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# Budget Overview: Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy

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# Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy General Overview

- The Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) was renamed from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in 2019 following the issuance of Executive Order (E.O.) 2019-2. In 2011, E.O. 2011-1 separated the former DEQ from the former Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE). E.O. 2011-1 effectively undid E.O. 2009-45, which had created the DNRE by combining the DEQ with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The current DNR and EGLE have existed separately and together throughout their respective histories; from 1995 through 2009, and 2011 to the present they have been separate, the remainder of the time they have been combined.
- Currently, EGLE has 1,646.0 appropriated (full-time equated) FTE positions, many of whom are in Lansing, with the balance spread throughout the regional and district offices across the State.

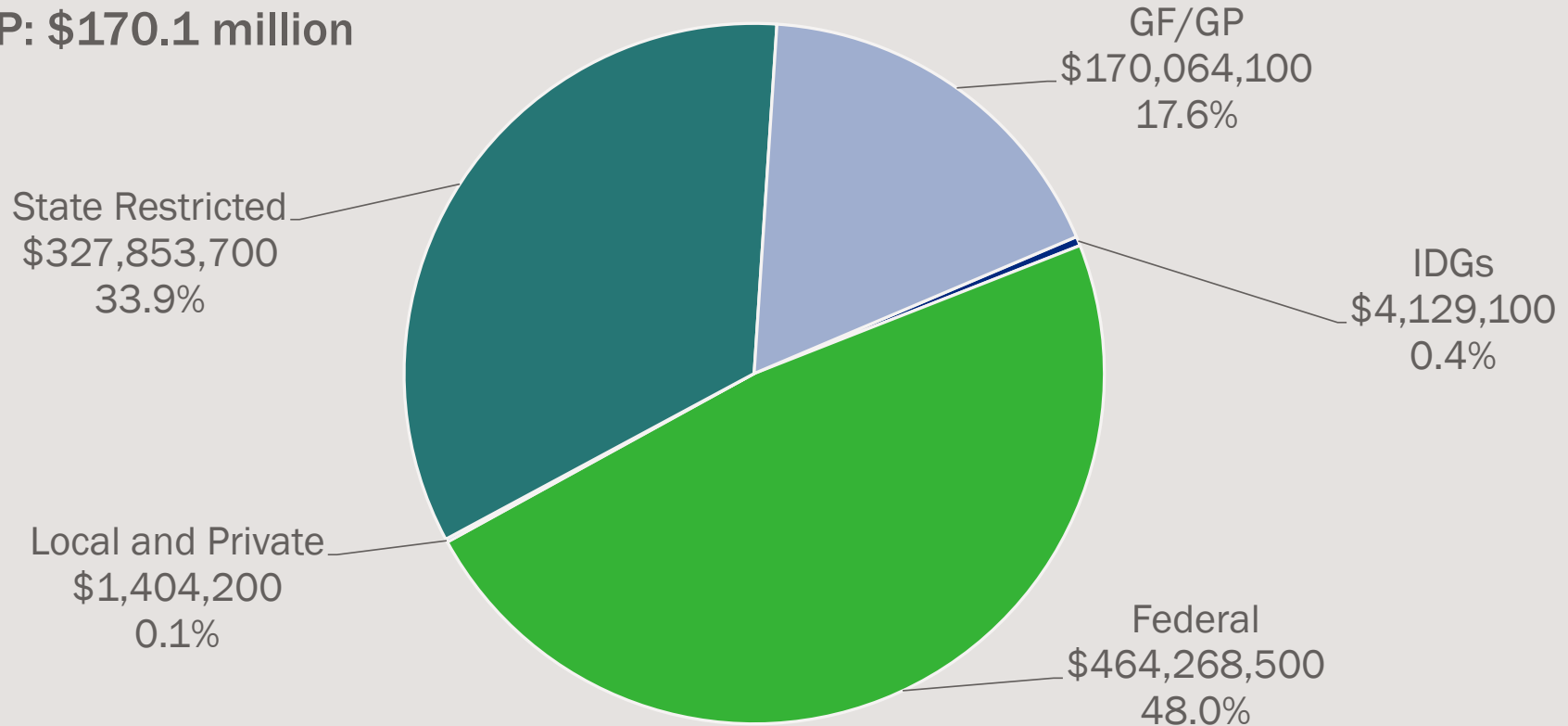
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- **Major Functions/Programs:**
- **Drinking Water and Environmental Health.** This division supports activities associated with regulatory oversight of public water supplies in the State and is the primary enforcement authority for the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The division also provides support for a variety of programs and regulatory activities, including inspections and new construction review of manufactured housing developments, regulation of subdivision on-site septic and water supply systems, and the approval and licensing of campgrounds and public swimming pools.
- **Remediation and Redevelopment Division.** This division provides for cleanup activities on contaminated sites, financial and technical assistance to local governments, and liability protection for pre-existing site contamination.
- **Water Resource Division.** This division issues surface water discharge permits, monitors water quality standards, investigates complaints, and reviews wastewater collection and treatment facilities. Additionally, it oversees regulations pertaining to shoreline protection, marinas, dams, roads, and dredging/filling of lakes, streams, and wetlands.
- **Renewing Michigan's Environment.** This division supports non-petroleum cleanups, recycling, and waste management activities. The program was established pursuant to Public Act 588 of 2018.

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GROSS: \$967.7 million

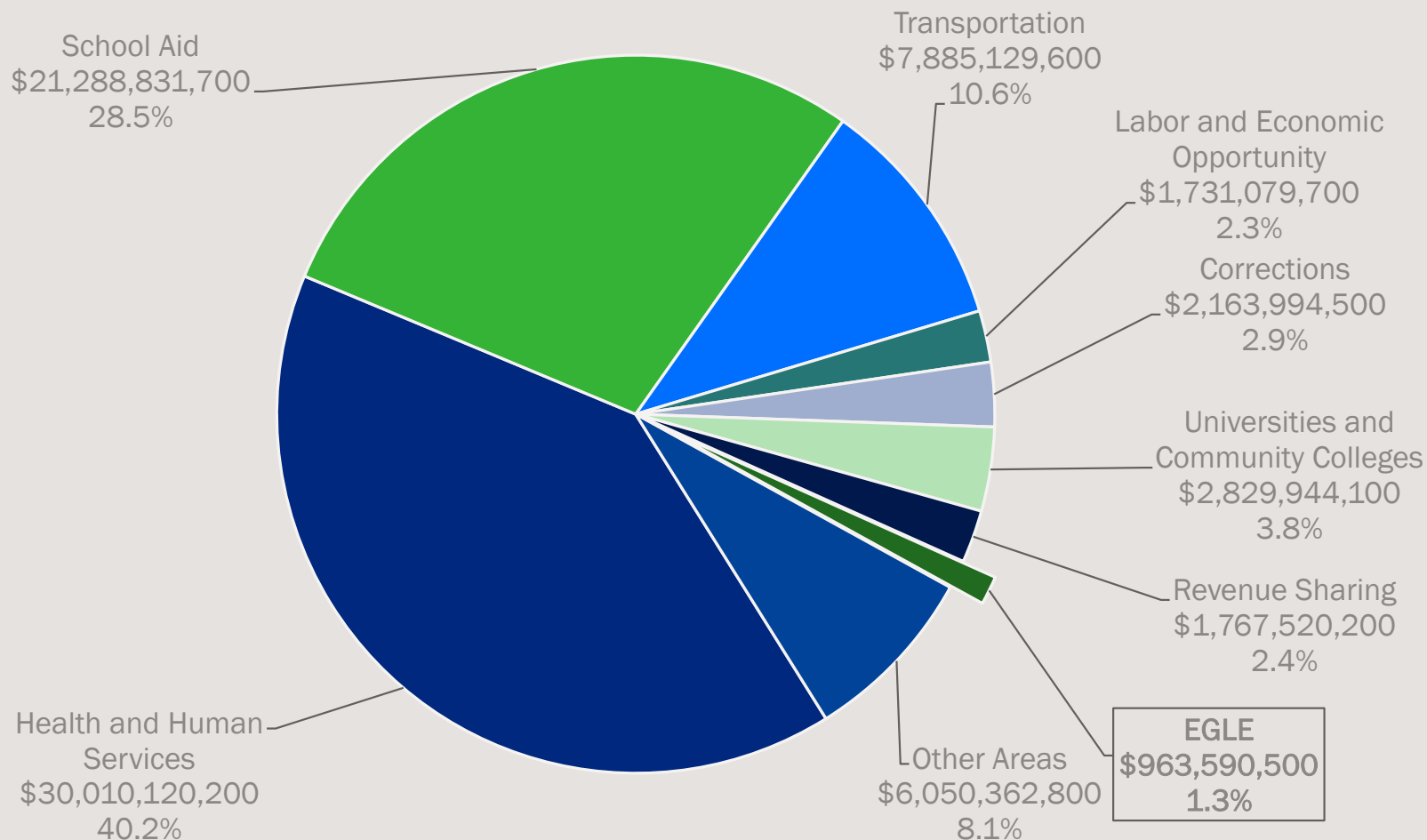
GF/GP: \$170.1 million



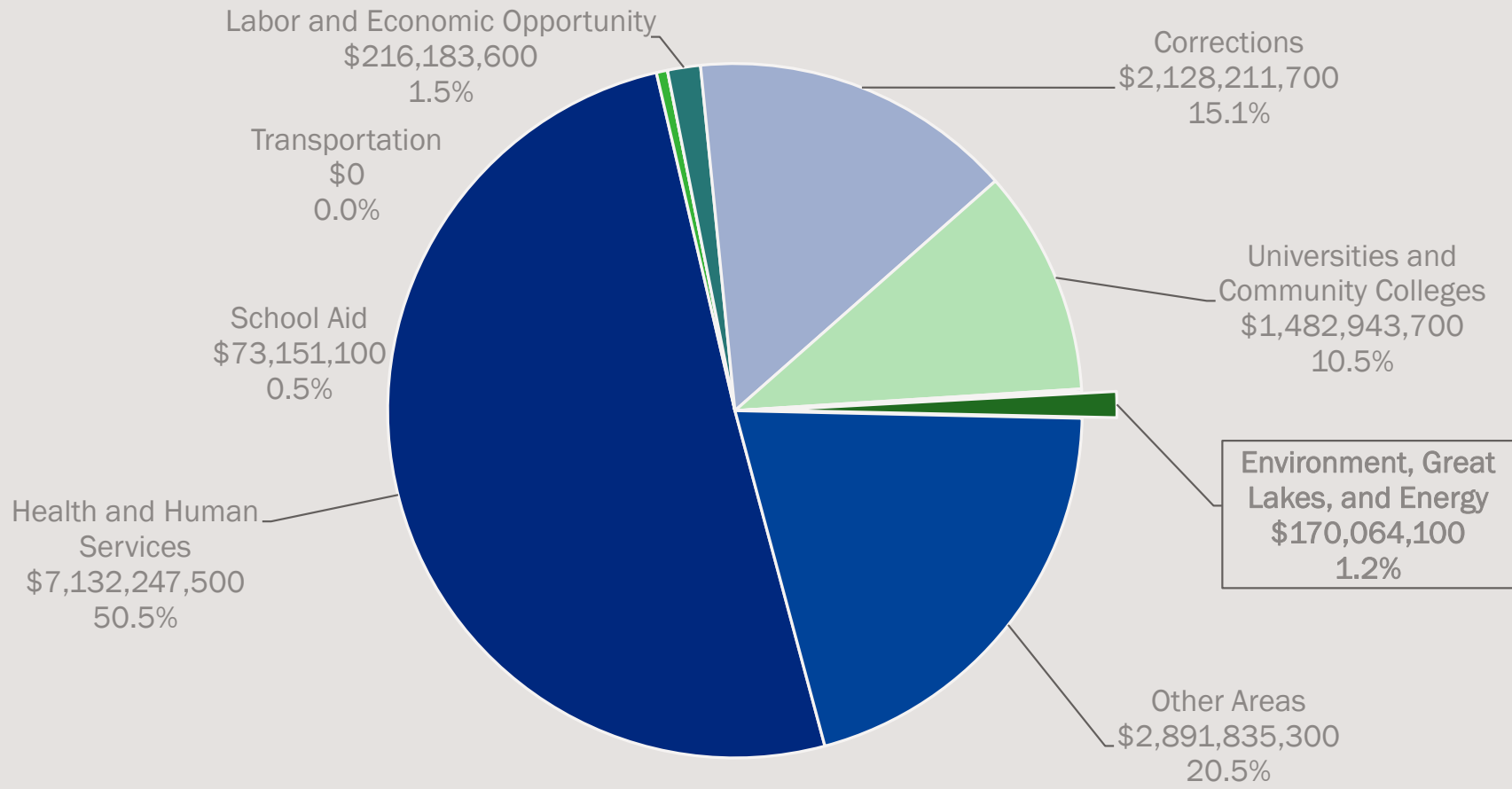
Appropriations by Source of Funds: FY 2025-26 Year-to-Date Appropriations as 11/1/2025



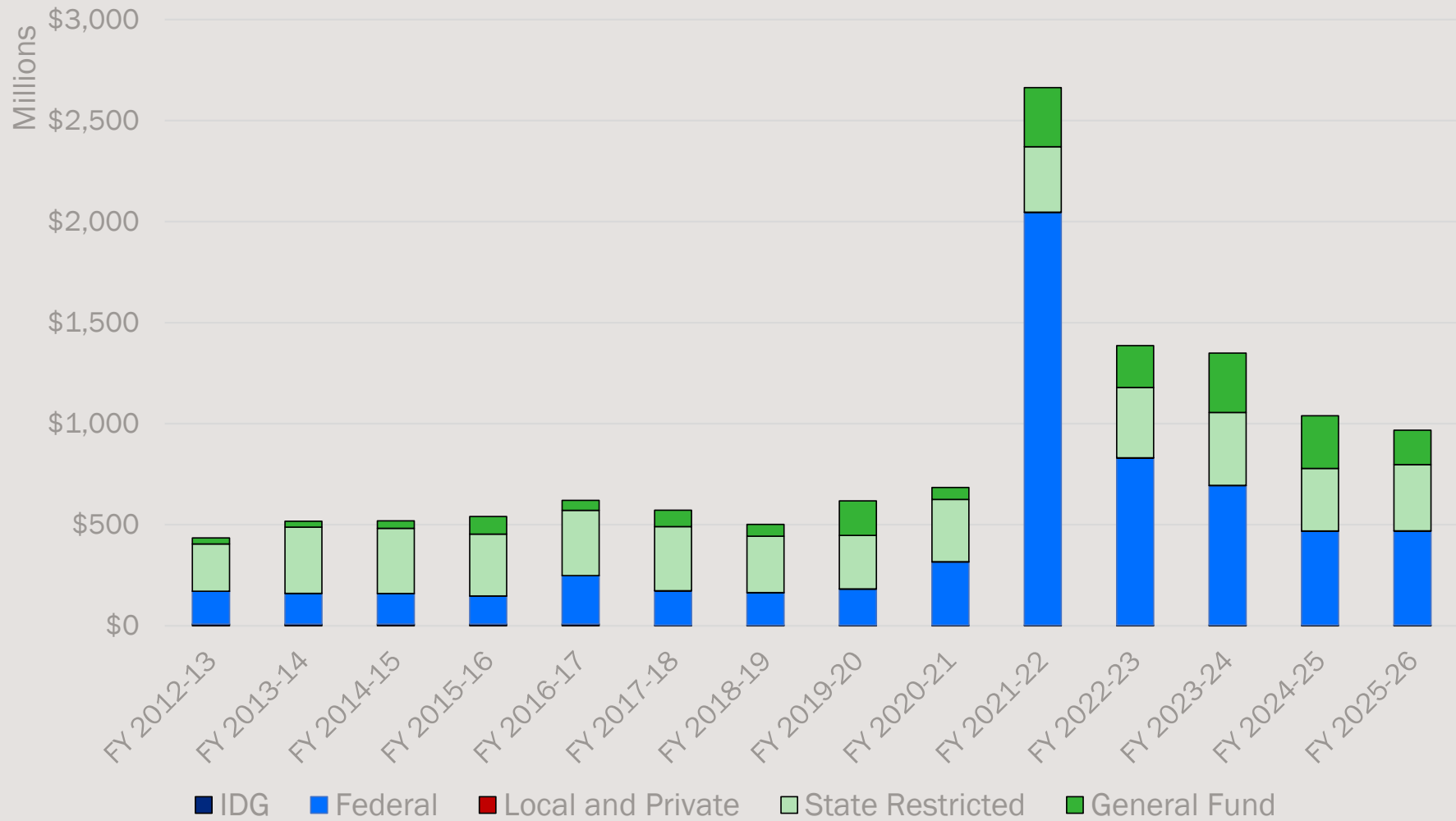
# EGLE's Slice of Michigan Adjusted Gross Budget: Accounts for 1.3% of the \$74.7 Billion State Budget



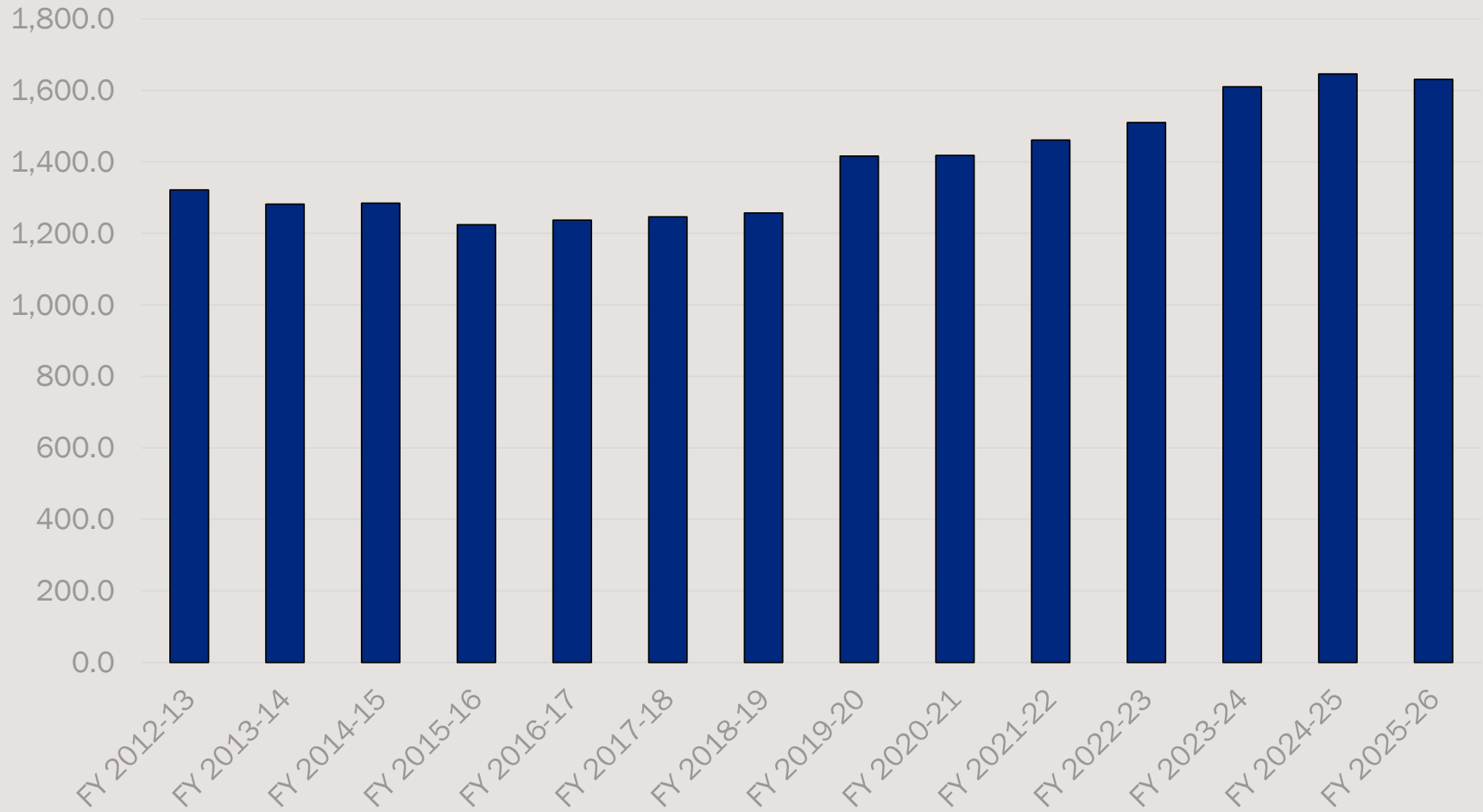
# EGLE's Slice of Michigan GF/GP Budget: Accounts for 1.2% of the \$14.1 Billion State Budget



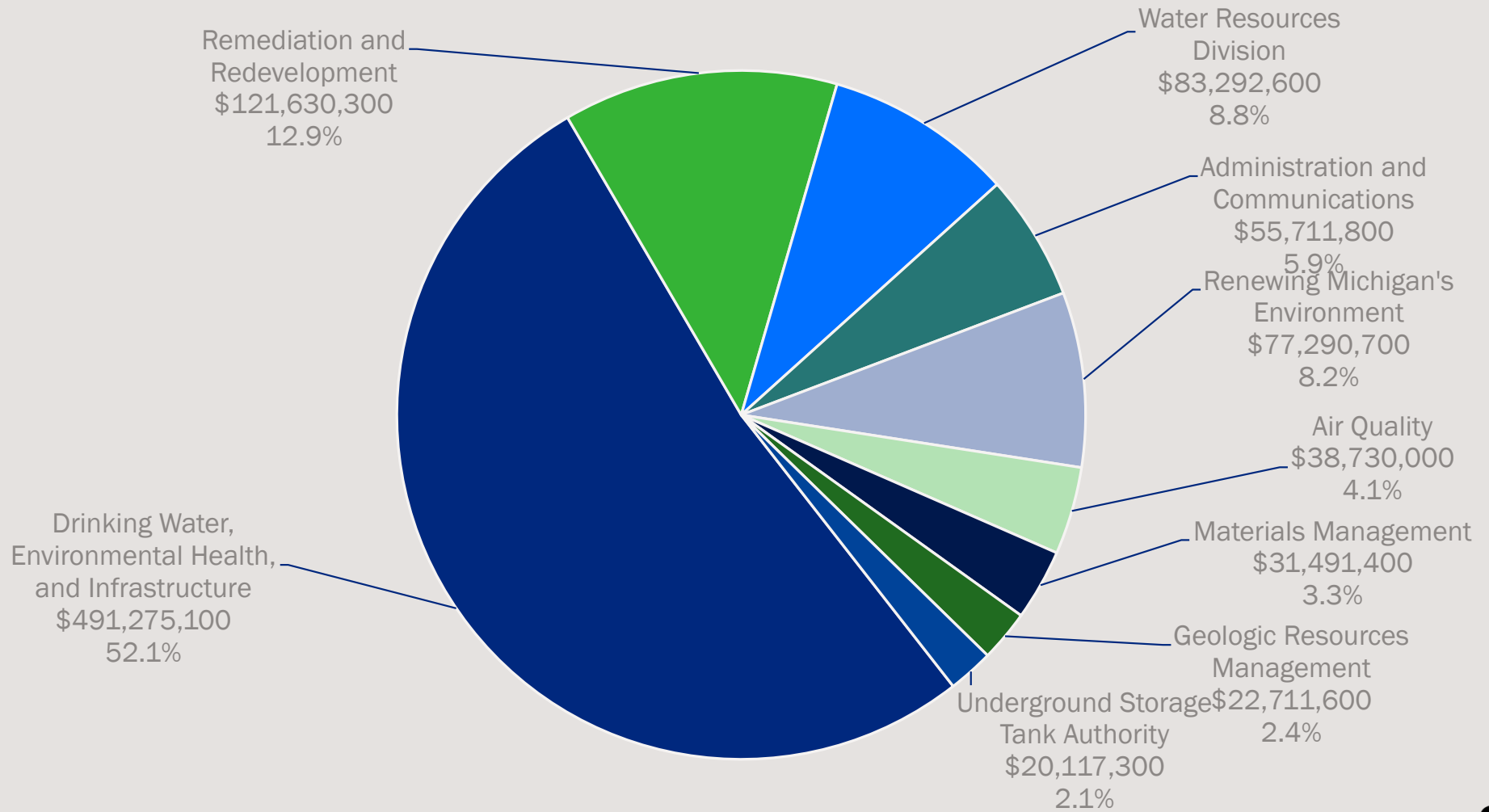
# EGLE Funding History



# EGLE FTE Appropriations History



# Major Appropriations in the Department



## Major Areas of GF/GP Spending

- Water Resources (NPDES, stormwater, wetlands, land and water permitting programs) - \$30.7 million
- Air Quality Programs - \$15.0 million
- Drinking Water and Environmental Health - \$18.6 million
- Geologic Resources Management- \$13.0 million Total (\$5.0 million one-time FY 2025-26)
- Clean fuel and charging infrastructure (one-time) - \$30.0 million
- LSL replacement – \$27.0 million Total (\$17.4 million one-time FY 2025-26)
- Water State Revolving Fund (one-time) - \$34.0 million

# Special Issues

- **Drinking/Clean Water Revolving Funds**
  - P.A. 53 of 2022 allocated a total of \$1.9 billion in funding for EGLE. That amount included \$1.1 billion for drinking water infrastructure, \$677.4 million for clean water infrastructure and public health risk reduction grants, and \$209.6 million in other water infrastructure.
  - The FY 2025-26 budget bill (PA 22 of 2025) included a gross of \$424.0 million for the water state revolving fund loan program. These low-interest loans help municipalities accomplish water infrastructure projects with minimal interest via EGLE's internal scoring parameters that are reassessed every 3 years. The FY 2025-26 budget marked the last year in which \$34.0 million One-Time matching GF/GP funds were needed to direct the federal IJA funding to the program.

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- **Lead Line Replacement**

- The FY 2025-26 budget included \$9.6 million ongoing GF/GP for lead line replacement. This money is meant to provide municipal assistance for lead line replacement projects. The budget also included \$17.4 million one-time GF/GP for LSLR-related projects.

- **FY 2024-25 Supplemental Funding**

- The FY 2024-25 budget received supplemental (PA 22 of 2025) funding totaling \$175.7 million gross. These funds primarily related to following programs: Climate pollution reduction grants (\$129.1 million Federal), Clean MI Initiative – brownfield redevelopment and cleanups (\$15.0 million Restricted), and Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (\$18.1 million Federal).