# 2022 MORRIS COUNTY BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

**MORRIS IS #1 COUNTY IN NEW JERSEY**

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<td>Tax Effort</td>
<td>Third year no county tax increase for existing taxpayers</td>
<td>Lowest County taxes in Northern NJ / 2nd lowest in the State</td>
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<td>Bond Rating / Fund Balance</td>
<td>Strong Fund Balance, key to AAA rating, at $57.9M a $1.7M increase from prior year</td>
<td>Record 46th year of earning a AAA Bond Rating from both Standard and Poor’s and Moody’s</td>
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<td>Investment in skills / education</td>
<td>$25M expansion of Morris Vo-tech / increase to Vo-Tech budget in preparation for expansion</td>
<td>500 student campus to be built on CCM campus, programs to include health care, information technology, manufacturing, supply chain</td>
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<td>THE Infrastructure</td>
<td>$62M with $32M county funding- Road Resurfacing, Bridges, Parks, and Preservation</td>
<td>Structural integrity of Morris County Bridges is 70% superior to State Bridges</td>
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2022 LEADERSHIP
“MORRIS COUNTY RUNS LIKE A TOP”
GOVERNOR PHIL MURPHY - JANUARY 4, 2021 AT MEGA-SITE OPENING

• Net 1.65% increase in expenses after accounting for:
  • $3.1M grants, primarily Landing Road Bridge Grant
  • $2.7M state mandated expenses for pension (9%) and county share of state mental health (38%)
• 3% ratable growth generated additional revenue

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<td>Introduced Budget</td>
<td>$320.0M</td>
<td>$331.1M</td>
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<td>Tax rate increase- 0% for third year in a row</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
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<td>Strong Ratable Growth</td>
<td>$97.6B</td>
<td>$100.4B</td>
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<td>County Tax Rate</td>
<td>$0.253</td>
<td>$0.252</td>
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2022 FUND BALANCE: REMAINS STRONG SUPPORTING AAA RATING

- The prudent and methodical use of Fund Balance continues to ensure stability in the annual use of reserves and supports the continuation of the County’s “AAA” Bond Rating.

- As a general rule, Rating Agencies typically seek “AAA” entities to maintain 1 to 2 months of reserves.

- Annually, Morris County continues to use the portion of the Year Ending Fund Balance that can reasonably be expected to be regenerated.

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Beginning Year Fund Balance</th>
<th>Portion Used to Off-Set Tax Levy</th>
<th>Fund Balance Regenerated</th>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>$52.7M</td>
<td>$25.3M</td>
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<td>2019</td>
<td>$53.4M</td>
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<td>2020</td>
<td>$53.5M</td>
<td>$27.1M</td>
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<td>$56.2M</td>
<td>$28.2M</td>
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<td>2022</td>
<td>$57.9M</td>
<td>$28.2M</td>
<td>$28.9M*</td>
<td>$58.6M*</td>
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*The 2022 Regenerated and Year End Fund Balance are estimated figures.
STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS TO SUPPORT THOSE EXPERIENCING SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS & MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

Along with key Nonprofit Partners and capital investments in facilities, the following programs are making a difference:

- HOPE ONE Mobile Unit
- Navigating HOPE
- HOPE Wing
- STAR (Successful Transition and Re-Entry Program)
- Mental Health Diversion Program
- HOPE Hub
HUMAN SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS
CONTINUING TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS TO
IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THEIR LIVES

• The budget contains over $35M of funding for Human Services, with much of those funds
directed to support Community Based Human Service initiatives and programs
• Over 436,000 square feet of County facility space allocated to Community Based Human
Service agencies to support their mission
• Over 393,000 Nutrition Meals will be served to seniors
• Over 33,500 MAPS Rides will be provided to seniors and disabled individuals
• Over 3,700 Veterans will be Served
• Over 10,000 Food Stamp and TANF clients will be served
• Over 33,000 Medicaid clients will be served
• Over 2,000 New Employment and Training clients will be served
• Over 10,000 Individuals will be served by Hope One
• Over 5,500 Individuals will be served by Navigating Hope
• Over 180 Individuals will be served by Hope Hub
PUBLIC SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT IN MORRIS COUNTY

• **New Sheriff’s Office Patrol Division after Park Police Merger**
  (NOTE: Net salary increase in budget appears larger due to transition)

• **Prosecutor’s Office Focus on**
  - Mental Health Diversion Program
  - Community Outreach and Implementation of New Police Reforms
  - Enhanced Domestic Violence and Child Protection Initiatives
  - Auto Theft Task Force, 50% Recovery Rate
  - New Anti-Fentanyl Enforcement

• **$438,000 Increase in County EMS Supporting Our Local EMS Squads**
Continued funding provided to address the COVID-19 Pandemic needs

Increases the availability of the County’s Basic Life Support (BLS) Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Unit, which responded to over 3,700 Emergency calls in 2021. The service will continue to provide daily back-up services to local BLS/EMS for all Morris County Municipalities.

Increases full-time staff in the Office of Emergency Management to support preparedness and response throughout the County.

Funding allocated to absorb the 2022 municipal 911 emergency dispatch cost increases relative to the:

- 23 municipalities - Full dispatch services
- 2 municipalities - Medical pre-arrival directives
- 3 municipalities - 911 only, and Medical Pre-Arrival Directives
- 8 Fire Districts/Municipalities - EMS/FIRE Dispatch

Supports the County Wide Interoperable Radio system for all Municipalities.
NOTED INVESTMENTS IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PARKS, EDUCATION, AND ELECTIONS

- $225,000 additional investment in tourism and marketing of Morris County
- $325,000 increase for Morris County parks
- $75,000 increase for the Morris County Vocational School District as phase-in for expansion of operating support for Career Training Center
- $365,000 for early voting
CRITICAL COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS

The 2022 Budget contains approximately $34.3M in Educational, Cultural, and Economic Initiatives that serve all municipalities in Morris County inclusive of:

- $18.9M for the County College of Morris, School of Technology, Rutgers Cooperative, and the Superintendent of Schools Office
- $8.9M for the 20,394 acre Morris County Park Commission
- $5.7M for the Morris County Library and Heritage Commission
- $816K for Economic Development and Tourism
CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS IN THE CAPITAL PLAN

• Road Resurfacing
• Intersection Improvements
• Bridge Upgrades
• Investments in Education
• Elections
• Public Safety

DeMare Hall, County College of Morris
## 2022 CAPITAL PLAN INVESTMENT

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<td>Total 2022 Capital Plan</td>
<td>$62,483,616</td>
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<td>Grant(s)</td>
<td>$30,367,506</td>
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<td>Net Funding (Less Grants)</td>
<td>$32,116,110</td>
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INVENTORY OF RESPONSIBILITY IS MASSIVE AND DIVERSE

- 287 MILES OF COUNTY ROADS THROUGHOUT ALL MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES
- 1,000 BRIDGES AND CULVERTS THROUGHOUT ALL MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES
- 3 FREIGHT RAILROADS
- 1,185 VEHICLES AND OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT
- 3.3 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF BUILDINGS / STRUCTURES
- FACILITIES REQUIRED BY THE JUDICIARY, SHERIFF, LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
- ALL TREES WITHIN THE COUNTY’S ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY
- MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES THROUGHOUT ALL MORRIS COUNTY
- 20,394 ACRES OF PARKLAND
MORRIS COUNTY PRIORITIZES IMPROVING OUR COUNTY ROAD NETWORK

The 2022 Capital Plan contains $2.8 million for intersection improvements including:

- Flanders Netcong Road and Main Street Intersection with Route 206, Mount Olive
- Boonton Avenue at Taylortown Road, Montville Township
- Guide Rail Upgrades and Installations throughout the County

*Mt. Lakes Boulevard at Pocono Road, Mountain Lakes*
RESURFACING OF COUNTY ROADS REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY

The 2022 Capital Plan contains $14.0 million for roadway resurfacing of 25.6 miles in 15 municipalities.

Some of the planned resurfacing projects include:

• 2.2 miles of Fairmount Road in Washington Township

• 2.2 miles of Green Pond Road in Rockaway and Jefferson Townships

• 2.5 miles of Park Avenue from Columbia Turnpike to Route 124 in Madison, Florham Park, Morris Township

• 2.5 miles of Village Road in Harding Township
MORRIS COUNTY LEADS THE STATE IN BRIDGE / CULVERT UPGRADE PROJECTS

The 2022 capital plan contains $6.83 million for bridge / culverts projects including:

- Dickson’s Mill Road Bridge in Harding Township
- Pleasant Hill Road Bridge in Mount Olive
- Hurd Street Bridge in Mine Hill Township

> Valley Road Bridge, Rockaway Township
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MORRIS COUNTY EXPANDS ITS INVESTMENT IN EDUCATION

• The provision of $25.3 million for the School of Technology’s construction of its new Career Training Center at CCM, and Science Lab upgrades with $18.8 million coming from a State Grant

• $5.2M at the County College for facility accessibility upgrades and Academic Complex roof replacement

Morris County School of Technology and CCM Building Plan

CCM Campus
MORRIS COUNTY HAS AND CONTINUES TO BE RESPONSIBLE STEWARDS OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

- 20,394 acres of parkland
- 2022 Capital Funding of $1,296,000 is to maintain 38 Facilities including:
  - Historic sites
  - Golf courses
  - Outdoor educational and recreational facilities
  - Arboreta
  - Conservation areas
  - 216 miles of trails, and
  - Ice skating arena
- 2022 Capital Funding of $450,000 for park facility paving projects
Morris County has already committed more than $40M of the $47M received, which represents half of the total $95M federal allotment. Plans are in place to commit all funds received by the end of the grant period. Major focus areas include:

• Public Health, Human Service & Safety Investments
• Park Public Health Upgrades & Re-Staffing
• Veterans Support Programs
• Small Business & Nonprofit Grants
2022 MORRIS COUNTY BUDGET
IN SUMMARY

PRUDENT FISCAL MANAGEMENT RESULTS IN STRUCTURAL STABILITY:

• Overall there is NO tax increase to existing taxpayers for third straight year.

• 1.65% increase in spending after accounting for bridge grant and state mandated expenses.

• A mission-driven allocation of financial investments towards:
  • Combatting Substance Use Disorders & Mental Health Challenges
  • Addressing other Human Service Needs working with our valued nonprofits
  • Increased funding for Public Health & Safety
  • Expanding Economic Development Initiatives
  • Prioritizing Educational / Cultural Investments
  • Maintaining / Upgrading County Infrastructure
  • Strong Fund balance supporting AAA rating