

# Township of Teaneck Proposed 2014 Municipal Budget

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### **Budget Preparation Process**

- 1. Department Head Requests
- 2. Manager/CFO Review
- 3. Manager/CFO/Department Head Public Hearings
- 4. Public Input at Council Meetings
- 5. Manager/CFO final review
- 6. Manager's presentation to Council of proposed budget appropriations and estimated revenues

### Proposed 2014 Municipal Budget

### **Budget Preparation Process**

- 7. Council review and public hearings
- 8. Auditor's Revenue and tax levy cap projections
- 9. Auditor's review and recommendations
- 10. Council introduction of budget by revised statutory date of 3/14
- 11. Hearing and adoption of budget by revised statutory date of 4/25 or by resolution

### Assumptions

### 2014 Budget is dependent upon:

- Council determination of 2014 Municipal Budget Appropriations
- Fund Balance (Surplus) available for 2014
- 2013 Municipal Revenues' Analysis and 2014 Revenue Anticipations
- State Aid allocations for 2014
- BCUA Sewer Increase estimated at 2.56%

### Proposed 2014 Municipal Budget

Proposed budget or appropriations increase 3.11% or \$2,151,855.74

Estimated annual tax increase:

Average home assessed at \$455,000

Increase in Taxes

Per year: \$130

Per month: \$10.83

Per Week: \$2.50

Per Day: \$.36

Tax Levy = Budget Appropriations Minus Revenues

No Tax Levy Cap Issue Expected

### Appropriation vs. Levy

 Appropriations – what the municipality intends to spend on operations

 Levy – what the municipality intends to raise through taxation of property owners

(Levy = Budget Appropriations less Revenues)

### Appropriations Cap vs. Levy Cap

### **Appropriations Cap**

- Enacted 1977
- Originally capped budget appropriations increases at cost of living (COLA)
- Amended in 2003 to 2.5%
- COLA Ordinance 3.5% and Cap Banking

### Levy Cap

- Enacted 2007
- Amended in 2010 to 2% and modified exclusions

### Exclusions from 2010 Levy Cap

- Increases in Debt Service and Capital Expenditures
- Weather and other "declared" emergencies
- Pension contributions in excess of 2%
- Health benefit cost increases in excess of 2% and limited by the increase in State Health Benefits rate increases

# Appropriations Increase \$2,151,855.74\*

Category	Increase
Salaries & Wages	\$832,585.08
Other Expenses (Tab 5 less Statutory, Debt Service, Deferred Charges, and Capital Funds)	\$473,527
Debt Service/Debt Management Plan	\$407,882.47
Statutory Expenditures/Deferred Charges (PFRS, PERS, SS)	\$379,867.19
Group Health Insurance Premiums	\$292,400**
Special Emergencies (Revaluation – 5 Year)	\$142,494
BCUA	\$110,000**
Insurance Premiums	\$96,000**

### **Appropriations Increases**

- \*Total appropriations increase is less
  - Grants (5,000)
  - Capital Improvement Fund (79,500)
  - Group Health Insurance\*\* (292,400)
  - BCUA\*\* (110,000)
  - Insurance Premiums\*\* (96,000)
  - (\*\*Included in Other Expenses)

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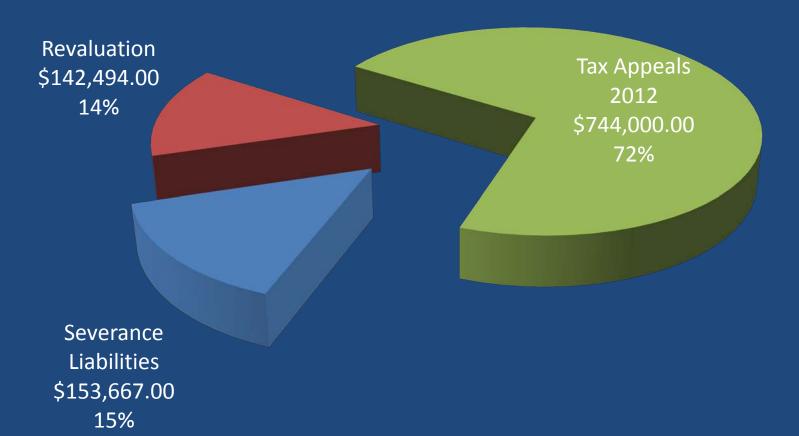
= \$2,151,855.74

# What are Special Emergency Appropriations?

#### Per N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53:

- Preparation of Tax Maps
- Revaluation
- Codification of Ordinances
- Preparation of Master Plan
- Drainage Maps/Flood Control
- Engineering/Planning of Sanitary Sewer System
- Municipal Consolidation
- Severance Liabilities
- Preparation of Sanitary/Storm System Map
- Tax Appeal Refunds

### Budgeted Special Emergencies

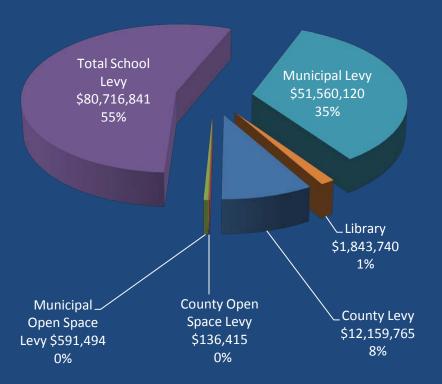


Total: \$1,040,161.00

### 2013 Tax Breakdown

#### **Tax Breakdown**

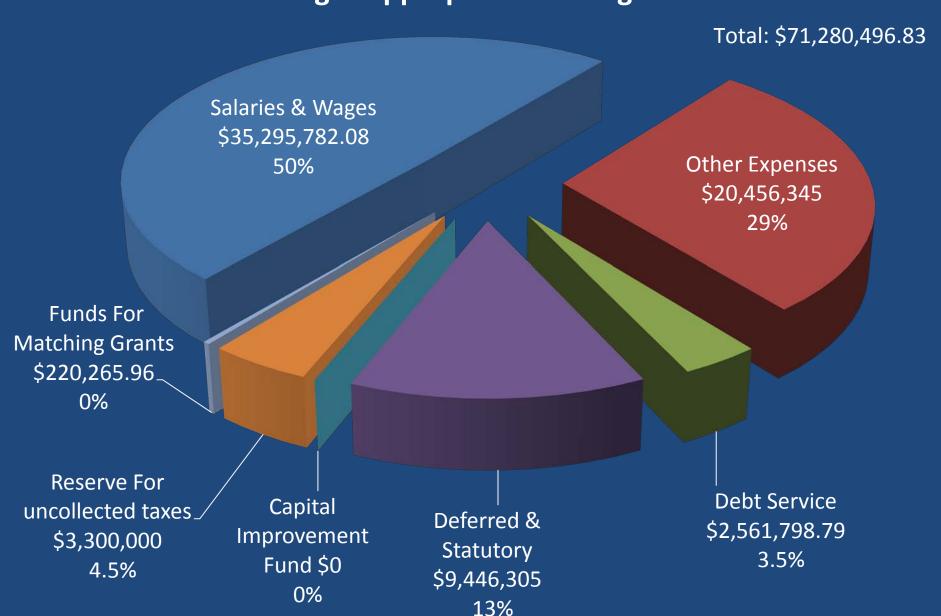
Total Property Taxes: \$147,008,375



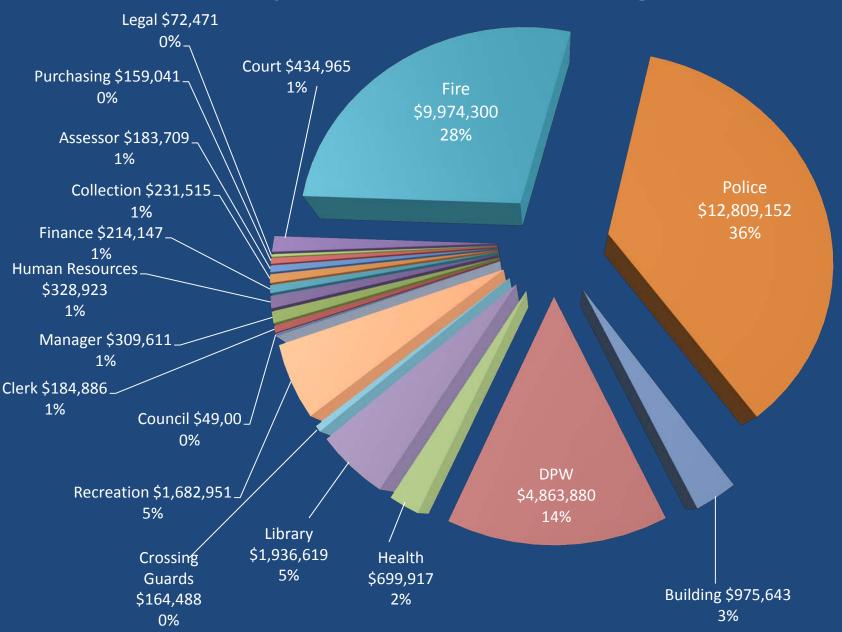
 Proposed budget refers to municipal portion of taxes only

- All taxes collected by the municipality for the taxing entity
- Taxes forwarded to taxing entity biweekly/quarterly

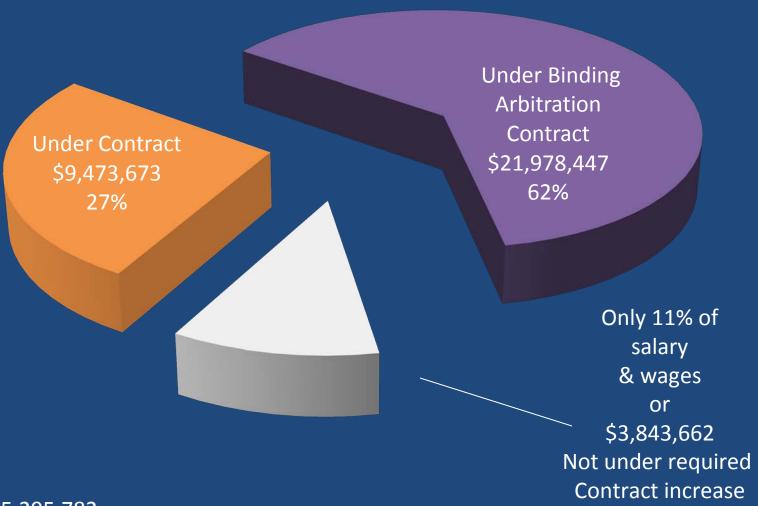
### 2014 Proposed Budget Budget Appropriation Categories





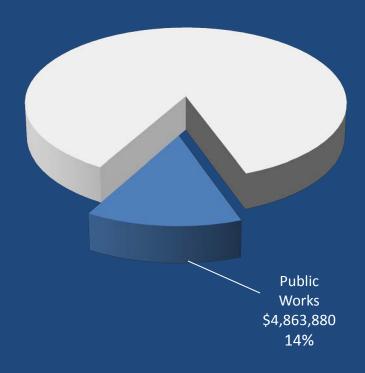


# Salary & Wage Increases Required by Union Contract



Total: \$35,295,782

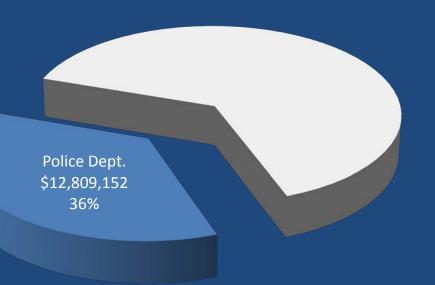
Department of Public Works (DPW)



#### **2014 Recommendations**

- Fill (4) vacant laborer positions
  - (1) Maintenance Laborer
  - (2) Roads Division Laborers
  - (1) Trees/Parks Laborer

#### **Police**

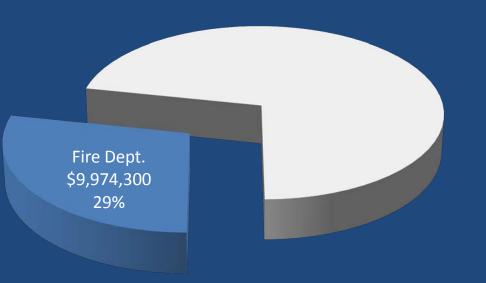


#### **2014** Recommendations

- Authorized strength via ord. (115) uniformed officers
- Maintain strength at (96) sworn officers
- Current staffing level is (94) officers
- Fill (2) vacant Police Officer positions, (8) Civilian Dispatcher positions
- Additional funds included for Part-Time Park Rangers (4 P/T)

**Fire** 

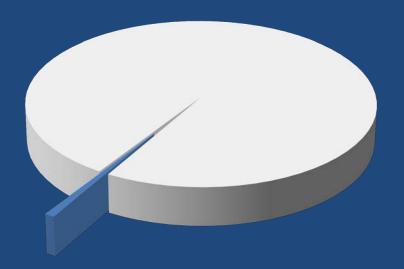
**2014** Recommendations



- Maintain Fire Department at 92 uniformed Fire Fighters
- Current strength of 88 uniformed officers
- Fill (4) vacant entry-level
   Fire Fighter positions

Manager's Office

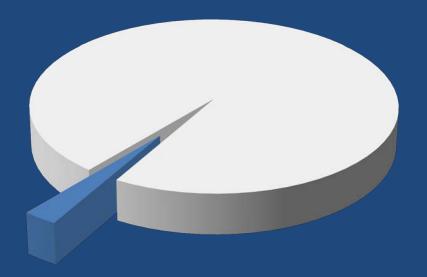
**2014 Recommendations** 



Do not fund Deputy
 Manager position in 2014,
 consider for 2015

**Building Department** 

**2014** Recommendations

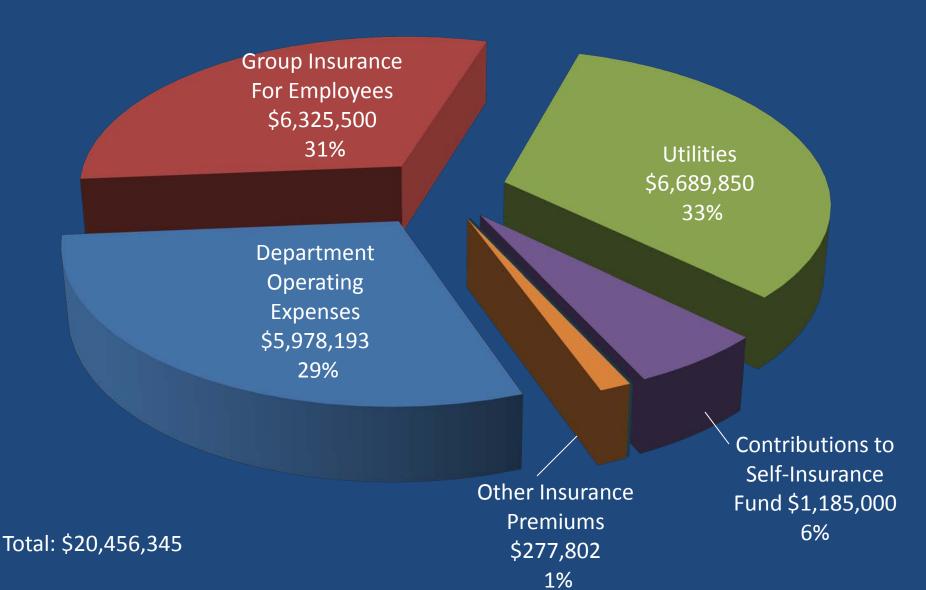


Hire (1) Assistant Construction Official \$75,000

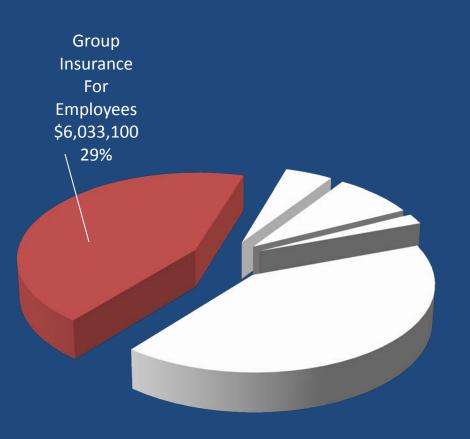
### Overtime

Dept.	2014	2013	Change %	Change \$
Fire	\$425,000	\$425,000	0 %	\$0
DPW	\$320,000	\$320,000	0%	\$0
Police	\$425,000	\$425,000	0%	\$0

# **Appropriations Other Expenses**

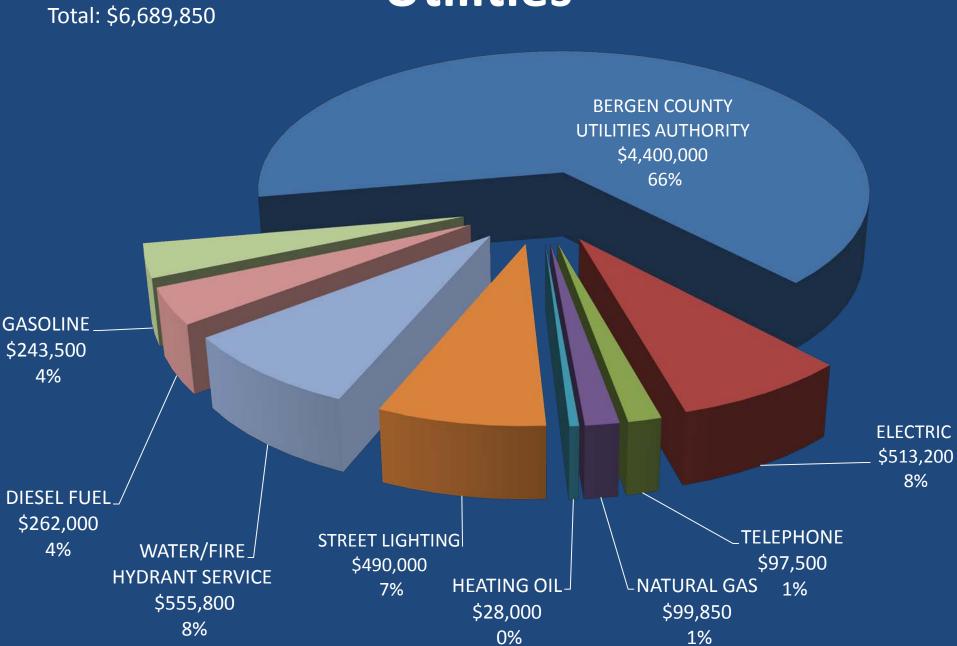


### Group Insurance For Employees

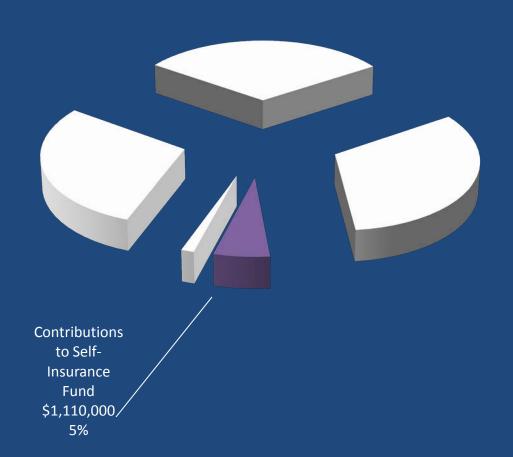


Increased \$292,400 or
 4.85%



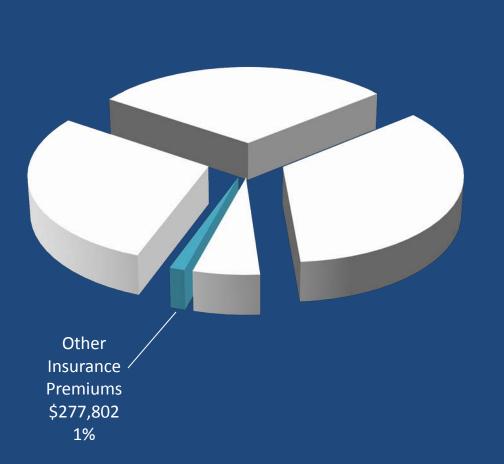


### Contributions to Self-Insurance Fund



• Up 5.4% or \$60,000 from 2013

### Other Insurance Premiums



- Auto Liability and collision
- Employment Practices
- Public Officials
- Facilities

Budgeted 8.30% increase (\$21,302)

### **Debt Service**

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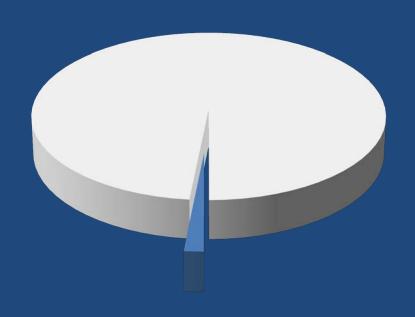
Debt Service \$2,561,799 4%

### Highlights

- Bond Interest Increased \$145,076.75
- Bond principal Increased \$825,000
- After certain reductions, total increase of \$407,882.47 in Debt
   Service from 2013

### **Deferred Charges**

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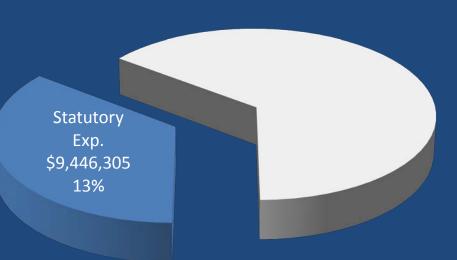
Tax appeal reserve of \$1,000,000 for 2014 appeals

Number of appeals and potential refunds TBD

Deferred Charges \$1,150,000 2%

### Statutory Expenditures

#### **Statutory Expenditures**



- PFRS Increased \$288,829
- PERS Increased \$78,621
- Social Security Increased \$28,900
- Total line item Increased \$382,683.54

### Capital Improvement Fund

**Total Cost of Improvements** 

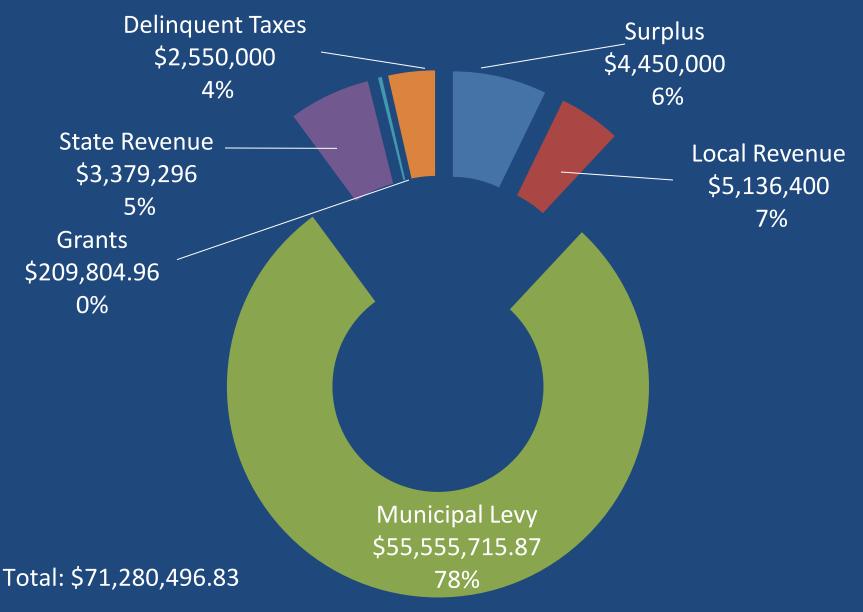
\$5,547,600

**Capital Improvement Fund** 

\$277,100

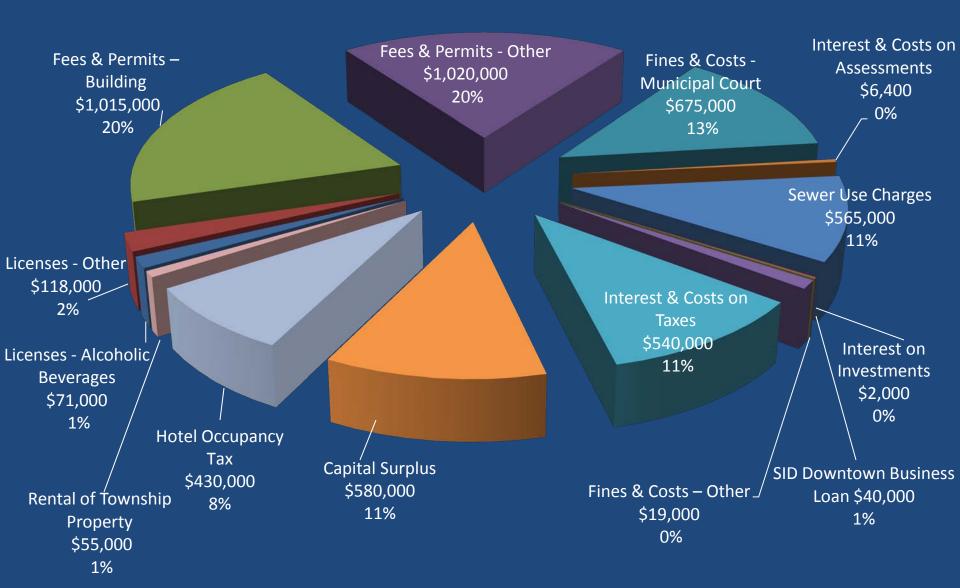
Capital Improvement Fund Review January 16, 2014

### **Estimated Revenue**



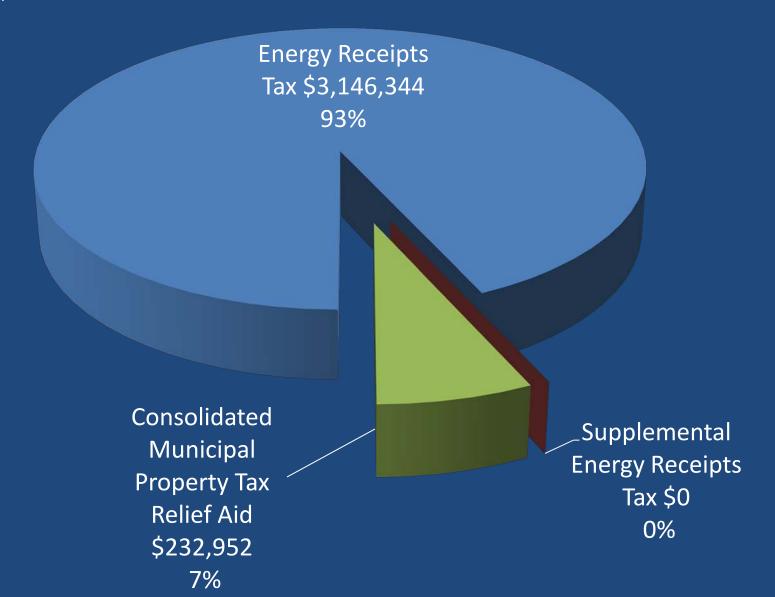
### **Estimated Local Revenue**

Total: \$5,136,400



### **Estimated State Revenue**

Total: \$3,379,296



### Factors impacting budget

- General state of economy
- Special Emergencies
- Impact of tax appeals
- Reduction in Ratable Base
- Interest rates
- Reduced or flat state aid
- BCUA sewer

### Budget Wrap - UP

### **Appropriations**

#### Salaries & Wages Other \$35,295,782.08 50% Expenses \$20,456,345 29% **Funds For** Matching Grants \$220,265.96 0% Debt Service Reserve For \$2,561,798.79 Capital Deferred & 3.5% uncollected Improvement Statutory taxes Fund \$0 \$9,446,305 \$3,300,000

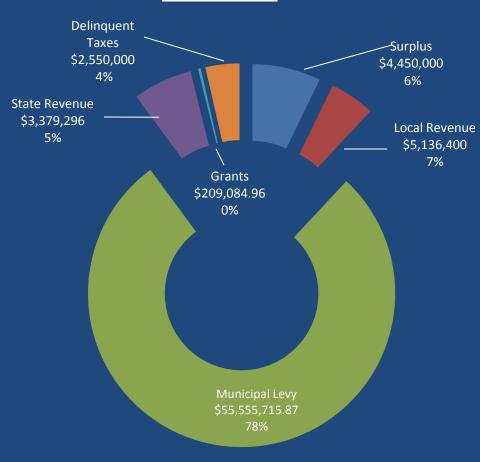
13%

Total: \$71,280,496.83

0%

4.5%

### Revenue



Total: \$71,280,496.83

# Strategies Short &Long Term

- Accelerated tax sale/Tax Sale date change
- Limited hiring freeze
- Shared services
- Cost containment/efficiency
- Police/Fire/EMS Dispatch through County
- Power Purchase Agreement/Consortium
- Billing for Ambulance Services
- Switch to 3<sup>rd</sup> party energy supplier
- Sale/development of selected municipally owned property
- Redevelopment of Alfred Avenue
- CO or Certificate of Inspection upon resale/purchase

# Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda

Thursday, January 16, 2014

- Review Legal Services budget
- Review Police Department budget
- Review Public Works/Engineering budgets
- Review Capital budget
- Review Various budget accounts

# Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda

Thursday, January 23, 2014

- Review Fire Department budget
- Review Recreation Department budget
- Review Various budget accounts

# Upcoming Budget Meeting Tentative Agenda

Thursday, January 30, 2014

- Presentation Auditor
- Presentation Insurance
- Review Library Budget
- Review Council budget
- Review Township Manager's budget
- Review Township Clerk's budget
- Review Various budget accounts

# Thank you!

