TAXES: Where Your Dollars Go

	PER EACH \$10	PER EACH \$100 OF COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES		
COUNTY BUDGET EXPENSES NET OF DIRECT AND INDIRECT REVENUES	MANDATED TAX \$	NON-MANDATED TAX \$	TOTAL TAX \$	
MEDICAID	9.72		9.72	
JAIL	9.56		9.56	
SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS	5.81		5.81	
DEBT SERVICE	5.23		5.23	
SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS	4.72		4.72	
COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE	4.45		4.45	
SHERIFF	4.04	10.39	14.43	
COMMUNITY COLLEGE	2.96		2.96	
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES	2.85	(0.03)	2.82	
FACILITY MAINTENANCE	2.64		2.64	
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	1.80		1.80	
FINANCE DEPARTMENT	1.77		1.77	
PROBATION DEPARTMENT	1.74	0.07	1.81	
HIGHWAY & FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION	1.72		1.72	
BOARD OF ELECTIONS	1.66	•	1.66	
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY	1.47	-	1.47	
DEPARTMENT OF LAW	1.27		1.27	
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	1.18	·	1.18	
INDIGENT LEGAL DEFENSE	0.99	(a)	0.99	
LEGISLATIVE BOARD	0.97		0.97	
PERSONNEL DEPT	0.96	0.01	0.97	
INSURANCE	0.64		0.64	
COUNTY PLANNING/ SOIL & WATER	0.56	0.08	0.64	
CORONERS	0.40		0.40	

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5	TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE INTEREST	0.35	-	0.35	
6	COUNTY CLERK	0.33	(0.99)	(0.66	
7	JUDGEMENT AND CLAIMS	0.25	-	0.25	
8	REAL PROPERTY	0.24		0.24	
9	AUDIT DEPT	0.08	0.39	0.46	
0	JUDICIAL EXPENSE	0.07	-	0.07	
1	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	0.04	-	0.04	
2	TAXES & ASSESSMENTS ON COUNTY PROPERTY	0.03		0.03	
3	COUNTY EXECUTIVE		0.67	0.67	
4	PURCHASING	-	0.37	0.37	
5	CONSUMER AFFAIRS, WEIGHTS & MEASURES	(0.20)		(0.20	
6	RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE		3.89	3.89	
7	OFFICE FOR THE AGING SERVICES		3.75	3.75	
8	EMERGENCY SERVICES & E911		3.10	3.10	
9	CONTINGENCY FUND		1.42	1.42	
0	COUNTY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		1.39	1.39	
1	DEPARTMENT OF IT/GIS		1.20	1.20	
2	NON PROFIT AGENCIES - QUALITY OF LIFE SERVICES		1.05	1.05	
3	PART BUS SYSTEM		0.98	0.98	
4	PARKS AND RECREATION		0.82	0.82	
5	YOUTH BUREAU		0.46	0.46	
6	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM		0.37	0.37	
7	COUNTY HISTORIAN		0.13	0.13	
8	VETERANS SERVICES		0.11	0.11	
9	OFFICE FOR THE DISABLED		0.05	0.05	
0	DUES		0.03	0.03	
	TOTAL	70.31	29.69	100.00	

MEDICAID: The Facts You Need To Know

Medicaid was created by the Social Security Amendment of 1965 and instituted in New York State in 1966. Medicaid was created as an entitlement program to help states provide medical coverage to low income families and other categorically eligible populations including blind, disabled and pregnant women.

Whereas Medicare guaranteed medical coverage for persons over the age of 65 (considered elderly in that day) and younger persons who were blind, in end state renal disease or with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Medicaid was needed to cover those with low incomes.

While Medicare was a program funded by 100% federal funds, Medicaid is a program that requires state and federal funding and in the case of New York State and North Carolina, local tax dollars as well

For Medicaid, the actual income is taken into effect. Assets are not considered unless one is disabled over the age of 65 or SSI related. For example, if you own a house and a car the house you live in (primary residence) is not considered a resource. If your income is below a certain level (e.g. \$14,300 for a family of 2) you qualify for Medicaid even if you own a home worth a million dollars.

The combination of the requirement that Putnam County pays towards Medicaid costs and the fact that the intent of Medicaid has extended from just coverage for people on "welfare or home relief" to the coverage of even working families, has created a large unfunded mandate for Putnam County.

Medicaid has expanded to be the insurance system for the working poor.

In Putnam County, while our share of Medicaid has been capped for several years, we still contributed \$9,896,302 of local tax for Medicaid assistance for Putnam residents.

Today, 6,217 Putnam residents are receiving Medicaid benefits. Of those, 215 receive them because they are in the safety net for Temporary Assistance to needy Families, i.e. they are the persons receiving public assistance.

1,068 of the 6,217 people are receiving SSI, which means they are disabled and receiving Medicare and Medicaid. 49 person are receiving Medicaid because they are pregnant and without insurance. The remainder of our Medicaid population is made up of elderly receiving Long Term Care of Personal Care, those that are disabled but not on SSI, and persons who are eligible either because they have low incomes (but not on public assistance.)





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