

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT



BUDGET SURVEY

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Demographic Information

1. Email Address

* Required Field

1a. Town / Village/ City

* Required Field

1b. Zip Code

* Required Field

Providing your name, and phone number will help us ensure the validity of the survey.

2. Name

(recommended)

2a. Phone

(recommended)

3. Residence

Own ☐

Rent ☐

4. Gender

Female ☐

Male ☐

5. Age

0-17 ☐

18-24 ☐

25-34 ☐

35-44 ☐

45-54 ☐

55-64 ☐

Over 65 ☐

6. Household Gross Annual Income

Under \$25,000 ☐

\$25,001- \$50,000 ☐

\$50,001- \$75,000 ☐

\$75,001- \$100,000 ☐

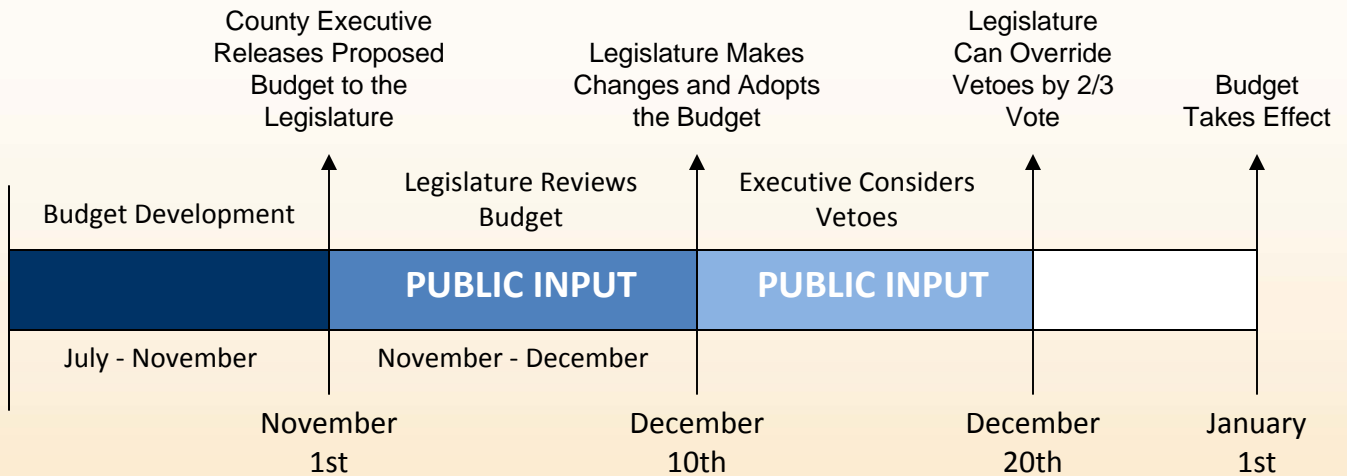
\$100,001- \$250,000 ☐

Over \$250,000 ☐

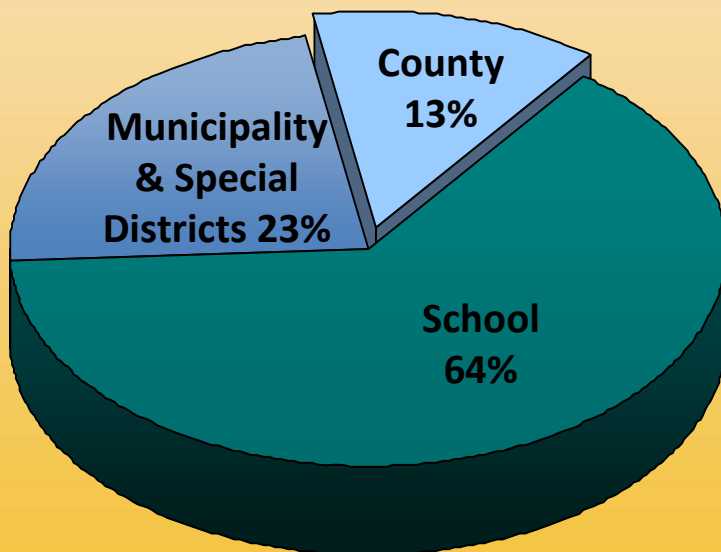
The survey questions begin on page 8, the next few pages provide information to help you better understand the County Budget. This background should aid you in answering the survey questions.

DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

Budget Timeline



Your Property Tax Dollars



The County Portion
of All Property
Taxes Collected is
Only
13%

DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

Where Does the Money Come From?

Sales Tax- 33%

The County receives sales tax of 3.75% on all taxable goods and services in Dutchess County. The county currently keeps 82% and shares 18% with municipalities.

State & Federal Aid- 23%

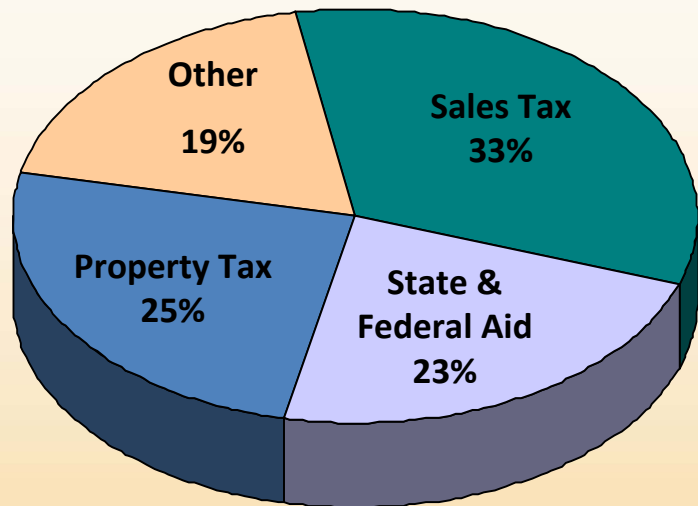
The State and Federal Government provide funding to help pay for some programs and services the county provides.

Property Tax- 25%

Property owners pay taxes based on their property's assessed value and the tax rate is determined by the Adopted County Budget.

Other Revenue- 19%

This category includes all other revenue sources such as fees for services, revenue from a 4% Hotel/ Motel Tax, Off-Track Betting revenue, and can include the use of savings.



DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

Where Does the Money Go?

2012 Budget

Revenue Source	Amount In Millions
Sales Tax	\$134.1
State Aid	\$59.5
Federal Aid	\$37.9
Property Tax	\$102.8
Other Revenue	\$77.1
Total	\$411.4



Mandated Programs and Services (Including Debt Payments)

Required by State or
Federal law

Optional Programs and Services

Can be controlled or
changed by the
county

DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

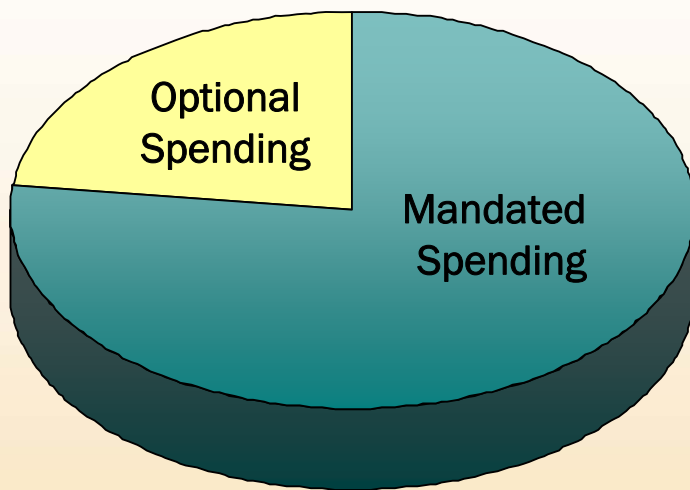
What is the County Cost?

The County Cost of all Programs and Services is determined by the following formula:

Program or Service Cost		\$411.4M
<i>Minus</i> State and Federal Funding	—	(\$97.4M)
<i>Minus</i> Fees and Other Funding	—	(\$43.0M)
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= Total County Cost		\$271.0M

DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

County Costs For Mandated Programs & Services (Including Debt Payments)



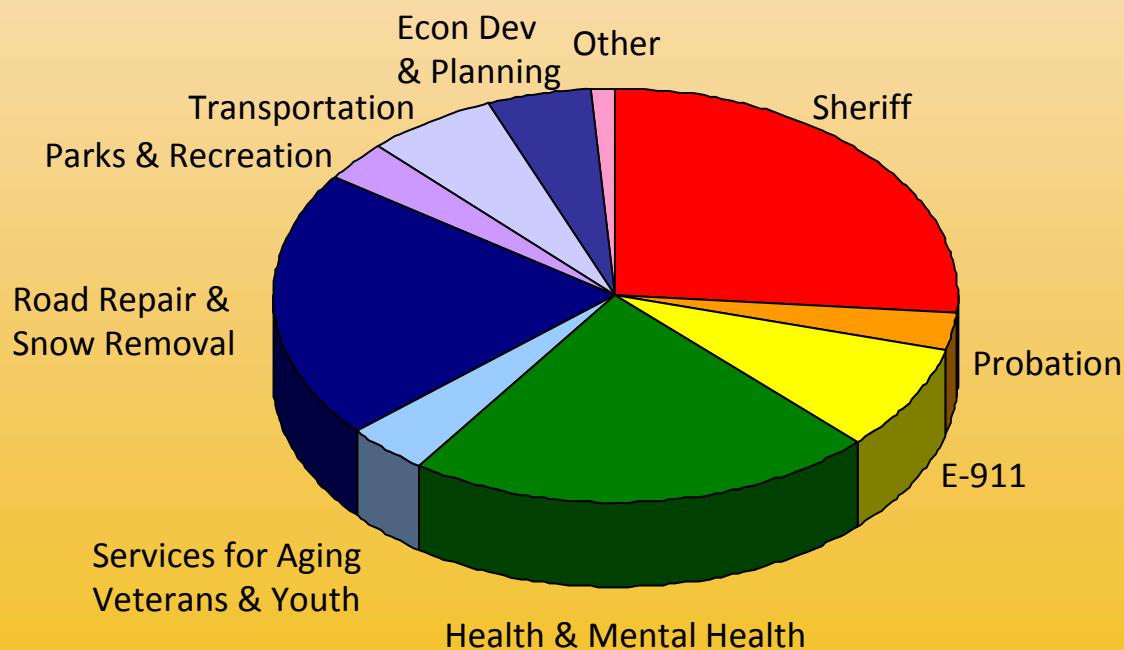
77%
of
County Costs are
NOT OPTIONAL

Cost Area	County Cost In Millions
Medicaid- medical services for income eligible residents	\$42.7
Economic Assistance- financial assistance, adult and child protective services, foster care, adoption, child institutional care, and housing assistance.	\$40.4
Jail	\$35.5
Community College	\$15.2
Debt Payments	\$15.2
Retiree Health Insurance and Workers Compensation	\$11.3
Prosecution & Defense	\$10.1
Health & Mental Health Services	\$9.9
Special Education Services- Children ages 0-3 (Early Intervention) and Children ages 3-5 (Pre-School Special Education)	\$9.1
Probation	\$8.7
Other Mandated Services	\$6.1
Waste to Energy Facility Net Service Fee	\$4.2
Total	\$208.4

DUTCHESS COUNTY BUDGET AT A GLANCE

County Costs For Optional Programs & Services

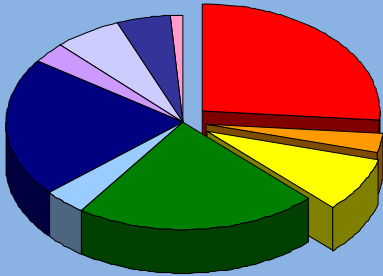
Optional Area	County Cost In Millions
Public Safety	\$23.3
Sheriff Law Enforcement	\$16.3
Probation	\$1.9
E-911	\$5.1
Health & Mental Health Services	\$13.7
Road repair, maintenance, and snow removal	\$13.3
Transportation	\$4.0
Economic Development & Planning	\$3.4
Services for Aging, Veterans & Youth	\$2.3
Parks & Recreation	\$1.6
Other	\$1.0
Total	\$62.6



PROGRAM QUESTIONS

Optional Cost Areas

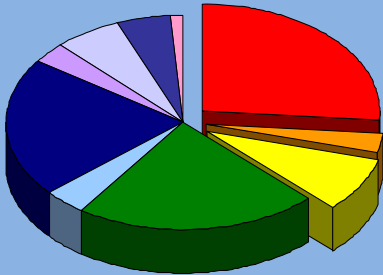
Please select your level of support for the below program areas.

	Choose 1			Choose 1		
	Do Not Support	Support	Strongly Support	Eliminate Service	Reduce Service	Raise Taxes to Support
Public Safety \$23.3M						
Sheriff Road Patrols – traffic control & other patrols- neighborhood, DWI, bicycle, ATV-trail	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sheriff K-9 Unit- bomb, drug & cadaver dogs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sheriff Marine Patrol- patrol Hudson River & underwater search and recovery	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sheriff Detective Division Investigations- adult, juvenile, computer crime unit, sex offender registry / database	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sheriff Drug Taskforce- drug investigation & enforcement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emergency services unit- S.W.A.T. & Hazardous Material Investigation & Response	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fire Investigation Unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working with juveniles to stay out of detention	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Alternatives to incarceration- transitional housing and day reporting programming	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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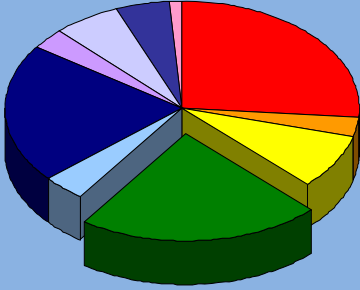
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Public Safety \$23.3M (cont'd)						
Firefighter Training Center	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support for volunteer teams ie: Fire Investigation, HazMat, Fire Police Response Team, Critical Incident Response Team, Animal Response Team.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
E-911- The ability to dial 911 for emergency dispatch	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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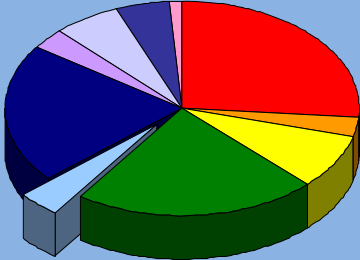
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Health & Mental Health \$13.7M						
Medical Examiner Program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engineering review & approval of individual wells & sewer system plans	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Restaurant & permitted facility inspection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nutrition, Lyme, emergency preparedness & other public health education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexually transmitted disease & immunization clinics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Medical Reserve Core- volunteer base to assist in emergencies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Chemical dependency services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Partial hospital program- alternative to psychiatric inpatient hospitalization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Jail based mental health assessment & services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Treatment services for the severely & chronically mentally ill	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's mental health outpatient clinic services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Habilitation, training, & vocational services for mental health clients	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24/7 Mental Health Emergency Hotline- "HELPLINE"	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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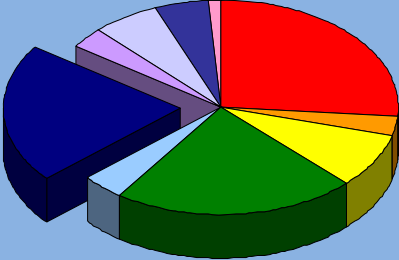
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Services For Aging Veterans & Youth \$2.3M						
Home delivered meals / nutrition sites	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-Medicaid senior home care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-Medicaid adult daycare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Lifeline (Medic Alert Systems)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal services for the elderly	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Information and assistance to seniors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior transportation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Caregiver services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Exercise Program & Brain Games	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Insurance counseling & assistance for the elderly	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Veterans services & outreach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Veterans burials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth after school programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth runaway & homeless services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
At risk youth counseling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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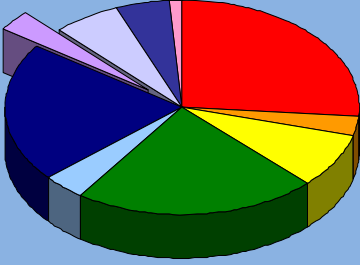
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Road Repair & Snow Removal \$13.3M						
Snow removal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Storm cleanup & tree removal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Maintenance & repair of 395 miles of road-paving, marking & traffic signals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Roadside maintenance- guide rail & signs, tree & brush clearing, grass cutting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bridge culvert repair & maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Supervision, design and construction of all highway & bridge capital improvement projects	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Review and approval of new driveway and road connections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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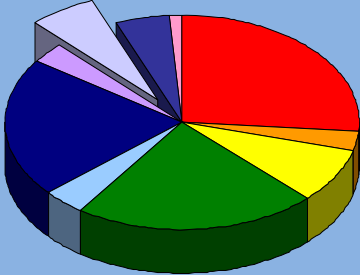
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Parks & Recreation \$1.6M						
Bowdoin Park operation & maintenance- 301 acres and various facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bowdoin Park kids summer program, maple sugaring and archery programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wilcox Park operation & maintenance- camping and swimming- 600 acres	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quiet Cove Park operation & maintenance- 27 acres, riverfront	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Harlem Valley Rail Trail maintenance / events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dutchess Rail Trail maintenance / events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dutchess Stadium maintenance of structure & grounds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Naturalist education program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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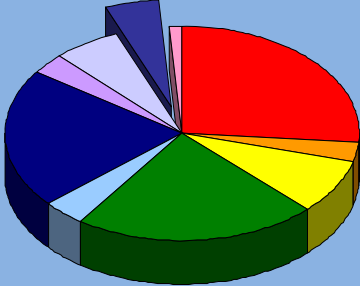
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Transportation \$4M						
LOOP fixed route service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Curb to curb service (Dial-A-Ride, Flex)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
LOOP service to train stations (RailLink)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dutchess County Airport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Economic Development & Planning \$3.4M						
Planning & Greenway Compact program-intergovernmental cooperation and regional trail development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Matching grant program for open space and farmland protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recertification of agricultural districts to support the agricultural economy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collection, coordination and analysis of census and other data	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Computer based maps for county, municipal & private projects	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
County assistance for local government planning and development activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education & training for municipal planning board members	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of the Economic Development Council	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of the Arts Council	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of the Tourism Promotion Agency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of Cornell Cooperative Extension-Agriculture, Horticulture, Environment & Energy programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of Soil & Water Conservation District	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support of local libraries	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

OTHER QUESTIONS

Would you be willing to pay a higher property tax rate to continue the optional programming and services you support?

No ☐

3% or \$24 per year (\$2 per month) ☐

6% or \$49 Per Year (\$4 per month) ☐

9% or \$73 Per Year (\$6 per month) ☐

12% or \$98 Per Year (\$8 per month) ☐

15% or \$122 Per Year (\$10 per month) ☐

18% or \$147 Per Year (\$12 per month) ☐

20% or \$163 Per Year (\$14 per month) ☐

*The above % and \$ increases are based on a \$250K median value home and assumes the assessed value and the tax base remain constant.

Please provide additional comments about your use of county services:

Were you aware of all of the programs and services Dutchess County provides?

Circle- Yes or No

Was this survey informative? Circle- Yes or No

Why?

Check here ☐ to register your email with Dutchess County to receive information on important Dutchess County programs and services.

**Please return your completed survey to:
Dutchess County Budget Office 6th Floor
22 Market Street
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