



Broadcast Educational Media Commission Optimal FY22-23 Budget

BEMC appreciates the Governor’s recommendations for the FY22-23 Operating Budget. BEMC respectfully requests consideration for funding at the Commission-approved optimal budget levels to support public broadcasting and public educational media.

	FY22 Governor's Recommendation	FY22 BEMC Optimal	FY23 Governor's Recommendation	FY23 BEMC Optimal
BEMC Operations ALI 953430	\$ 3,738,449.00	\$ 3,884,185.00	\$ 3,766,191.00	\$ 3,884,185.00
Statehouse News ALI 935401	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 410,025.00	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 410,025.00
Ohio Gov't Telecom. ALI 935402 <i>(The Ohio Channel)</i>	\$ 1,708,526.00	\$ 1,918,952.00	\$ 1,708,526.00	\$ 1,918,952.00
Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution ALI 935410 <i>(Ohio Public TV/Radio/Radio Reading)</i> <i>*see note below</i>	\$ 3,222,000.00	\$ 4,577,705.00	\$ 3,222,000.00	\$ 4,577,705.00
Overall Total	\$ 9,023,975.00	\$ 10,790,867.00	\$ 9,051,717.00	\$ 10,790,867.00

BEMC Operations increase covers new DAS IT fees, general facility improvements, maintaining Joint Master Control improvements, and broadcasting costs for airing the Governor’s COVID-19 briefings.

	GOV Budget	BEMC Optimal	Increase of
FY22	\$ 3,738,449.00	\$ 3,884,185.00	\$ 145,736.00
FY23	\$ 3,766,191.00	\$ 3,884,185.00	\$ 117,994.00
Total	\$ 7,504,640.00	\$ 7,768,370.00	\$ 263,730.00

Statehouse New Bureau and Ohio Gov’t Telecom. increases allow for ongoing coverage of COVID-19, including Governor’s briefings and Legislative session airings.

	FY22-23 GOV	FY22-23 Optimal	Increase of
SNB	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 410,025.00	\$ 55,025.00
OGT	\$ 1,708,526.00	\$ 1,918,952.00	\$ 210,426.00
Total	\$ 2,063,526.00	\$ 2,328,977.00	\$ 265,451.00

Content Development, Acquisition, and Distribution increases support for providing SNB, OGT and local COVID-19 coverage and educational content directly to the public.

	FY22-23 GOV	FY22-23 Optimal	Increase of
Public TV/Radio	\$ 2,194,471.00	\$ 3,103,453.00	\$ 908,982.00
Radio Reading	\$ 232,552.00	\$ 344,828.00	\$ 112,276.00
Multi-media	\$ 794,977.00	\$ 1,129,424.00	\$ 334,447.00
Total	\$ 3,222,000.00	\$ 4,577,705.00	\$ 1,355,705.00

BEMC respectfully requests increase of:

	GOV Budget	BEMC Optimal	Increase of
FY22	\$ 9,023,975.00	\$ 10,790,867.00	\$ 1,766,892.00
FY23	\$ 9,051,717.00	\$ 10,790,867.00	\$ 1,739,150.00

*Original Content Development Appropriation for FY20 and FY21 was **\$3,963,381.**