



Christian County Commission

100 West Church St, Room 100
Ozark, MO 65721

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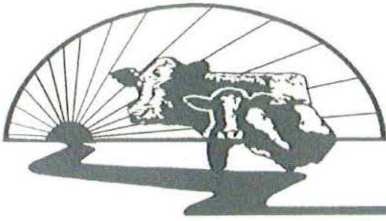
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ATTACHMENTS:

- Christian County Soil & Water Conservation District - Request for Funding (PDF)



CHRISTIAN COUNTY
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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7/16/2019

Justification for Funding from the Christian County Board of Commissioners

Following is a history of the funds received from the Christian County Commission and why the receipt of these funds is so important for us if we are to continue to support the landowners of Christian County with high quality services. Each year we have requested ten thousand dollars. Not receiving the requested amount drastically impacts the amount in Local Funds which then greatly impacts our ability to keep up with current technology and the purchase of new equipment.

Funding History:

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>
2/11/2019	\$10,000
2/11/2018	\$10,000
3/17/2017	\$8,000
6/13/2016	\$7,500
3/16/2015	\$5,000
6/16/2014	\$5,000
2013	\$0
2/22/2012	\$5,000
2/28/2011	\$5,000
2/1/2010	\$10,000
4/16/2009	\$10,000
6/13/2008	\$10,000
1/29/2007	\$10,000

In the early part of 2013, an administrative issue resulted in the request for funding not to be pursued.

Use of Funds Received From the Christian County Commission:

Since 2007, the Christian County Commissioners have provided ninety - five thousand dollars to the Christian County Soil and Water Conservation District. These funds are placed in an account titled "Local Funds". **State funding does not go into this account and State funds may not be used to purchase equipment.** This account has and is currently being used to fund the following:

The largest expense, that requires the use of "Local Funds", is the purchase and the intensive maintenance of four No-Till Drills; these drills are rented to Christian County Landowners at nominal fee. The maintenance of these drill is very expensive. The initial purchase price of one of these drills is now roughly thirty thousand dollars each. This is not an expense most Christian County landowners can afford when they may only use it a couple of times per year. The terrain in Christian County is very hard on this equipment and maintenance is needed often. Though rent is recovered when the drills are rented, it does not cover the expense of the drills when they require a major overhaul. Not receiving the requested ten thousand dollars is greatly impacting this fund and the ability to provide the equipment and services that are needed in Christian County. In addition to the drills, we also have a "T" Post Driver which is rented for a nominal fee to Christian County landowners.

In addition to the equipment that is rented, we have purchased the following equipment from Local Funds that landowners can use at no cost other than a small refundable deposit: Spinning Jenny, Ground Rod Driver, Broadcast Seeder for ATV, Soil Auger and Burn Equipment. Funding for the replacement of this equipment and the purchase of additional equipment all comes out of our Local Funds.

Although Personal Property Taxes are not paid on this equipment, we do have to pay liability insurance out of Local Funds.

Other Driving Forces:

As Christian County Landowners become more aware of the State Cost Share Programs, they also become more familiar with additional services offered by the Christian County Soil and Water Conservation District.

In summary, we are requesting that the Christian County Commission approve funding for ten thousand Dollars (\$10,000) in 2020. These funds will immediately be put to use to help offset the decreased revenue received from the rental of our drills and will assist in keeping all four drills in top notch working condition so they are available when Christian County landowners make a request to use one of them.

Sincerely,

Christian County Soil and Water Conservation District Board

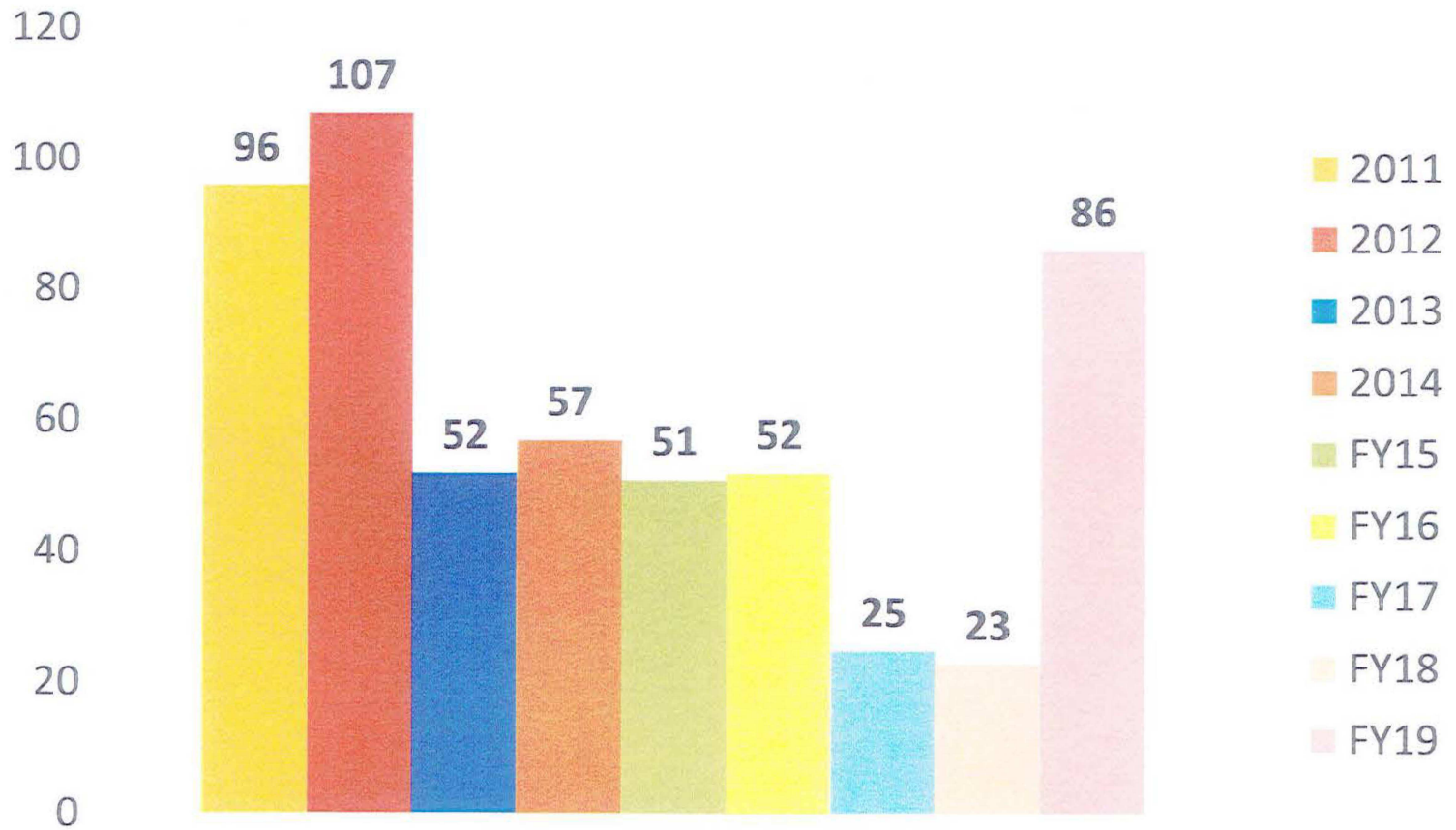
LOCAL FUND BALANCE

UPDATED 7/15/2019



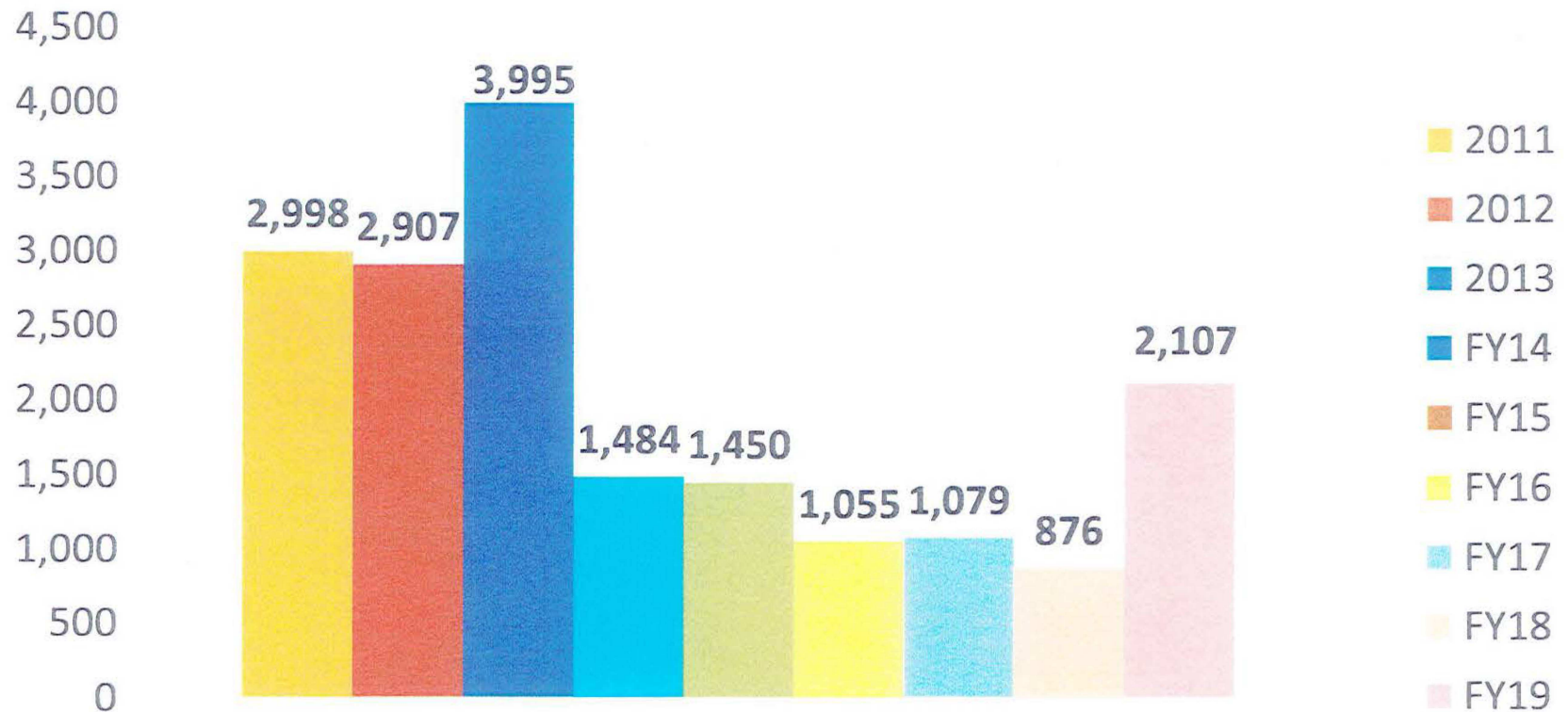
NUMBER OF DRILL RENTALS

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ACRES PLANTED WITH NO-TILL DRILLS

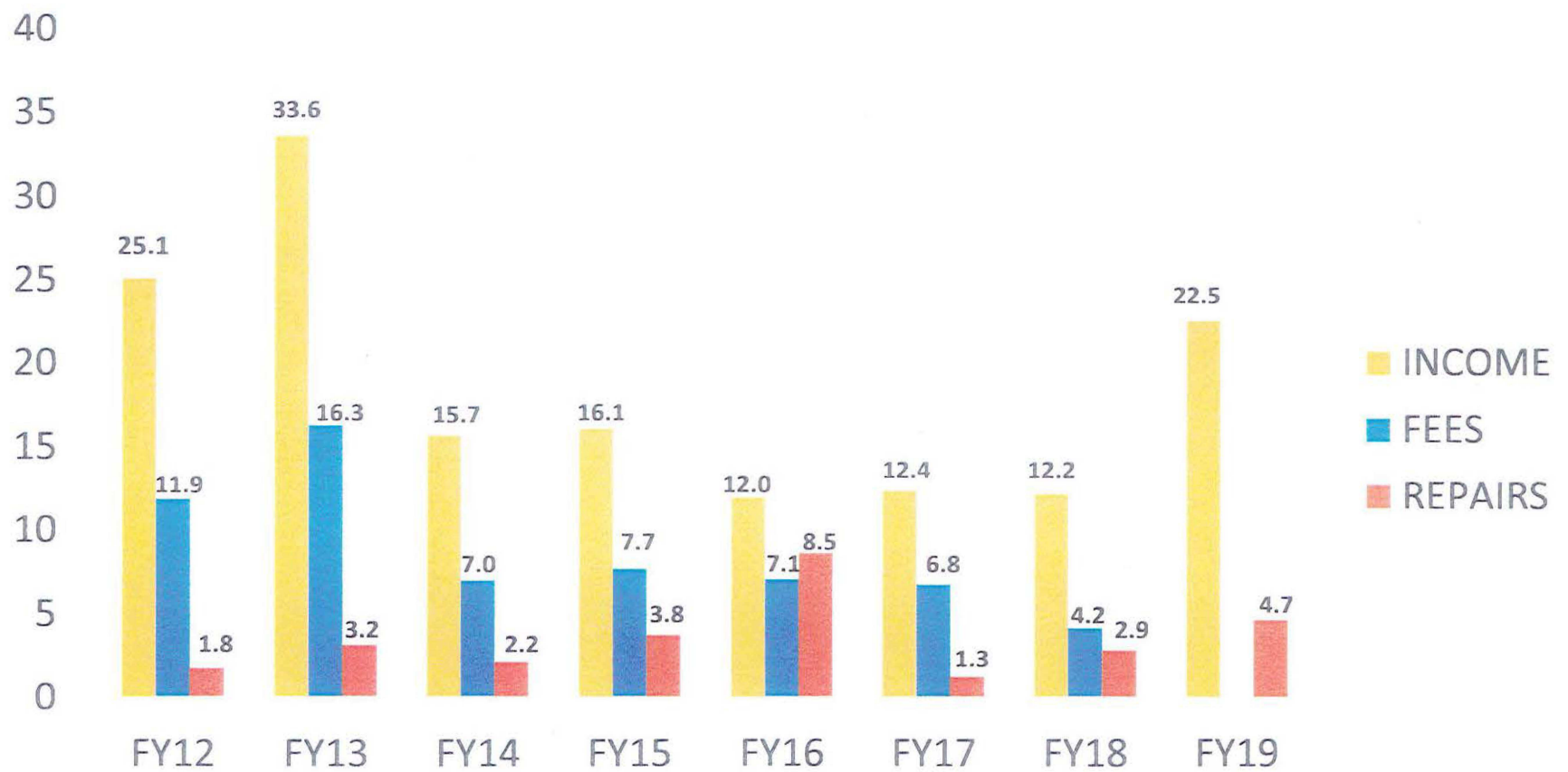
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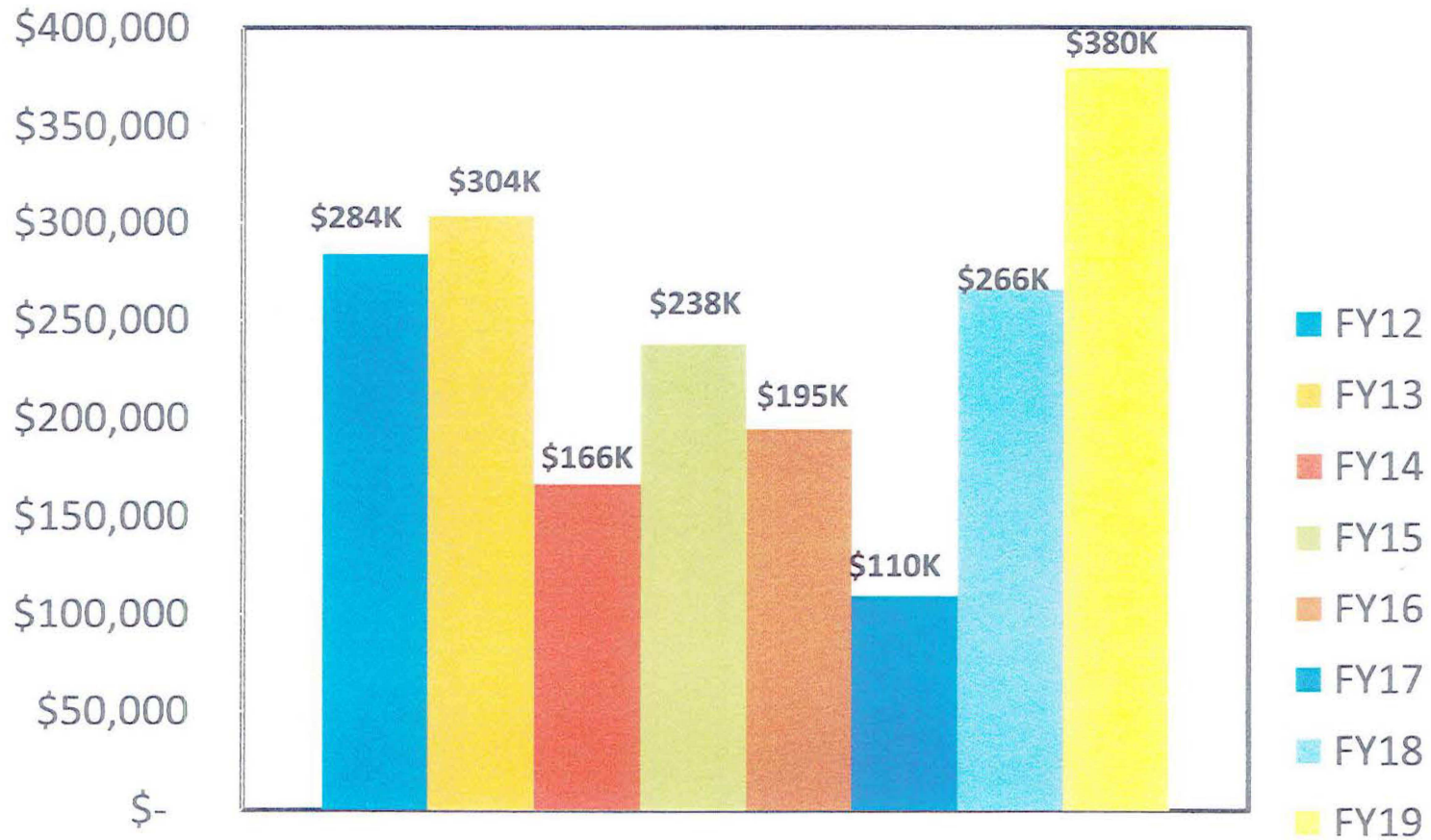
NO-TILL DRILL INCOME, REPAIRS & FEES

(IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

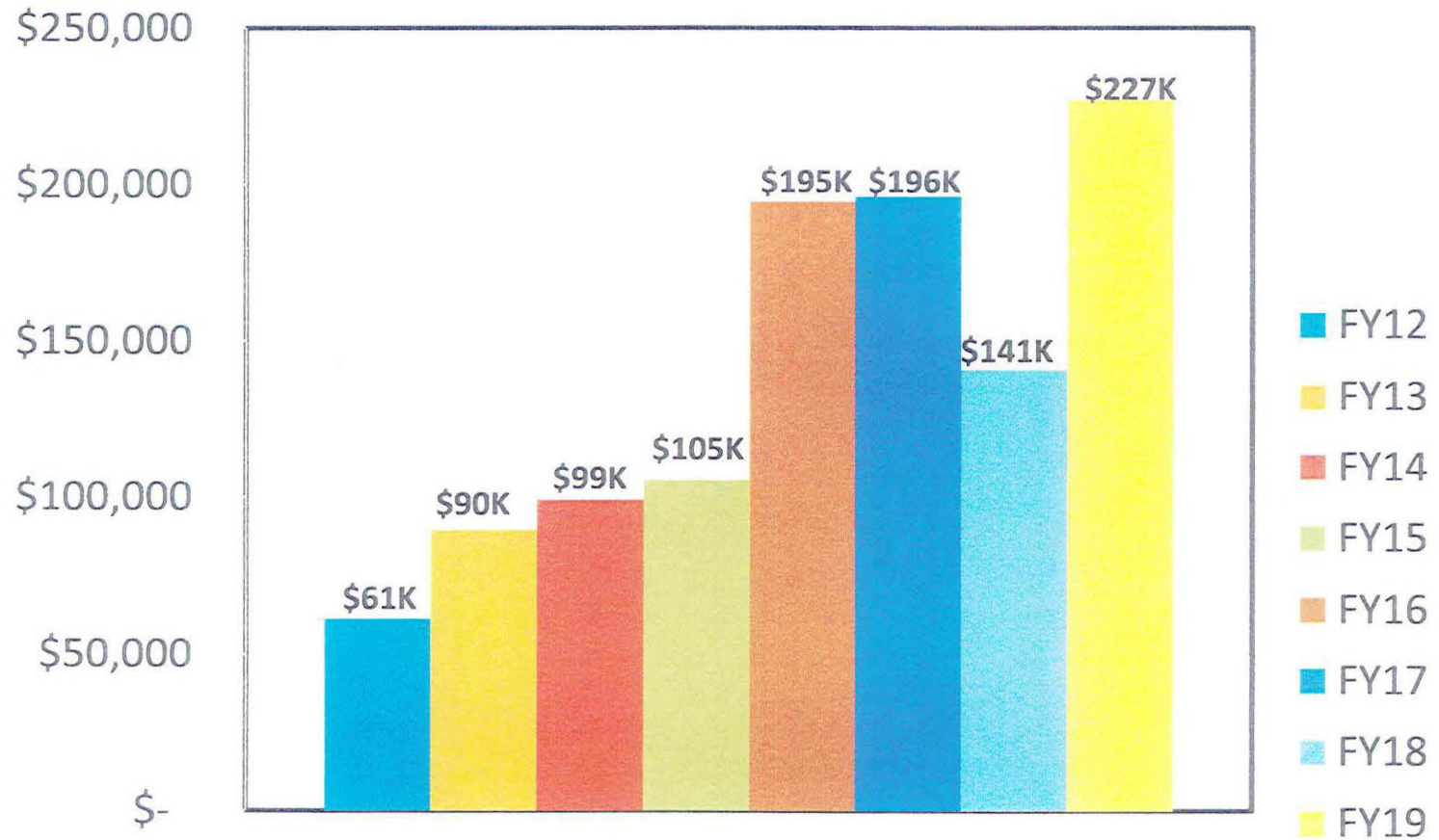
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NRCS TOTAL COST SHARE DOLLARS FOR YEARS FY12 – FY19



SWCD TOTAL COST SHARE DOLLARS FOR YEARS FY12 – FY19



FY13 DROUGHT ASSISTANCE = \$402,253

SWCD & NRCS TOTAL COST SHARE DOLLARS FOR YEARS FY12 – FY19

