

# Ohio Optical Dispensers Board

## Role and Overview

The Optical Dispensers Board (ODB) was established to ensure that those who are licensed by the Board meet certain minimum education and training criteria to safely practice opticianry and ocularistry in Ohio. The Board monitors those licensees to ensure compliance with the laws and rules of the Board, the state and national standards of care. ODB oversees more than 5,000 licensed opticians, ocularists and apprentices, which is accomplished with three full-time employees.

More information regarding the Ohio Optical Dispensers Board is available at [www.optical.ohio.gov](http://www.optical.ohio.gov).

## Agency Priorities

- Protect the public through regulation and enforcement, and by improving the quality of opticianry and ocularistry care.
- Review and update the law regulating the practice of opticianry and ocularistry in Ohio to reflect current standards of safe practice and changes in practice, and to provide clarity regarding the Board's ability to discipline those who violate the law and rules of the Board.
- Continue to review processes and identify ways to improve efficiencies that may result in decreased costs to the Board.
- Continue to provide additional practice guidance for licensees through the development of practice statements and dissemination of information through professional publications, web page publications, and public presentations.

## Funding Recommendation for 2014 and 2015

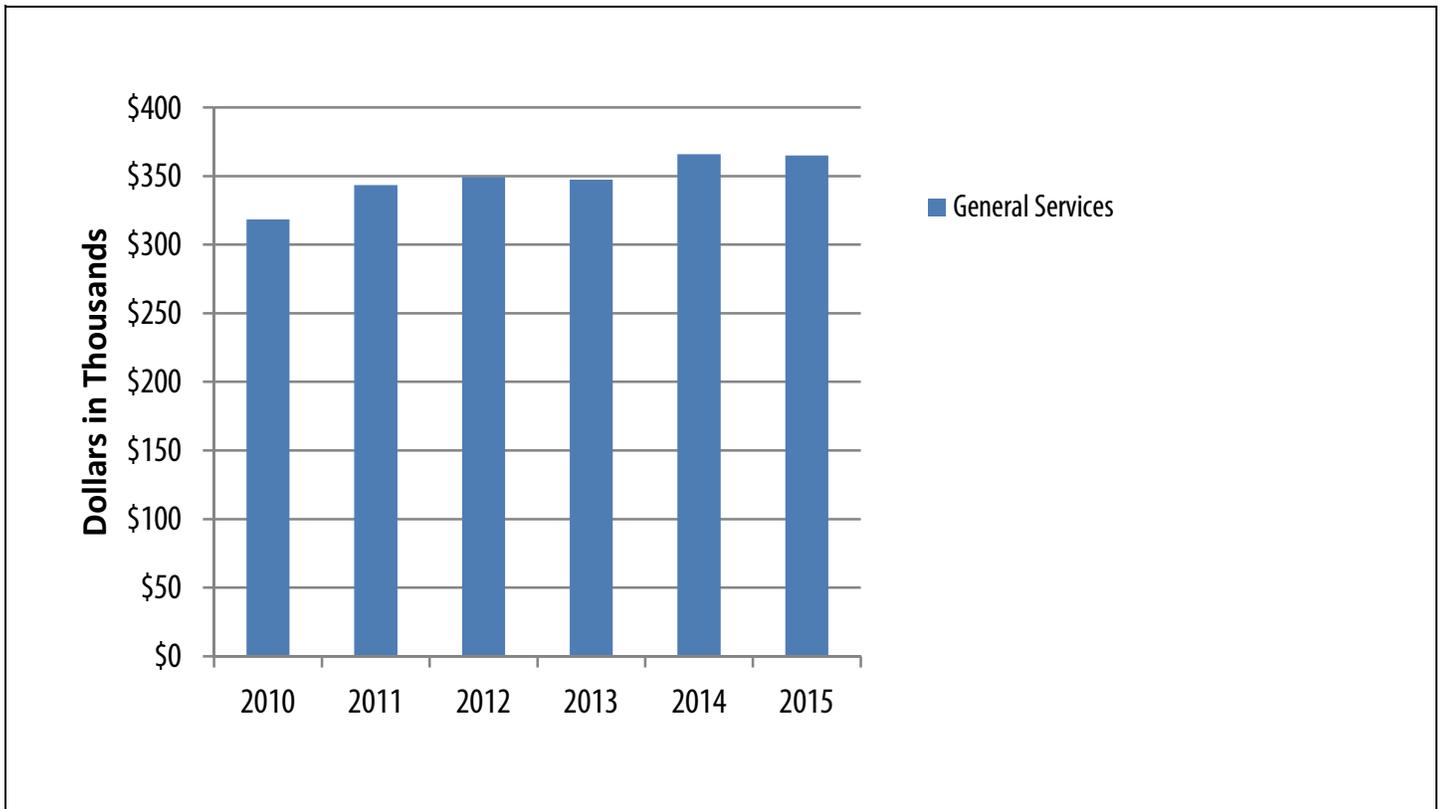
- All Funds: Funding for fiscal year 2014 is \$366.0 thousand (or a 5.4% increase from fiscal year 2013). Funding for fiscal year 2015 is \$365.0 thousand (or a 0.3% decrease from fiscal year 2014).

## The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Support the continuing operations of the Board.
- Support the regulation of the education, licensure and discipline of approximately 3,300 opticians and ocularists, and 1,400 registered apprentices.
- Provide for an increased number of investigations and disciplinary actions for illegally dispensing or selling contact lenses.

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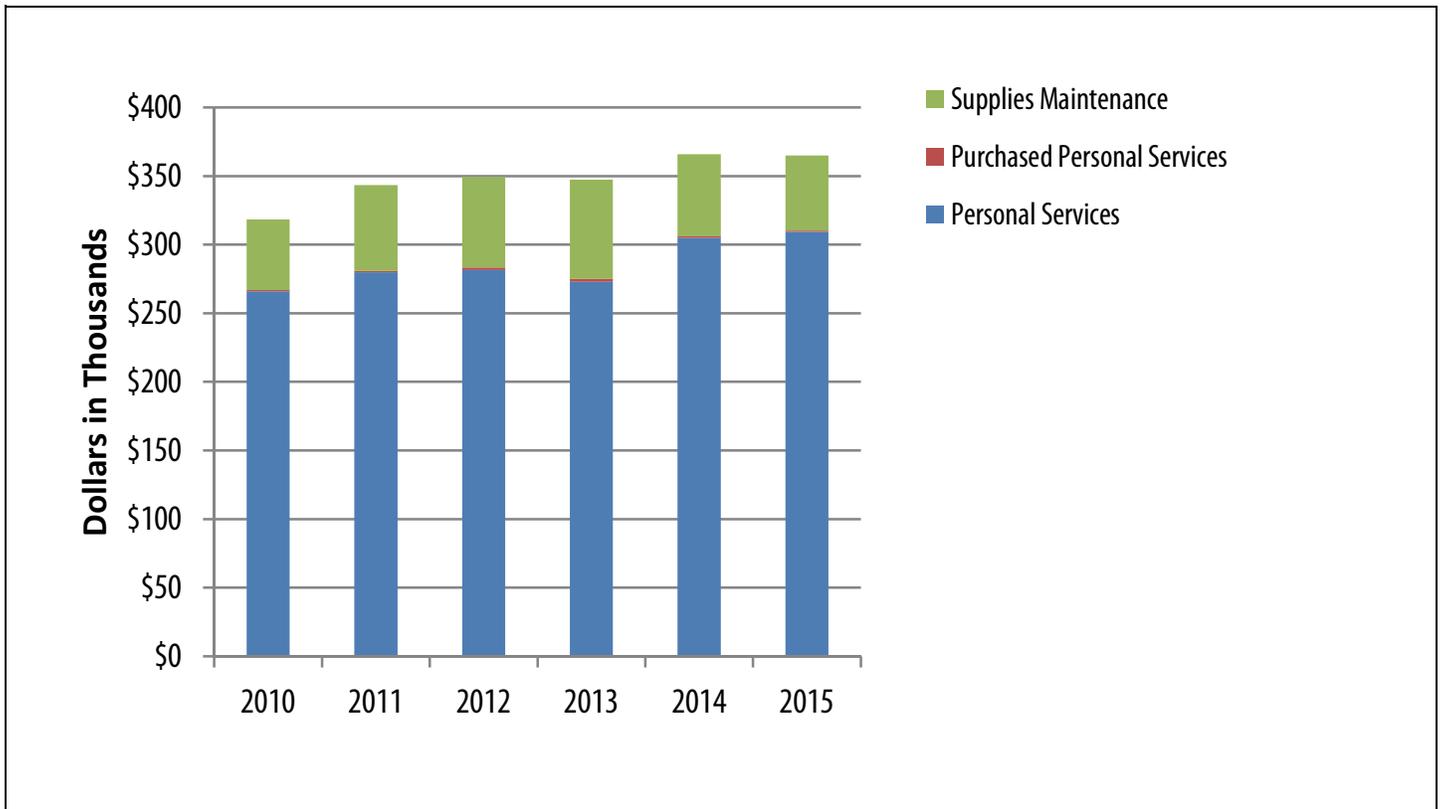
Budget Fund Group Information



(in Thousands) Budget Fund Group	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 12-13	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	%Change
General Services	318	343	349	347	-0.6%	366	5.4%	365	-0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>

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Expense Account Category Information



(in Thousands) Expense Account Category	Actual			Est.	% Change	Recommended			
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 12-13	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	%Change
Personal Services	266	280	282	273	-3.0%	305	11.7%	309	1.4%
Purchased Personal Services	1	1	2	2	11.5%	1	-50.0%	1	0.0%
Supplies & Maintenance	51	63	66	72	9.6%	60	-17.0%	55	-8.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>

**Program Series 1: Regulation (149A0)**

This program series contains the Regulation Program (149B1), which contributes to ensuring the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Ohio through oversight of the professions of opticianry and ocularistry. It provides an avenue for consumers to file complaints and to halt the illegal sales of contact lenses. The Board continues to enforce the licensure, registration and regulation of the professions of opticianry and ocularistry to ensure that only qualified individuals are providing eye care to the citizens of Ohio.

Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
4K90	894609	Operating Expenses	347,300	366,000	5.4%	365,000	-0.3%
<b>Total for Regulation</b>			<b>347,300</b>	<b>366,000</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>365,000</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>

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Fund	ALI	ALI Name	Actual			Estimated	Recommended			
			FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	% Change	FY 2015	% Change
4K90	894609	Operating Expenses	318,372	343,407	349,252	347,300	366,000	5.4%	365,000	-0.3%
<b>Total General Services</b>			<b>318,372</b>	<b>343,407</b>	<b>349,252</b>	<b>347,300</b>	<b>366,000</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>365,000</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>
<b>Grand Total Ohio Optical Dispensers Board</b>			<b>318,372</b>	<b>343,407</b>	<b>349,252</b>	<b>347,300</b>	<b>366,000</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>365,000</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>