

2018 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Department of Consumer Protection

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Department's Mission

Protect consumers by ensuring a fair and equitable marketplace by implementing and enforcing the County Consumer Protection Code, County Licensing Laws and New York State Agriculture and Market Law as it relates to Weights and Measures.

2018 Goals

- **Restore inspector and administrative staffing levels to enforce consumer protection code and trades licensing laws and fulfill important New York State Weights and Measures mandates protecting consumers**
- **Achieve efficiencies through technology in the processing and administration of licensing applications**
- **Continue to seek partnerships with county departments, trades associations and local municipalities toward greater code and licensing enforcement presence**
- **Maintain and enhance robust outreach and consumer education program, including through social media platforms**
- **Recommend updates to Consumer Code and Licensing Laws**

2018 Proposed Budget

Operating Expenses	-	\$1,754,085
Revenues	-	\$2,986,650
Tax Levy	-	(\$1,232,565)

Service Indicators

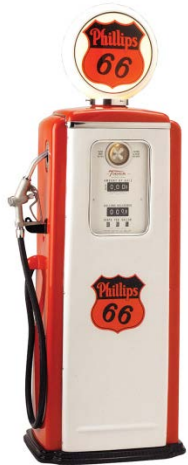
	2016	2017	2018 (EST)
Value of Goods and Services Recovered	\$419,791	\$450,000	\$450,000
Number of Complaints Filed	574	800	800
Number of Licensees	10,335	10,350	10,350
Number of Businesses Visited	2,253	1,855	1,775
Number of Devices Inspected	9,160	8,396	8,200

Comparison 2016 to 2018

2016 Departmental Tax Levy (Actual):	(\$1,317,096)
2017 Departmental Tax Levy (Projected):	(\$1,198,684)
2018 Departmental Tax Levy (Budgeted):	(\$1,232,565)

2017 Departmental Position Count:	21
2018 Departmental Position Count:	21

Gasoline Prices 2016-2017



Date	PPG	Date	PPG
10/2017	\$2.605	10/2016	\$2.334
9/2017	\$2.793	9/2016	\$2.304
8/2017	\$2.480	8/2016	\$2.316
7/2017	\$2.417	7/2016	\$2.393
6/2017	\$2.469	6/2016	\$2.418
5/2017	\$2.486	5/2016	\$2.362
4/2017	\$2.475	4/2016	\$2.190
3/2017	\$2.420	3/2016	\$1.994
2/2017	\$2.462	2/2016	\$1.939
1/2017	\$2.519	1/2016	\$2.108

Gasoline Dispenser “Skimmer” Investigations Continue

A “skimmer” is a device capable of stealing banking information encoded on credit/debit cards.

