



Portage County Executive Budget 2017

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2017 Budget Snapshot

- Balanced for all core county government departments
- Maintains all essential services
- Provides a short term funding option for the Health Care Center while longer term financially sustainable funding options are explored

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By the Numbers

- 2017 EQUALIZED VALUATION 1.09%
 - 2.47% in 2016
 - 6.06% in 2015
 - 1.30% in 2014
 - 1.89 in 2013
- 2017 NET NEW GROWTH 1.47% (= \$335,255 for max levy limit increase over last year)
 - 1.00% in 2016
 - 1.26% in 2015
 - 1.24% in 2014
 - .72% in 2013

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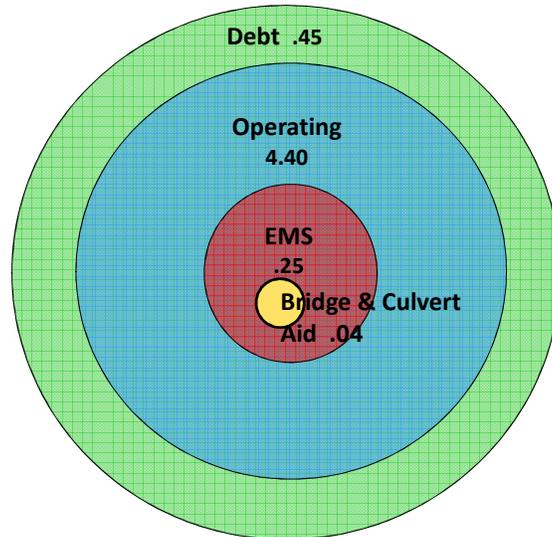
Proposed 2017

- TAX RATE of 5.14
 - \$5.14 per \$1,000 of home value (a 3 cent increase over last year on a median home valued at \$147,600*)
 - Tax rate in 2016 was 5.11; 2015 was 5.11; 2014 was 5.36; in 2013 was 5.25

*varies by equalized value in municipality

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Levy Summary 2017



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Proposed 2017:

1.70% Total Levy Increase from 2016

- OPERATING LEVY of 4.40 for \$23,203,968
- DEBT LEVY of .45 for \$2,364,226
- EMS LEVY of .25 for \$1,349,086
- BRIDGE & CULVERT AID LEVY of .04 for \$185,037

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By the Numbers

- County budget TOTAL: \$100,466,315
 - A .28% increase over 2016 amended budget
- Tax levy TOTAL: \$27,102,317

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Focus Areas

- Court Revenue
- Justice Programs
- Countywide Groundwater Quality Project
- Health Care Center

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Courts

- Will seek increased revenues for services provided to people with the ability to pay

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Justice Programs

- Received Drug Court grant from DOJ
- Drug Court will open in late spring 2017
- Mapping of justice programs will be completed in 2017 to reevaluate array of options, cost-benefits, overlaps, etc. and make realignments

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Groundwater Quality Project

- \$25,000: Groundwater sampling will take place using a grid system design across our whole County
- Nitrate and bacteria (*E. coli*) data will be collected and mapped
- Citizens will be informed/educated about test results (health implications) and recommended follow up
- Takes action on Goal #2 of Groundwater Plan
- Model will be shared with other counties

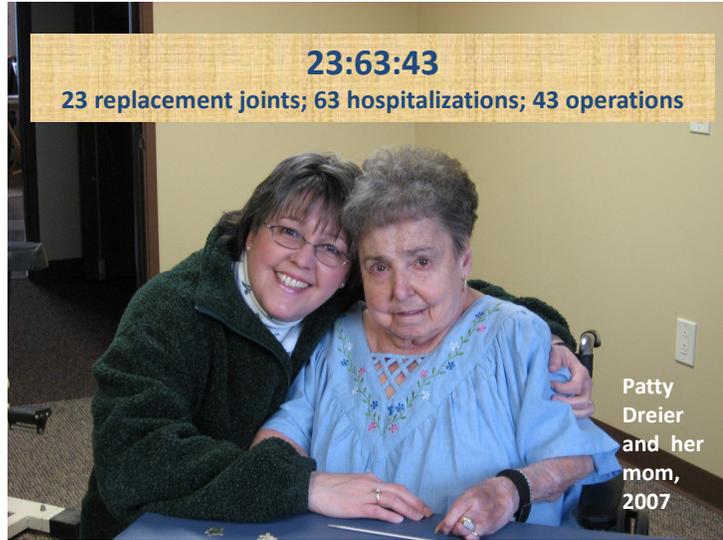
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Health Care Center

- Reflecting on where we have come from...

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Health Care Center



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a. A new Health Care Center building will improve operational efficiencies and our business model. It will also demonstrate our commitment to long time taxpayers in this growing area of need. The current building could be repurposed.

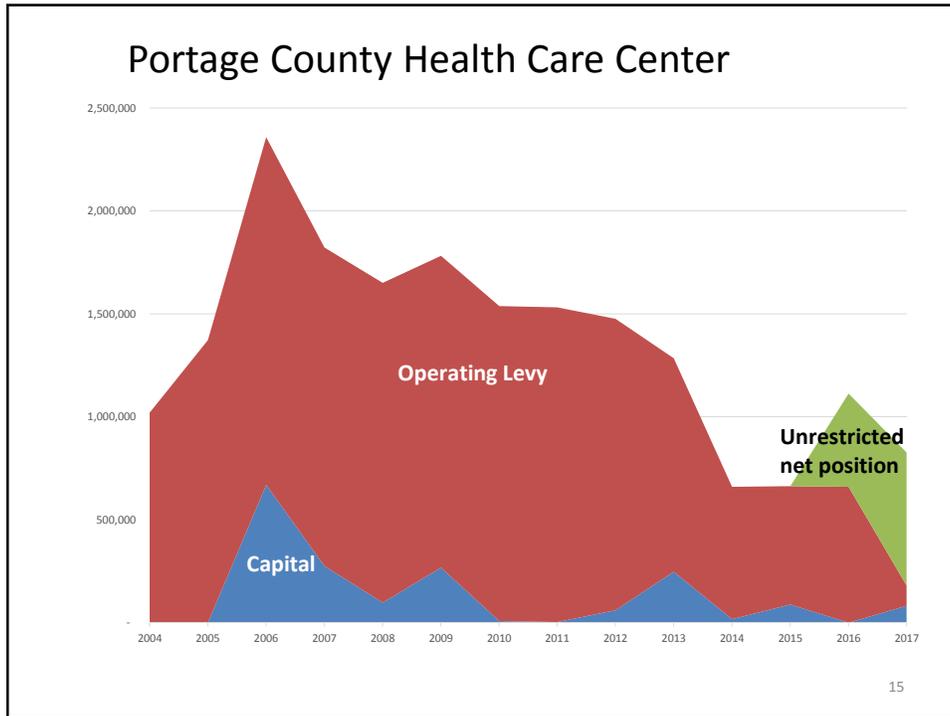
April 2013

Pending a promising marketing study to be completed in Summer 2014, this project would design and construct a new, modern, 100-bed health care center facility on county owned property or donated property into which the current Portage County Health Care Center (PCHCC) operation would move. -June 2014

JUNE 2016

The project includes collaborating with others to construct a new, 60-bed health care center. The \$10 million request will accompany a donation of 60 beds from the Portage County Health Care Center to join with funding from other sources to break ground for a new center in 2017. The remaining construction costs will be covered by other sources. Portage County will continue to operate the HCC at its current location on Whiting Avenue until ...and...the beds will be officially transferred and the operation will be turned over to be run by the local nonprofit...

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Health Care Center

2017	\$100,000 operating levy + \$645,431 HCC unrestricted net position to continue operations
2016	\$659,768 (+ \$454,061 of HCC unrestricted net position)
2015	\$575,000
2014	\$575,000
2013	\$991,884
2012	\$1.365 million
2011	\$1.528 million

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Health Care Center

- Budgeted census of 71
- Using unrestricted net position to continue operations is a very serious stop-gap budget strategy—a short term option for the operational budget while long term answers are found.
- Will continue to look at expense reductions and revenue enhancements while maintaining quality care
 - Convert a wing into a unit for behaviorally challenged adults to enhance revenues while meeting a critical need?
- Critical decision making time

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Capital Projects

- Budgeted another \$75,447 in operating levy for capital improvements, bringing total to \$775,447
 - Goal: \$1 million to reduce reliance on borrowing for capital upgrades
 - Rebuilding this fund that was depleted before 2010

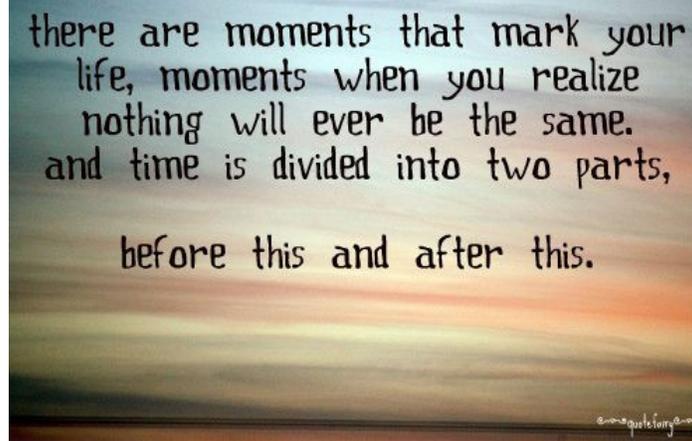
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Personnel Recap

- Personnel expenses increased due in part to implementation of countywide salary plan
- Health insurance premiums increased 8.5%
- One less day to budget for in 2017 (2080 hours)
- Net increase of .5 FTE in 2017 compared to 2016
 - Excludes LTE, on-call casual, contracted, and seasonals

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Looking to the Future



there are moments that mark your
life, moments when you realize
nothing will ever be the same.
and time is divided into two parts,

before this and after this.

anne quilley

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Proposed 2017 Budget for Portage County

Feedback?

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