

# Solid Waste Commission

2025 Executive Proposed Budget

# Core Programs & Functions

- The mission of the Westchester County Solid Waste Commission is to promote the general health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Westchester County by regulating the solid waste industry and ensuring that only individuals and companies of good character, honesty and integrity receive and retain licenses to operate in the Solid Waste and Recyclables hauling and disposal industries.
- This increases industry competition and consumer choice.

# Budget Summary

| ITEM                       | 2024             | 2025             |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Operating Positions        | 9                | 10               |
| <b>TOTAL POSITIONS</b>     | <b>9</b>         | <b>10</b>        |
|                            |                  |                  |
| Personal Service           | 1,523,954        | 1,874,859        |
| Equipment                  | 55,000           | 55,000           |
| Materials & Supplies       | 43,180           | 39,000           |
| Contractual Expenses       | 175,667          | 152,836          |
| Inter-Departmental Charges | 517,425          | 231,055          |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>  | <b>2,315,226</b> | <b>2,352,750</b> |
|                            |                  |                  |

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| ITEM                       | 2024             | 2025             |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Inter-Departmental Revenue | -                | -                |
| Departmental Revenue       | 2,949,640        | 3,170,240        |
| State & Federal Aid        | -                | -                |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>       | <b>2,949,640</b> | <b>3,170,240</b> |
|                            |                  |                  |
| <b>DEPARTMENT TAX LEVY</b> | -                | -                |
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# New Initiatives/Program Highlights

- **Small Business Initiative**

- Significantly reduced fees for certain eligible companies
  - Total Upfront Savings of \$1,470
- Gives more new companies the ability to break into the hauling market
- Fees had not been reduced for any class of Haulers in the 25-year history of the Commission.

# Ongoing Initiatives – Identify unlicensed Transfer Stations within the County

- LICENCEES
  - Added 6 new transfer stations in 2024
  - Identified 2 additional transfer stations which we expect to license in 2025
  - Increased number of companies licensed with the Solid Waste Commission from **566** in 2023 to **630** in 2024

# Ongoing Initiatives - New Transfer Stations



# New Initiatives/Program Highlights

- **Unlawful Transfer Station on State Owned Land –**
- **Located under I287 overpass in Elmsford**
- **Received a number of industry and non-industry related complaints about the storage of large piles of tires, Construction and Demolition debris and garden and yard waste**
- **Also used for private container and truck storage**
- **Collaborated with NYS Department of Transportation and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation**
- **SWC succeeded in having the violators clean out the property and vacate within 30 days**

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- New Legislation

- Collaborated with Legislator Tubiolo, his team and the Law Department
- SWC will be the lead agency on the civil enforcement side
- Increased fines for illegally dumping trash on Westchester-owned property

# QUESTIONS?