



COUNTY OF BUCKS

PUBLIC HEARING

2017 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

November 22, 2016



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Budget Process Chronology

August	Departments submit budget requests
September	Division leader review, budget compiled
October	Departmental meetings held
November 16	Preliminary budget released
November 22	Public budget hearing
December 7	Proposed budget adoption at Commissioners' Meeting in Doylestown Admin. Building



A Snapshot

Expenses \$415.05 million

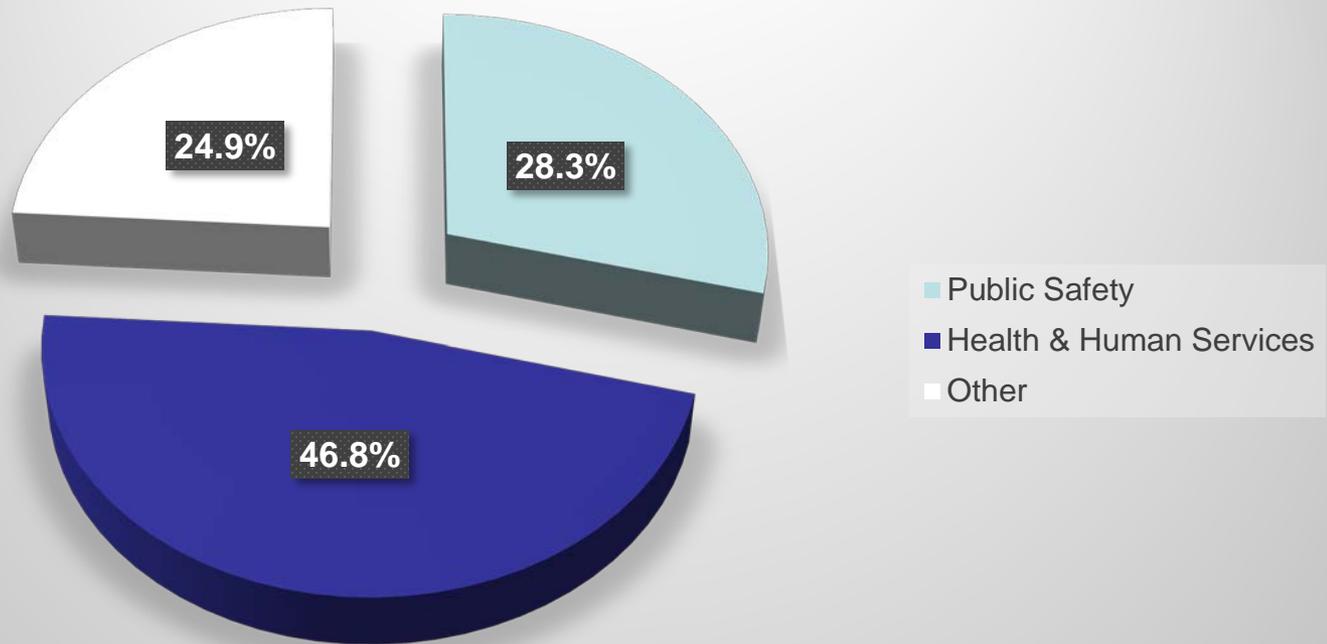
Revenue \$406.06 million

Deficit **\$8.99 million**

Departments still working to trim deficit prior to 2017 budget adoption.

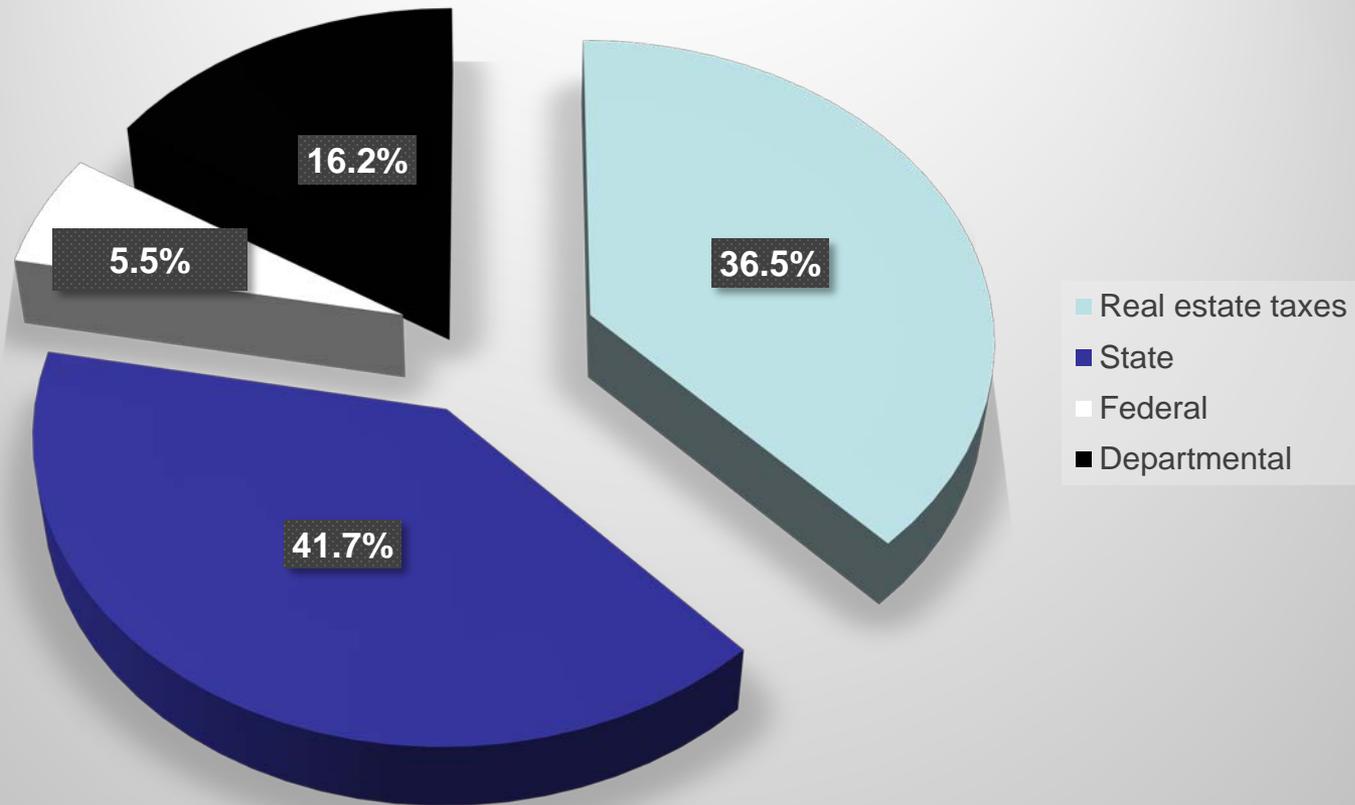


Proposed Spending Allocation





Sources of Revenue





County of Bucks Financial Highlights

2016 Fiscal
Year

Aaa (Moody's)
& AAA (S&P)
Bond Ratings
Reaffirmed

No Proposed
Tax Increase
for 10 of Last
11 Years

Bond
refinancings
have saved
taxpayers
millions of
dollars

Sale of
multiple
County
properties



Reasons for Preliminary Deficit



- Peak of debt service due to borrowings for Justice Center, 9-1-1 Radio Project, etc.
- Annual Required Contribution for Retirement Fund rising \$3 million



Health and Human Services

Health Department

- Approximately 20,000 childhood immunizations provided – also free seasonal flu shots at three clinics

Children & Youth

- Tremendous increase in caseload over last couple years

Mental Health/Developmental Programs

- Over 13,000 clients served





Public Safety

Emergency Communications

- As of October 31, handled more than 700,000 calls since Jan. 1, 2016
- 9-1-1 radio project successfully completed October, 2015 cutover to new system

Corrections

- An average of over 1,350 inmates in BCCF, M/WCCC and house arrest on a daily basis
- Over 7,000 processed through facilities annually





Ongoing Maintenance of County Bridges through \$5 Registration User Fee





We welcome
your input.

Thank you for attending.