

## FY2024 New Castle County Budget

- **5% tax credit to New Castle County homeowners. The County has increased its tax reserves by 400% over the past six years.**
- **\$138,965,000 is expected from real property taxes. Part of the reserves (\$15 million) will defray costs of the County-wide reassessment.**
- **The approved budget is \$331,422,408 budget (4% increase). The capital budget totals \$75,098,163, including general and sewer fund projects; rest will cover operating expenses.**
- **Spending for community development and housing assistance increases 50% which includes Section 8 waivers and rollout of the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, which will provide lead remediation to housing units, prioritizing households with children.**
- **Wilmington's Hope Center's operations budget is \$5 million (~2000 clients) .**
- **Both police and emergency medical services will see 5% and 10% increases respectively, to fill vacancies within each division.**
- **\$2.7 Million will go toward new equipment for police and EMS workers, and new paramedic stations.**
- **The parks budget for ~250 parks (\$8 million capital budget) will include 25 new pickleball courts, a second turf field at Banning Park, upgrades to walking paths and softball fields at Delcastle Recreational Park and a new indoor track facility.**