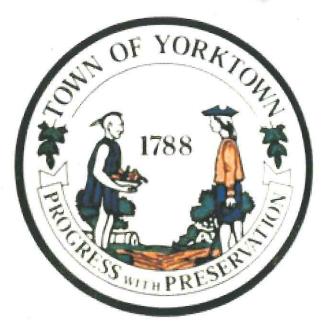
Town of Yorktown, NY 2012 Preliminary Budget



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The Town of Yorktown is more than a place to live; it is a way of life.

A vital location in the War for Independence; it is a township that took its name from the battle that decisively cemented our dominance over the British troops. Yorktown was first settled in 1683 as part of Van Cortlandt Manor, and was incorporated in 1788 as our nation was forming the principles of democracy we live by today. There is no doubt; each of us is a part of the history and responsible for upholding the legacy. These freedoms shall be preserved and each citizen should experience the treasures of nature, history, individual respect, neighborhood and learning. As resources and energy allow, each of these gifts from the past will be enriched in the present for those yet to come.

We, as a Town in the State of New York, shall do our best to strive for Progress with Preservation.

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2012 Preliminary Budget

In a year when the economy remains stalled and some of our major sources of revenue such as mortgage tax, sales tax, and building fees remain flat, the Town Board presents this proposed budget which falls within the New York State 2% tax levy cap and provides for a modest \$33 tax increase in the combined general, highway and library funds for Yorktown's typical homeowner with a house assessed at \$10,000.

For residential property owners only, when the general, highway and library tax rate paid by all property owners is combined with a <u>decrease</u> in the tax rate in the Yorktown Water District and all 12 sewer districts, and an <u>increase</u> in the refuse district and emergency medical district tax rates, the total tax increase will be \$83. Homeowners without sewer and water, but in the refuse and emergency medical districts will see a \$108 increase.

A Word of Explanation About the Tax Levy and Tax Rate

The <u>tax levy</u> is the amount of money the Town needs to raise in taxes in order to balance its budget after all other sources of revenue, such as the mortgage tax, sales tax, building fees, interest earnings, etc. are taken into consideration. Yorktown has 82 different sources of revenue. The 2% tax cap passed this past summer by the NYS Legislature and signed into law by the governor is on the tax levy.

As noted above, the tax levy in the 2012 Tentative Budget is below the 2% cap.

The <u>tax rate</u> is what property owners pay per \$1,000 of assessed value. The tax rate is determined by dividing the tax levy by the total taxable assessed value of the Town. For example, assuming the tax levy stays constant, a larger assessment roll means that each property owner picks up a smaller portion of the tax levy. Conversely, when the assessment roll decreases, property owners have to pay a larger portion of the levy. There is no state mandated cap on the tax rate.

The tax rate increase in the 2012 Tentative Budget is 2.44% for the combined general, highway and library funds, less than the final 2011 tax rate increase which was 2.63%. For homeowners with utilities, the increase is 3.5%, and 6.0% for those without utilities but with refuse and emergency medical services.

Factors contributing to the 2012 tax increase

Three significant factors contributed to the 2012 tax increase:

1) Reduced assessment roll

The Town lost \$31 million in assessed value in 2011 due to tax certiorari settlements. Had the assessment roll remained unchanged, the tax increase would have been only 1.82% for the General, Highway and Library funds, or only \$24.60 for the year.

- 2) Uncontrollable cost increases
 - Across all budget funds, health benefits increased by 8.84% and pension payments by 14.44%. Yorktown's non police employees already pay 25% of their health care benefits, a higher percentage than most surrounding towns.
- 3) New garbage contract

The current garbage contract, which held the price steady for six years, expires at the end of 2011. The new contract – which was awarded based on a competitive bid – is \$1 million more than the current price. The 2012 contract price will be in effect for three years, from 2012-2014, with an option to renew for three additional years, a year at a time.

Expenditures

For the second year in a row, the Town has continued to control expenditures by reducing its workforce, primarily by attrition, and tightening up on its purchasing policies.

While 2012 General Fund expenditures are slated to increase by \$514,663, or 2.2%, when increases in pension and health care costs are subtracted, spending has actually decreased by \$32,000.

Salaries and benefits account for 78% of the budget and reducing staff has been the single most important part of controlling taxes. The 2012 budget includes a reduction of four employees due to retirement and/or resignation. A fifth position, a receptionist in the Water Department who historically has been assigned to the Northern Westchester Joint Water Works, was deleted from the Water Department budget (a separate budget fund) but added to the Supervisor's budget in the General Fund.

Since 2010, through retirement, resignations and one layoff, the Town has reduced its staff by 18 employees, or 7%.

You'll notice a new expenditure line in this year's budget: A \$10,000 expense for special Zoning Board legal services. In 2010, the Town Board enacted legislation that enables the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals to charge a fee to cover the cost of having the Town's outside attorneys review and provide legal advice to their respective boards on specific development applications. The fee is currently in place for the Planning Board but the Town Board has rejected the fee for Zoning Board applications. As a consequence, and until the Town Board approves the fee, the taxpayers will continue to be responsible for paying the legal costs incurred in reviewing certain ZBA applications.

Additional expenditures in the Preliminary Budget include \$200,000 for a new truck for the Highway Department and \$25,000 in drainage funds, also for the Highway Department, both to be funded from Highway Department's Fund Balance, and \$25,000 from the Fund Balance to fund a business tax incentive program that would give rent rebates to tenants leasing retail space.

Revenue

Given the continued uncertainty about the economy, revenue projections for the mortgage tax and sales tax remain unchanged from last year. The General Fund budget includes transfers from the Fund Balance to cover three expenditures: \$225,000 for anticipated 2012 tax certiorari settlements, \$40,000 to cover a portion of the receptionist's salary (see above) and \$25,000 to cover the business tax incentive.

The revenue line for court fines was increased by \$25,000 to cover the remaining portion of the receptionist's salary.

A new fee for issuing operating permits has been added to the 2012 budget. Based on the Building Department's 2011 experience, it is estimated that the fee will generate approximately \$30,000. Operating permits, which are required by state law, and are issued to commercial establishments, are designed to cover a portion of the cost of inspecting places of public assembly to make sure they comply with all fire and safety codes.

Consolidation

This tentative budget reflects two significant consolidation plans that will save taxpayer dollars and improve efficiency of town operations.

Building Maintenance

All building maintenance staff, currently assigned to three separate departments and working under the direction of four different department heads, is being consolidated into one building maintenance function that will be the responsibility of the Building Inspector. The consolidation will facilitate better coordination among our existing maintenance staff, more efficient utilization of staff, and the development of preventative maintenance and replacement plans for our aging buildings.

Water, DEC, and Central Garage

The position of Superintendent of Environmental Conservation is being eliminated and the operations of the Environmental Conservation Department and Central Garage will be under the direction and supervision of the Water Distribution Superintendent. Because the three functions are funded in separate budget funds (Water, General Fund and Refuse), the expenses for each operation will continue to be listed separately in the budget and any sharing of staff between the three functions will be accounted for via budget transfers.

. . . and a look ahead

More consolidation

The Town is continuing to explore additional opportunities for cost saving consolidation initiatives, including combining the Planning, Building and Engineering departments into a single, more efficient, more customer friendly single Technical Services Department remains a "work in progress" with no budgetary impact for 2012 as town staff continues to work out the space needs of relocating the Planning Department to the lower level of Town Hall.

Strengthening the Town's tax base

As widely reported in the media, there are eight major commercial developments in various stages in the development approval pipeline. Once some or all of these developments are built, operating and fully assessed, there should be a significant increase in the Town's assessment roll. And, as discussed above, when the tax levy is divided by a larger assessment number, and assuming the tax levy remains constant, the tax rate per thousand decreases for all property owners.

While it is risky to predict when any of these developments will be completed, barring any unforeseen events, homeowners should be able to see some tax relief beginning 2014.

Susan Siegel Supervisor

Yorktown Town

CENSUS 2000 PROFILE FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Total population:	POPULATION DATA
36,318	
100%	

Group quarters population:

767

2%

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2,226	580	371	1,094	80	957	33,236	Population by race and Hispanic origin
6%	2%	1%	3%	0%	3%	92%	3

2,960 6,893 5,465 16,177 4,038 785	85 and over:	65-84:	35-64:	18-34:	6-17:	0-5:	Age
	785	4,038	16,177	5,465	6,893	2,960	

Place of birth and citzenship Native: Born in New York State: Born in Different State:	32,513 28,597 3,512
Born in Different State:	3,512
US Citizen Not Born in US:	404
Foreign Born;	3,805
Naturalized Citizen:	2,398
Not a citizen:	1,407

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42%	1,614	Entry Before 1970:
19%	719	1970s:
21%	803	1980s;
18%	669	1990s:
100%	3,805	Total Foreign Born:
		Year of entry for foreign born

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7	Ability to speak English	Total Foreign Born: 1990s: 1980s: 1970s:
	-	3,805 669 803 719 1,614
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HOUSEHOLD DATA

886	Children under 18 living in single- parent households:
9,924 3,3 5,264 8,872 4,716 786 419 2,644 2,389 1,311	Family Households (families): Average family size: Families with own children under 18: Married-couple families: Married-couple swith children under 18: Female-headed households: Female-headed households with children Non-family households: Householder living alone: Householder 65+ iiving alone:
12,568 2.8	Total households: Average household size:

EMPLOYMENT DATA

Employment		
Total civilian labor force:	18,605	100%
Employed persons:	18,143	97.5%
Unemployed persons:	462	2.5%
Occupation of residents		
Total employed residents:	18,143	100%
Management:	8,905	49%
Services:	1.726	10%
Sales and office:	4,907	27%
Construction:	1,666	9%
Production and transport:	919	5%
Farming:	20	0%

Residents commuting to work	ork	
Average travel time to work:	37	37 minutes
Total Workers 16 and over: (1)	17,918	100%
Drove to work alone:	14,131	79%
Carpooled:	1,326	7%
Public transportation:	1,511	8%
Other means:	217	1%
Worked at home:	733	4%

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EDUCATION DATA		
Educational attainment		
Total persons 25 and over:	24,464	100%
No HS Diploma:	2,347	10%
High School Graduate:	5,680	23%
Some College:	4,194	17%
Associate's:	1,790	7%
Bachelor's:	5,703	23%
Graduate Degree:	4,750	19%
School Enrollment		
Total persons 3 and over		
enrolled in school:	9,800	100%
Preschool/kindergarten:	1,575	16%
Elementary:	4,489	46%
High School:	2,203	22%
College:	1,533	16%

INCOME DATA

Poverty status, 1999 (3) Total poverty universe: Total persons in poverty: Persons under 18: Persons 65 and over:	Household income, 1999 (2) Per capita: Average household: Average family: Households by income Range Total households: Less than \$15,000: \$15,000 to \$29,999: \$45,000 to \$44,999: \$45,000 to \$74,999: \$75,000 to \$99,999: \$100,000 to \$149,999:	
35,565 1,021 190	\$32,972 \$95,281 \$120,666 12,568 893 1,210 1,214 1,267 1,267 2,204 2,148	
100% 3% 3%	100% 7% 10% 10% 10% 18% 21%	

HOUSING DATA

	Total Housing units	12,852 100%	100%
5 %	Housing Occupancy and Tenure	ure	
5%	Occupied housing units:	12,556	97.7%
	Vacant units:	296	2.3%
	Owner-occupied:	10,800	86%
§ 	Vacant for sale:	72	0.7%
è	Renter-occupied:	1,756	14%
2 %	Vacant for rent:	43	2.4%
7%	Housing units in structure		
n 0	Total housing units:	12,852	100%
: 2	Single-family:	10,321	80%

ear housing built	Mobile homes/other:	50 or more units:	20 or 49 units:	10 to 19 units:	2 - 9 units:	Single-family:
	25	294	68	207	1,937	10,321
	0%	2%	1%	2%	15%	80%

15%	1,927	1949 or earlier
20%	2,572	1950 to 1959:
22%	2,879	1960 to 1969:
16%	2,080	1970 to 1979:
15%	1,970	1980 to 1989:
11%	1,424	1990 to 2000
100%	12,852	Total housing units:
		Year housing built

Single-family home value	% of 1-
Average house value \$260,974	family ownership
Housing Units by Range in Value	units
Total specified 1-family units: 9,178	100%
Less than \$200,000: 2,164	24%
\$200,000 to \$299,999: 4,608	50%
\$300,000 to \$399,999: 1,503	16%
\$400,000 to \$499,999: 540	6%
\$500,000 to \$749,999; 254	3%
\$750,000 to \$999,999: 85	1%
\$1,000,000 or more: 24	0%
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	Renters: Owners w/mortgage: Owners no mortgage:	Total Cost-burdened households:	Total households:	Cost-burdened households (5)	No Cash Rent:	\$2,000+:	\$1,500-2,000:	\$1,250 - 1,499:	\$800-1,249:	\$500-800:	<\$500;	Total specified renter units:	Housing Units by Range in Rent	Average rent: \$911	Monthly renter costs	
The second secon	651 2,303 452	3,406	12,568	(6)	125	6	153	138	544	534	233	1,733				
	37% 33% 20%	31%	100%		1%	0%	9%	8%	31%	31%	13%	100%				

Source: US Census Bureau, SF3 Data. Notes: 1) Workers are a sub-set of employed persons. Employed persons may not have responded as being at work due to illness, layoff, etc. 2)Income and poverty values are for 1999 because the census asks for the past year's income. 3)Percent persons under 18, and 65 and over its a percent of their age group. 4) Does not include condominum or cooperative housing units. Average house value is self-reporting. House value is an expansion of the person of t Westchester County Department of Planning 148 Matthe Avenue White Plains, NY 10601 (914) 995-4400

Total housing units:
Persons per Room
Less than 1:
1 to 1 1/2:
1 1/2 to 2:
2 or more:

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Overcrowded Housing Units (6)

12,852

100%

THE TOWN OF YORKTOWN

The Town of Yorktown is comprised of five business centers and many residential hamlets throughout its 40 square miles.

Town government consists of 23 different departments employing 230 full time employees.

Assessor: The duty of the Town Assessor is to put a value on real property so that the School, County, Town and Special District taxes may be equitably apportioned among property owners. The assessed value determines what the share of taxes will be for each of the parcels within the Town. The Assessor's Office annually conducts permit and/or inventory inspections that may result in an assessment adjustment. The Assessor's Office is responsible for maintaining current ownership records of each parcel and processes all real property sale transfers. This office also administers various real property tax exemptions authorized under State and local law. These exemptions include STAR, veterans, senior agricultural clergy and partial or full exemptions for certain parcels owned by non-profit organizations which qualify by reason of religious, charitable or educational use. In all cases, application for these exemptions must be filed no later than June 1st.

Building Department: The Building Department administers and enforces the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, New York State Energy Conservation Construction Code and many local laws, including the zoning ordinance alary regulations, dumping and property maintenance laws. The Department issues building permits and certificates of occupancy and processes applications for the Zoning Board of Appeals. The fire inspector is responsible for inspecting commercial, industrial and residential structures to assure compliance with all New York State fire prevention laws. In addition, this department is responsible for the oversight of the employees performing the maintenance and daily cleaning of town buildings. Town Buildings employees also assist other Town departments as needed during special events such as the summer concerts at the gazebo and the street fair.

Central Garage: The employees of Central Garage are responsible for the safe performance of all town vehicles. The staff completes diesel emission inspections for Town trucks, installs equipment on all new police vehicles and oversees the computerized fuel system that services most town vehicles and trucks. The department collects used motor oil from town residents to reuse as fuel to heat its garage.

Community Service / Juvenile Justice: The Town of Yorktown participates in a Juvenile Justice Program where young people who have committed misdemeanors or lower violations are given community service rather than facing the penal system.

Engineering Department: The Engineering Department reviews all development applications and makes recommendations to the appropriate approval authority; issued wetlands, erosion and sediment control, tree and storm water permits according to thresholds set in Town laws; and makes recommendations to the Building Inspector prior to the granting of Certificates of Occupancy. It prepares engineering plans and bid specifications for many Town public works projects, supervises the construction of public works projects and inspects public improvements constructed as part of approved site plans, subdivision and parking plans. It coordinates the creation of new sewer districts and oversees the construction of new sewer lines, oversees the operation of the Yorktown Heights Sewage Treatment Plant and sewer lines and pump stations located throughout Town, and maintains the Town's GIS information system. Through its Environmental Code Inspector, the Department also enforces all Town environmental codes.

Environmental Conservation: The employees of the Environmental Conservation Department are responsible for all scheduled and special bulk trash pickups, as well as the seasonal leaf and Christmas tree pickups. The Department also oversees the household garbage and recycling collections for residential properties that are contracted out. (Commercial properties are responsible for contracting for their own garbage collection and recycling). The Department provides a green recycle container to each household, sells biodegradable paper leaf bags, maintains a drop off for rechargeable batteries and oversees both the "Adopt a Road" program and annual volunteer "Battle of Yorktown' initiative that removes litter and debris from the Town's roadsides.

Finance Department: The Finance Department is responsible for reviewing, approving, recording and monitoring all Town financial transactions including paying all bills, processing bi-weekly payrolls, and administering the Town's self-insured Workers Compensation program as well as other employee benefit programs. Additionally, the Department is responsible for safeguarding all Town assets (cash, property and buildings), investing the Town's cash reserves and reviewing all equipment contracts. As head of the Department, the Comptroller oversees the Town's computer network and works with the Supervisor to prepare the Town's annual budget.

Highway Department: The Highway Department is accountable for maintaining approximately 200 miles of roads and bridges located within the Town in a safe and passable manner. Maintenance includes paving, sweeping, striping, repairing damage and installation of new regulatory road and street name signs. The Department is also responsible for repairing and replacing drainage structures throughout the town; insuring all catch basins and other drainage facilities along Town roads are free of debris; removing snow and ice on all town roads, sidewalks and town parking lots; maintaining, cutting or trimming of trees along the Town's roads; and managing the Town's Organic Waste Facility. Additionally, the Department is responsible for issuing driveway and street opening permits, maintaining all highway trucks and equipment, mowing Town right of ways along all roads, installing and repairing guide/guard rails and responding to all Police Emergencies when requested by the Chief of Police or any police officer.

Legal Department: Under the direction of the Town Attorney the principal function of this department is to advise the Town Board, Department Heads and other officers of the town with regard to the functions and legal issues relating to the duties of their respective offices. The Department assists with the development of and drafts proposed legislation, rules, regulations and policies for Town programs and operations; negotiates, drafts and reviews agreements, contracts, bid documents, deeds, easements, and other legal instruments for Town transactions; defends, supervises and coordinates the defense of actions and proceedings against the Town, its officers, boards and commissions in any action brought against it or them in their official capacities; pursues the collection of delinquent real property taxes through In Rem foreclosure proceedings; prosecutes criminal and civil actions arising out of violations of Town ordinances and coordinates with Town's insurance carriers and their attorneys in defense of the Town against tort claims.

Library: The Library provides books and a variety of other media, as well as publically available computers and a host of special programs for patrons of all ages. The Library also offers a special program for homebound residents who are physically unable to get to the Library. The *Friends of the John C. Hart Memorial* Library support the Library through a membership fee, public donations, annual and daily book sales and the sale of tote bags. The *Friends* also fund and sponsor other educational and cultural programs.

Parks and Recreation Department: The recreation side of the Parks and Recreation Department provides diversified programs for all age groups, from tots to senior citizens and works with community groups such as the Lions Club to co-sponsor events such as the free summer concerts at the gazebo at the Jack DeVito Park, a Halloween Parade, an Easter Egg Hung and free outdoor movies and provides financial assistance to town-based volunteer athletic groups. The department also operates summer day camps for children age 4 to 14 and provides financial support to Nor-West Special Services, a non-profit group that provides recreational programming for persons with special needs. The parks side of the department is responsible for the maintenance of 33 parks and recreational facilities located throughout Town, including two pool complexes, a public beach, a skateboard park, tennis courts, playgrounds and an extensive trail system that provides both active passive recreational opportunities for Town residents.

Planning Department: The Planning Department provides professional services to the Town Board, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Conservation Board and the Advisory Board of Architecture and Community Appearance for long range planning studies, special projects such as the Comprehensive Plan, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the review of current site plans, parking plans and subdivision applications. The Department also reviews applications for wetland, tree, stormwater and erosion and sediment control permits that are part of site plan or subdivision applications, oversees compliance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and applies for grants for various Town programs.

Police Department: The Police Department's services fall into three distinct categories: law enforcement including investigating criminal activity, arresting offenders and recovering property; emergency services including responding to traffic accidents, providing first aid to the sick and injured and dispatching emergency services; and non-emergency services including the DARE program, School Resource Officer Program, Public Safety Officer, Animal Control, fingerprinting services for pistol permits, licenses and travel documents. A voluntary Auxiliary Police organization works closely with the Department providing additional patrols at the YCCC and at Town parks, schools, churches and parking lots. The Auxiliary Police also assist with traffic and crown control during parades, fairs and special events as well as accident scenes and severe weather emergencies.

Section 8: The Section 8 Rental Assistance Program provides rent subsidies to eligible elderly, disabled and low income individuals and families wishing to reside Yorktown. Funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the subsidy is based on the family's size and composition, income and assets. The Program maintains a waiting list of eligible individuals and families.

Senior Citizen Nutrition Center: Located in the Yorktown Community and Cultural Center (YCCC) the Nutrition Center provides senior citizens with a place to gather and have a nourishing lunch-time meal at a reasonable cost. Additionally, the Center also provides transportation for seniors to the YCCC, as well as for medical visits within Yorktown and for grocery shopping. The Center also organizes a variety of wellness and entertainment programs for seniors.

Sewer Department: The Sewer Department, under the direction of the Town Engineer, operates and maintains the Yorktown Heights Water Pollution Control Facility that treats up to 2.5 million gallons of sewage per day on a monthly average basis. It also operates and maintains 14 pump stations and approximately 80 miles of sewer lines leading to either the Yorktown treatment plant or the regional sewage treatment plant in Peekskill. The Yorktown Heights plant is regulated by both the New York State Department of Environmental Conversation (DEC) and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Supervisor: The Town Supervisor is the chief executive officer and chief fiscal officer for the Town of Yorktown. As chief fiscal officer, the Supervisor is responsible for presenting a tentative budget and managing the Town's fiscal affairs. The Supervisor oversees the daily administration of all Town departments and represents the Town in regional matters by working closely with elected officials at all levels of government. The Supervisor is also a member of the Town Board and in that capacity presides over Town Board meetings and votes on all matters before the Board.

Tax Office: Under the direction of the Receiver of Taxes, the Tax Department is responsible for compiling, printing, collating and mailing tax bills for all parcels located within the Town of Yorktown. The Department collects all taxes levied by the Town, including special district taxes such as fire, lighting, parks, sewer and water, as well as county and school taxes for that part of the Town within the Yorktown, Lakeland, Croton and Ossining school districts. It also collects payments of all water bills.

Town Board: The Town Board is the Town's legislative body and as such is responsible for enacting new local laws and ordinances, adopting new policies, setting short and long term goals for the Town, and hiring and firing all Town employees. The Town Board also approves the Town's annual budget and sets the tax rate for the Town and all special districts.

Town Clerk: The Town Clerk's office serves as the hub of the community by providing the public with information in person, by phone, mail or online. Many of the Town Clerk's responsibilities are mandated by the state and local law. In addition to serving as the Town's Registrar of Vital Statistics, the Town Clerk is also the Town's Records Management Officer and is responsible for maintaining all records, books and papers of the Town. The Town Clerk attends all meetings of the Town Board and is responsible for taking minutes of the meeting and recording all actions taken by the Town Board. The Town Clerk's office also issues various licenses and permits, recruits election inspectors and in coordination with the Westchester County Board of Elections, oversees the operation of both primary and general elections within the Town.

Town Court: Two Town Justices preside over criminal, civil, traffic tickets and landlord/tenant cases, as well as violations of Town Code. Support staff is available to assist people paying fines, initiate both civil and small claims, provide transcripts of judgments and answer questions regarding court procedures. The Court participates in a voluntary mediation program that seeks to resolve disagreements between individuals without going before a judge.

Water Department: The Water Department maintains a distribution system that brings safe drinking water to approximately 10,000 households and businesses in the Town of Yorktown and portions of Somers, Cortlandt and Putnam Valley. The Department conducts regular tests of water quality, installs and reads meters, installs new water mains and hydrants, repairs water main breaks and conducts semi-annual hydrant flushing. The Department also issues an Annual Report describing the quality of the system's drinking water and its compliance with state and federal water quality standards.

Yorktown Community and Cultural Center: The YCCC is the home of the Senior Nutrition Center and the Town's Planning Department and is also used by the Town's Parks and Recreation Department and a variety of community organizations, including several senior citizen clubs, to provide a wide range of cultural, social, recreational and entertainment programs. The Town also leases space in the building to private entities, including the Yorktown Stage.

BUDGET PROCEDURE

- What is a budget? A budget is an orderly financial plan for the operation of government. The plan sets forth the proposed appropriations necessary to carry out activities for a year and the proposed means of financing. The budget is an estimate of planned expenditures and financing sources.
- The Supervisor of the Town of Yorktown, as Chief Executive and Chief Fiscal Officer, under New York State Town Law section 106, prepares a *Tentative Budget*, under the modified accrual basis, to be submitted to the Town Board and public for its review and comment by October 30 of each fiscal year. In creating the tentative budget the Supervisor will have requested and received from each department of the Town government estimates of the costs and revenues associated with its operations by October 20
- The Town Board will meet with various department heads on November 10, 2011 to discuss the tentative budget. The
 following day, November 11, 2011 the Board will adopt a preliminary budget for general public comment in December
 at a public hearing.
- The Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget will be held on December 7, 2011.
- Based on public comment, the Town Board will determine what, if any, revisions are appropriate and may vote to adopt the final budget on December 7, 2011 but no later than December 20, 2011.
- The budget must be recorded in the minutes of the Town Board. The budget takes effect on January 1, 2012, and constitutes the annual budget of the Town for the next fiscal year.
- If the Town Board fails to adopt a budget by December 20, 2011, the tentative budget would constitute the budget for the ensuing fiscal year.
- The Town Board, during the fiscal year, may, by resolution, make additional appropriations or increase existing
 appropriations and provide appropriate financing. The Town Board also may, by resolution, authorize the transfer of
 moneys, contingent appropriations and unexpended balances so long as said transfers are within the same fund.

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	31 Sec. 2	GENERAL	TAX RATE SUM	MARY		
			1985 - 2012			
Year	Assessed Valuation	% Change	Tax Rate	% Change	A,D,L Appropriations	% Change
1985	115,296,686		65.86		10,765,362	
1986	116,656,211	1.18	69.76	5.92	12,367,707	14.88
1987	118,552,762	1.63	72.34	3.70	13,282,011	7.39
1988	120,650,003	1.77	74.71	3.28	15,017,375	13.07
1989	125,951,113	4.39	77.80	4.14	16,427,418	9.39
1990	126,910,375	0.76	81.16	4.32	17,569,154	6.95
1991	128,582,815	1.32	87.56	7.89	18,010,412	2.51
1992	127,027,967	(1.21)	81.22	(7.24)	18,158,247	0.82
1993	123,543,326	(2.74)	77.18	(4.98)	17,481,319	(3.73)
1994	120,545,172	(2.43)	77.28	0.13	17,706,464	1.29
1995	119,903,456	(0.53)	83.66	8.26	17,882,812	1.00
1996	119,729,423	(0.15)	87.43	4.51	18,423,170	3.02
1997	120,863,316	0.95	91.24	4.36	18,650,219	1.23
1998	121,666,212	0.66	93.26	2.22	19,532,407	4.73
1999	121,630,651	(0.03)	96.02	2.96	20,147,977	3.15
2000	122,800,742	0.96	98.20	2.27	20,848,397	3.48
2001	123,384,858	0.48	101.64	3.51	21,487,339	3.06
2002	121,887,988	(1.21)	104.35	2.67	22,508,060	4.75
2003	123,290,428	1.15	107.13	2.66	23,525,043	4.52
2004	123,725,905	0.35	110.44	3.09	26,182,512	11.30
2005	124,431,662	0.57	114.22	3.42	27,701,411	5.80
2006	124,783,381	0.28	117.56	2.92	28,426,488	2.62
2007	124,833,331	0.04	122.21	3.96	29,594,448	4.11
2008	125,025,377	0.15	126.15	3.22	30,594,642	3.38
2009	125,922,341	0.72	129.41	2.59	30,009,098	(1.91
2010	127,310,141	1.10	132.13	2.10	29,972,125	(0.12
2011	127,412,430	0.08	135.45	2.51	30,038,243	0.22
2012	126,638,090	(0.61)	138.91	2.55	30,948,122	3.03

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,	other payments for municipal services	일	of Value nents in lieu of	Uniform Percentage to consideration payr	Value has been equalized using the Uniform Percentage of Value. The Exempt amounts do not take into consideration payments in lieu of taxes
16.8968%	\$994,603,452	2,774		(No System EX's)	Total Exemptions (No System EX's)
0.0057% 	\$338,378	ω		RPTL 480-a	
0.0049%	\$287,644	2		RPTL 483-a	
0.0007%	\$44,015	(RPTL 444-a	
0.0075%	\$595 791	1. cc		RPTI 459-0	41930 DSB1-INCOM C/1/S
0.3385%	\$19,923,436 \$443,486	281		RPTL 467	
0.2432%	\$14,314,710	145		RPTL 467	
0.0026%	\$154,401	\ 1		Ag-Mkts L 306	_
0.0800%	\$4,706,911	19		9	1720 AG-COUNTY
0.0309%	\$1,817,876	53		RPTL 466-c, d, e, g	
0.0039%	\$231,660	- 4		RPTL 460	#1300 TADATLEGIC
0.0014%	\$307,COU	- -		RT IC 458-0	
0.0549%	\$3,229,729	72 4		RPTL 458-b	
0.0815%	\$4,794,478	68		RPTL 458-a	1141 DISABLED VET CT
0.5258%	\$30,950,463	481		RPTL 458-a	
0.5082%	\$29,912,625	702		RPTL 458-a	_
0.6524%	\$38,404,208	294		RPTI 458	1101 VETERANS
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0.0098%	\$579,150	ယ ပိ		RPTI 446(2)	26400 INC VOLTE 27350 CEMETEBY
0.0053%	\$310,810	<u>.</u>		RPTL 452	
0.0188%	\$1,104,247			RPTL 450	
0.2035%	\$11,978,764	1		RPTL 420-b	
0.0390%	\$2,297,297	(J) ~		RPTL 420-a	SE230 MENTAL IMP
0.0329%	\$20,074,074 120,304	40		RPTI 420-a	
0.9932%	\$58,461,776	47		RPTL 420-a	
0.0189%	\$1,113,899	ω	,	RPTL 462	1600 CLERGY-RES
0.0582%	\$3,428,571	9		RPTL 418	
0.0470%	\$2,768,339	- +		State 54	A110 BOST OFFIC
0.1779%	838 4664 646,644,010	- L			
5.6457%	\$332,322,393	16		RPTL 408	
0.0046%	\$270,270	ω		RPTL 406(2)	
1.6885%	\$99,390,540	319			
1.0677%	\$62,847,104	44		RPT1 406(1)	3360 CNTY OWNED
2.0898%	\$123,011,969	49	٠	RPTL 404(1)	
0.0317%	\$1,864,864	်ထ		RPTL 410	8
en c	al Equalized % ue of EX	# of Too		Statutory Authority	Exempt Code Description
	Olillotti netcertage.	\$5,886,333,861	essed Value =	Equalized Total Assessed Value	
Yorktown \$152,456,047	œ.		eport	Town of Yorktown Value Report	County: Westchester SWIS Code: 555400
12-Oct-2011					Assessment Roll Year: 2011
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Current vs Prior Budget Comparison

Town of Yorktown

2012 Preliminary Budget Summary

Fund	Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy		
General	23,820,904	12,153,722 290,00		11,377,18		
Highway	4,838,604 387,710 225,0		225,000	4,225,894		
Library	2,288,614	2,288,614 300,000		1,988,614		
Total	30,948,122	12,841,432	515,000	17,591,690		
			:			
2011 Assessment	126,638,090	٦	Fax levy change 11 to 12	334,152		
2012 Tax Rate	138.91	7	2.44%			

Town of Yorktown

2011 Adopted Budget Summary

Fund	Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy		
General	23,122,581	11,964,817 150,0		00 11,007,76		
Highway	4,652,111 394,888		0	4,257,223		
Library	2,263,551	271,000	0	1,992,551		
Total	30,038,243	12,630,705	150,000	17,257,538		
2010 Assessment	127,263,083	·	Γax levy change 10 to 11	443,786		
2011 Tax Rate	135.61	٦	2.63%			

2012 Preliminary Budget Tax Implications

Tax implications for the typical Yorktown homeowner with an assessed valuation of \$10,000:

Town tax bill for typical resident with Town utilities:		·
General, Highway and Library	1,389.10	Increase of \$33.00 from 2011
Water District	198.50	Decrease of \$4.00 from 2011
Weighted average of all town sewer districts	371.34	Decrease of \$20.64 per unit
Refuse District	462.64	Increase of \$74.60 per household
Emergency Medical Services	37.60	Increase of \$.10 from 2011
Total	2,459.18	Increase of \$83.06 from 2011
2012 Typical Assessment Tax Bill with utilities	2,459.18	
2011 Typical Assessment Tax Bill with utilities	2,376.12	
% Change	3.5%	
Town tax bill for typical resident without Town utilitie	es:	
General, Highway and Library	1,389.10	Increase of \$33.00 from 2011
Refuse District	462.64	Increase of \$74.60 per household
Emergency Medical Services	37.60	Increase of \$.10 from 2011
Total	1,889.34	Increase of \$107.70 from 2011
2012 Typical Assessment Tax Bill without utilities	1,889.34	
2011 Typical Assessment Tax Bill without utilities	1,781.64	
% Change	6.0%	

2012 Projected Four Year Financial Model

Town of Yorktown 2012 Preliminary Budget Summary

Fund	Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy	
General	23.820,904	12,153,722	290,000	11,377,182	
Highway	4.838.604	387,710	225,000	4,225,894	
Library	2,288,614	300,000	0	1,988,614	
Total	30,948,122	12,841,432	515,000	17,591,690	
2011 Assessment	126,638,090	Ta	x levy change 2011 to 2012	334,152	
2012 Tax Rate 138.9			x rate change 2011 to 2012	2.44%	

Town of Yorktown

2013 Estimated Budget Summary

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Fund	Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy 12,017,197		
General	24.535.531	12,518,334	0			
Highway	4,983,762	399,341	0	4,584,421		
Library	2.357.272	309,000	0	2,048,272		
Total	31,876,566	13,226,675	0	18,649,891		
2012 Assessment	126,004,900	Та	ax levy change 2012 to 2013	1,058,201		
2012 / Goodon North	148.01	Ta	ex rate change 2012 to 2013	6.55%		

Town of Yorktown 2014 Estimated Budget Summary

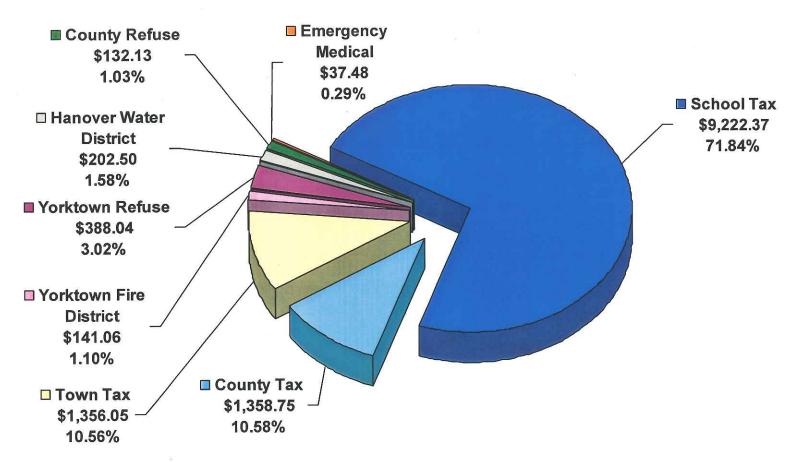
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Fund	Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy	
General	25.271.597 12,893,884		0	12,377,713	
Highway	5,133,275	411,322	0	4,721,953	
Library	2,427,991	318,270	0	2,109,721	
Total	32,832,863	13,623,475	0	19,209,387	
2013 Assessment	126,634,924	Ta	x levy change 2013 to 2014	559,497	
2014 Tay Pate 151 69		Ta	2.49%		

Town of Yorktown
2015 Estimated Budget Summary

2013 Estimated Budget Summary							
Appropriations	Less Revenues	Less Fund Balance	Tax Levy 12,749,045				
26.029.745	13,280,700	0					
5.287.273	423,661	. 0	4,863,612				
1 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	327,818	0	2,173,012				
33.817.849	14,032,179	Ö	19,785,669				
127,268,099	Т	ax levy change 2014 to 2015	576,282				
155.46	T	ax rate change 2014 to 2015	2.49%				
	Appropriations 26,029,745 5,287,273 2,500,830 33,817,849 127,268,099	Appropriations Less Revenues 26,029,745 13,280,700 5,287,273 423,661 2,500,830 327,818 33,817,849 14,032,179 127,268,099 T	Appropriations Less Revenues Less Fund Balance 26,029,745 13,280,700 0 5,287,273 423,661 0 2,500,830 327,818 0 33,817,849 14,032,179 0 127,268,099 Tax levy change 2014 to 2015				

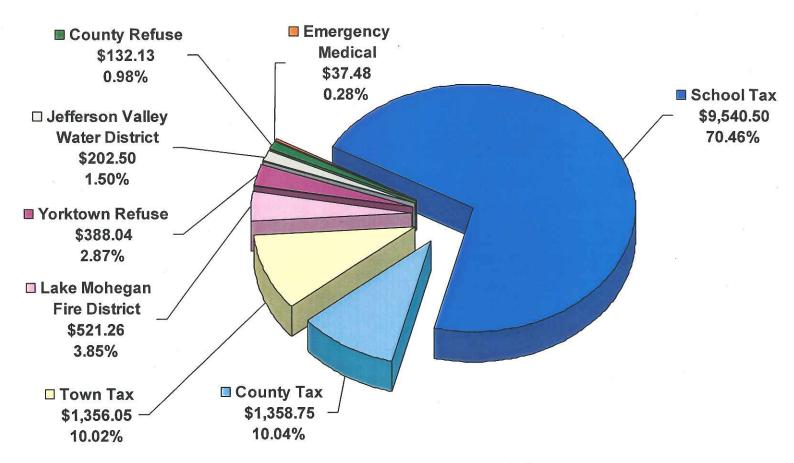
Inflationary assumptions: 3% per year for both revenues and expenditures
Assessed valuation assumptions: Decrease of .5% for 2012, then increases of .5% yearly.

Tax Illustration of a \$10,000 Assessed Home Total 2011 Taxes: Yorktown School District \$12,838.38*



^{*}Does not include sewer taxes.

Tax Illustration of a \$10,000 Assessed Home Total 2011 Taxes: Lakeland School District \$13,536.71*

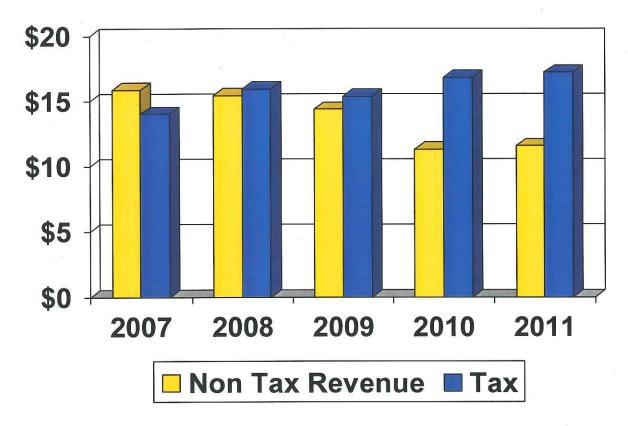


^{*}Does not include sewer taxes.

Actual Revenue 2007 to 2011 *

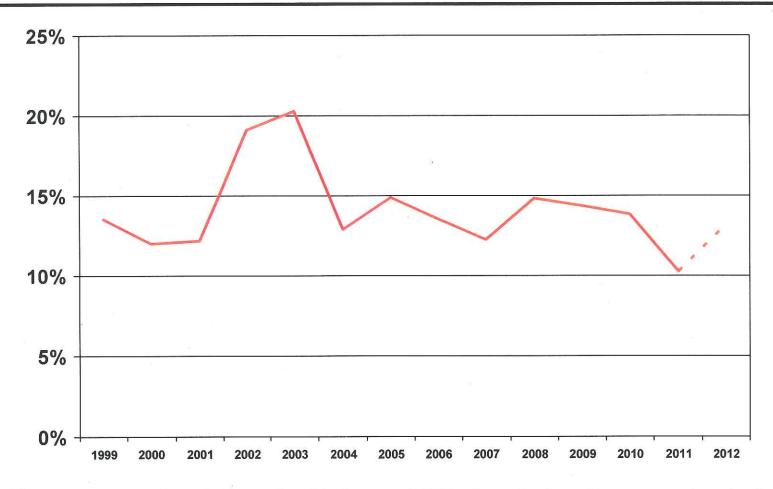
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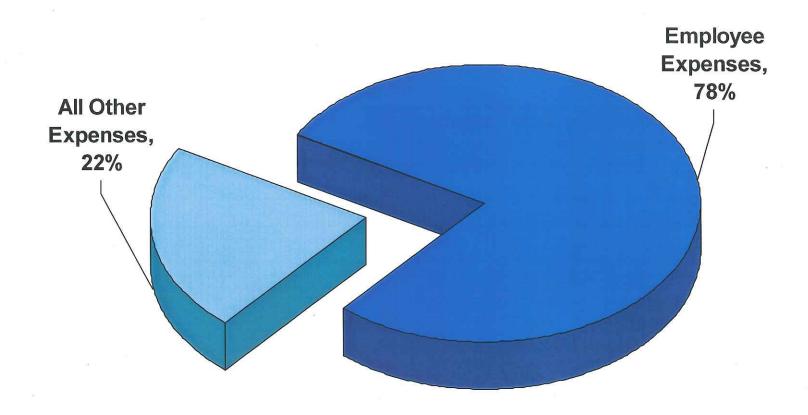
*2011 Actual up to 10/1, except Sales and Mortgage tax anticipated through 12/31/11

Fund Balance as Percent of General Fund*



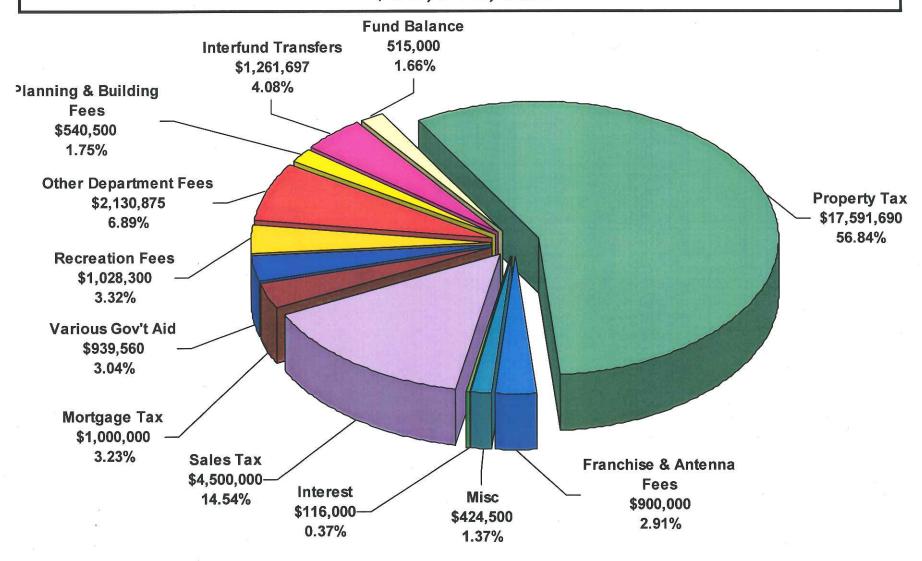
*Auditors recommend a minimum fund balance of 10% since, by law, Towns must make their School Districts and County whole whether the taxes are collected or not.

2012 Combined General, Highway and Library Employee Expenses* vs Total Expenses

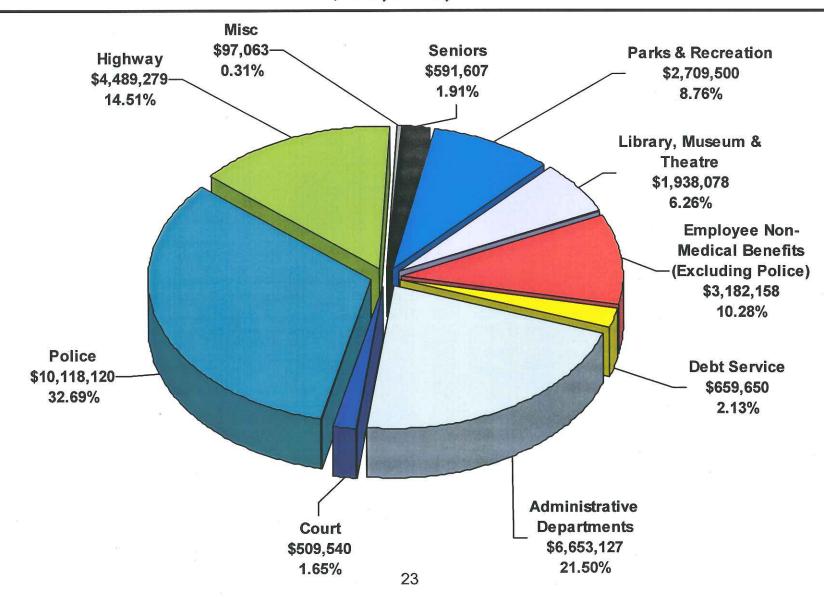


*Employee Expenses Include Salary, Medical, Dental, Vision, Retirement, FICA, Workers' Comp, & Misc.

2012 Budgeted Revenues for General, Highway & Library \$30,948,122

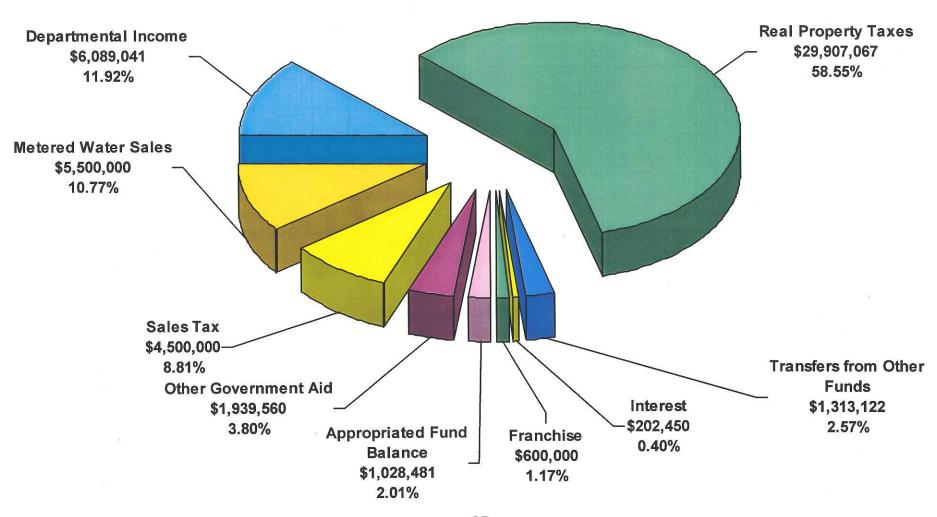


2012 Budgeted Appropriations for General, Highway & Library \$30,948,122

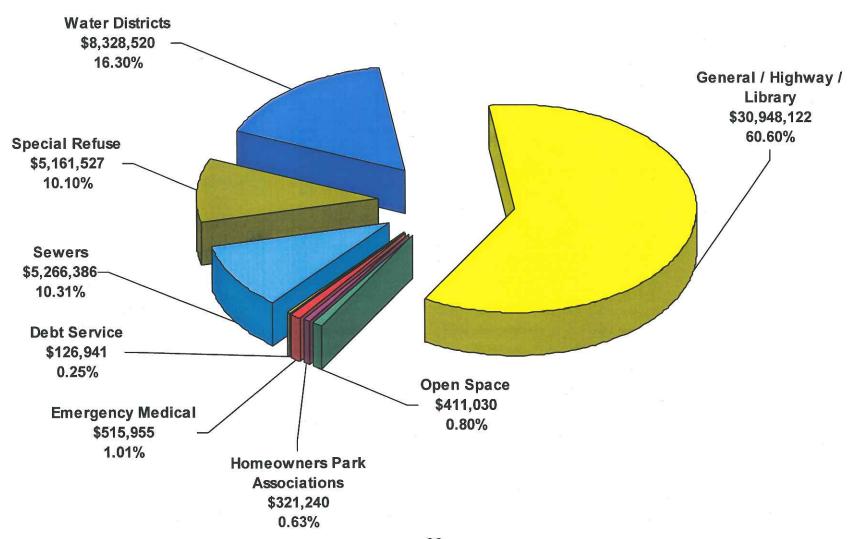


	1								2010
		2012	2012	Appropriated	2012	2012	2011	%	Unrestricted
Fund	Code	Appropriations	Revenue	Fund Balance	Tax Levy	Tax Rate	Tax Rate	Change	Fund Balance
General	Α	23,820,904	12,153,722	290,000	11,377,182				3,126,534
Highway	D	4,838,604	387,710	225,000	4,225,894				665,220
Library	L	2,288,614	300,000	0	1,988,614				531,936
Subtotal		30,948,122	12,841,432	515,000	17,591,690	138.91	135.61	2.44	4,323,690
Parks									
Amazon Park	AP	23,100	400	5,000	17,700	51.78	51.95	(0.32)	69,800
Bethel Acres	BA	2,000	0	0	2,000	10.14	10.14	0.00	96
Mohegan Improvement	ID	100,595	11,200	52,540	36,855	4.75	4.75	0.16	122,217
Mohegan Beach	MB	68,713	250	10,000	58,463	29.01	22.31	30.03	7,159
Mohegan Highlands	MH	31,059	100	0	30,959	56.85	56.88	(0.06)	8, 61 4
Shrub Oak Community	SC	69,657	600	0	69,057	99.46	102.40	(2.86)	80,387
Shrub Oak Lake	SL	26,116	200	4,000	21,916	25.19	25.16	0.13	19,808
Sewers									THE PARTY OF THE P
Osceola Sewer	OS	68,368	1,000	40,000	27,368	11.32	11.33	(80.0)	120,855
Yorktown Sewer	YS	4,243,709	1,437,791	0	2,805,918	686.73	710.82	(3.39)	3,740,302
Bonnie & Jill Sewer	GE	13,773	0	0	13,773	224.24	227.74	(1.54)	1,524
Clover Road Sewer	GA	15,734	0	10,000	5,734	104.58	135.89	(23.04)	50,898
Mohegan East Sewer	GB	191,754	0	0	191,754	294.10	388.85	(24.37)	48,007
Mohegan West Sewer	GC	69,976	0	0 :	69,976	219.83	223.01	(1.42)	12,732
Hunterbrook Sewer	GD	293,020	0	0	293,020	178.31	181.68	(1.85)	31,110
Oakside Sewer	GF	32,952	0	0	32,952	148.57	326.17	(54.45)	64,823
Hunterbrook Ext 202	GJ	169,700	0	0	169,700	386.19	386.87	(0.18)	49,400
Suncrest Sewer	GH	41,400	0	0	41,400	709.27	719.55	(1.43)	142,137
Gomer Street Sewer	GI	36,300	0	0	36,300	432.81	441.16	(1.89)	10,971
Overlook Sewer	GG	89,700	0	0	89,700	662.58	664.80	(0.33)	37,105
Various								:	
Open Space	С	411,030	0	0	411,030	30.00	30.00	0.00	(1,948,942
Emergency Medical	SM	515,955	24,700	0	491,255	3.76	3.75	0.39	(9,049
Special Refuse	SR	5,161,527	43,500	0	5,118,027	462.64	388.04	19.23	747,143
Water District	SW	8,231,545	5,759,000	.265,000	2,207,545	19.85	20.25	(1.97)	6,206,564
Kitchawan Water District	SW2	96,975	24,000	0	72,975	26.27	23.12	13.65	63,958
Debt Service (Stony St)	DS 20		. 0	126,941	0	0.00	113.05	(100.00)	89,034
Grand Total		51,079,721	20,144,173	1,028,481	29,907,067			·	14,090,343

2012 Budgeted Revenues by Category \$51,079,721



2012 Budgeted Appropriations by Fund \$51,079,721



2011 Budgeted Expenditures by Category \$51,079,721

