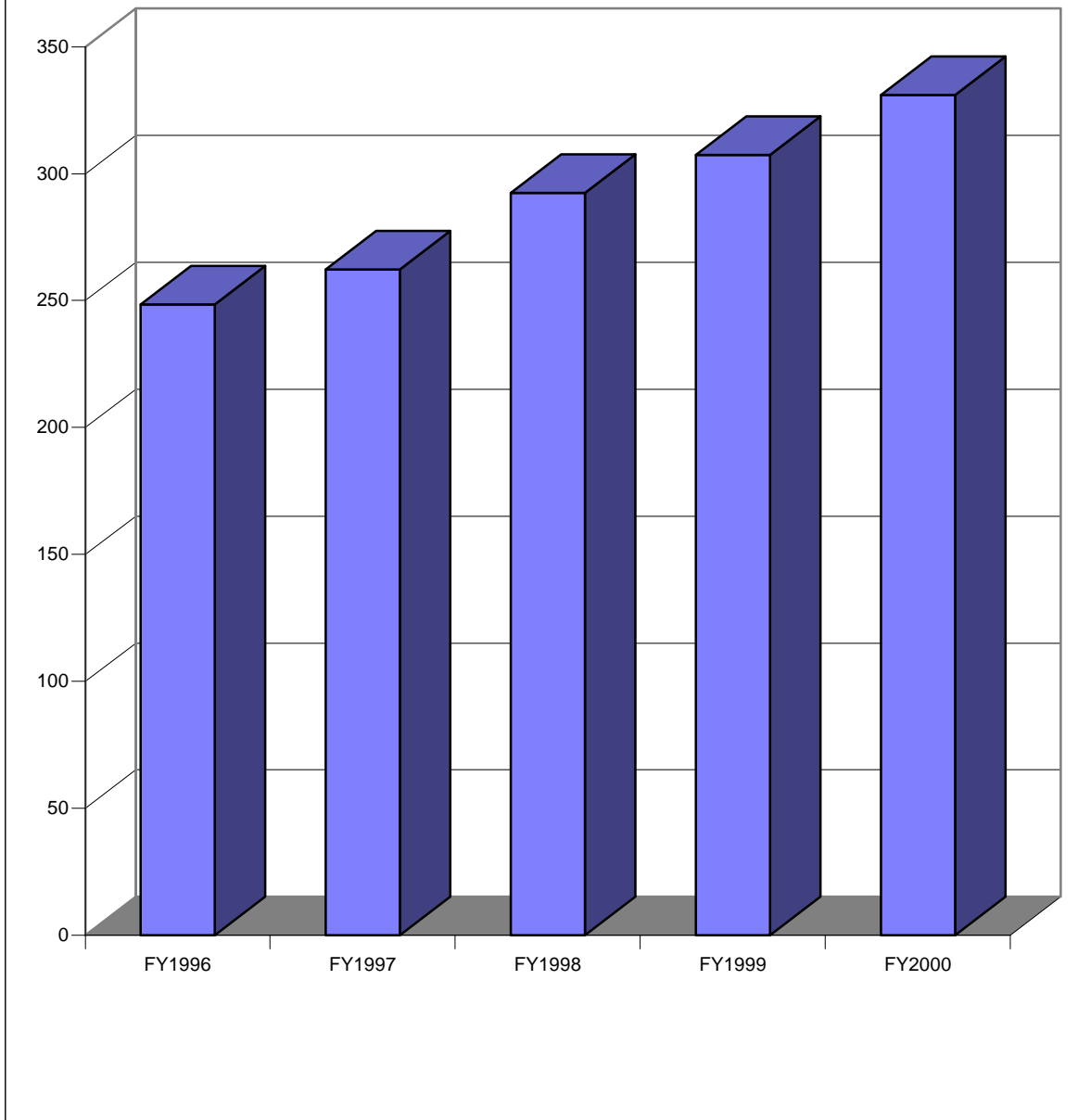


### Operating Funds Budget Trends



From FY1996 to FY2000, the City's budget grew by 33%. The increase in the current year's budget is 7.7%. This is due primarily to increases in transfers to capital improvement funds, year end fund balances, public safety programs, and employee pay and benefits.