%

Town of Chatham
\$9,513,587

- \$988,891
- 11.60%

General Fund Revenue
\$5,986,359

- \$310,970
- 5.5%