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## No Tax Increase in Eight Years: Cumberland County Puts 2022 Budget on View

*New Budget Software Allows Residents More Transparency on County Budget*

**Carlisle, PA** – The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners today voted to place the \$291 million proposed 2022 county budget on view. The General Fund is \$97.7 million of the total county budget, with no tax increase planned. For the eighth consecutive year, the proposed budget contains no increase in the county’s General Fund real estate rate. Real estate millage remains at 2.195 mills and library millage remains level at .166 mills.

Cumberland County has implemented [Questica OpenBook](#), a visualization software that allows the county to communicate its budget data visually and provide more transparency to residents. OpenBook allows residents to view the budget at the fund level and drill down to the line-item level if chosen.

“The Finance team did an excellent job implementing the new software over the past 18 months,” said Chief Financial Officer, Dana Best. “The county continues to be in excellent financial health; however, being in an ever-changing environment can cause stressors across the organization. We will continue to monitor our operations and make recommendations based on best practices.”

Cumberland County has one of the lowest tax rates and unemployment figures among counties in the South-Central Pennsylvania region.

The county continues to pursue opportunities to lower its operational costs, where possible, and to modernize its delivery of services. Throughout 2022, the county will continue to monitor costs, pressures and demonstrate fiscal accountability to the taxpayers, while providing efficient and cost-effective services to the public.

Public input on the proposed budget is welcome. The 2022 proposed budget will be on view Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. in the Cumberland County Commissioners Office, Room 200, One Courthouse Square, Carlisle, or [online](#). The commissioners are scheduled to adopt the 2022 budget on Monday, November 29 at 2 p.m.

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