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### **Cumberland County Commissioners Adopt 2019 Budget; No Tax Increase for the Fifth Consecutive Year**

**Carlisle, PA** – The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners today adopted the \$284.2 million county budget for 2019. The General Fund is \$87.7 million of the total county budget, with no tax increase for the fifth consecutive year.

The county remains in stable financial standing. The budget contains no increase in the county's General Fund real estate rate and no increase to the county library tax. Real estate millage remains at 2.195 mills and library millage remains level at 0.166 mills. The county real estate tax, per person, is the lowest county property tax of any in the region. In addition, a county citizen spends less of their earned income to pay for county services than other citizens in the surrounding counties.

The budget provides for essential services for the county, including those related to public health and safety, human services, courts and criminal justice, and community and environmental planning. Cumberland County remains in stable financial standing.

Funding for Farmland Preservation and the Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation (CAEDC) military preservation effort and workforce initiative continues at the 2018 level.

The county has maintained its AAA bond rating since 2008 due to strong financial management and a strategic approach to balancing costs and revenues. The commissioners, working with the county's departments, have found ways to slow the growth of short-and long-term costs, without sacrificing services to county residents.

Throughout 2019, the county will persist with efforts to monitor costs pressures and demonstrate fiscal accountability to the taxpayers, while providing efficient and cost effective services to the public. To view the 2019 budget visit us online at [www.ccpa.net/budget](http://www.ccpa.net/budget).

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*Cumberland County is the fastest growing county in the Commonwealth and offers the perfect mix of small town, suburban and rural living. Established in 1750, Cumberland County consistently maintains one of the lowest tax and unemployment rates in the state, while providing exceptional services for its more than 250,000 residents. More information on Cumberland County can be found at [www.ccpa.net](http://www.ccpa.net).*