2018 ALBANY COUNTY EXECUTIVE BUDGET

DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

D: PUBLIC WORKS / DM: ROAD MACHINERY MAINTENANCE



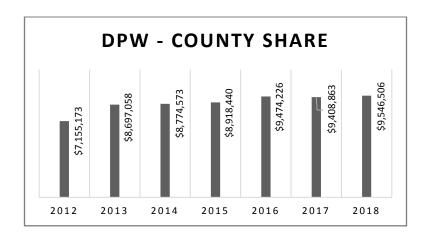
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MISSION STATEMENT

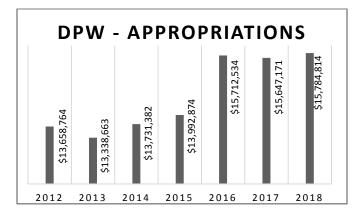
The mission of the Department of Public Works is to ensure that all County roadways, bridges, trails, recreation areas, and specific New York State highways are safe and accessible.

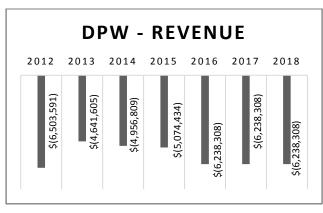
ABOUT OUR DEPARTMENT

The Department of Public Works prepares and executes plans for the construction, repair, and maintenance of all County roadways and bridges and specific State highways in Albany County to ensure that they are safe, hazard free and accessible for travel. Other departmental responsibilities include plowing roads during inclement winter weather, determining appropriate traffic signage and signals, maintaining County owned trails and recreation areas, and operating the County vehicle maintenance shop. In order to prevent or minimize traffic related injuries and fatalities in Albany County, the Department plays a role in educating the public regarding best traffic safety practices, conducts safety checks to ensure that child safety seats are properly installed and works with local law enforcement and traffic safety agencies to increase vehicle seat belt compliance. The Department has its main office at the County Highway Garage in the Town of New Scotland and maintains seven subdivisions throughout Albany County (Berne, Coeymans, Colonie, Knox, New Scotland, Rensselaerville and Westerlo) to facilitate service delivery.

2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CHALLENGES

- Pave phase III of the Albany County Rail Trail
- Complete the remediation project at 449 New Salem Road
- Complete the feasibility study of existing Public Works facilities in conjunction with a study of possible combined facilities with local Town Highway departments
- Complete pipe rehabilitation project on County Route 55 in Bethlehem
- Complete pavement recycling projects on County Route 101 in Coeymans and County Route 14 in Berne
- Reconstruct County Route 10 bridge in Berne (Huntersland)
- Reconstruct County Route 9 bridge in West Berne
- Crack seal 23 center lane miles of various County roadways
- Recycle 7.05 center lane miles of County roadways
- Pave 22.5 center lane miles of County roadways
- Design County Route 352 bridge replacement in Rensselaerville
- Design Weaver Road bridge
- Continue to utilize shared services with other municipalities





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2018 GOALS AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

- Resurface 25 center lane miles of County roadway
- Reconstruct/Replace 3 culverts in the Town of Westerlo
- Design County Route 253 Bridge over rail road tracks
- Design County Route 402 bridge
- Reconstruction of County Route 11 and State Route 85 intersection
- Continue our building assessment/design with possible shared facilities.
- Design large culvert replacements (4) at various sites within Albany County.
- Construct County Route 352 (Fox Creek Road) in the Town of Rensselaerville.
- Construct Weaver Road over the Black Creek in the Town of Guilderland.
- Recycle 25 center lane miles of County roadways
- Continue to crack seal 20+/- miles of County roadways

Our day to day operations include public interaction. Throughout the course of the year our Department provided services for several County, Town, and Village Departments.

In 2017 we plan on finishing our building infrastructure survey that encompasses all of our facilities. The survey results will help us determine if we should construct a shared services facility at one of our sub-divisions. The goal would be to incorporate other local government offices at our facilities with energy efficient and structural upgrades. The proposed facility would open the possibility of combined material storage, shared fuel stations and equipment storage. We feel that by doing this we can create a shared service environment with hill town government which will lower costs incurred by the County.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET CHANGES

The bulk of our budget increases are the result of collective bargaining agreements that took place in 2017.