Enjoy, Explore, and Restore

RECREATION, PARKS, and OUR ENVIRONMENT

- Establishes two NEW athletics parks - Tanyard Springs and South Shore
- Creates Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park and establishes a campus for healing in the green heart of our county
- Includes major investments in Bacon Ridge at Forney, Odenton Library Park, Deale Park, and the new Brooklyn Park Center
- Provides more than $7.8 million for projects to expand public water access
- Restores the Forest Conservation Fund to a balance of $3.6 million
- Invests $6 million to build out our electric vehicle charging network and acquire electric buses

I am proud to present my FY2023 proposed budget to the residents of Anne Arundel County.

This budget removes our structural deficit, reduces borrowing, increases reserves, lowers taxes, and provides record investments in education, public safety, parks, health, and smart infrastructure. Only a fraction of the investments are listed in this document. You can read more online. There is something in this budget for everyone.

I often say that we are working together to make Anne Arundel County the best place for all. Today, I am saying that we have worked together to create the Best Budget - For All.

Steuart Pittman
County Executive

The full proposed FY23 Budget is available online at aacounty.org/budget
EDUCATION

A record $50 million increase in County support to schools

- Fully funds the Board of Education’s school construction request for the first time in county history
- Fully funds teacher and staff compensation request
- Adds 359 new positions to improve student learning and wellness
  - 119 special education positions
  - 48 pre-k positions to convert half-day programs to full-day pre-k classrooms
  - 20 English language development positions
  - 29 social/emotional learning positions
  - 3 bilingual facilitators
  - 140 classroom teacher positions

- Includes $3.5 million to establish a new Crownsville Health and Wellness Center
- Awards $2 million for local nonprofits through the Community Support Grants Program
- Establishes an Affordable Housing Trust Fund with a $10 million initial investment
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Improving Quality of Life

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Protecting Residents

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Proposes a new, state of the art 911 call center
- Adds 55 new police vehicles on the streets to patrol our communities
- Purchases nearly $5.6 million of new fire trucks and equipment
- Funds a new forensics facility, a new special operations facility, and replaces the dilapidated police firing range
- Increases the number of trained paramedics by 20 to meet a growing need for emergency response personnel
A Foundation for our Future

Fiscal Discipline

- Cuts income tax rate from 2.81% to 2.7% for the first $50,000 of taxable income for every taxpayer
- Sets property tax rate farther below the tax cap than ever in county history
- Eliminates the structural deficit
- Grows our Rainy Day Fund by the maximum allowable by law
- Lowers the amount of new debt for the first time in county history

In FY23, County Executive Pittman is keeping property taxes 3% below the tax cap and decreasing income tax rates, returning $36M to taxpayers.

Property Tax Comparison

AA County = $0.933 per $100 of assessed value (7th lowest in Maryland)

Income Tax Comparison

AA County = 2.81% (4th lowest in Maryland) *Maximum allowed = 3.2%

Projected Revenues

Appropriations

- General Government 24%
- Board of Education 44%
- Public Safety 18%
- Debt Service 3%
- Human Services 4%
- Community College 2%
- Land Use 3%
- Library 1%
- Judicial 1%

*Maximum allowed = 3.2%