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Latest News

President Biden Unveils 2024 Budget Plan

Yesterday, President Joe Biden unveiled his 2024 budget plan in a visit to Pennsylvania. It includes several items of interest to townships:

- **Effective law enforcement:** Includes discretionary state and local grants for public safety, including the COPS hiring program, funding to hire 100,000 additional police officers for community-oriented policing, and funding for crime prevention strategies and community violence interventions.
- **Home energy and water costs:** Funds the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and would give states the option to use a portion of LIHEAP funds to provide water bill assistance to low-income households.
- **Incentives to increase affordable housing supply, remove restrictive zoning:** The budget includes funding for incentives and mandatory funding to increase the affordable housing supply for extremely low-income households and incentivizes states and local governments to remove barriers to affordable housing developments, such as restrictive zoning.
- **Counter cyber threats:** The plan would build cyber investigative capabilities at FBI field divisions.

Visit the budget webpage to [read more about the proposal](#).

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead this weekend! While you will lose an hour of sleep, you will also gain an hour of daylight. It's also a great time to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors.

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PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

[Policing Your Township: Tackling Current Police Management Issues - 4/23/23 - Dauphin County](#)

This half-day class will cover a number of hot-button issues involving management of municipal police departments, making it a must-attend for township supervisors, police command staff, managers, and others with police-related responsibility. You will hear from and interact with representatives from the Pennsylvania State Police, municipal police departments, management-side labor counsel, and others.



[2023 Township Emergency Management Spring Seminar - 4/23/23 - Dauphin County](#)

Join your EMC colleagues from around the state at this highly-interactive session, and hear informative presentations from local and state emergency management personnel and hear the latest news and information from PEMA and TEMA.



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