



# Cortland Enlarged City School District Budget Hearing 2023



**Barry Primary**



**Smith Intermediate**



**Randall Middle**



**Junior High School**



**Cortland High School**





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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Brenna Hogan  
Softball



Ethan Johnson  
Baseball

## Section III



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## School Budget Process

- REQUIREMENT: Projected Expenses and Revenues must match
- GOAL: Maintain programs for students
- Budget Process
  - Expenses: Budget requests are reviewed
  - Expenses: Payroll and other contractual obligations are determined
  - Revenue: State Aid and Tax Levy Limit are calculated
  - Adjustments are made to expense and revenue projections
  - Revenue: Remaining expenses are covered with District funds
    1. Appropriated Fund Balance (Carry-over funds)
    2. Reserves (District savings)
    3. Tax Levy Override



# 2023-24 Proposed Revenue Budget

	<u>2022-23 Budget</u>	<u>2023-24 Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>	
<b><u>BUDGETED EXPENSES:</u></b>	<b><u>\$51,565,151</u></b>	<b><u>\$54,508,998</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,943,847</u></b>	<b><u>5.71%</u></b>
State Aid	\$31,741,542	\$32,090,698	\$349,156	1.1%
Miscellaneous	\$935,150	\$935,150	\$0	0.0%
PILOTs	\$160,600	\$165,730	\$5,130	3.2%
<u>Local Tax Levy</u>	<u>\$18,227,859</u>	<u>\$19,959,506</u>	<u>\$1,731,647</u>	<u>9.5%</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>	<b>\$51,065,151</b>	<b>\$53,151,084</b>	<b>\$2,085,933</b>	<b>4.08%</b>
Assigned Fund Balance	\$400,000	\$672,914		
<u>Appropriated Reserves</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$685,000</u>		
<b>TOTAL REVENUE:</b>	<b>\$51,565,151</b>	<b>\$54,508,998</b>	<b>\$2,943,847</b>	<b>5.71%</b>



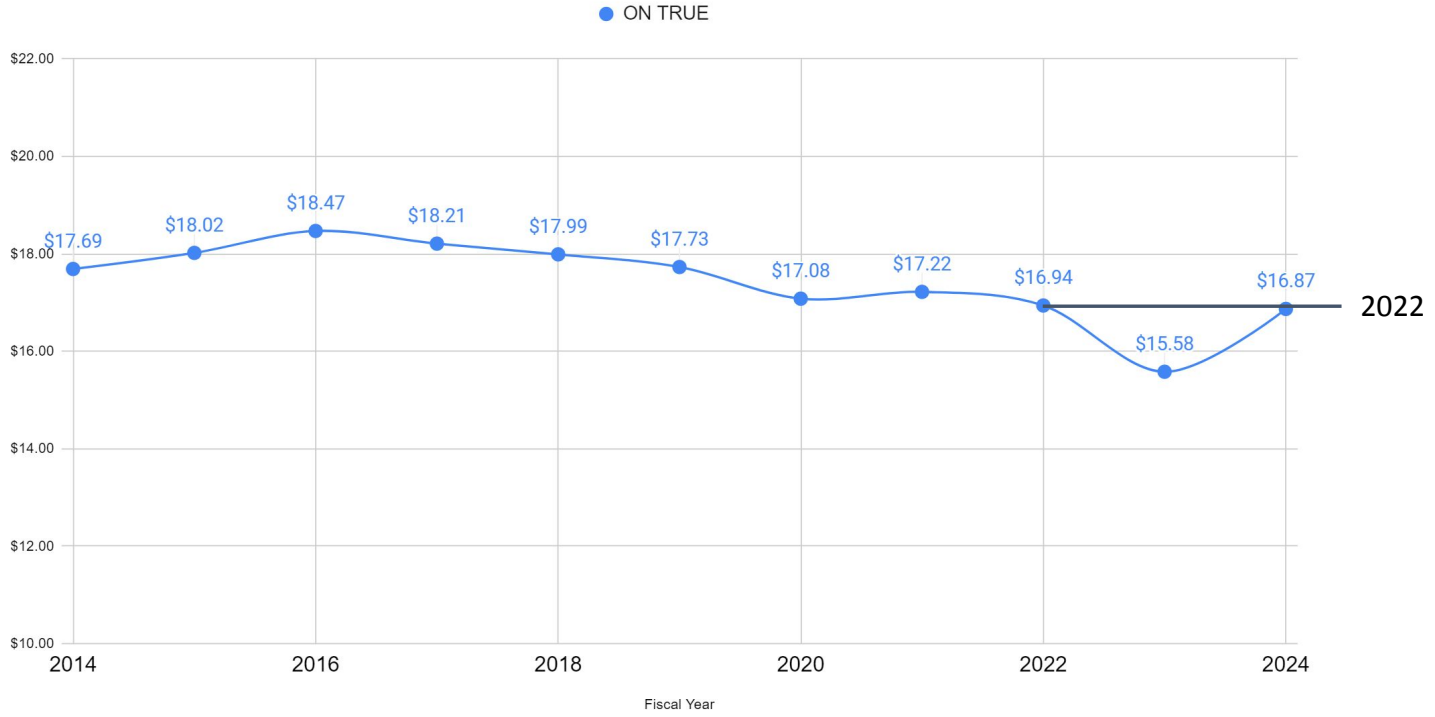
# Historical Budget to Budget Increases

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>CPI</b>	<b>Tax Levy</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>Reserves</b>	<b>Fund Balance</b>
2018-19:	0.00%	2.13%	1.23%	\$17.73	\$1,875,887	\$500,000
2019-20:	0.00%	2.44%	2.00%	\$17.08	\$764,171	\$500,000
2020-21:	1.20%	1.81%	1.09%	\$17.22	\$0	\$500,000
2021-22:	1.35%	1.23%	2.01%	\$16.94	\$0	\$308,359
2022-23:	1.41%	4.70%	0.67%	\$15.58	\$100,000	\$400,000
<b>2023-24:</b>	<b>5.71%</b>	<b>8.00%</b>	<b>9.50%</b>	<b>\$16.87</b>	<b>\$685,000</b>	<b>\$672,914</b>

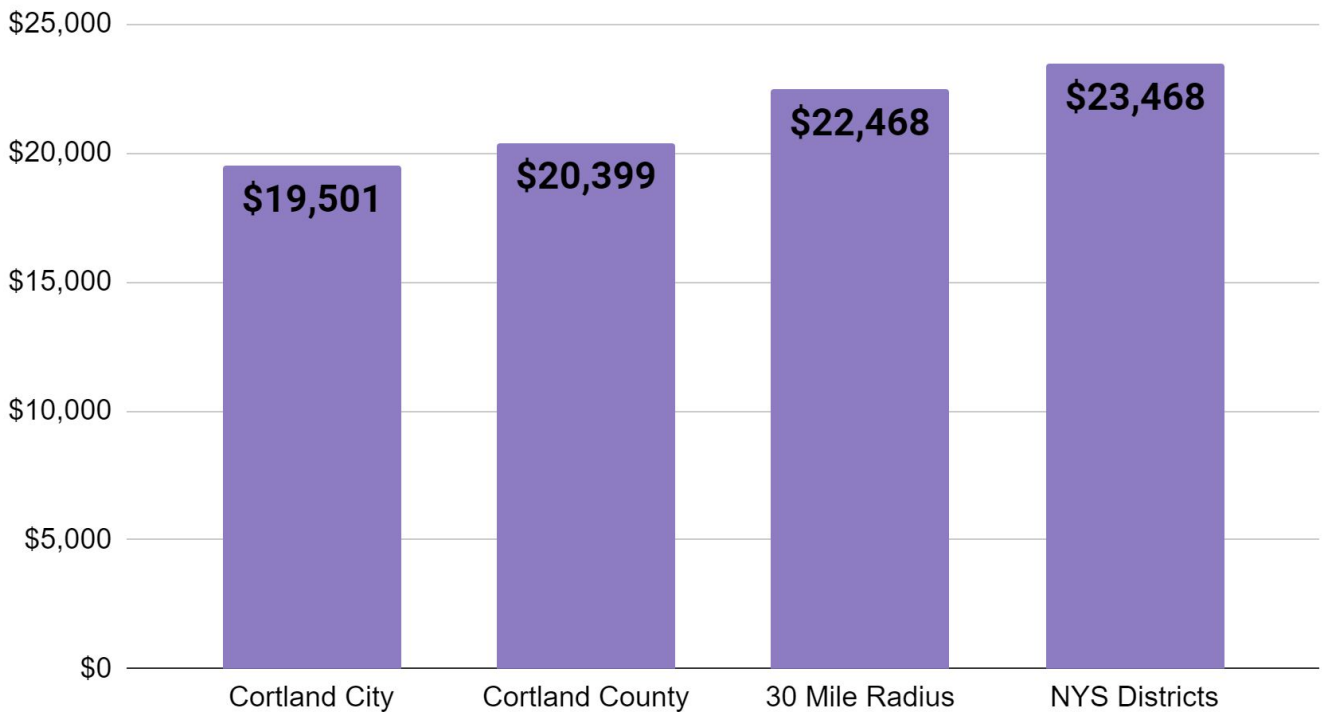
Average Budget to Budget Increase for OCM districts is **6.26%**

Note: Actual Tax Rates are set in July/August 2023  
 The projected Tax Rate for FY 2024 is based on assessments as of March 2023.

### Historical Tax Rates (per \$1,000 of assessed value)



### Per Pupil Expenditures 2020-2021







## Increases in Expenses for 2023-24

- Large increases in expenses
  - Payroll: 5.79% \$1,223,060 increase
  - Tuition: 11.83% \$100,000 increase
  - BOCES services: 6.42% \$477,150 increase
  - Health Insurance: 13.02% \$1,103,534 increase
  - Liability Insurance: 7.67% \$18,400 increase
- One-time expenses
  - Building Condition Survey \$200,000 (once every 5 years)

Total Increases listed above: **\$2,922,144**

*Note:* Typical budget to budget increases are around \$700,000  
Current budget to budget increase is **\$2,943,847**



## Decreases in Expenses for 2023-24

In recognition of the increases in expenses across many categories, the proposed budget for 2023-24 will experience reductions in the following

<u>Category</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Travel/Conferences	(\$19,299)	- 2.50%
Equipment	(\$17,000)	- 10.00%
Repairs	(\$18,100)	- 9.50%
<u>RAN Interest</u>	<u>(\$160,000)</u>	<u>- 100.00%</u>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>(\$218,449)</b>	<b>- 32.3%</b>



# Three-Part Budget 2023-24

	<u>2022-23 Actual</u>	<u>2023-24 Projected</u>	<u>Change</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$51,565,151</b>	<b>\$54,508,998</b>	<b>\$2,943,847</b>
<b>Three-Part Budget:</b>			
Administrative	\$4,458,963	<b>\$4,571,833</b>	\$112,870
Program	\$38,590,283	<b>\$41,110,968</b>	\$2,520,685
Capital	\$8,515,905	<b>\$8,826,197</b>	\$310,292



# Administrative Component: 8.4% of Budget

	<u>2022-23 Actual</u>	<u>2023-24 Projected</u>	<u>Change</u>	
Board of Education	\$42,050	\$40,250	(\$1,800)	-4.28%
Central Administration	\$413,900	\$416,650	\$2,750	0.66%
Central Support	\$1,319,000	\$1,364,213	\$45,213	3.43%
Supervision	\$1,184,950	\$1,202,400	\$17,450	1.47%
Staff Development	\$119,500	\$112,850	(\$6,650)	-5.56%
<u>Employee Benefits</u>	<u>\$1,379,563</u>	<u>\$1,435,470</u>	<u>\$55,907</u>	<u>4.05%</u>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$4,458,963</b>	<b>\$4,571,833</b>	<b>\$112,870</b>	<b>2.53%</b>



## Program Component: 75.4% of Budget

	<u>2022-23 Actual</u>	<u>2023-24 Projected</u>	<u>Change</u>	
Regular Instruction	\$16,675,173	\$17,630,323	\$955,150	5.73%
Special School Program	\$7,642,825	\$8,262,373	\$619,548	8.11%
Student Services	\$755,450	\$739,265	(\$16,185)	-2.14%
In-Service Training	\$114,000	\$100,900	(\$13,100)	-11.49%
Transportation	\$1,391,868	\$1,471,337	\$79,469	5.71%
Summer School	\$95,100	\$100,100	\$5,000	5.26%
Community	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$11,810,867	\$12,701,670	\$890,803	7.54%
<u>Debt Service/Transfers</u>	<u>\$65,000</u>	<u>\$65,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$38,590,283</b>	<b>\$41,110,968</b>	<b>\$2,520,685</b>	<b>6.53%</b>



## Capital Component: 16.2% of Budget

	<u>2022-23 Actual</u>	<u>2023-24 Projected</u>	<u>Change</u>	
Operation of Plant	\$1,445,085	\$1,571,537	\$126,452	8.75%
Maintenance of Plant	\$1,329,800	\$1,502,175	\$172,375	12.96%
Central Support	\$3,500	\$2,500	(\$1,000)	-28.57%
Employee Benefits	\$893,033	\$995,485	\$102,452	11.47%
<u>Debt Service/Transfers</u>	<u>\$4,844,487</u>	<u>\$4,754,500</u>	<u>(\$89,987)</u>	<u>-1.86%</u>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$8,515,905</b>	<b>\$8,826,197</b>	<b>\$310,292</b>	<b>3.64%</b>

\$100K Capital Outlay project will replace many of the fire-rated doors at the JSHS.

<u>Reserve</u>	<u>Target Balance</u>	<u>Balances 2019</u>	<u>Projected EOY 2023</u>	<u>Budgeted Use 2023-24</u>
Worker's Compensation	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,281	\$ 537,371	\$215,000
Unemployment Insurance	\$ 300,000	\$ 244,497	\$ 300,329	\$0
Employee Retirement System	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 74,701	\$ 1,102,232	\$300,000
Insurance	\$ 250,000	\$ 43,682	\$ 245,886	\$0
Accrued Employee Benefits	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 72,614	\$ 897,961	\$50,000
Capital Projects	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 12,226	\$ 3,626,550	\$0
Repair Reserve	\$ 450,000	\$ 587,922	\$ 244,126	\$0
Tax Certiorari	\$ 800,000	\$ 324,428	\$ 797,297	\$0
Teacher Retirement System	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 0	\$ 325,054	\$120,000
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,361,351</b>	<b>\$ 8,076,806</b>	<b>\$685,000</b>

Limitations on using Reserves:

- Can only be used for particular purposes
- Capital Reserve requires separate vote
- TRS Reserve has limitations on how it can be funded



## What happens if the vote is not successful?

District has two options

1. Budget revote → June 20
  - a. Exceed the Tax levy limit
  - b. Tax Levy Limit (1.89%)
2. Contingency Budget

### Effects of Contingency Budget

- Community organizations must pay rent to use district facilities
- Reductions in expenses → **significant impacts on student programming**
- Increases in district fund balance applied → **potential future Fiscal Stress**
- Impacts on 2024-25 budget → **NYS expecting fiscal cliff in 2024**



## PROPOSITION 1 - School District Budget

SHALL THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO SPEND \$54,508,998 FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR AND TO LEVY THE NECESSARY TAX THEREAFTER?

*Adoption of this budget requires a tax levy increase of 9.50% which exceeds the statutory tax levy increase limit of 1.89% for this school fiscal year and therefore exceeds the state tax cap and must be approved by sixty percent of the qualified voters present and voting.*



## PROPOSITION 2 - Bus Purchase

Shall the bond resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Cortland Enlarged City School District on February 7, 2023 authorizing the acquisition of student transport vehicles, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment, and the expenditure of a total sum not to exceed \$638,200, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and further authorizing the issuance of \$638,200 serial bonds to pay the cost thereof; providing that the sum of \$638,200, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable real property of such School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; providing that, in anticipation of said tax, obligations of the School District, including installment purchase contracts, may be issued; pledging the faith and credit of said School District for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds; determining that the period of probable usefulness thereof and maximum maturity of the serial bonds therefor is five years; delegating the power to authorize and sell bond anticipation notes and to fix the details of and to sell serial bonds; containing an estoppel clause and providing for the publication of an estoppel notice, be approved?



## PROPOSITION 3 - Cortland Free Library Budget

Shall the Cortland Free Library tax previously approved by the voters of the District be increased from the current \$416,298 to \$449,602 beginning July 1, 2023, to be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of the District in each year for general library purposes and to continue from year to year until modified or repealed by a subsequent vote?

<https://cortlandfreelibrary.org/funding-value/>



## Candidates for BOE

These candidates are running for two open seats on the Cortland Enlarged City School District's Board of Education



**Janet S. Griffin**



**Eileen C. Bentley**



**Lori J. Megivern**

*Please be sure to mark only 2 selections on your ballot or your vote for BOE Candidates will be invalidated.  
There will be two write-in spaces below the candidate's name.*



# Voting Process

The Cortland Enlarged City School District annual vote and election will be held on May 16, 2022, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 PM, prevailing time, at your designated polling location as shown below:

**City:**

Ward	School District	Location	Address
1-8	1	Kaufman Center	1 Valley View Drive

**Cortlandville, Lapeer, Harford, Virgil:**

LD/ED/Town	School District	Location	Address
12-1 CT	9	Cortlandville Municipal Garage	3587 Terrace Road
13-3 & 4 CT	9	Cortlandville Municipal Garage	3587 Terrace Road
14-6 CT	9	Cortlandville Municipal Garage	3587 Terrace Road
18-1 LA	10	Virgil Town Hall	1176 Church Street, Virgil
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19-2 VI	10	Virgil Town Hall	1176 Church Street, Virgil



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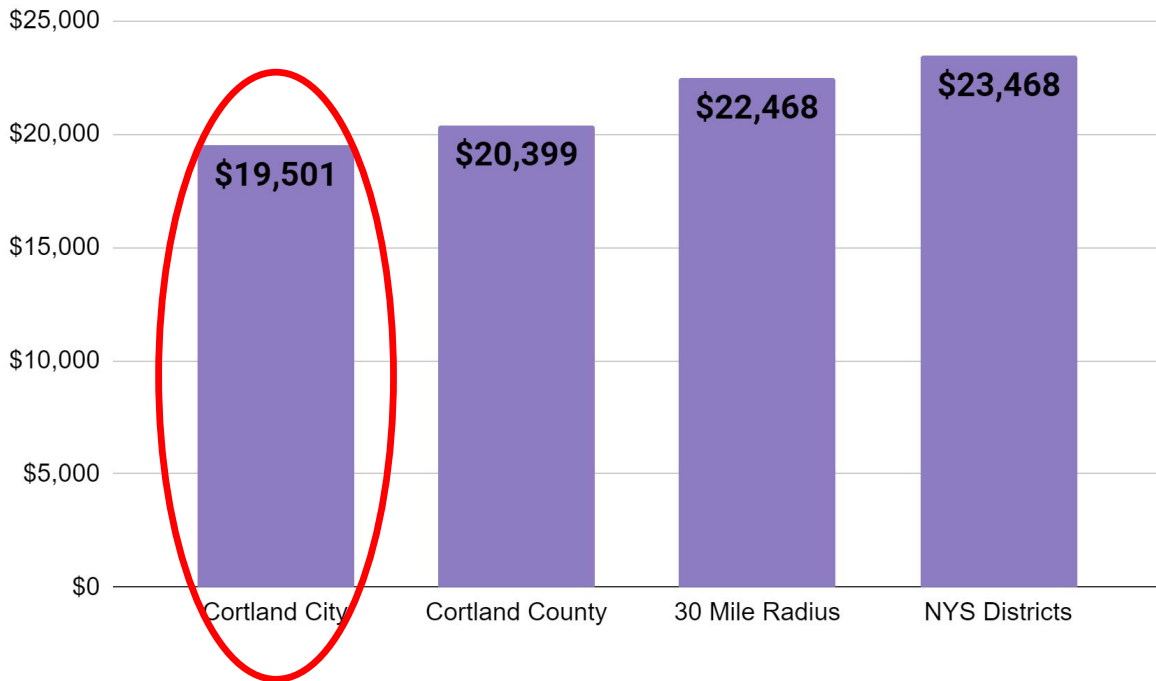
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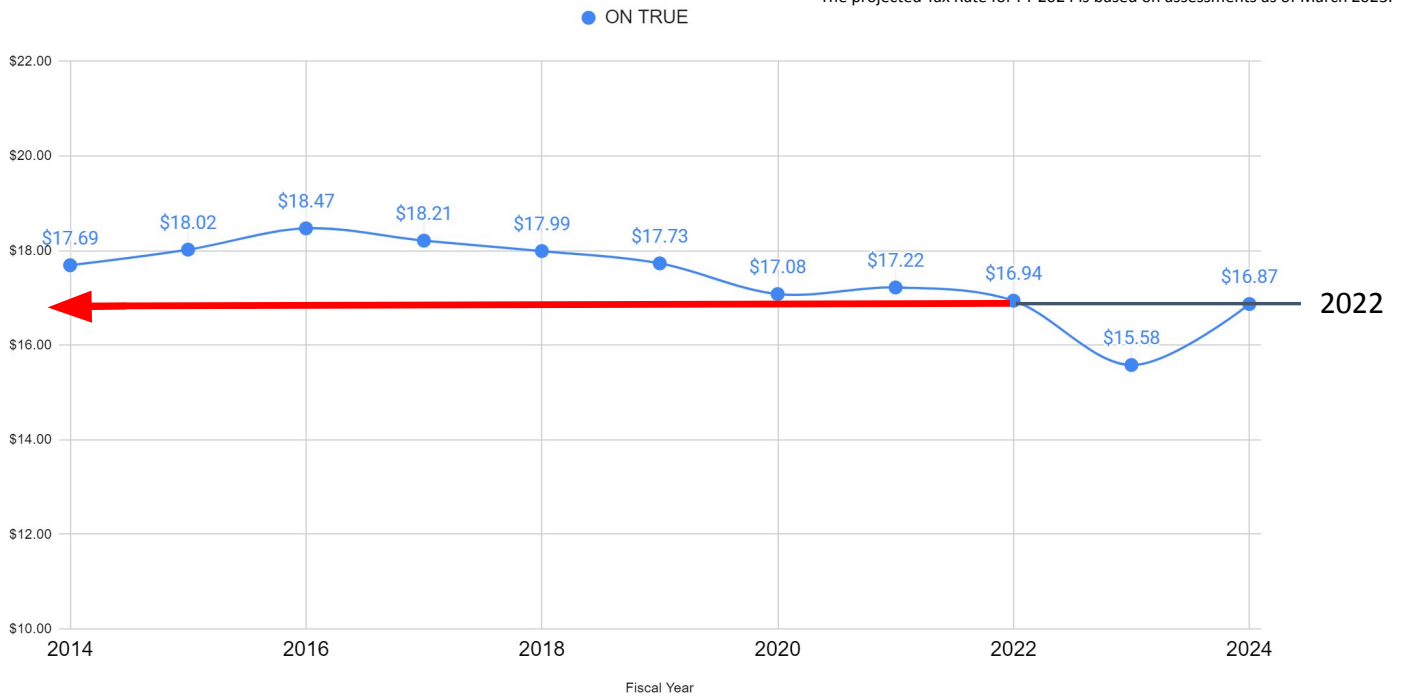
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