

2026 Annual Charges Summary

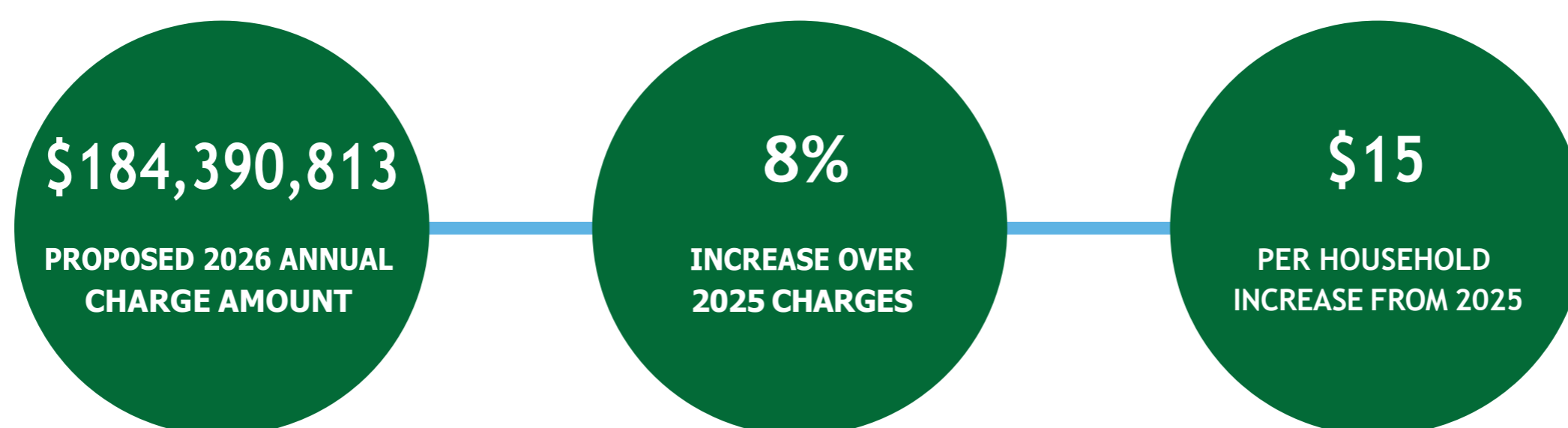
AN OUTLINE OF THE REVENUE USED FOR METRO'S OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

ANNUAL CHARGES

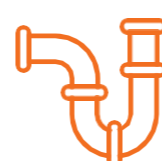
Fees assessed annually to cover the operating costs, debt service, and capital needs of Metro Water Recovery. The annual charge review process is driven by comprehensive cashflow analyses and is governed by state statutes, service agreements, and rules and regulations. Charges are approved by the Metro Board of Directors annually for the following year and are paid by Metro's partner Connectors.

2026 OVERVIEW

The Metro Board of Directors voted on the 2026 annual charge amount.



Calculations are driven by inflation of operating costs, including cost of wages and benefits, materials and fuel, outside services, and utilities.



The increase of costs associated with necessary short- and long-term capital improvement projects have dramatically increased.



These projects are essential to meet regulatory, infrastructure rehabilitation and replacement, and capacity requirements for the next twenty years.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Metro takes seriously its responsibility as a steward of ratepayer funds, while continuing to achieve its mission of cleaning wastewater and recovering resources for 2 million people in the Metro area, and will continue to maximize its efforts in doing so in a sustainable way.

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