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Survey Results: Budget Engagement Process

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Q1 The York County government recently completed a "budget engagement process" of providing budget information to residents and collecting budget input comments as part of creating its budget for next year.

Did you receive any budget information or provide any budget input for the upcoming FY2026 (July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026) County Budget?

(412 responses)



Which of the following did you do to engage in the process? (159 responses)

Options	Votes (159)
Attended a work session or town hall meeting for budget discussion or questions	19% (31)
Reviewed some written budget information from the County (emailed, website, etc.)	61% (97)
Spoke at a meeting or talked with a County Supervisor or staff member	18% (28)
Followed what other residents were saying in-person or online	37% (59)
Emailed the County	8% (13)
Called and left a voicemail for the County	1% (2)
Submitted an online input form	11% (17)
Read an article on the County budget in the local newspaper	35% (55)
Other:	14% (22)





Q3 Which of the following describe why you didn't review any budget information or provide any budget input during the last several months? (Choose all that apply, if any) (213 responses)

Options	Votes (213)
Didn't know the budget engagement process was happening	68% (144)
Not that interested in providing input	1% (3)
Not that interested in the County budget	1% (2)
Didn't think I have much to contribute	7% (15)
Busy with other things	9% (20)
I assume that other people are keeping an eye on it	2% (5)
Didn't think my participation would make a difference	18% (38)
Happy/confident with the County's financial stewardship	7% (14)
Other:	15% (31)



How would you prefer to provide budget input or feedback to the York County government, if at all? (You can choose up to FOUR, if any) Q4

(367 responses)

Options	Votes (367)
Phone calls	7% (25)
Text messages	26% (95)
Emails	68% (248)
Social media (Facebook, Nextdoor, Twitter)	14% (52)
In-person public meetings	31% (114)
Website forms	48% (176)
Short surveys like this	74% (273)
Not that interested in providing budget input	2% (6)
Other:	3% (10)



Q5 Is there anything York County should change about their process of providing budget information to residents and collecting budget input, to make it better for you?



(370 responses)

Q6 Any other comments or suggestions about the budgeting process for York County? (102 responses)



People like to complain about the budget process online; however, York County does a good job of providing citizens with different options to give input. Complainers gonna complain.

BOS need to provide more information on things being considered in the budget vice - here is the final budget!

Actually listen to the people when the vote matters, not just to get elected to decide how you want!!!

This process has not been advertised nor promoted by York County. You should fire the bureaucrats who kept this process a secret.

As always, I appreciate the accessible government we enjoy here in York County. While not perfect, we have ample opportunity to make our desires known. Thank you

12 month process and our Supervisors need to sharpen their pencils and freeze or cut all taxes. This past year was a taxing bonanza.

We have a few supervisors who actually listen to their constituents & some who do whatever they want. The county need to do more with less as with everyone else in this time of uncertainty in our country. Unnecessary buildings don't need to be built just now. What an absolute waste of our taxpayer money.

Residents shouldn't learn from news and social media budget decisions that are already decided

Pretend the county money is your own and budget accordingly

Clear timely communications. Live with our means!!!! My real estate tax has gone up 32.4% in two years!!!!!!! That is far from living within our means. NOTHING else has increased 32.4% in two years!!! Not SS benefits, interests, dividends, gas,... go ahead name something?!!!!! PS- the new sports complex is at the top of Foolish waste of our tax dollars, whom ever voted for this needs to be removed from office for being incompetent with our tax dollars!!!

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