



NATIONAL BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

2026 – 2027 MCL Proposed Budget

The National Budget and Finance Committee conducted a comprehensive review of the proposed budget and the actual financial results for the preceding fiscal year during July 2026. Following consultation with the National Executive Director and elected National officers, the Committee unanimously approved the proposed budget for presentation to the delegates at the National Convention. Budget details will be provided at the National Convention.

Principal Budget Considerations

- **Modern Day Marine continues to be the League's largest source of operating revenue.** Membership dues remain an important source of income; however, the card-and-label program has only one year remaining with the vendor currently used. The League must find a replacement vendor or make corresponding adjustments to future operations.
- **Labor and related expenses** reflect anticipated full-year staffing, employee benefits, payroll obligations, and the operating requirements of National Headquarters.
- The new **National Headquarters building is fully incorporated into the budget.** The budget proposal includes rental and related income, and the costs of operating, maintaining, insuring, and supporting the property. The property is expected to provide a small overall net profit. The building purchase was fully funded by the Building Fund.
- The budget provides **expanded support for the Veterans Service Officer program**, membership services and communications, the Marine Corps League Foundation, and implementation of the adopted National Business Plan.
- The **Paid Life Member Fund will provide a record-level annual distribution** to the Detachments and Departments. The fund will also provide the proportionate share of eligible expenses attributable to life members. New life-member dues are returned to the fund, and withdrawals are based on established formulas and applicable policies.
- The **Building Fund** will provide funds to offset the rent of the existing Headquarters building until such time as the HQ operations are relocated to the new building.

The Committee believes the proposed budget provides for current operations, supports the League's principal programs, and addresses emerging organizational priorities while maintaining appropriate financial discipline.

Submitted by:

The National Budget and Finance Committee

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