# What do your local PROPERTY TAXES pay for?

# The Borough of Lansdowne

## **ELECTED GOVERNING BODY**

Mayor and Seven Borough Council Members

- Lansdowne residents only.
- Elected to four-year terms; no term limits.
- Unpaid position

## **TAXES LEVIED:**

Borough Property Taxes Trash and Sewer Fee Emergency Tax

#### **BOROUGH PROPERTY TAXES PAY FOR:**

Borough Staff (wages and benefits) Police (wages and benefits) Sewer repair and maintenance Borough streets Trash Collection Public Works Parks and Recreation Borough Buildings Lansdowne Public Library

# William Penn School District

## **ELECTED GOVERNING BODY**

#### **WPSD Board of Directors**

- Nine-member board elected to four-year terms; no term limits.
- Unpaid position
- Nine seats allotted to residents of each district municipality as follows:

Darby (2 seats) Lansdowne (2 seats) Yeadon (2 seats) Aldan (1 seat) Colwyn (1 seat) East Lansdowne (1 seat)

# **TAXES LEVIED:**

**School Property Taxes** Taxes are levied <u>at the same rate</u> in all six district municipalities.

#### SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES PAY FOR\*:

Education Services for 5,200+ students Special Education Services for 1,000+ students Transportation Services to 119 schools for 6,000 students Nursing service for 5,600 students Staff and Administration (wages and benefits) Cyber Academy Alternative Education Charter School Tuitions Curriculum for English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Art, Music, Physical Education and Library etc. Library Services Athletics, Music, Arts, After School Activites State Education Mandates Federal Education Mandates

\* School District services are delivered in various forms to all Public, Private, Parochial and Charter schools that enroll our students that reside within our six municipalities.

# **Delaware County**

## **ELECTED GOVERNING BODY**

#### **Delaware County Council**

- Five-member-board elected to four-year terms; three term limit.
- Must be resident of Delaware County.
- Paid position

## **TAXES LEVIED:**

County Property Taxes Taxes are levied <u>at the same rate</u> in all county municipalities.

#### **COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES PAY FOR:**

Social Welfare: Fair Acres and Social Service Programs

Administration of Justice: Courts (Adults, Juveniles), Parole

Criminal Justice: County Police, Medical Examiner, Prisons, District Attorney, Public Defender

Transportation: SEPTA

Parks and Recreation

Registration and Elections: Bureau of Elections, Voter Services

Tax Administration: Assessments and Claims

Financial Management: Budget Office

General Government Staff (wages and benefits)

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