



# PENNSYLVANIA

## Budget and Policy Center

### How Gov. Wolf's Proposed 2015-16 Budget Would Impact Sen. Elder A. Vogel's District

After four years of austerity budgets that made deep cuts to public services, public schools are struggling, property taxes are rising, and Pennsylvania remains near the bottom of state rankings in job growth since 2011. Gov. Wolf has proposed a budget that reinvests in our future by restoring funding for education from pre-K to college and delivering property tax relief to homeowners.

#### School Districts in Sen. Elder A. Vogel's Legislative District Would Receive

- \$11 million in new funding
- 302 new Pre-K slots
- \$3 million in savings from standardized payments to cyber charters

#### Meanwhile, Homeowners Would Receive Property Tax Relief

- The typical homeowner in the district will see a property tax reduction of \$807
- That's a reduction of 59%

#### A Drilling Tax Would Raise Millions in New Revenue for Schools and Other Needs

- \$21 million for the district
- \$1.08 billion statewide

#### Gov. Wolf's Proposed Minimum Wage Increase Would Raise the Wages of

- 22,340 workers in the district
- That's 23% of district workers

#### Colleges and Universities With Campuses in the District Would Also Receive New Funding

- \$259,876 in new funding for Community College of Beaver County
- \$418,455 in new funding for Butler County Community College
- \$51 million in new funding for Penn State (statewide)

#### The Budget and Leveraged Federal Funds Would Also Support Investments in Human Services in the District<sup>1</sup>

- Human services funding increase of \$32,371<sup>2</sup>
- 4,415 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 337 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$567,399

*The back of this sheet has school-district specific data on school funding and property tax relief. Visit [www.pennbpc.org/OTA\\_Budget](http://www.pennbpc.org/OTA_Budget) find full details on the data sources and methodology used to generate these estimates, as well as some additional information.*

## How Governor Wolf's Budget Proposal Would Affect School Districts in Sen. Elder A. Vogel's Legislative District<sup>2</sup>

	Total Increase in School Funding	Decrease in Property Taxes for the Typical Homeowner	Percent Decrease in Property Taxes
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,020,368</b>	<b>\$807</b>	<b>59%</b>
Ambridge Area SD	\$825,893	\$930	54%
Beaver Area SD	\$391,656	\$940	49%
Big Beaver Falls Area SD	\$704,857	\$1,007	91%
Blackhawk SD	\$439,786	\$868	56%
Central Valley SD	\$400,499	\$793	57%
Ellwood City Area SD	\$535,895	\$803	73%
Freedom Area SD	\$371,991	\$729	62%
Hopewell Area SD	\$727,974	\$992	56%
Laurel SD	\$331,450	\$829	74%
Midland Borough SD	\$216,606	\$460	100%
Mohawk Area SD	\$372,698	\$694	71%
Neshannock Township SD	\$186,841	\$478	27%
New Brighton Area SD	\$546,770	\$933	89%
New Castle Area SD	\$1,322,974	\$746	100%
Riverside Beaver County SD	\$399,513	\$1,114	70%
Rochester Area SD	\$417,859	\$928	74%
Seneca Valley SD	\$942,967	\$619	22%
Shenango Area SD	\$273,620	\$747	72%
Slippery Rock Area SD	\$571,146	\$753	50%
South Side Area SD	\$280,335	\$1,177	75%
Union Area SD	\$218,195	\$713	81%
Western Beaver County SD	\$216,663	\$806	64%
Wilmington Area SD	\$324,180	\$710	52%

### Notes.

<sup>1</sup>All the figures in this section represent the sum of county totals for any county covered in part or in whole by Sen. Elder A. Vogel's district.

<sup>2</sup>Human services is defined here as the sum of the funding increase for the human services development fund and homeless assistance.

<sup>3</sup>The total and percent reduction in property taxes for Sen. Elder A. Vogel's legislative district are a weighted average of the property tax reductions for each school district. The weights were determined by the number of homesteads in each school district.