

COUNTY OF SUSSEX BUDGET PRESENTATION

MARCH 11, 2020



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- Budget process begins
- Guidance issued to Departments to prepare submissions

August

September

• Operating budget proposals are due

- Budget
 subcommittee
 reviews budget
 submittals
- Capital Proposals are due

October

 Capital subcommittee reviews proposals

November

December

 Budget subcommittees review the impact of the draft budget Budget subcommittees finalize draft budget

January

 Subcommittees review proposed budget and make any final changes

February

March

 March 11, 2020: Budget is considered for introduction and approval April 8, 2020: Board of Chosen Freeholders hold public hearing for adoption of County Budaet

April

<u>"2010" Cap</u>

• Establishes a formula limiting increases in the amount to be raised by taxation to 2% of the previous year

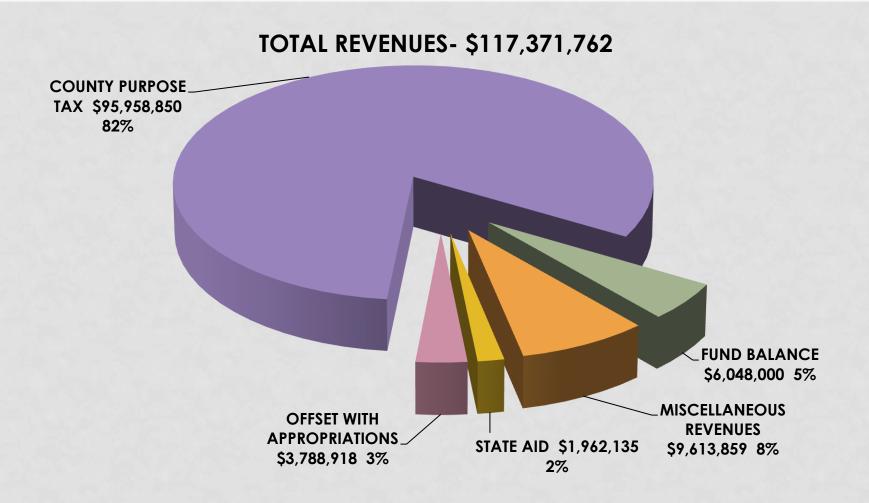
<u>"1977" Cap</u>

 Prohibits counties from increasing property tax levy greater than
 2.5%...unless action is taken by the governing body

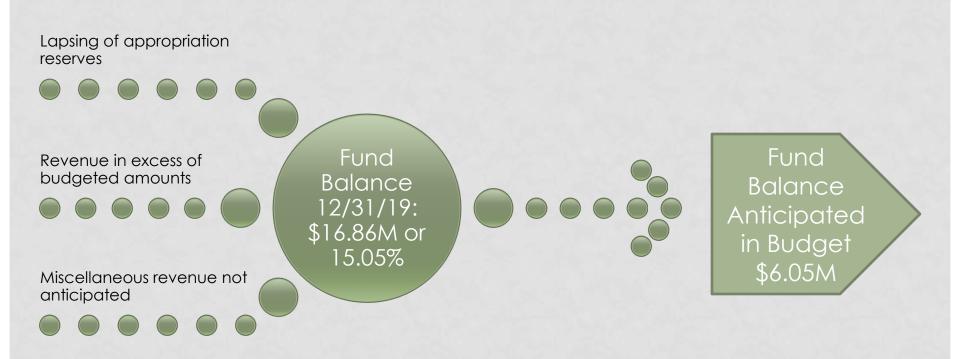
> Laws Affecting the County Budget

<u>"2017" County Entity Cap</u>

• Limits the annual increase to the portion of certain county entity budgets funded by the county property tax



Generation of Fund Balance

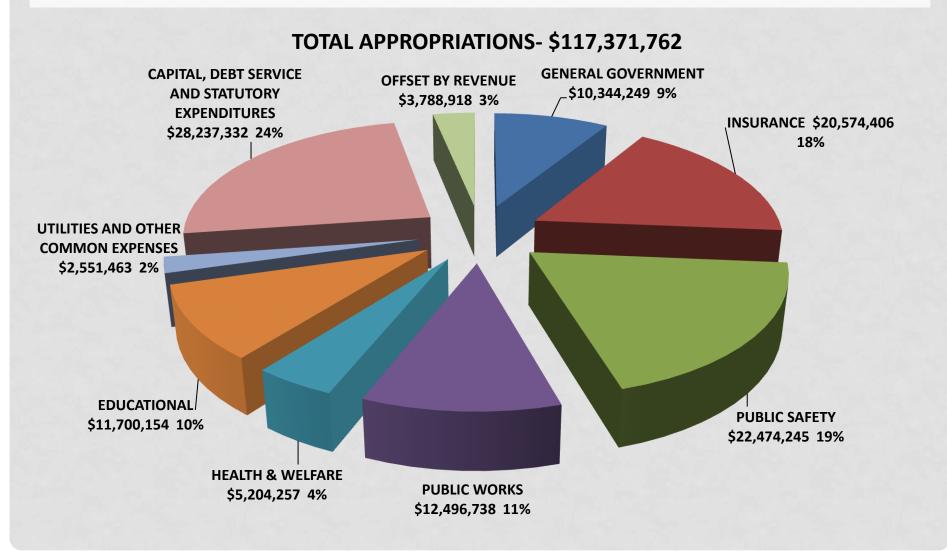


FUND BALANCE HISTORY AND USE AS ANTICIPATED REVENUE

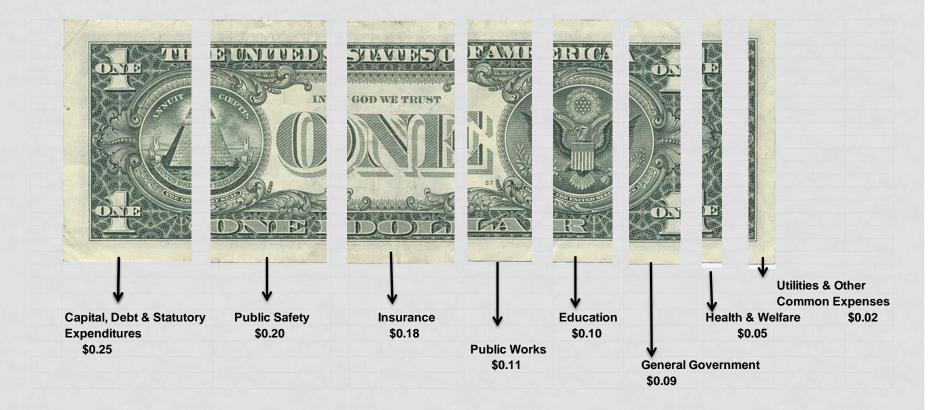


The 2020 Budget represents a 1.83% increase in total operations.

Year	2018	2019	2020
Budget	\$109.66M	\$112.05M	\$117.4M
Tax Levy	\$92.10M	\$93.88M	\$95.96M
Ratable Base	\$16.97B	\$17.39B	\$17.67B
Tax Rate per \$100	\$0.5439	\$0.5405	\$0.5430



ALLOCATION OF A COUNTY TAX DOLLAR



2020 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Public Safety

- Continue the contract services agreement with Morris County for the housing of adult inmates.
- Improve communications center capabilities with additional tower site leases and equipment.



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Public Works

- Dedicate resources to improve road, bridge, and tree crew staffing levels.
- Expand funding for the Office of Mosquito Control to meet increased service demand.

2020 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Capital Improvements
 - Advance a grant application for Library Construction Bond funding at no cost to the County taxpayer.
 - Additional appropriations are being considered as part of the County's debt management policy.



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

- Division of Senior Services
 - Providing a variety of activities and programs to ensure seniors can age in their homes and have a high quality of life.
 - Over 200 seniors participated in the Senior Olympics enjoying training for the events, building relationships and engaging in some healthy competition.



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



- Division of Community & Youth Services
 - Providing a variety of training and resources to service providers and educators serving children and their families.
 - Over 100 participants attended a training on "Social Media and Its Effects on Youth Mental Health" discussing available services within the County.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

- Overdose Fatality Program & Review Team
 - Multi-disciplinary team established to identify gaps in public systems and social services that if strengthened could prevent future deaths from drug overdose.
 - Includes representatives from the Prosecutor's Office, Sheriff's Office, Medical Examiner's Office and Federal DEA.



DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PLANNING

Division of Planning

- Coordinates and produces the Harvest, Honey, and Garlic Festival.
- Conceived to spotlight our County's agricultural industry including honey, garlic, pottery, produce, wine, and cheese.



DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PLANNING



- Storm water inlet operation & maintenance
 - Critical components of the County Highway System by limiting the ponding of storm water within the traveled way of the roadway.
 - Comprised of a series of inlets, manholes, basins, water quality devices, and piping systems.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PLANNING

- Guide rail operation
 & maintenance
 - Systems are installed to enhance the overall operational safety of the roadway system.
 - Typically a physical barrier installed along roadway to protect the traveling public from more sever roadside conditions.

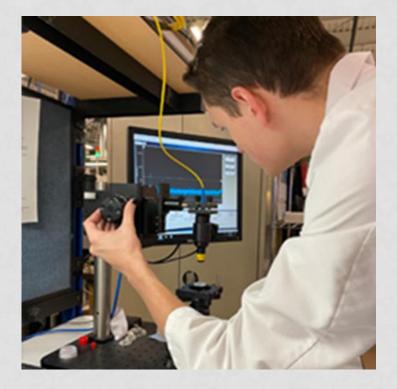


DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

- Financial Initiatives
 - AA+ Bond Rating
 - Fund Balance Policy adopted in 2018
 - Debt Management Policy adopted in 2019
 - Grant Management Policies optimize timely receipts of grant dollars



SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE



- Optics Technology
 - Gives students an opportunity to gain knowledge and skills in the field of optical manufacturing
 - College hosting a workshop with County High Schools regarding Optics Dual-Enrollment Courses

SUSSEX COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

- The Engineering Team is 1 of only 3 high schools to participate in the Annual International Submarine Race held at the US Navy Research Facility
- Main goal is to design, build and operate a human powered submarine over a 100 meter submerged course



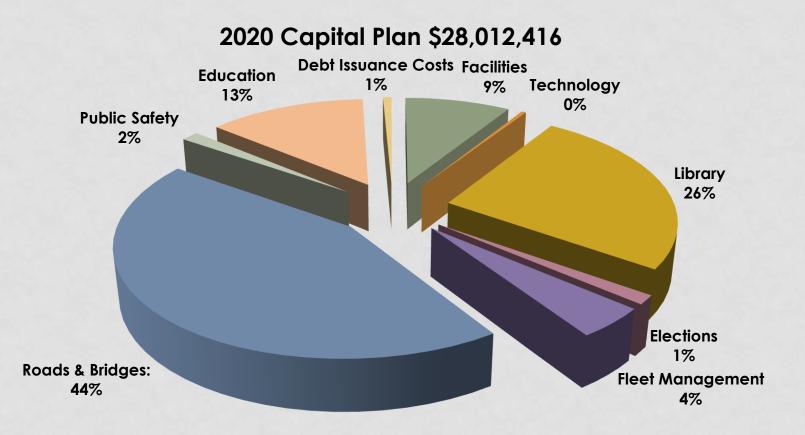
Awarded: 1st place for Innovation ISR Smooth Operator Award US Navy's "Hoo-Yah" Award

2020 COUNTY CAPITAL BUDGET

Capital Improvement Program

- An important part of financial management, which encompasses:
 - (1) the preparation, adoption, and implementation of a budget for major capital projects or acquisitions; and
 - (2) the funding of those capital projects and acquisitions through a combination of current funds and debt financing
- Capital expenditures include County Community College, County Technical School, County Government Projects and Remediation Projects
- The 2020 capital program totals \$28,012,416 with new debt authorized not to exceed \$10,000,000

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Capital Project	Recommended Funding
1. Road Resurfacing	\$7,047,531
1. Dennis Library Renovations	\$7,000,000
2. Site remediation - various	\$1,576,738
3. SCCC Building Improvements	\$1,081,250
4. Heavy Machinery	\$1,055,000
5. Guide rail maintenance	\$1,000,000
6. Technical School Improvements	\$895,000
7. Replacement of Voting Machines (partial)	\$375,000
8. SCCC Pavement Resurfacing	\$337,500
9. Judicial Center Improvements	\$321,000

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