



June 2015



## County Budget for FY 2015/2016

Fiscal Court unanimously approved a **lean budget** for the 2015/2016 fiscal year totaling \$71.2 million. Of that amount, \$30.9 million is allocated to operating our county government, while \$3.7 million is set aside for capital improvements, and \$36.6 million is reserved for BRAC Projects. Our operating budget of \$30.9 million is **0.6% less** than the current year while maintaining existing programs and services.

Our **revenue challenges** remain the same: landfill tonnage, Emergency Medical Service collections, state payments for prisoner housing, and prisoner medical expenses

Hardin County is the **lowest taxed county** government in the Commonwealth. We have no occupational, insurance premium, library, fire district, hotel, restaurant, EMS district, or local sales tax. Tax rates remain the lowest in 24 years!

Our **capital Improvement** budget of \$3.7 million contains two items: (1) completion of our new government center, (2) construct a forced main pipeline to carry leachate (drainage from landfill) to the Elizabethtown Water Treatment Facility, thereby reducing the need to carry it by truck, and (3) new E-911 equipment.

### *Items of Interest:*

- \$1,881,432 State Road Aid
- \$418,656 State Supplemental Road/Bridge Aid
- \$617,598 asphalt/concrete
- \$1,203,500 Sheriff's Office
- \$130,000 Clerk's Office
- \$170,626 Elections
- \$337,824 Attorney's Office
- \$252,449 Coroner's Office
- \$291,000 Fire Departments
- \$961,070 Public Library
- \$618,356 Animal Control
- \$179,600 PVA
- \$50,000 Drug Court
- \$50,000 Rocket Docket
- \$285,900 Planning & Development
- \$274,350 Engineering
- \$27,500 Emergency Notification System
- \$50,000 Dead Stock Removal
- \$125,000 Recycling
- \$86,000 for Litter Abatement
- \$890,000 Jail Medical
- \$650,000 Jail Food

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