



Cumberland County Commissioners Office

Gary Eichelberger, Chairman . Jean Foschi, Vice Chairman . Vincent T. DiFilippo, Secretary

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Nov. 29, 2021

MEDIA CONTACT:

Ben Burner, *Digital Communications Specialist*

O: 717.240.5413 | M: 717.433.1272

bburner@ccpa.net

No Real Estate Tax Increase For 8th Consecutive Year: Commissioners Adopt 2022 Budget

Carlisle, PA – The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners today adopted the \$291 million county budget for 2022. The General Fund is \$97.7 million of the total county budget, with no tax increase for the eighth consecutive year.

For the eight consecutive year, there is 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.

The county has maintained its AAA bond rating for 14 years due to strong financial management, and a strategic approach to balancing costs and revenues. The commissioners, working with the county's department heads, have worked to slow the growth of short and long-term costs, without sacrificing services to county residents.

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

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 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.

Residents can view the budget [online](#).

###