

## **DAAC BUDGET COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER**

The District Advisory Accountability Committee (DAAC) includes within its organizational structure a budget committee. The budget committee is comprised of parents and District 11 residents who work, supported by District staff resources, to fulfill a charge from the Board of Education.

The District's general fund is approximately \$228 million per year and making recommendations about allocation of scarce resources is a difficult and time consuming job for any volunteer.

The Board needs and wants informed citizen input about current expenditures and future resource allocation issues. Accordingly, the DAAC Budget Committee is a critical component of the budget development process.

Responsibilities of individual committee members include:

- Attendance of two or more meetings per month from September to May
- Review of current year budget
- Familiarization with governmental accounting practices
- Familiarization with education program contents and associated costs
- Developing an understanding of mandated costs and discretionary and non-discretionary costs
- Several hours per month reading and reviewing information about the revenue and expenditures of District 11