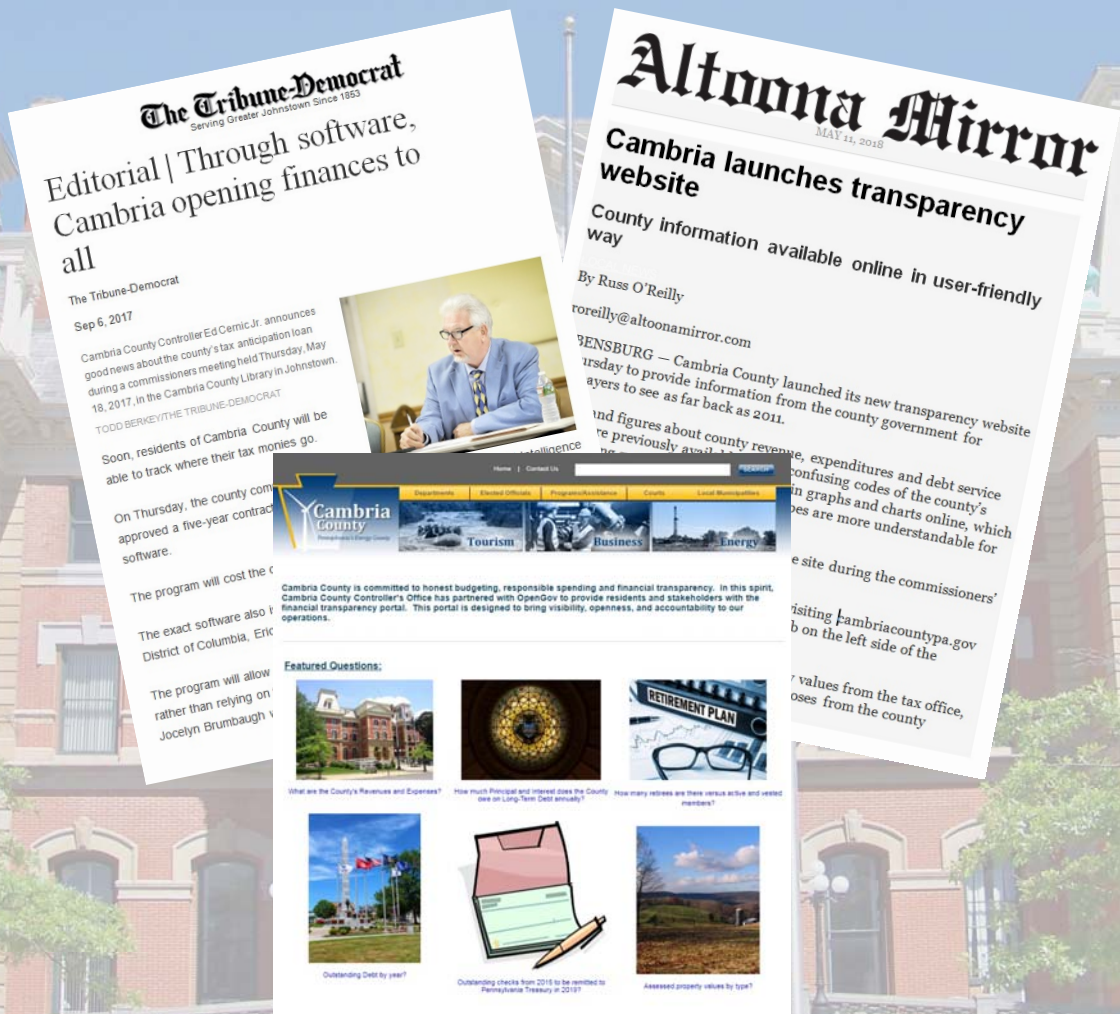


COUNTY OF CAMBRIA, PENNSYLVANIA CITIZEN'S FINANCIAL REPORT

CAMBRIA COUNTY BECOMES TRANSPARENT WITH OPENGOV



FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER, ED CERNIC, JR.

A Message from the Controller

To The Residents of Cambria County:

This year's message is an upbeat one due to the results of the policy changes implemented within County Government by the Board of Commissioners. The County started showing positive results due to how the government is being managed. For 2017, the Commissioners reduced Real Estate Taxes by a ½ mill and the 2018 budget also reflects another ½ mill reduction saving County Taxpayers over \$1.2 million. The Commissioners' program to fund the repair or replacement of dilapidated bridges is also progressing with 3 bridges being repaired in 2017 and an additional 2 bridges under replacement at the present time. In 2017 the County paid its \$10 million tax anticipation loan off early in May thereby saving over \$100,000 in interest for taxpayers.



The result of the Refinancing of County Debt in 2016 has helped the Commissioners fund capital improvement projects that have been long delayed on County Buildings. All of this has been accomplished while the County continues to reduce its long term debt. Updates to technology throughout the different departments of County Government have helped to streamline services and cut costs in various areas. While all of our goals haven't been realized yet, the outstanding debt of the County continues to decrease and the carryover debt that was remaining after the former Commissioners Board was eliminated in 2017.

The Controller's Office, in cooperation with the Chief Clerk, has instituted a new system of tracking and budgeting County Finances called OpenGov. It is another effort by the Controller's Office to make records of the County more open and increase transparency of the Public Records of not only Finances but of other important data the County tracks in an easy to use application under the Controller's Office web page on the County portal. Also, as the Secretary of the County Retirement Fund, I am pleased to report that Cambria County's Retirement Fund is well funded and is one of the top funded Pensions in the Commonwealth.

As always, we are available to answer any questions you may have about County Finances. I would like to acknowledge and thank my staff for all their diligence and hard work done each and every day on behalf of the taxpayers and residents of Cambria County: Kristine Segear, Senior Accounting Manager/First Deputy Controller; Dana Descavish, Pension Benefits Health Care Administrator/Second Deputy Controller; Internal Auditors - Amber Hamilton and Emily Krug; Accounts Payable Coordinator, Sally Martin; and Accounting Assistants - Pam Paronish and Eva Shevock.

With All Best Wishes,



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WELCOME TO CAMBRIA COUNTY!

Cambria County, created on March 26, 1804, was the 41st County formed in PA and is nestled in the heart of the Allegheny Mountains. Cambria County is made up of 63 political subdivisions, consisting of the City of Johnstown, 32 boroughs and 30 townships with the Borough of Ebensburg being the County seat. In this publication and future publications, we will be providing a brief history of the city, boroughs and townships of Cambria County.

The County has a population of approximately 144,000, based on the 2010 Census, and covers 692 square miles. Cambria County is a 4th class County. Cambria County is home to 5 colleges and universities, 14 public school districts and many private and parochial schools, as well as many historic sites, state parks and local museums. The County currently has 721 full time and part time employees and 1,104 retirees.

History of Municipalities



Borough of Geistown
Incorporated 1930

Geistown Borough is a small friendly community with a population of 2,331. Based on the 1976 research of Bernice Dravis Tkacik, the area now known as Geistown was first inhabited by a tribe of Shawonese Indians. The public school—Geistown Public School—started in 1899, and its first teacher was Mr. Luther. The original school was located in what became the Grange Hall and later the first Fire Company on Lamberd Avenue. Despite the economic shock of the Great Depression, Geistown officially organized as a borough on March 6, 1930, with thirty acres purchased from Stonycreek Township and the remainder purchased from Richland Township. The first half of the 1940s was marked by World War II, and Geistown residents felt the effects everyday. Young men and women sacrificed their youths to serve their country. Geistown Borough alone sent nearly 145 young people to the service. The conclusion of the war signaled a bright future for Americans, and in Geistown the business community immediately began to grow. Life changed slightly in Geistown in 1950 when the four-lane highway was built, what the Johnstown Tribune called “the million-dollar project” in a headline on March 8, 1950. Geistown’s central business area continued to expand in the ‘60s just as new homes continued to be built. The ‘80s and ‘90s were a time of many business changes in the borough, one last residential expansion and the installation of the borough’s first traffic lights. For more information on Geistown history, please visit their website at www.geistownborough.com.

CAMBRIA TOWNSHIP

Cambria Township was one of the three original townships created when the County was formed. It included the center of the county and the territory west and north of the center. The first settlement in Cambria Township was at the presently deserted Village of Beulah, just north of Route 22. The settlement of Beulah was made by a number of Welsh under the direction of Rev. Morgan John Rhys. It has been written many times that Beulah was a thriving village in 1804. Some historians have written that the decline of Beulah began when Ebensburg was selected as the county seat. The first permanent settlers in Cambria Township were those who came to the area with Rev. Rees Lloyd. The principal industries of the township were agriculture and lumber until late 1910 when the Ebensburg Coal Company broke ground in the northern part of Cambria Township. The company owners named it Colver. The company was owned by Messrs. J.H. Weaver and B. Dawson Coleman, who named the new town “Colver”, using the first syllable of one name and the last syllable of the other. Colver grew to be one of the leading coal producers in the county. The first coal was shipped from Colver in 1911. Revloc, in the western part of the township near Beulah, was opened under the Weaver and Coleman management in 1926. Revloc is the word Colver spelled backwards. The first coal was shipped from Revloc in March of 1918. Today the township has grown and continues to grow with commercial businesses, restaurants, three power plants, an industrial park and an airport. The township is serviced by three fire departments and a police department with four full time officers. For more information on Cambria Township visit www.cambriatwp.com.

General Obligation Debt

As of December 31, 2017, the County's general obligation debt was \$48,412,182.

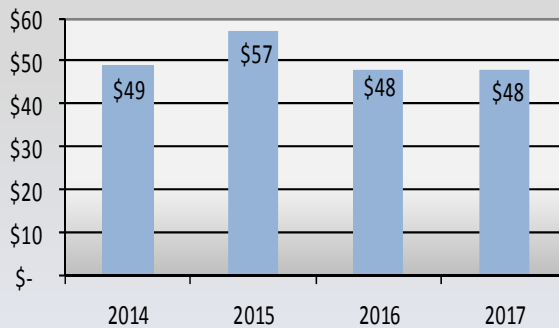
On November 7, 2017, S&P Global Ratings revised Cambria County's bond rating from negative to stable and affirmed its 'BBB' long-term rating on debt. The agency's revised outlook noted the recent improvement in the County's budgetary performance.

Taxpayer's Debt Funding

The County designated 4.5 mills of tax to Debt Service in 2017.

Approximately \$6.3 million of Taxpayer's dollars were used to fund the County's Debt in 2017.

General Obligation Debt (In Millions)



In December 2017, the County issued General Obligation Note, Series of 2017, in the amount of \$3,000,000 with an interest rate of 1.79%. Principal and interest will be processed in 13 monthly payments with the final payment in January 2019. The proceeds are being used for various capital improvement projects in the County. The improvements to the County Prison include new lighting, replacing heating equipment, installation of natural gas, conversion of hot water tank from electric to gas, ozone laundry system, and roof repairs. Other County improvements include a new roof at the Human Service Building located on Candlelight Drive and new lighting at the North Central Recreation Center in Ebensburg.

The issuance of this General Obligation Note for \$3 million has offset other debt payments made in 2017 resulting in a minimal change in the total General Obligation Debt balance.

	2014	2015	2016	2017
04/05/08/09 Lease	507,038	401,542	360,331	317,956
2014 GO Bond	48,625,000	44,655,000	28,620,000	25,860,000
2015 Loan	-	11,696,916	-	-
2015 USDA Loan	-	96,787	78,311	59,226
2016 A&B GO Notes	-	-	19,210,000	19,175,000
2017 FNB Loan	-	-	-	3,000,000
	<u>\$ 49,132,038</u>	<u>\$ 56,850,245</u>	<u>\$ 48,268,642</u>	<u>\$ 48,412,182</u>

In May of 2017, the County's positive financial position allowed for the payoff of the entire \$10 million Tax Anticipation Note issued for 2017. This was the earliest the County has ever been able to pay back the entire Tax Anticipation Note, which continued in 2018 with the entire \$10 million note being paid off in May 2018.

The Tax Anticipation Note (not included with the long term debt listed in the chart above) is issued annually every January by the County in order to finance current operations before the real estate tax revenues are collected. The real estate tax collections are then used to retire the debt in the same year.

Component Units of Cambria County

The following chart illustrates the amount of County Taxpayer Dollars spent to fund the Component Units:

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Penn Highlands Community College *	\$ 1,055,000	\$ 1,055,000	\$ 1,205,000	\$ 1,205,000
Cambria Library Association *	615,000	615,000	625,000	615,000
Transit Authority	547,069	577,463	597,087	644,841
Solid Waste Management Authority	338,700	338,700	340,700	340,700
Johnstown-Cambria County Airport	174,000	174,000	174,000	174,000
Conservation and Recreation Authority *	155,000	155,000	200,000	155,000
War Memorial Authority	150,000	150,000	318,000	182,000
Planning Commission	64,200	64,200	64,200	64,200
Redevelopment Authority	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
	<u>\$ 3,158,969</u>	<u>\$ 3,189,363</u>	<u>\$ 3,583,987</u>	<u>\$ 3,440,741</u>

State and/or Federal funds that are passed through Cambria County or released directly to the Component Unit are not included in the Chart above. Behavioral Health of Cambria County is not included in the chart above because their County funding is comprised of State pass-through funds only.

* In 2017, Cambria County designated 1 mill of tax for the Community College, 0.5 mills for the County Library, and 0.5 mills for Parks and Playgrounds. The dedicated tax for Parks and Playgrounds is distributed to the Conservation & Recreation Authority, War Memorial, North Central Recreational Center, and Duman Park.

Children & Youth, Juvenile Court, and Detention/Shelter

The chart below illustrates the amount of County Taxpayer Dollars provided to the Children & Youth, Juvenile Court, and Detention/Shelter Funds due to the excess expenditures over revenues for each year. The two final columns list the total 2017 expenditures and the percentage of County Taxpayer Dollars of the total expenditures for each fund.

	County Taxpayer Funding				2017 Total Fund Expenditures	2017 County's Taxpayer %
	2014	2015	2016	2017		
Children & Youth	\$ 1,466,214	\$ 1,970,670	\$ 1,245,032	\$ 1,945,776	\$ 11,770,989	16.5%
Juvenile Court	1,848,508	1,712,707	1,972,637	1,745,922	3,404,611	51.3%
Detention/Shelter	611,048	809,202	610,433	-	-	0.0%
	<u>\$ 3,925,770</u>	<u>\$ 4,492,579</u>	<u>\$ 3,828,102</u>	<u>\$ 3,691,698</u>	<u>\$ 15,175,600</u>	

Children & Youth – The PA Department of Human Services provides the majority of the funding for this program to provide child protective services to the age of 21 through counseling, in-home, and residential services.

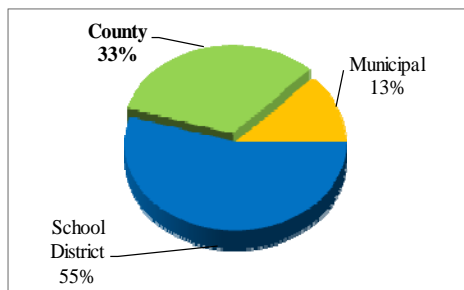
Juvenile Court – The PA Department of Human Services, PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency, and the Juvenile Court Judges Commission also provide funding to administer the entire Juvenile Court process.

Detention/Shelter – The Detention Home was a 24-hour maximum security facility for youth ages 10-18. Effective June 30, 2016, the County closed the Detention/Shelter facility. The decision to close the facility was due to the decreasing census and the increasing cost to the General Fund.

Your Real Estate Taxes — The County's Portion

By controlling spending in 2016 and 2017, the Board of Commissioners were able to reduce the County's millage by 1/2 mill in 2017 and 1/2 mill in 2018. In 2017, a Cambria County resident paid approximately \$1,046 in local real estate taxes, which includes county, municipal and school district taxes on each \$10,000 of assessed property value. Of that, \$340 or 33% is paid to the County as illustrated in the pie chart.

Each tax mill generates approximately \$1.26 million in tax revenue. On average, 94% of the County's real estate taxes are collected during the current tax year with a majority or 82% of the taxes being collected during the discount period. At the end of 2017, approximately \$2.8 million (*at face*) or 6.43% in unpaid taxes were turned over to the Tax Claim Bureau. During 2017, the Tax Claim Bureau collected \$2.3 million worth of delinquent taxes for tax years 2012 through 2016.



The majority (70% or \$97.9 million) of the County's spending is funded by state and federal grants, charges for services, investments and other income. The remaining (\$42.1 million) must be paid primarily with your County real estate taxes.

The dollar bill illustrates how your County Real Estate dollars were spent in 2017.



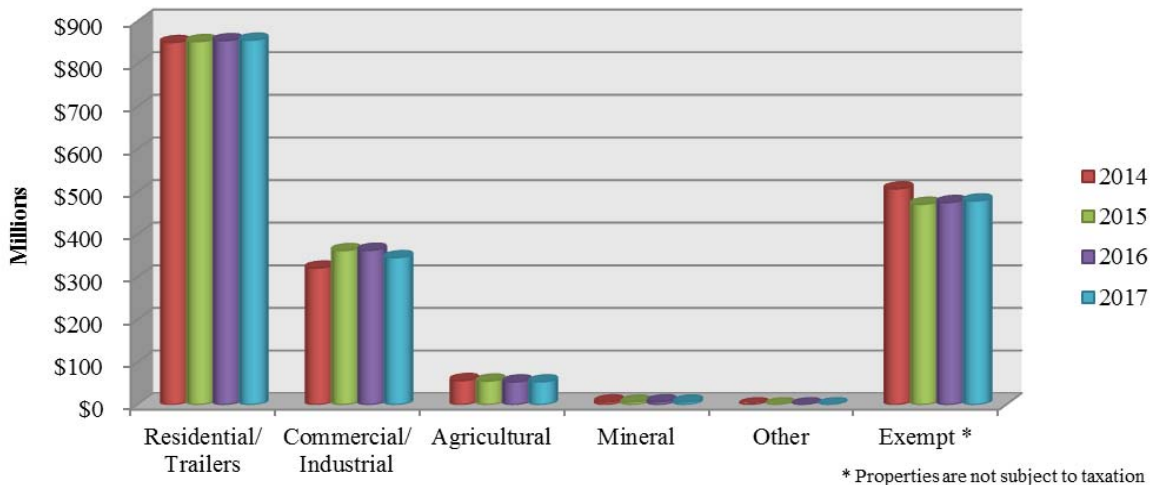
	Millage Rates			
	2014	2015	2016	2017
General Purposes	23.500	23.500	27.500	27.500
Debt Service	4.000	4.125	5.000	4.500
Community College	1.000	0.875	1.000	1.000
County Library	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500
Parks & Playgrounds	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500
Total millage rates	29.500	29.500	34.500	34.000



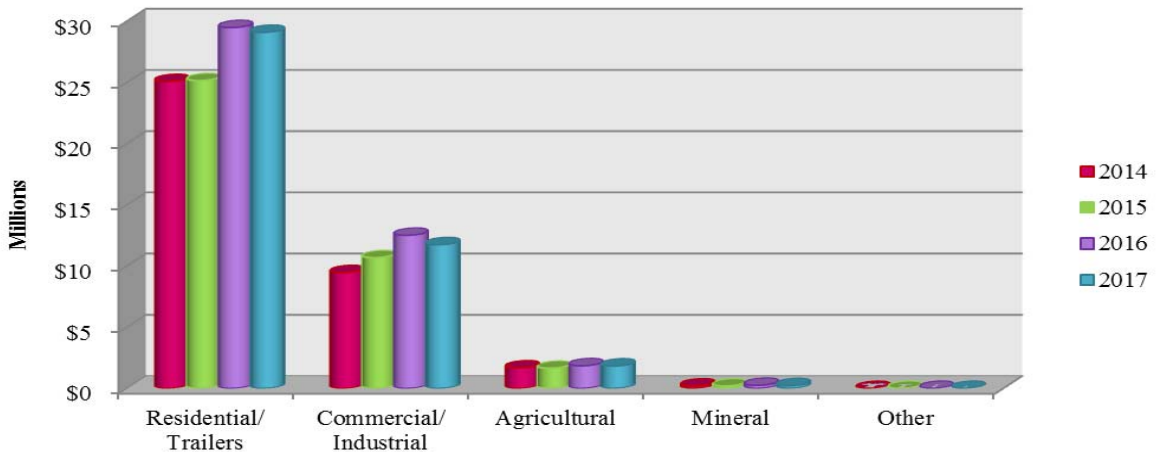
Real Estate Properties by Property Type

The following represents the total assessed value of Cambria County properties by type of property. The second chart shows the Real Estate Dollars billed by property type. The Cambria County Assessment Office maintains and updates property records for the valuation of real property for ad valorem taxation.

Assessed Value Comparison by Type (in Millions)



Real Estate Tax Dollars by Type (in Millions)

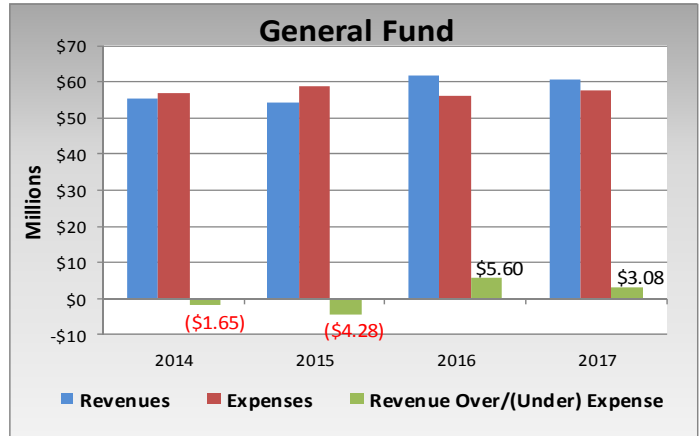


General Fund Revenues and Expenses

"Cambria Commissioners say teamwork led to 2017 successes"

The Tribune-Democrat

December 20, 2017



County Financial Position

The County's financial position, below, shows the County's resources versus the amount owed at year-end for the governmental and business type activities.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and investments	\$ 5,876,616	\$ 5,933,987	\$ 8,074,898	\$ 12,466,325
Other current assets	17,565,441	29,853,040	22,750,256	20,719,155
Capital assets and other	54,794,978	54,441,683	53,716,162	53,429,785
Total Assets	78,237,035	90,228,710	84,541,316	86,615,265
Deferred Outflows	892,162	20,357,516	15,201,952	14,287,160
Liabilities				
Current liabilities	24,573,359	42,049,458	26,072,425	25,708,921
Non-current liabilities	46,435,308	82,708,295	85,599,393	74,494,135
Total Liabilities	71,008,667	124,757,753	111,671,818	100,203,056
Deferred Inflows	7,230,769	7,008,284	6,531,852	16,917,557
Net Position	\$ 889,761	\$ (21,179,811)	\$ (18,460,402)	\$ (16,218,188)

The increase in Deferred Inflows in 2017 relates to the increase in market value of the pension fund assets.

The improvement in Net Position in 2017 relates to the encumbered revenue to be applied to future debt service. The County issued General Obligation Note in December 2017 in the amount of \$3 million for capital improvements. Please refer page 4 for additional information about General Obligation Debt.

County Revenues and Expenses

The chart below illustrates a four year trend in the County's Revenues and Expenses.

Revenues	2014	2015	2016	2017
Taxes	\$ 36,273,997	\$ 36,852,124	\$ 42,791,935	\$ 42,072,399
Operating Grants & Contributions	77,271,232	74,226,232	83,995,053	84,678,869
Charges for Service	10,001,914	10,108,797	10,286,746	9,457,650
Interest & Investment Income	24,660	23,801	54,577	90,258
Reimbursed Expenses/Other Income	2,344,320	2,416,122	2,713,163	2,948,844
Total Revenues	125,916,123	123,627,076	139,841,474	139,248,020
Expenses				
Administrative	\$ 10,024,427	\$ 9,954,954	\$ 9,996,721	\$ 9,209,277
Judicial	11,680,255	12,430,916	11,624,372	11,975,860
Corrections	17,229,243	17,369,057	17,579,350	17,493,196
Public Safety	8,469,914	9,270,462	10,097,662	10,302,792
Debt Service	3,914,683	5,841,908	6,132,616	4,611,733
Human Service	67,560,961	67,656,709	74,347,837	74,621,068
Conservation	1,951,220	1,160,347	1,088,888	929,891
Housing	1,869,954	1,633,341	1,499,615	1,410,772
Highways/Streets	1,616,802	1,878,938	2,037,792	3,441,456
Culture/Recreation	1,278,813	1,352,485	1,185,358	1,208,239
Capital Projects	-	-	-	524,171
Total Expenses	125,596,272	128,549,117	135,590,211	135,728,455
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(2,584,199)	(56,995)	4,843,618	2,804,875
Net (Deficiency)/Excess	\$ (2,264,348)	\$ (4,979,036)	\$ 9,094,881	\$ 6,324,440

In 2017, County Total Revenues and Expenses remained comparable with the 2016. There was a decrease in the amount of Real Estate Tax revenue with the 2017 tax decrease of 1/2 mill.

The remaining change to Net (Deficiency)/Excess relates to the Other Financing Sources/(Uses). The decrease in Financing Sources in 2017 is the difference between the \$4.9 million proceeds from the bond refunding in 2016 and the \$3 million General Obligation Note in 2017.

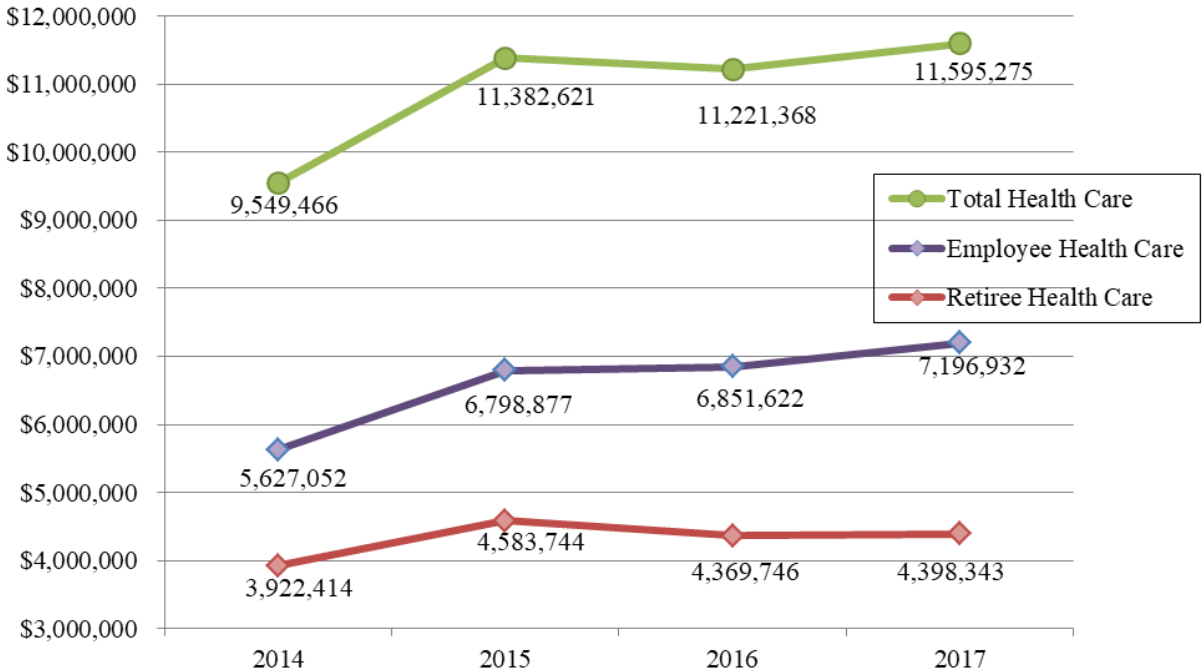
For more information about County Revenues and Expenses, please visit our website at www.cambriacountypa.gov and click on the

→ County Transparency



Health Care Costs

Since 2011, Cambria County has been self insured for health care using UPMC to administer the plan. The chart below shows the total health care costs and the breakout of employee health care and retiree health care.



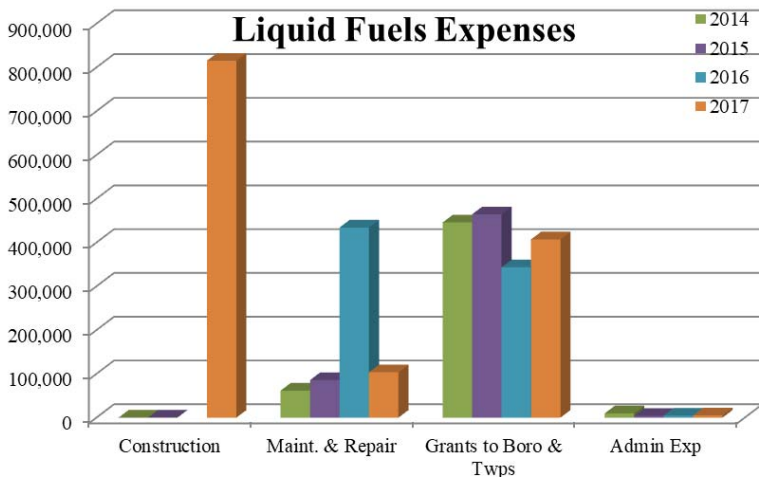
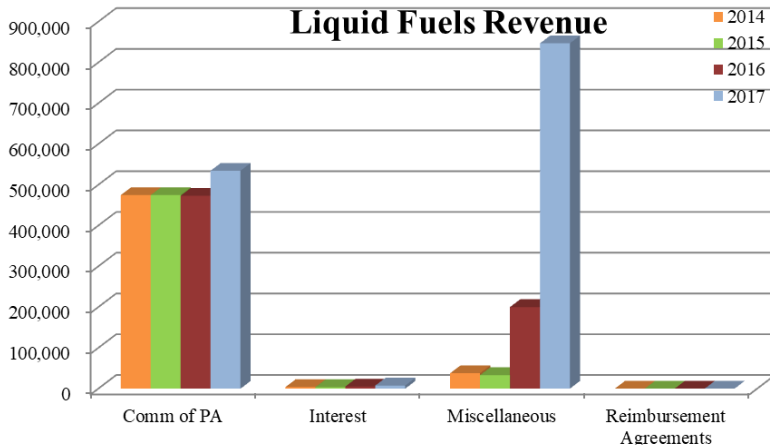
Vehicle Registration Fee

On February 15, 2016, the County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 1 of 2016, implementing a county fee of \$5 for each non-exempt vehicle registered to a County resident. The \$5 vehicle registration fee was part of Act 89 of 2013, which was signed into law by Former Governor Tom Corbett on November 25, 2013. Act 89 established a fee for local use which allows County Commissioners to impose the fee beginning after December 31, 2014. Cambria County is among 21 of 67 Counties to implement the fee. Within Cambria County, the monies collected from Act 89 are being used to rehabilitate and/or replace the County owned bridges. Cambria County owns 26 bridges. The County has collected \$835,404 between 2016 and 2017. During 2017, the County utilized \$416,047 to replace the deck on Bradley Junction Bridge, Little Paint Creek Bridge and Vetera Dam Bridge. The County plans to utilize the funds on the replacement of Chest Creek Bridge and the rehabilitation of Cherry Bottom Bridge and Von Lunen Street Bridge during 2018.



Liquid Fuels Fund

Cambria County receives grants from the State and Federal government to repair or replace County owned bridges. In addition, the County receives a portion of the overall State's liquid fuels tax. The County reallocates a portion of these amounts to all municipalities within Cambria County based upon their requests and the final decision of the County Commissioners. The remaining liquid fuels monies are used for bridge repair and maintenance. The large increase for 2016-2017 in miscellaneous revenue and construction expense in 2017 is due to the ongoing Wildwood Bridge repair project.



The list below shows the amount of funds paid to Municipalities in 2017:

Municipality	Amount Paid
Adams Twp	\$18,000
Allegheny Twp	10,700 *
Ashville Boro	6,800 *
Barr Twp	11,750
Blacklick Twp	7,600
Brownstown Boro	4,100
Cambria Twp	17,600
Carrolltown Boro	4,500
Chest Springs Boro	13,000 *
Chest Twp	4,000
Clearfield Twp	6,900
Cresson Twp	15,000 *
Croyle Twp	9,200
Daisytown Boro	6,400 *
Dale Boro	4,600 *
Dean Twp	4,400
East Carroll Twp	7,800
East Conemaugh Boro	4,900
East Taylor Twp	16,800 *
Ehrenfeld Boro	1,950
Elder Twp	5,300
Ferndale Boro	7,200
Gallitzin Boro	30,000 *
Geistown Boro	6,300 *
Hastings Boro	5,300
Jackson Twp	13,800
Loretto Boro	26,000 *
Nanty Glo Boro	8,000
Northern Cambria Boro	15,000
Reade Twp	7,000
Richland Twp	26,400
Sankertown Boro	11,700 *
Scalp Level Boro	4,400
Stonycreek Twp	16,600 *
Summerhill Twp	9,500
Susquehanna Twp	10,400
Upper Yoder Boro	11,900
Washington Twp	5,400
Westmont Boro	11,000
Total Payments	\$407,200

*Municipality's payment includes allocations from multiple years.

Act 152 - Demolition Fund

Act 152 of 2016 was signed by Governor Tom Wolf on November 4, 2016. This Act enables County Commissioners to pass a resolution or create an ordinance authorizing the County Recorder of Deeds Office to charge and collect a fee, not to exceed \$15.00, for each deed and mortgage recorded. On January 26, 2017, the Cambria County Commissioners passed a Resolution establishing the Demolition Fund and setting the fee at \$15.00 effective March 1, 2017. Said fee is deposited monthly into the Demolition Fund. The funds will be used exclusively for the demolition of blighted properties within Cambria County. The funds will be distributed through the Cambria County Redevelopment Authority. For properties to qualify for participation in the program they must be in public ownership through a municipality, redevelopment authority, community development corporation or public non-profit organization. An application for participation was developed and available through the Redevelopment Authority. In 2017, \$89,048 was collected. The first demolition of blighted properties is set to begin in 2018.



County Record Storage



During 2017, the County record storage facility was moved from the old County Jail on North Center Street to a new location on Wilmore Road. The new facility is larger, more secure and records are more easily accessible by the County offices and the public. County Officials toured Westmoreland County's facility and modeled the new facility and tracking after their facility. County offices were asked to review and dispose of any unneeded records before transfer to the new facility. Each box of records is now assigned a location number which is provided to the Record Storage employee when an Office requests information. Within the Controllers Office we have some recordings dating back to the 1800s which have been kept for historical purposes.

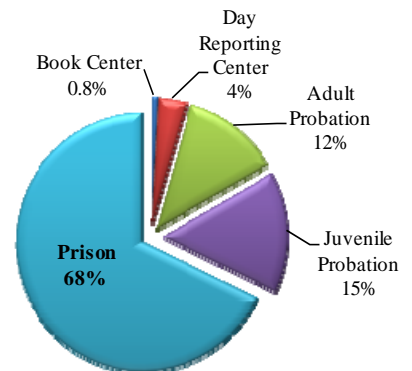


County Corrections

As noted on page 6, County Corrections account for 31¢ of your County Real Estate tax dollar. County Corrections is made up of the Prison, Central Booking Center, Day Reporting Center, and Probation (*both Adult and Juvenile*).



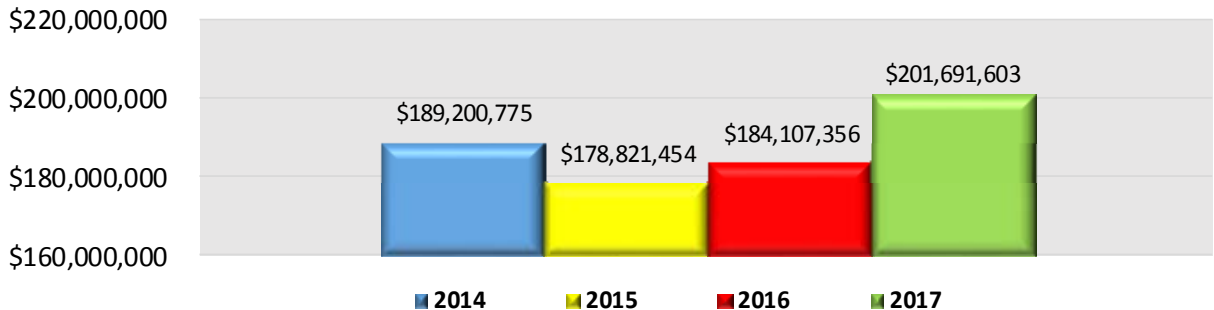
For 2017, \$11.4 million of your County tax dollars were used to facilitate County Corrections. The pie chart shows a breakdown of each portion of County Corrections with the Prison accounting for a majority of the cost at 68% or \$7.7 million.



Cambria County Retirement

The graph represents the Retirement Fund Market Value at year end. As of December 31, 2017, market value was **\$201,691,603**, breaking the \$200 million mark. A complete report of the Employee Retirement Trust Plan is available on the County's website, www.cambriacountypa.gov, under the Retirement Board area or by contacting the Controller's Office.

Retirement Fund Market Value at year end 12/31



March 2018

A Certificate of Transparency has been awarded to the

CAMBRIA COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

for its participation in the *2017 NCPERS Public Retirement Systems Study*.
This study seeks to further open disclosure, data collection, and encourage
the public's understanding of public retirement systems.



Hank Kim, Esq.
Executive Director & Counsel

In the Spotlight



COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

The Board of Commissioners are the chief governing body of Cambria County. The Commissioners are elected every four years by the citizens of Cambria County. Their statutory authority is primarily of an administrative nature and is set forth in the County Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as other legislation, adopted by the Pennsylvania General Assembly. The Commissioners appoint personnel, supervise County offices and programs, and contract, on behalf of the County, in a variety of program areas. As the fiscal managers of the County, the Commissioners are responsible for developing and adopting the annual budget, assessment of property, levying of taxes, and as necessary, the borrowing of funds for construction or capital projects. They are involved in various countywide initiatives from such matters as increasing economic development to monitoring the efficiency and effectiveness of County provided programs and services.

They also serve on the Salary Board, Retirement Board, and Prison Board (along with other County-elected officials), as well as serving on several human services boards. Commissioner meetings are generally held twice a month. A list of meeting dates and locations may be found at <https://www.cambriacountypa.gov/public-meeting-notes.aspx>.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE



The Controller's Office is comprised of the Elected Official and seven full time employees. The office is responsible for the fiscal affairs of Cambria County and to ensure that county finances are administered, recorded and reported in a legal and timely fashion. The office is also responsible for the administration of the county pension fund, county tax collectors and works closely with the constables who serve Cambria County courts. The office provides internal audits of tax collectors and district magistrates. The Controller, as Chief Financial Officer, is responsible to the tax payers of Cambria County to protect their best interests, ensure the accuracy and legality of all fiscal transactions, the keeping of the county books for the gathering of budget information, prescribing systems of accounting, approve all bills, claims and demands, and the preparation of vouchers and their authorization. Cambria County is committed to honest budgeting, responsible spending and financial transparency. **In this spirit, the Controller's Office has partnered with OpenGov to provide residents and stakeholders with the financial transparency portal. This portal is designed to bring visibility, openness, and accountability to our operations.** The transparency site can be found on the County's website at www.cambriacountypa.gov under County Transparency.

CAMBRIA COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS



Board of Commissioners

From left: Mark Wissinger, Thomas Chernisky, Chairman; and William "B.J." Smith, Vice-Chairman



Susan Kuhar, *Clerk of Courts*

Records all criminal court procedures, collects fines, costs and restitution for the Court of Common Pleas.



Ed Cernic, Jr., *Controller*

Ensures the accuracy and legality of fiscal transactions, administers county pension fund, works with county tax collectors and constables, processes accounts payable.



Jeffrey Lees, *Coroner*

Investigates sudden, unexplained violent, or suspicious deaths occurring in the County.



Kelly Callihan, *District Attorney*

Chief Law Enforcement Officer of Cambria County. Oversees the investigation and prosecution of criminal activity occurring within the county.



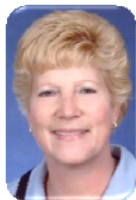
Debbie Martella, *Prothonotary*

Keeper of Civil records for the courts, processes passports and provides free public access to naturalization records from the early 1800s.



Ray Wendekier, *Recorder of Deeds*

Records all deeds, mortgages, and land related papers for County properties and collects PA realty transfer tax.



Patty Sharbaugh, *Register of Wills & Clerk of Orphan's Court*

Issuer of marriage licenses, records inheritance tax, adoptions, birth and death records and wills and estates.



Robert Kolar, *Sheriff*

Responsible for security at County buildings; County law enforcement such as serving bench warrants, and issues gun permits.



Lisa Kozorosky, *Treasurer*

Collects County Real Estate taxes for the City of Johnstown and lodging room rental tax. Issues dog, hunting, fishing, bingo and small game of chance licenses.

Guide to County Government

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
Commissioner	Thomas Chernisky	(814) 472-1600	
Commissioner	William “B.J.” Smith	(814) 472-1600	
Commissioner	Mark Wissinger	(814) 472-1600	
Controller	Ed Cernic, Jr.	(814) 472-1620	ecernic@co.cambria.pa.us
Clerk of Courts	Susan Kuhar	(814) 472-1540	skuhar@co.cambria.pa.us
Coroner	Jeffrey Lees	(814) 535-6222	lees@co.cambria.pa.us
District Attorney	Kelly Callihan	(814) 472-1680	
Prothonotary	Debbie Martella	(814) 472-1638	dmartella@co.cambria.pa.us
Recorder of Deeds	Ray Wendekier	(814) 472-1475	rwendekier@co.cambria.pa.us
Register of Wills	Patty Sharbaugh	(814) 472-1440	psharbaugh@co.cambria.pa.us
Sheriff	Robert Kolar	(814) 472-1690	sheriff@co.cambria.pa.us
Treasurer	Lisa Kozorosky	(814) 472-1643	lkozorosky@co.cambria.pa.us

24/7 Warrant Hotline

(814) 472-8395

Push out the Pusher

1-800-548-7500

Crisis Intervention Hotline	1-877-268-9463
Area Agency on Aging	(814) 539-5595
Behavioral Health / Intellectual	(814) 535-8531
Disabilities / Early Intervention Program	
Children & Youth Services	(814) 539-7454
Drug & Alcohol	(814) 536-5388
Conservation District	(814) 472-2120
Cost & Fines	(814) 472-1551
Court Administrator	(814) 472-1552
Domestic Relations	1-800-638-4409
Duman Park	(814) 472-8390
Election Office	(814) 472-1464
Jury Selection Division	(814) 472-1501
Non-Emergency Number	(814) 472-2100
Tax Assessment Office	(814) 472-1451
Tax Claim Bureau	(814) 472-1445
Veteran Affairs	(814) 472-1590



Do you suspect Fraud or Abuse is occurring within Cambria County? Contact the Controller's Office.

Keep it confidential....

- Mail your tip to: The Controller's Office, 200 S Center St., Ebensburg, PA 15931
- Call (814) 472-1623

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