



GALLOWAY TOWNSHIP

*COMMITMENT
TO
COMMUNITY*

2015

MUNICIPAL BUDGET PRESENTATION

April 14, 2015

Public Hearing April 28, 2015

INTRODUCTION

- Budget year 2014 presented a challenge to Township administration:
 - Reassessment
 - Decrease in net valuation
 - Unprecedented snow/storm season
 - Decrease in Revenues
 - Abandoned development
 - Crumbling Infrastructure

2014 GOALS

- Continue to provide a high quality of services to the community in the most efficient manner

In 2014, Galloway continued to provide a high quality of services to the community. No services were cut, some services were partially restored (bulk pick-up for seniors), and some new services were added (Nutrition Center at the Senior Center)

- Stabilize budget given the impact of the reassessment.

The 2015 budget has been stabilized BUT ongoing scrutiny and fiscal restraint must be exercised to ensure long-term stability.

◉ Institute forward-planning

Galloway has constructed a long range (5 year forecast to permit better planning and oversight.

◉ Aggressively pursue conscientious development

The Township, Mayor and Council are actively pursuing conscientious development. In 2014 there were 39 PB/ZB applications (23 in 2013) and 1076 construction permits issued.

2015 GOALS

- ◉ Continue to meet the ongoing challenges of 2013 - 2014
- ◉ Continue forward planning.
- ◉ Provide an on-going commitment to community
- ◉ Become more administratively efficient, including but not limited to going “paperless” where possible; institute credit cards payments at POS; and destroying paperwork/records as permitted by DARM.

2015 GOALS

- Pursue tax liabilities of for profits on non-profit property.
- Analyze and revise leaf collection methodology, use of compost site and recycling centers.
- Institute Clean Up Galloway campaign.
- Pursue alternative energy sourcing.

2015 GOALS

- Continue to pursue conscientious development, redevelopment and long term planning.
- Meet infrastructure needs of the Community

2015 BUDGET YEAR

WHERE DO WE
STAND?

DECREASE IN “PENNY”



2013: \$353,037

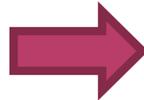
2014: \$271,340

2015: \$271,065

DECREASE IN AVERAGE HOME VALUE



2013: \$236,700



2014: \$167,400



2015: \$166,865

TAX APPEALS

- TAX APPEALS - the revaluation, held in 2013 and applied in 2014, was a result of the skewed ratio of value and the precipitous drop in equalized valuation in Galloway Township. The high volume of tax appeals in 2012 and 2013, resulted in the Township financing TARNS (Tax Appeal Refunding Notes).

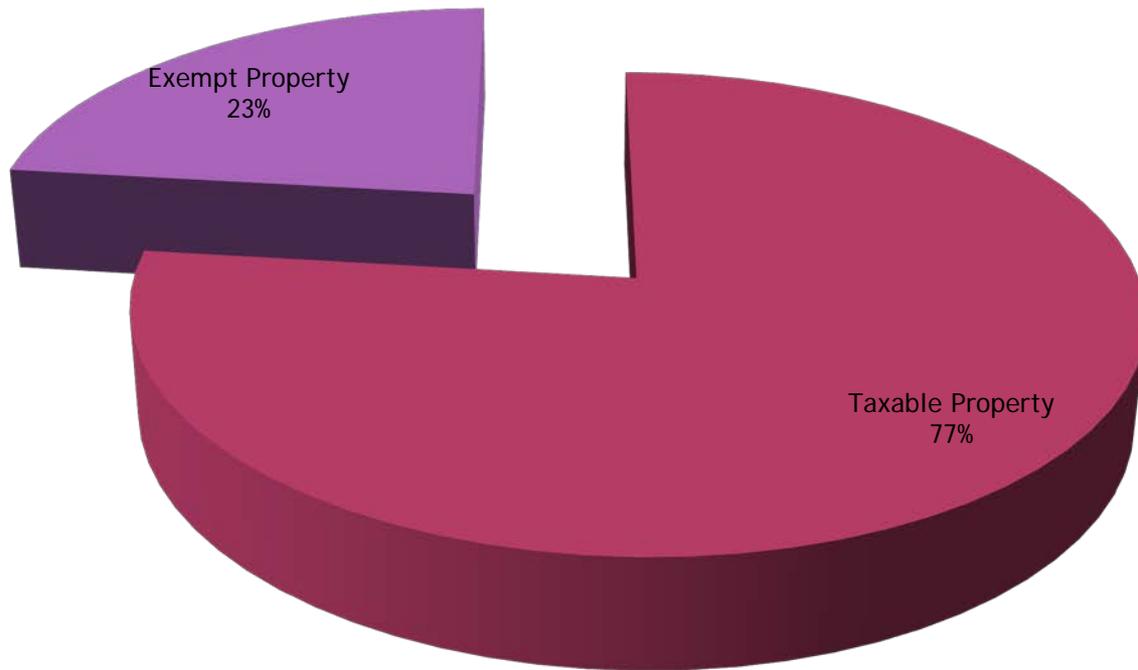
TAX APPEALS						
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015*
No. of APPEALS	717	1,080	1,891	2,950	356	462

EXEMPT PROPERTY

- Exempt property is 818,395,697 in 2015. For 2014 it was 815,827,497. An increase of \$2,568,200.
- Exempt property for 2015 represent 23.23% overall.

EXEMPT PROPERTY VALUES VS. TAXABLE PROPERTY VALUES

% 2015 Exempt Property Values



STATE AID

- For the past three years, Galloway has received ZERO CMPTRA State Aid and ETR (Energy Tax Receipts) has remained stagnant.
- In the past seven (7) years, “state aid” of Legislative Block Grants, Supplemental Energy Receipts Tax, Homeland Security and Pinelands Property Tax Stabilization has disappeared.
- Since CY2007, Galloway has lost over \$1,229,764 in State Aid.

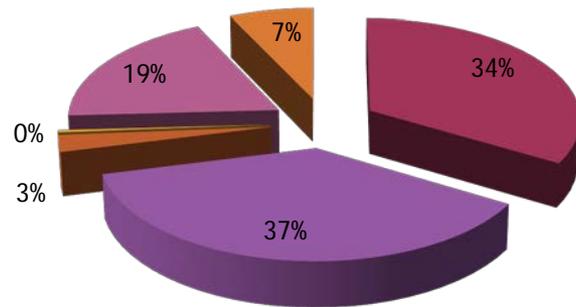
STATE AID

	TOTAL	CMPTRA	ETR	Leg InitiativeBlock Grant	Supp Energy Receipts	Garden State Trust	Homeland Security	Pinelands Prop Tax Stabilization	Watershed Moratorium	Muni Prop Tax Assistance
2000	\$3,267,216	1,071,116	1,967,394	102,085	115,387	-			11,234	
2001	\$3,338,956	1,113,961	1,981,279	102,085	115,387	14,673			11,571	
2002	\$3,355,163	1,113,961	1,981,279	122,371	115,387	22,165				
2003	\$3,375,531	1,061,544	2,055,187	122,371	115,387	21,042				
2004	\$3,466,004	1,061,544	2,146,360	122,371	115,387	20,342				
2005	\$3,747,383	982,383	2,225,521	122,371	115,387	19,148	140,000	134,865	7,708	
2006	\$3,746,016	877,042	2,330,862	122,371	115,387	17,781	140,000	134,865	7,708	
2007	\$3,811,048	742,498	2,465,406	122,371	115,387	16,099	140,000	134,865	7,708	66,714
2008	\$3,456,120	575,664	2,608,079	-	115,387	14,417	-	134,865	7,708	
2009	\$3,381,030	371,038	2,739,649	-	115,387	12,383	-	134,865	7,708	
2010	\$2,584,901	175,851	2,390,491	-	-	10,851	-	-	7,708	
2011	\$2,581,284	125,698	2,440,644	-	-	7,234			7,708	
2012	\$2,581,284	38,438	2,527,904	-		7,234			7,708	
2013	\$2,581,284		2,566,342	-		7,234			7,708	
2014	\$2,581,284		2,566,342			7,234			7,708	
2015	\$2,581,284		2,566,342			7,234			7,708	

WHERE DO YOUR MUNICIPAL TAX DOLLARS GO?

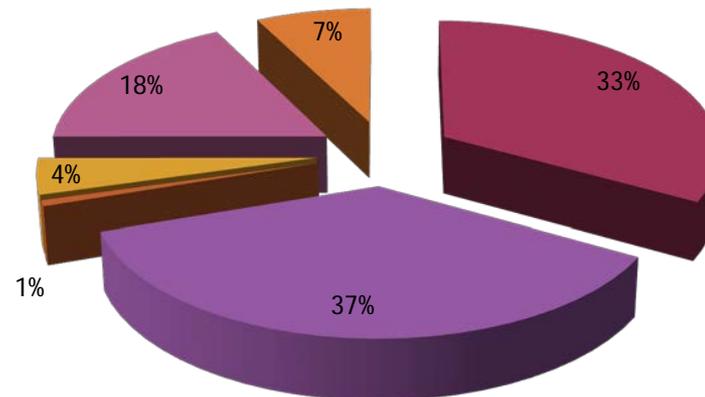
2014 Appropriations

- SW
- Def Charges & Other
- Debt Service
- OE
- Capital Improvements
- RUT

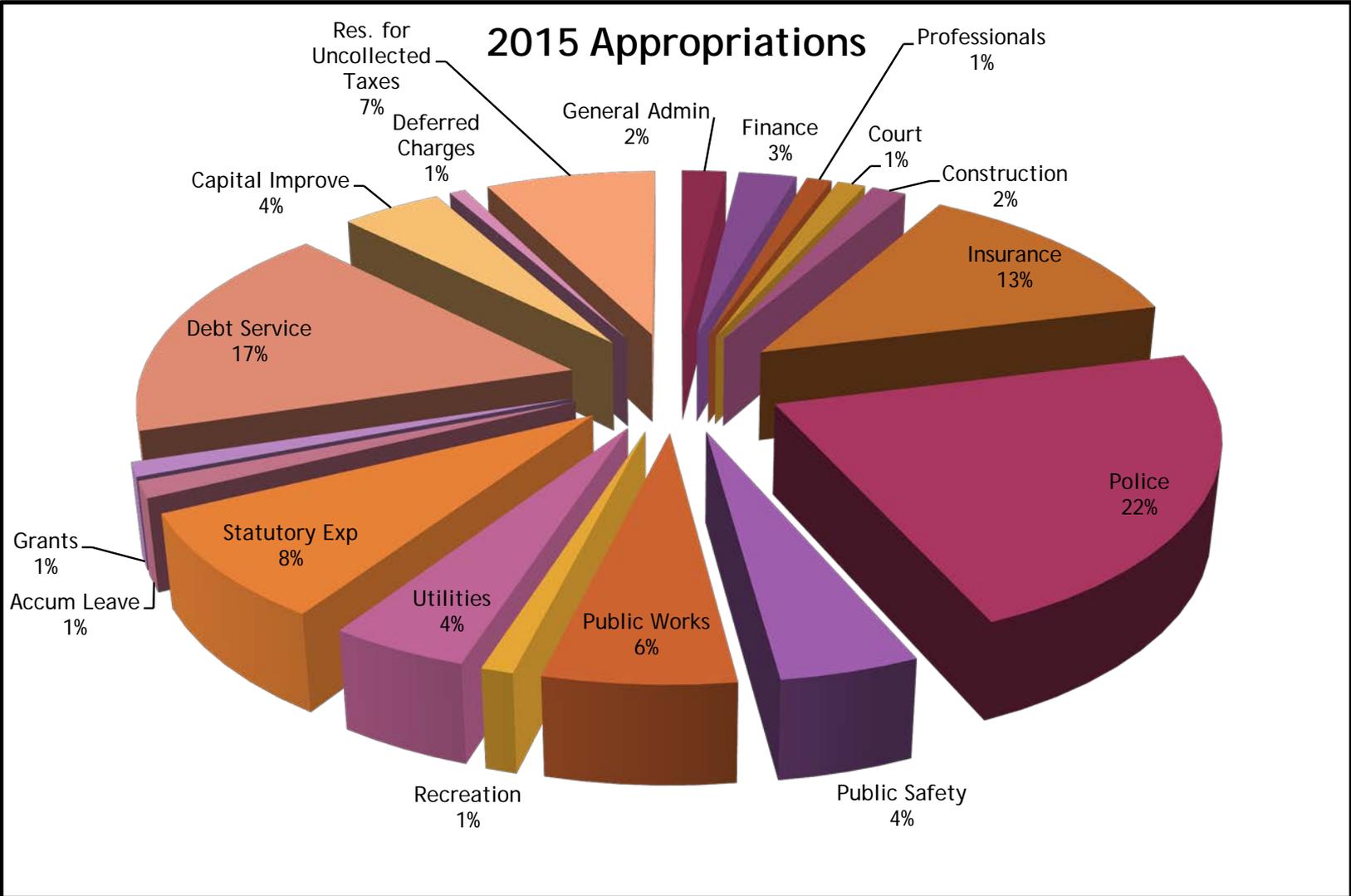


2015P APPROPRIATIONS

- SW
- DC & OTHER
- Debt Service
- OE
- Capital Improvements
- RUT

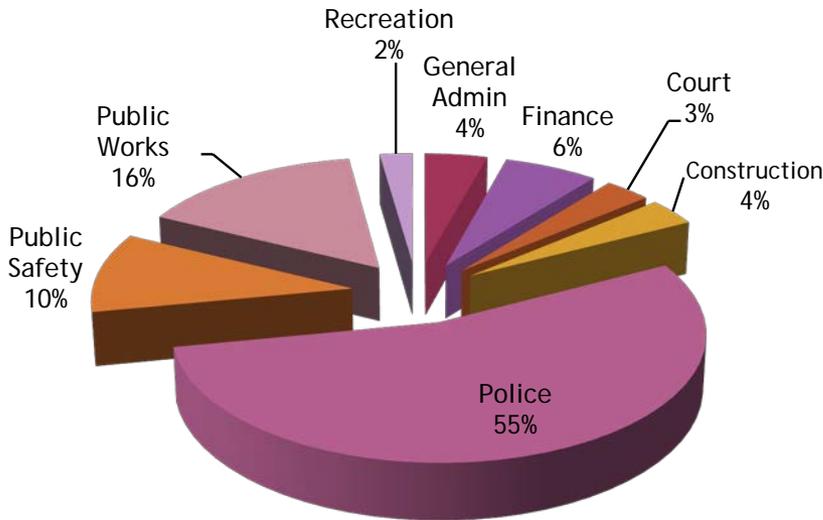


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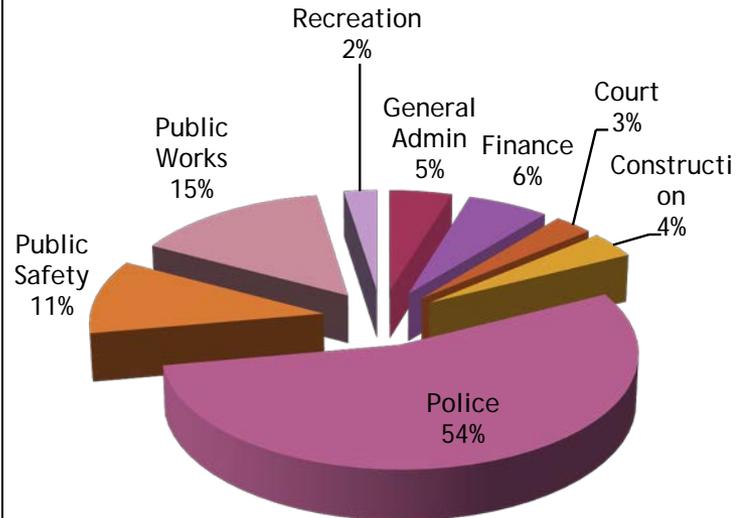
DEPARTMENTAL SPENDS

2014 Departmental Breakdown



\$10,694,036 Total Department Spend

2015 Departmental Spends



\$11,217,774 Total Department Spend

WHERE DO YOUR MUNICIPAL TAX DOLLARS GO? 2014



55%: Police

15%: Public Works

11%: Public Safety

6%: Finance

4%: Construction

5%: General Administration

3%: Courts (3%); Recreation (2%)

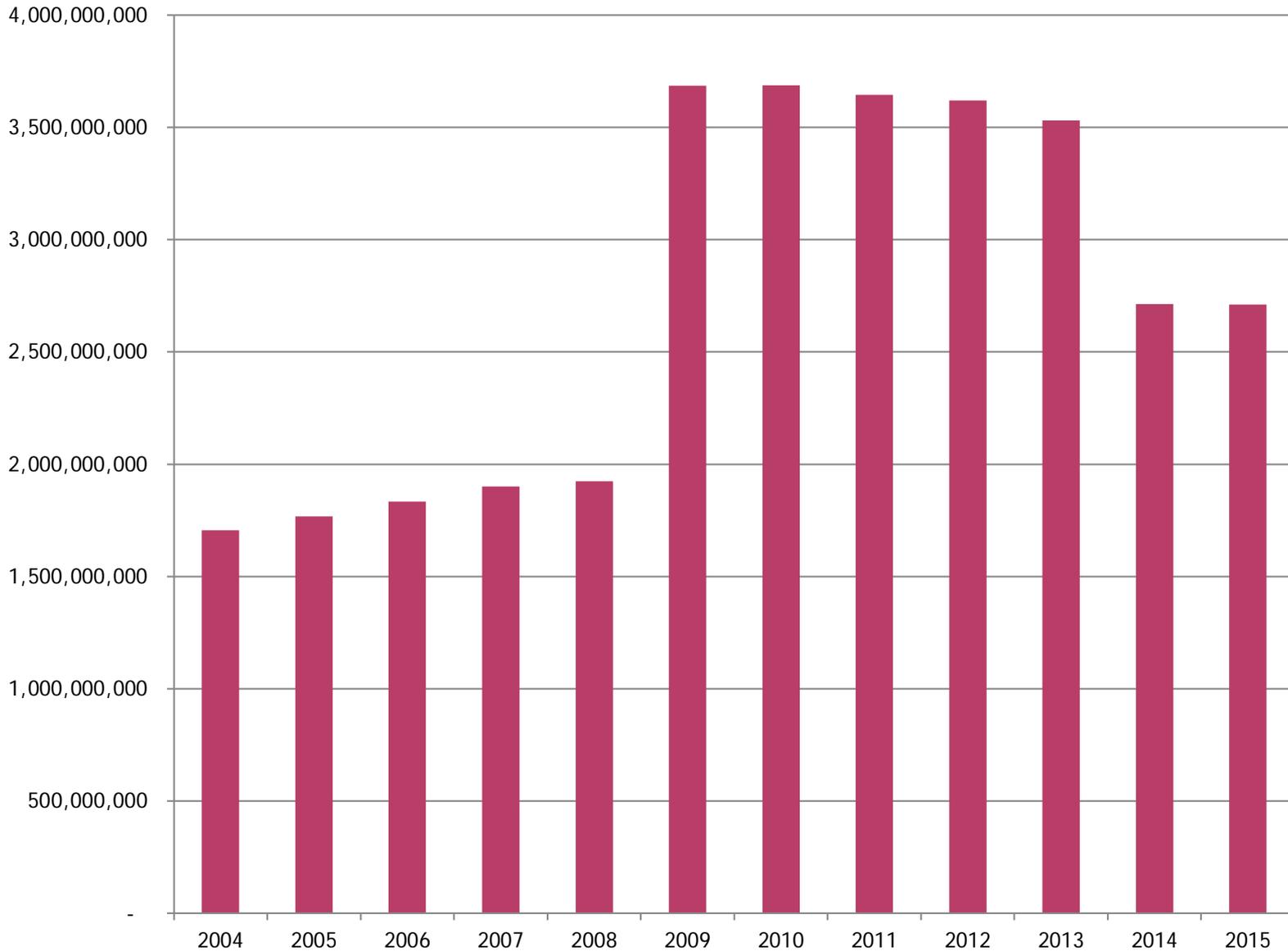
2015 REALITIES

- ◉ What does this mean?
- ◉ Atlantic City in 2014-2015 lost 4 casinos and an additional ~\$4 BILLION (11.81 B to 7.34 B) is aggregate true value.
- ◉ Atlantic City's is facing a \$101 shortfall with \$128 million needed to "stabilize "this year's budget.
- ◉ County share is likely to increase.

NET VALUATION

- In 2014, one of the challenges presented was the severe DECREASE in the net valuation from \$3,530,376,887 (2013) to \$2,713,409,772 (2014) - loss of approximately \$817 MILLION dollars.
- The preliminary 2015 net valuation for Galloway is \$2,710,530,146 , which represents a DECREASE of \$2,755,626.

NET VALUATION



SCHOOL DISTRICT

- GT School District up 2.4 cents
- Regional School District up 1.6 cents
- Total School Budgets up 4 cents
- \$100,000 home = \$40.00
- Average \$166,666 = \$56.40

COUNTY

- County budget, tax rate will probably not be certified until June
- Dependent on “PILOT” with Atlantic City
- County share for remaining municipalities likely to increase

ATLANTIC CITY “EFFECT”

- ◉ Devaluation of property
- ◉ Loss of jobs for residents
- ◉ With loss of jobs comes less support for the businesses in the community
- ◉ Higher proportion of County taxes

SNOWED IN

SNOW & ICE CONTROL			
	2013	2014	*2015
REGULAR HOURS	307.5	1312.5	797.5
REGULAR COST	5,889.01	25,468.02	15,796.50
OVERTIME HOURS	146.5	912.5	941.75
OVERTIME COST	4,363.51	29,897.35	29,721.31
DOUBLE TIME HOURS	66.5	18.25	129.0
DOUBLE TIME COST	2,779.29	942.35	5,349.58
MEALS	120.00	1,264.00	752.00
SALT TONS USED	990.5	2159.0	2444.8
SALT COST	55,151.04	120,213.12	156,223.36
PRICE PER TON	55.68	55.68	63.90
* Totals only include January - March			

2015 BUDGET IN A NUTSHELL

- The 2015 Budget is very conservative and incorporates long range planning. It is a proactive Budget, rather than a reactive budget.

2015 BUDGET

- Reorganization of Departments
- Realignment and distribution of payroll charges and allocations.
- Moving items to “own” budget lines for transparency.
- Continued planning for infrastructure and equipment demands.

2015 BUDGET

- ◉ Decrease of ONE CENT
- ◉ Budget includes:
 - One additional FT PD Police Officer
 - One additional FT PD SLEO
 - One additional FT PW CDL Maintenance Personnel
 - One additional FT Mechanic
 - PT to FT Court Personnel
 - PT to FT Community Services Personnel
 - Transfer of FT to Sustainable/PW/Codes for Clean Up Galloway/Illegal Dumping Campaign

2015 BUDGET

- Includes prudent use of surplus while building the surplus to Moody's and other rating agency standards.

TAKING THE BURDEN OFF THE TAXPAYER

- Reviewing Ordinances to institute and revise user fees:
 - Recreation/Sports Ordinance
 - Hotel/Motel Taxes
 - Grease Trap Ordinance (under revision)

TAKING THE BURDEN OFF THE TAXPAYER

- Instituted solely Community funded events:
 - Fireworks (first time in 20 years)
 - Tree lighting ceremony (first time in at least 5 year)

BONDING

- In 2014 adopted a \$4,470,000 General Obligation Bond and a \$2,200,000 Sewer Utility Bond.
- Through prudent use of surplus and planning, and Department employees getting the best price possible, we were able to move (thus far), approximately \$550,000 from the GO bond to “pay as you go” budgetary items.

GRANTS

- All Departments are aggressively pursuing grants in order that the Township meet its Organizational and Fiscal Sustainability Goals.

WRAP UP

- Have we turned the corner yet?
 - No, but the corner is in sight
- Long range planning and conservative stewardship will fortify our long range planning goals
- Still faced with many uncertainties, Galloway is on firmer fiscal footing than it has been in the past.