



**Town of Belmont**  
**Town Administration's Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Recommendation**

*February 22, 2016*

**EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

**OVERVIEW:**

<b>FY16 Budget</b>	<b>FY17 Budget</b>	<b>\$ Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
\$9,185,798	\$9,810,142	\$624,344	6.80%

This allotment contains funding for employee benefits which are not included in the individual departmental budgets. Items which are contained in this budget includes the funding for pension and health insurance costs for retired employees, salary and health benefit resources, life insurance, unemployment insurance, workers compensation and premiums for property and liability insurance.

Pension costs are scheduled to increase by \$455,365 or 7.00% from FY16 based on the latest funding schedule contained in the pension actuarial study, which is updated every two years.

Health insurance costs for current employees are budgeted and transferred to a central account where expenditures are made. Overall health insurance costs for all active employees and retirees are estimated to increase by 2.5%, or \$86,694 in FY17.

Property and Liability Insurance costs are estimated to increase by \$12,863 or 3%. Workers Compensation Policy is provided by the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association (MIIA). MIIA was incorporated by the Massachusetts Municipal Association as a nonprofit organization to provide insurance services to cities and towns. The total FY17 Workers Compensation Insurance costs is estimated at \$123,152 a \$11,102 or 9.9% increase for Town Departments.

Other budget items contained in this allocation include Unemployment Compensation (\$40,000), Life Insurance, (\$19,425) and Medicare (\$6,500), which reflect no increase from FY16.