

A Rich History

A Bright Future

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 An Act for making and forming that part of Middletown which lieth on the East side of Connecticut River into a District Town — Oct 1767

Whereas this Assembly are Informed that the Inhabitants of that part of Middletown which lieth on the East side of Connecticut River are many of them very remote from the main body of the Town of Middletown & place of holding their public Meetings: and that they are by the situation the badness of the Roads and difficulty of Crossing the ferry over said River at many seasons of the year almost entirely deprived from attending the public Meetings in said Town; and suffer great Inconveniences thereby and that for them very long to continue on a part of said Town of Middletown is very Inconvenient

Therefore

Be it Enacted by the Governor Council and the Representatives in general Court assembled and by the Authority of the Law That that part of Middletown which lieth on the East side of Connecticut River be, and they are hereby created made and constituted within the limits and bounds thereof a distinct Town, with all the liberties privileges and Immunities which by law the other Towns have and do Enjoy: and that said new Constituted Town shall hereafter be called and known by the Name of Chatham with this Limitation and Restriction that but one Representative which said new Constituted Town shall at any Time Choose to attend the General Assembly shall be at the public Expence

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that said Town of Chatham shall have

and hold their first Town Meeting for the Choice of Town Officers for the year ensuing some time in the Month of December Next, which Meeting shall be warned by a Warrant signed by some Justice of the Peace in the County of Hartford to be observed some Indifferent person to serve which Warrant shall appoint the Time and place at which said Meeting is to be held and shall be served at least five days before the day appointed for holding said Meeting

page in the lower House
 Sept 11th 1767
 signed in the upper House
 J^{ts} George Dyer

Bill in form
 Oct 1767



**FISCAL YEAR
 2016-2017
 ANNUAL REPORT**





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FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Residents,

It is my pleasure to present to you the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Report. This year was particularly special since it was the 250th Anniversary of the founding of our Town. Throughout the last year there have been events to recognize and memorialize all the wonderful things that make East Hampton special.

Additionally, the Town marked this last year by completing the High School renovation. This project brought our community's High School to the 21st century and continues the long East Hampton tradition of investing in the future through our youth. The renovated High School will stand as a testament to our commitment to education, our youth and the future.

The Town also finalized its 250th birthday with the approval of a new Police Department, Board of Education and Town Hall Building. Faced with mounting facility issues that continued to threaten the closure of departments, the Town Council and residents took this matter into their own hands developing and approving a cost effective modern plan that will solve the community's facility issues for the next 250 years.

Lastly, I think it is important to recognize the people who work hard to make East Hampton what it is. From the paid staff to the volunteers, East Hampton would not be such a great community to live and work without all of their dedicated support, work and commitment. Every hour of every day there is an individual working to better our community.

Thank you,

Michael Maniscalco, MPA
Town Manager



The Assessor is responsible for discovering, listing and valuing all taxable and non-taxable property located in town. Connecticut law requires towns to list and value all real estate, motor vehicle and personal property. This is an annual cycle with an assessment date of October 1. It is the Assessor's responsibility to insure all values are properly and uniformly made and that the grand list is a true and accurate report of all taxable and tax-exempt property in the municipality. Assessed values in the State of Connecticut are based on 70% of fair market value. All Connecticut Towns are required to perform a State mandated revaluation every 5 years. The Town of East Hampton successfully completed its last revaluation on the 2015 Grand List. 🌸

THE NET TAXABLE 2015 GRAND LIST as reported on the M13:

REAL ESTATE	\$ 995,751,327
PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$ 30,719,130
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$ 97,040,811
TOTAL TAXABLE GRAND LIST	\$1,123,511,268

1.02% Decrease from 2014 Grand List after Revaluation

IN ADDITION, THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- 🌸 Updating ownership of real estate upon transfer of title
- 🌸 Adjusting motor vehicle accounts
- 🌸 Maintaining tax relief programs for the elderly, disabled, blind, farmers and veterans
- 🌸 Maintaining the Renters Rebate program
- 🌸 Applying the PA490 statute to preserve farm and forest land



TOP TEN TAXPAYERS

Top Ten Taxpayer	Assessment	Percentage of 2015 Grand List *
Connecticut Light & Power	\$14,657,900.00	1.30%
Landmark East Hampton LLC	\$ 7,521,320.00	0.67%
Hampton 66 LLC	\$ 3,500,000.00	0.31%
Connecticut Light & Power Co	\$ 3,027,560.00	0.27%
Global Self Storage LLC	\$ 2,404,770.00	0.21%
East High Street Realty LLC	\$ 2,387,472.00	0.21%
American Equities I LLC	\$ 2,137,640.00	0.19%
Pauls & Sandys Too INC	\$ 2,079,420.00	0.19%
Skyline Estates LLC	\$ 1,950,780.00	0.17%
Noslen INC	\$ 1,731,860.00	0.15%
TOTAL OF 2015 GRAND LIST	\$41,398,722.00	3.68%

*Based on Net 2015 Grand List as reported on the M13 to the State of CT



Vision

The East Hampton School District - preparing and inspiring our students to be innovative, responsible, contributing members of an ever-changing global society.

Mission Statement

The mission of East Hampton Public Schools in partnership with our community is to develop knowledgeable, responsible, productive citizens who effectively demonstrate problem-solving and communication skills, make informed decisions, and respond appropriately and confidently to life's challenges.



DISTRICT GOALS FROM 2016-2017

1. East Hampton Public Schools promoted dynamic instructional improvement in order to increase student academic performance and achievement. A new math curriculum was implemented in grades K-5, and the shift to literacy units based on Teachers' College Readers and Writers Workshop was completed. Standards-based reporting was initiated in grades K-5 as high school identified standards-values to implement as part of the NEASC decennial accreditation of the school in March 2018.
2. East Hampton Public Schools promoted a district vision that supports personalized learning, the acquisition of 21st Century skills, and technology integration. East Hampton Middle School began a 1-to-1 Chromebook initiative, while the completion of the renovated high school introduced personalized learning environments in the T-Bell and Library fostering the development of the Senior Capstone Project.
3. East Hampton Public Schools promoted educational environments in each building that are safe, supportive, and respectful. The school district completed an overhaul of the safety plans for each building. The Middle, Center, and Memorial schools worked to create very supportive PBIS programs that focus on respectful behaviors. The Middle School was selected for the second consecutive year by the state as a PBIS model school.

East Hampton Public Schools educates approximately 1,975 students in grades PK-12 across four schools and an alternative high school program. The school community is proud of the many accomplishments of our students and schools.

East Hampton High School was recognized as one of 14 schools in the state of Connecticut that were among the nation's 433 school districts honored on the College Board's AP Honor Roll. The school was also recognized as having achieved this status for multiple years.



The East Hampton Public Schools recognize the importance of every student graduating having been certified in American Heart Association CPR/AED and ensuring that our staff is also trained and prepared to save lives.



Digital learning and online learning opportunities are available to students in Grades K-5 at school and at home. Online programs such as MyON and Reflex math allow for student access 24/7. These programs have been funded with support from the East Hampton Elementary PTO.

East Hampton Middle School has been honored for two years in a row as one of 3 schools in the state of Connecticut to have developed the most outstanding program in Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS). EHMS continues to serve as a "model" school for school officials from other towns.

East Hampton Middle School began offering courses in coding and robotics as a part of the Technology Education program. Students demonstrated their prowess for principals from the Jilin Province of China, who were impressed with the students skills, particularly the girls' technical prowess.



2017 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Kristen Keska, High School Social Studies Teacher

Kristen was recognized as a semi-finalist for the Connecticut State Teacher of the Year!





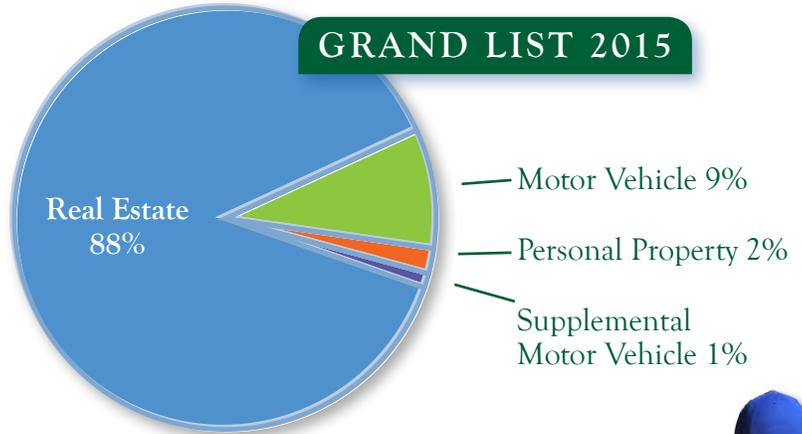
In addition the Collector of Revenue is responsible for:

- ☛ To pursue the collection of all delinquent taxes
- ☛ To issue motor vehicle clearances in compliance with Department of Motor Vehicles
- ☛ To lien all unpaid real estate and sewer use properties at the end of the fiscal year
- ☛ To meet the collection rate set by the Board of Finance

Online payments are now accepted for all taxes as well as sewer use payments. Please visit the Town website at www.easthamptonct.gov.

The Office of the Collector of Revenue is responsible for the annual billing and collection of real estate, motor vehicle and personal property taxes; as well as the annual billing and collection of sewer use fees.

All taxable property levied on the Grand List of October 1, 2015 became due and payable on July 1, 2016. The last day on which to pay without penalty was August 1, 2016. Real estate and personal property taxes over \$100 are paid in two equal installments. Motor vehicle tax is due in one installment.



GRAND LIST 2015 ENDING BALANCE as of June 30, 2017

Type of Accounts	Number of Accounts	Beginning Balance
Real Estate	5,970	\$ 29,188,554.75
Personal Property	962	\$ 878,562.06
Motor Vehicle	13,860	\$ 2,878,749.10
Supplemental Motor Vehicle	2,334	\$ 329,688.28
GRAND TOTAL	23,126	\$ 33,275,554.19



WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY (WPCA) Billing Year 2016

Type of Accounts	Number of Accounts	Beginning Balance
Sewer Use	2,705	\$ 1,171,707.40

YEAR AT A GLANCE 7/1/16 - 6/30/17

Online Payments	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Totals
Number of ACH Payments	820	168	642	136	1,766
Amount of ACH Payments	\$411,852.83	\$ 71,316.53	\$370,063.35	\$64,262.48	\$917,495.19
Number of Credit Card Payments	676	138	532	154	1,500
Amount of Credit Card Payments	\$199,634.44	\$38,900.53	\$146,149.65	\$38,564.19	\$423,248.81
Number of Refunds	87	50	38	27	202
Amount of Refunds	\$ 8,287.01	\$10,554.57	\$ 4,958.86	\$24,780.74	\$ 48,581.18





Mission Statement

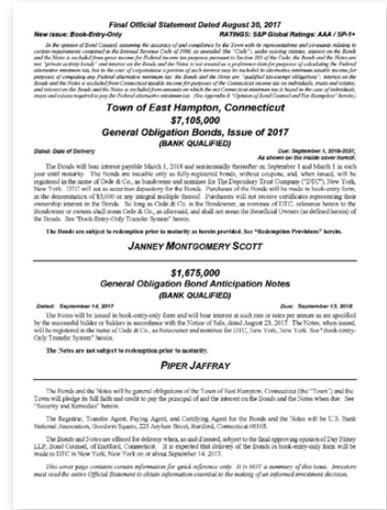
To provide timely, accurate and relevant budgetary and financial information to our citizens, customers and various boards and assure compliance with established accounting standards. To maintain and control the general ledger, accounts payable and payroll while ensuring accountability and timely and accurate financial information. The department is committed to enhance services to our customers through innovative ideas and to think creatively on ways to operate more efficiently.



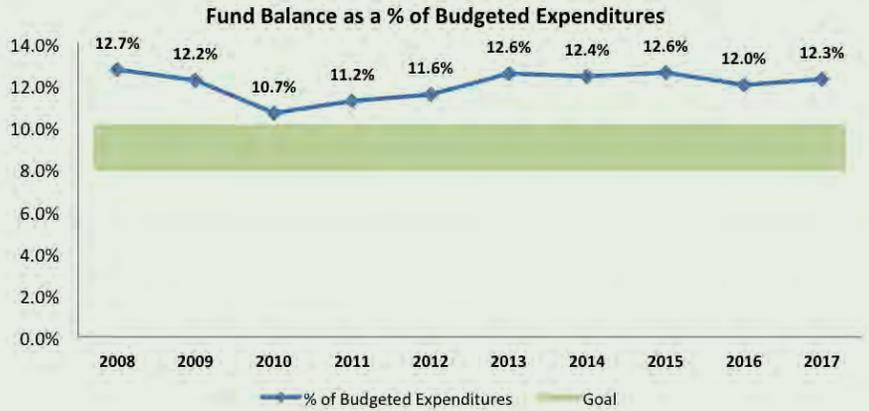
Rep. Melissa Ziobron presents the East Hampton Town Council a citation from the CT General Assembly for it's 250th Anniversary 1767- 2017. At the Jan. 10 council meeting, Rep. Ziobron read the citation to a crowded council meeting room to loud applause. The citation will hang in the main hallway at town hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT STATS

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Checks Processed	1,322	1,118	1,013	980	4,433
A/P direct deposit	557	541	546	560	2,204
Invoices Processed	4,024	3,762	3,785	3,858	15,429
Purchase Orders Created	611	313	217	162	1,303



The general fund ended the year with general fund net income balance of 304,047. Since 2007 the general fund balance has increased by over \$1.3 million dollars. Fund balance represents 12.3% of fiscal year 2017 budgeted expenditures. The general fund is the chief operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$5,263,469.

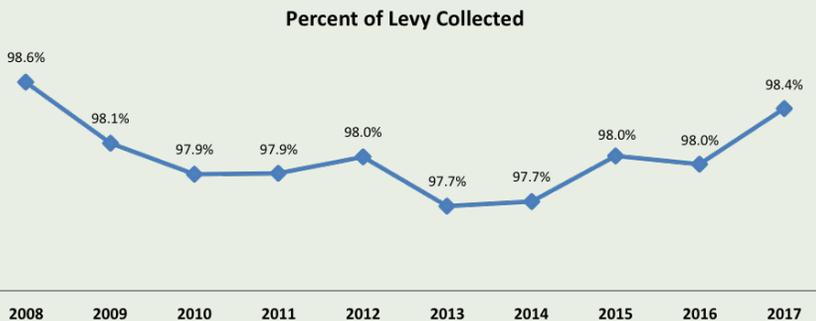


GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The difference between the original budget and the final amended budget was \$159,974. The increase in budget is due to use for fund balance to fund the following items:

- \$85,000 for the acquisition of land (DiDomizio property)
- \$54,974 for the hiring of a mid-year police officer
- \$20,000 for costs relating to the Town's 250th celebration

This year's tax collection rate was 98.4% which was higher than the budgeted estimate of 98.0%. Historically the Town collects almost 100% of the billed taxes within three years

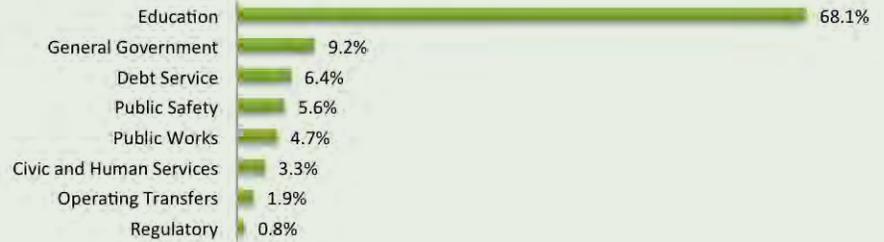




2016-2017 Revenues
% of Total



2016-2017 Expenditures
% of Total



FIRE DEPARTMENT



For the calendar year of 2016, the East Hampton **Volunteer Fire Department** has dedicated over 3,000 hours of service while responding to 332 calls from the public; preserving property and removing persons from harm's way. East Hampton firefighters have logged thousands of hours of training and hundreds of hours of community service. The Department has a stable roster of about 65 members strong. The Department welcomes several new junior members, and the rejuvenation of the Junior Division of the Department.

The East Hampton Volunteer Fire Department, under the guidance of the Board of Fire Commissioners, has maintained three Fire Houses, sixteen pieces of apparatus, and all of the thousands pieces of personal protective equipment, other vital equipment and supplies necessary to meet the OSHA and NFPA annual requirements for the safe operation of the Department. The Department undergoes rigorous annual testing of the membership, through medical checkups, live burns and extensive training, and equipment

testing for: pumps, ladders, hose, SCBA flow, & air quality testing. More and more requirements are being placed on the Department from OSHA and NFPA, the regulatory bodies that govern fire department operations. The Department has completed a thorough review and update to standard operating procedures to comply with these regulations.

The East Hampton Volunteer Fire Department took delivery of a new 108' Ladder truck that replaced the antiquated 1985 Tele-Squirt. We also added a Polaris Ranger to the ranks of the Department to replace the Forestry units and plan to add a second Polaris this fiscal year. These Rangers will be utilized as search and rescue vehicles as well as forest fire attack and control.

Looking to the future the Department will strive to continue to provide the services and community programs it currently offers and an expanded medical response, with minimal growth in the operating budget. 🚒





Protection Open Burning Regulations, as the Open Burning Official. Connecticut Statutes require that the fire marshal investigate every fire or explosion within the jurisdiction, for determination of the cause and origin.

The **Fire Marshal's Office** is located in the Barton Hill Fire House and is responsible for the enforcement of all applicable State and Federal Fire Codes and Regulations and other duties as set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes, as well as other legislation enacted by the Town. Fire prevention is the primary objective of the fire marshal, which is promoted through inspections of properties and activities regulated by the Connecticut Fire Safety Code, the Connecticut Fire Prevention Code, the administration of the permit process for activities subject to those permits, and by providing public fire education and guidance. The storage, transportation and use of hazardous materials and explosives are under the authority of the fire marshal, as well as the administration of Connecticut Department of Environmental



During the past fiscal year, the fire marshal's office performed 118 of the required 351 fire and life safety inspections of properties subject to the Fire Code and Regulations. There were 4 blasting permits issued, as were 95 open burning permits. The fire marshal performed 13 plan reviews of proposed sites and/or buildings for code, regulation and local requirement compliance. The office also investigated 17 fires for cause and origin. There were 18 hours dedicated to activities related to fire prevention education. As required, 30 hours were spent in professional training to maintain fire marshal state certification. 🎉



Cory Guisman, an aide to Congressman Joe Courtney, reads a citation delivered by Courtney which was entered into the Congressional Record a statement honoring East Hampton on its 250th anniversary. Mr. Guisman, on behalf of the congressman, also presented the Town Council at their January 24th meeting a flag that was flown over the capitol.



Town anniversary chairman Josh Piteo displays a U.S. Senate citation awarded to East Hampton for its 250th anniversary birthday. The citation was proposed by Senator Richard Blumenthal and presented to the Town Council at its Feb. 28th meeting.

YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
CSFPC Inspections With Violations	15	12	9	7	43
CSFPC Inspections With No Violations	21	16	21	7	65
CSFPC Re-Inspections Violations Corrected	7	13	4	7	31
CSFPC Re-Inspections Violations not Corrected	-	4	1	-	5
Burn Permits Issued	19	24	27	32	102
Blasting Permits Issued	1	1	3	1	6
Event Registration Permit	1	-	-	1	2
Plan Reviews Performed	4	2	5	5	16
Origin and Cause Investigations	6	14	6	-	26



The Human Resources Department manages the administration of recruitment and hiring, compensation and benefits, training and development, record keeping, discipline, and retirements/terminations.

There were several retirements this fiscal year. Wendy Regan, Susan Berescik, Gary Guynn, Nancy Hasselman, and Melanie Jump from the Town; and Elizabeth Paternostro, Ann Brisson, Patricia Michelson, Margaret Puzzo, and Nancy Brown from the Board of Education. Also, several Town employees were promoted and/or transferred to other departments.

Full-time positions filled throughout this fiscal year were the Assessor, Tax Collector, Library Director, Police Officer, Social Services/Youth & Family Services Director, Prevention Coordinator, Public Works Foreman and Maintainer II, Building Department Technician, Wastewater Operator, WPCA Administrative Assistant and Accounting Clerk. Part-time positions included Deputy Registrar, Library Public Services Associate, Senior Center Activity Specialist, Recording Clerk and many Parks and Recreation seasonal employees. In an effort to reduce healthcare costs, the Town and Board of Education



also provided for employee benefit plans, Safety Committee and Pension Committee Meetings were held and wellness initiatives included a presentation on balancing family and work, an employee holiday luncheon and the annual employee health fair. The Town continued employee education on retirement, Social Security & Medicare, and financial wellness. Staff also participated in Connecticut's City Hall Selfie Day (see photo).

joined the Connecticut Partnership Plan, which is offered to State of Connecticut employees and open to municipalities. This plan contracts with United Healthcare/Oxford for medical benefits and with CIGNA for dental and vision benefits.

The Municipal Employees Union Independent (Town Supervisors) bargaining agreement was negotiated and finalized and negotiations began with the Police Union.

Training is offered and provided to all employees. Harassment/sexual harassment, workplace violence, driver training, as well as a mandatory two (2) day supervisory course for all managers, accident investigation training and a flu shot clinic was held. Open enrollment meetings were

Restaurant Week
April 3-9 \$17.67 meals
 EH250.org

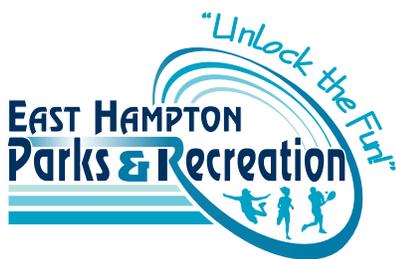
Angelico's Lake House
April 3, 6:30pm EH250.org
 Bars, Taverns & Inns of EH



It's Back!
Restaurant Week
Sept. 10-17 \$17.67 meals

YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Paychecks Processed	55	46	43	65	209
Direct Deposits Processed	780	733	625	785	2,923
Personal Action Request Forms Processed	138	58	64	77	337
New Hires	16	3	6	40	65
Terminations	-	4	4	4	12
Employee Sponsored Workshops/Training	6	3	3	3	15



Mission Statement

The Parks and Recreation Department is committed to providing innovative program opportunities.



Town Hall, Board of Education grounds and Air Line Trail. The first phase of reconstruction was recently completed on the High School baseball field with the final stage expected to be completed in the fall of 2018. Sears Park continues to improve on its low impact development by adding additional drainage to the rain garden and other areas of infiltration throughout the park.

Parks and Recreation programs and special events have continued to show improvements and work toward addressing programing gaps, specifically with the Middle School aged children. Members of the Parks and Recreation Board and staff were successful in implementing the first ever Teen Scene in East Hampton, bringing in participation in large groups of teenage kids throughout an 8-week period this past summer. Many new programs have been added this year including Ski Club in the winter at Powder Ridge, pick up hockey games on the new public

The 2016-2017 fiscal year continued to show improvements through all aspects of the Parks and Recreation Department. A large success this year was finishing the first phase of the Air Line Trail from Main Street to Alden's Crossing that includes 1.7 miles of trail, an outdoor fitness center and an overlook seating area of Main Street. The Parks and Recreation Department is currently working on the final phase that will extend from Alden's Crossing to Depot Hill Road in Portland, we estimate a completion date of December 2018.



The Parks Maintenance crew continues to see an increased role in production while maintaining all municipal sports fields, Sears Park,

skating rink at Sears Park and street hockey games at the park. This year was the second year running the Egg Hunt and Trunk or Treat where an estimated 500 people turned out for each event. The before school care enrollment doubled its last year numbers as did the Afternoon Adventures after school program. More summer programs have been added that were successful in 2016 - 2017 by collaborating with Memorial School and High School teachers and faculty staff. This had a positive impact on the community by giving them multiple options for child care without gaps in the schedule for the 9 weeks of summer vacation. Events this year included the Air Line Trail Ghost Run, Concerts in Sears Park, the Village Center events: Spring Egg Hunt, Fall Festival, Trunk or Treat, Jingle Bell Parade, National Trails Day, Family Fun Night at the Park, Skating at the Park, Family Bowling Day, and much more. Continuing efforts are underway to raise the necessary funds to start building the new 15,000 square foot playground at Seamster Park slated to start building in September 2018. Currently to date nearly \$35,000 has been raised with another estimated \$50,000 by April of 2018 with additional fundraisers yet to come.



YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Municipal Parks/Grounds Maintained Man-hours	381	60	75	498	1,014
BOE Athletic Complexes Grounds Maintained Man-hours	708	170	70	783	1,731
Actual Program Registrations	559	929	712	1,404	3,604
Actual Programming Hours	2,440	535	550	732	4,257
Actual Program Participants	2,630	2,133	1,628	1,173	7,564
Staff Supervised	196	160	195	78	629
Project Management Man-hours	60	-	20	190	270



During the fiscal year of 2016-2017 the **Building Department** continued on a path toward modernization with a fully computerized digital record retention system, extension of the system to the Assessor's department and continuing to scan paper records to build upon the system.

The department conducted over 2600 residential, commercial and zoning inspections throughout the fiscal year. These inspections included site work, erosion and sedimentation control, building, electrical,

mechanical, plumbing, structural, and complaint investigations. In addition to numerous additions, garages, and renovations, the fiscal year saw the permitting of 23 single family homes. Construction on the East Hampton High School wrapped up, and the new 40,000 square foot Sports on 66 indoor sports facility opened its doors. An abandoned, partially collapsed house that sat for more than two years at the entrance into town from Marlborough was finally removed, the 15 lot Chatham Forest subdivision was completed with all homes constructed and



sold, and the next phase of the Edgewater Hills development has begun. Major renovations at both East Hampton Housing Authority properties were completed, improving those facilities for their residents. Large renovations to

continued...

YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
PERMIT APPLICATIONS/ACTIVITIES					
Building Permits	141	110	93	124	468
Electric Permits	85	57	72	87	301
Mechanical Permits	69	76	55	66	266
Plumbing Permits	30	21	25	29	105
Demolition Permits	8	2	4	8	22
Zoning Permits *	71	50	51	76	248
Inspections	585	614	464	714	2,377
LAND USE APPLICATIONS/ACTIVITIES					
P&Z	2	5	6	3	16
IWWA	6	2	5	17	30
ZBA	2	2	5	4	13
Complaints Received	14	17	5	13	49
PERMITS ISSUED/COMPLETIONS					
Building Permits Issued	92	97	54	113	356
Electrical Permits Issued	55	48	48	79	230
Mechanical Permits Issued	61	60	39	58	218
Plumbing Permits Issued	21	20	15	34	90
Demolition Permits Issued	5	2	4	1	12
Zoning Permits Issued	40	43	42	74	199
Certificate of Occupancy	12	5	3	9	29
Certificate of Approval	119	110	66	106	401
Certificate of Zoning Compliance	26	53	17	13	109
Complaints Closed	8	7	5	4	24

* Zoning Permits - effective March 1, 2014 the Connecticut State Building Code stopped the requirement for sheds and decks (on ground level) under 200 sq. ft. to obtain a building permit; however they still require a zoning permit. This change made it necessary to actually issue zoning permits separately. The first standalone zoning permits were issued April 2014



the bowling alley have continued throughout the year with the facility under new ownership. The department began a public awareness campaign using the new Town Events magazine to educate homeowners to the process and requirements of the Building Code.

The Planning and Zoning Commission updated their regulations to include the ability for a few properties on Main Street to apply for a change of zone allowing

small home offices. In accordance with the new Plan of Conservation & Development, the Planning and Zoning Commission and Inland Wetlands Watercourses Agency continue to work closely with other departments in order to monitor and protect the health of Lake Pocotopaug. Both Commissions have continued to investigate changes to their regulations to better protect the lake and other environmental assets in Town. Several large projects were approved including the new

NAPA store on East High Street, the new municipal Fuel Station on Gildersleeve Drive, and several small subdivisions.

Fees collected by the Planning, Zoning, and Building department included those for zoning, special permits, wetlands, building, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical permits. The total collected by the department was in excess of \$201,000 for the fiscal year. Overall construction in East Hampton during the fiscal year was valued in excess of \$13.2 million. 🏡



POLICE DEPARTMENT

The East Hampton Police Department is operationally funded for fifteen full time officers, two clerical staff and one Police Chief. During this reporting year our Police Officers were effective in bringing several high profile investigations to successful conclusions by conducting a high level of self-initiated criminal investigations, under-cover investigations and by working with neighboring police agencies in solving cases and sharing information. Our department has added its newest officer, Police Officer Timothy DeRoehn. Officer DeRoehn graduated from the Connecticut Police Academy in September of this year. He is currently in the Field Officer Training Program and it is anticipated that he will be out on patrol in January of 2018. We are very excited to have Officer DeRoehn join our force and we have every confidence he will be an asset to our community.



one unmarked patrol vehicle, which will be used to increase our motor vehicle and DUI enforcement efforts.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

The **Administration Division** has the responsibility of maintaining personnel and training records, payroll and accounting functions, providing logistical support and preparing and managing the department's budget. The Administrative Division is also responsible for initiating Internal Affairs Investigations and responds to all citizen complaints. Support Services process and maintain all reports produced by the East Hampton Police Department staff and are responsible for the maintenance and security of criminal records. The Support Services staff greets customers, answers phones, prepares a number of reports, performs data entry in regional and national law enforcement telecommunications systems, conducts background checks on arrested persons and processes all permit applications.

PATROL/INVESTIGATIONS

Patrol is composed of three shifts of uniformed officers that provide services 24 hours a day. Patrol is primarily responsible for responding to immediate and routine calls for service, crime related incidents, quality of life issues and medical emergencies. Officers are assigned to patrol, conduct preliminary investigations, collect evidence and arrest offenders. Other responsibilities include: facilitating the safe, expeditious movement of



We have also updated our aging fleet of patrol vehicles by replacing two older rear-wheel drive vehicles with all-wheel drive "Crossover" vehicles. While these vehicles handle snow covered road much better than the traditional rear wheel drive vehicles, they also offer more storage space for the additional medical supplies required by the Department of Public Health. Lastly, we will continue to deploy



POLICE DEPARTMENT: YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Monthly Cases	1,856	1,649	1,728	2,047	7,280
Motor Vehicle Accidents	52	74	78	43	247
Motor Vehicle Contacts	319	238	243	383	1,183
Criminal Arrests	41	24	43	22	130
Case Investigations	937	1,281	1,035	1,742	4,995
Robberies	-	-	1	-	1
Burglaries	4	5	5	3	17
Larcenies	23	34	24	20	101
Assaults	10	7	13	9	39
Sexual Assaults	-	-	-	1	1
Drug Violations	7	3	4	4	18
Motor Vehicle Thefts	3	2	3	1	9
Criminal Mischief	30	21	18	11	80
Domestic Disturbances	33	22	28	25	108
Alarms	133	132	112	115	492
Medical Calls	178	167	182	188	715
Juvenile Investigations	3	6	4	6	19
Phone/Walk-Ins	924	658	563	693	2,838

vehicle and pedestrian traffic; minimizing property loss; recovering stolen property; ensuring safety and protection of persons and property through proactive and directed patrol; apprehending offenders; rendering aid and advice as necessary and providing the highest level of quality service through community-oriented policing. Patrols are responsible for the enforcement of state and local traffic laws, traffic accident investigation and traffic control within East Hampton. Traffic patrols conduct selective traffic enforcement details as required. Through the use of focused traffic enforcement details and radar enforcement, officers address high volume traffic issues and traffic-related problems that negatively impact the community.



EAST HAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY CONNECTICUT

FY 2016/2017 Year in Review

The mission of the East Hampton Public Library is to provide equal access to information and ideas, promote a love of reading, and offer a wide range of community-based educational and cultural programs.

We accomplish this mission through a wide and diverse collection of books, media and downloadable content, programs and events for all ages and outreach and partnership with other East Hampton organizations.

Fiscal Year 2016/2017 was a time of transition for the Library with a previous director retiring in November 2016 and a new director starting in March 2017.

In late Spring 2017, work focused on making the library welcoming, vibrant and friendly. Our spaces are cleaner, brighter and more inviting. If you haven't visited the library lately, come in and join us! We're excited to show you what we have to offer.

Over half of East Hampton residents have a library card.



The number of people who used library computers to access the internet, job resources and social services. 65% of people who use library computers don't have internet at home.



Kids participating in the Library's summer reading program read, on average, 10 books in 8 weeks. Teens read 6.75.

67,367

Number of items borrowed last year. (That 5.22 per person in East Hampton!) Here's how it breaks down.

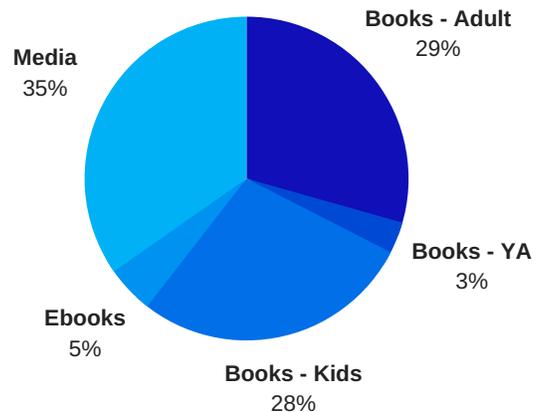


340+

The number of story times, crafts and educational programs for children the library held in FY 16/17.

3,500+

The number of children and families who attended.



Mission Statement

The mission of the Town of East Hampton Public Works Department is to provide reliable and cost-effective routine and emergency services to maintain the public works infrastructure and systems. Public Works, through its dedicated employees, performs work in a manner that emphasizes customer satisfaction, public service, and the long-term best interest of the community.

The Public Works Department continues to focus on projects that add value for the community and has continued to utilize in-house staff for smaller projects. These jobs have a significant impact in several areas including cost savings and efficiency. Working closely with other departments has improved overall communication and led to improved service. Work performed by the Department includes, but is not limited to, maintenance/repair/inspection of improved and unimproved roads, maintenance of sidewalks, cleaning/repairing catch basins, traffic sign installation and maintenance, street line painting and traffic marking, sweeping of roads as well as all municipal building lots, including schools, snow plowing and salting of roads as well as all municipal parking lots, including schools, mowing roadsides and intersections to maintain site lines as well as removing dangerous trees in the town's right-of-way, maintenance of rolling stock, maintenance of five



(5) Town-owned cemeteries and operation of the Town's transfer Station approximately fifty-two (52) days per year. The Department also assisted the Parks and Recreation Department by installing drainage for the Rails to Trails project continuation at the Forest Street crossing; cleaned all catch basins in the watershed area, repaired many failing catch basins and stabilized and maintained all unimproved roads on schedule and after heavy rains. A contractor reclaimed/repaved Lake Drive from White Birch Road to Route 66; Depot Hill from Portland town line; replaced sidewalks on Hills Avenue to North Maple Street and North Maple to Sherry Drive. The Department rebuilt the engine of Tanker 312 for the Fire Department, supervised the contractor repairing the wall and outside stairs at Fire Co. #1; assisted several departments including, but not limited to, Board of Education, Parks and Recreation, and Police Department. In-house restoration of snow removal equipment was performed. This year saw the completion of the North Main Street Christopher Brook Culvert project and the department received several pieces of snow removal equipment. 🚧

YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Catch Basin Cleaning - Man Hours (MH)	-	197	16	244	457
Drainage - MH	208	52	-	152	412
Maintain Cemeteries, Town Buildings, Village Center - MH	185	78	296	312	871
Maintain DPW Facilities/Equipment/Vehicles - MH	1,610	1,606	2,022	1,485	6,722
Meetings Training Development - MH	60	142	20	235	457
Misc. Service Requests - MH	114	256	344	359	1,073
Patching Paving, Curbing Road Work - MH	2,256	1,129	422	962	4,769
Roadside Mowing - MH	368	280	8	152	808
Snow/Ice Control - MH	-	1,631	3,995	102	5,728
Sweeping - MH	120	8	88	736	952
Unimproved Road Maintenance - MH	474	684	212	254	1,624
Tree Work - MH	221	96	184	249	750
Work for Other Depts - MH	536	213	440	439	1,628



RIVERCOG, one of Connecticut's nine Councils of Governments, is governed by the chief elected officials of its 17 member towns: Chester, Clinton, Cromwell, Deep River, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Middlefield, Middletown, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Portland, and Westbrook.



The RiverCOG is responsible for planning of regional land use, transportation, emergency preparedness, environmental conservation, economic development, and homeland security. RiverCOG also provides regional services such as household hazardous waste collection.

Current officers for RiverCOG are Bonnie Reemsnyder (Old Lyme), serving as Chairperson, Michael Maniscalco (East Hampton) as Vice-Chairperson, Noel Bishop (Westbrook) as Secretary, and Carl Fortuna (Old Saybrook) as Treasurer. First Selectwoman Cathy Iino (Killingworth) and Town Manager Anthony Salvatore (Cromwell) serve, join the RiverCOG officers on the Executive Committee. 🌱



FISCAL YEAR 2017 WAS AN UNEXPECTEDLY EVENTFUL YEAR FOR RIVERCOG. OUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- 🌱 We welcomed a new staff planner Jon Curtis.
- 🌱 RiverCOG was awarded an Honorable Mention for Outstanding Coordination by the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations for its work on the USDOT MPO reform regulatory process.
- 🌱 Executive Director Samuel Gold was asked by the Secretary of USDOT to present at the National Summit on Transportation and Opportunity in Washington, DC.
- 🌱 RiverCOG worked with Old Lyme and other towns to have a proposed high-speed rail bypass from Old Saybrook to Kenyon, RI from the Federal Railroad Administration's Record of Decision for improvements to the North East Corridor rail line.
- 🌱 RiverCOG worked with a consultant to create a mathematical inland flooding model for the Lower Connecticut River Valley Region. The model will be used to predict areas of flood risk that may arise from more frequent intense rainfall events.
- 🌱 Comprehensive ridership count of bus passengers on all runs operated by 9 Town Transit and Middletown Area Transit
- 🌱 Creation of a new four year regional Transportation Investment Plan (TIP) for federal highway and transit funding
- 🌱 Completion of a Case Statement and Shared Services Study for the regions land trusts, cooperating via RiverCOG's Land Trust Exchange
- 🌱 Kicked off public outreach and research for a new Regional Plan of Conservation and Development
- 🌱 Started an implementation phase of the **GrowSmart** economic growth strategy focused on investigating the establishment of a regional development agency
- 🌱 Partnering with the Connecticut Tourism Coalition to further efforts to more effectively capitalize on tourism in the RiverCOG region
- 🌱 Continued household hazardous waste collections and paper shredding events, and partnering with the state on new recycling efforts on plastic wraps and bags.

Mission Statement

To provide comprehensive services and programs to the current and evolving populations of older adults in East Hampton to promote their health, nutritional, financial, social, and recreational well-being.

The Senior Center is a Community Focal Point. This designation means the Senior Center provides critical information and services to older adults and serves as a community hub for local activity for older adults within the Senior Resources Planning and Service Area.

Older adults access services at the Senior Center for a variety of reasons. Many are participating in the on-going programs that are offered on a regular basis at the Senior Center, such as exercise programs, square dancing, the elderly nutrition program (congregate and meals on wheels), music rehearsals, travel, and many more. We continue to collaborate with Youth and Family Services, Parks and Recreation, the Public Library and the schools to

provide additional services at the Senior Center. There were 147 new participants, from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Others use the Center as a resource, looking for information regarding Medicare, housing, the SNAP programs, energy assistance, etc. The Center is able to respond to these needs, with the partnerships with outside agencies and volunteers from the Town. There are East Hampton CHOICES volunteers who provide on-going assistance for Medicare concerns. These CHOICES volunteers allow older adults to make informed decisions regarding their healthcare plans. The Center offers educational seminars such as AARP Safe Driving and AARP Tax Assistance. Additionally, seminars on estate planning, health care options, identity theft, nutrition and others are offered.



Old Home Day Parade 2017

The Center is a 'hub of community' for older adults, family members, care givers, and friends of older adults. The activities promote socialization and interaction with others and promotes a feeling of well-being and being a part of the community. The Senior Center programs and services encourage people to be active, vital and relevant within our community. It is very important to encourage such activity to meet the diverse needs of the ever-growing, older adult population.



Tapper's On Tour



YEAR AT A GLANCE

	Units	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
General Membership	New Members	44	25	48	32	149
Meal Program	Congregate meals	908	555	400	321	2,184
Meal Program	Meals on Wheels	725	584	378	389	2,076
Transportation Dial-A-Ride (MAT) (social/personal/shopping/medical)	Total Rides	957	1,028	342	-	2,327
Enhanced Transportation (social/recreational)	One Way Ride	127	223	210	290	850
Volunteer Office Hours		378	268	327	142	1,115
Monthly Visitor Tallies	Unduplicated Sign-ins	500	535	577	586	2,198



East Hampton Social Services provides residents with information, referrals, advocacy, budget counseling, short term case management and support, fair housing information, and relocation assistance in accordance with state regulations. We assist clients with the completion of applications to access programs to meet basic needs. We also facilitate connections to agencies and organizations providing health and human services resources. In addition, East Hampton Social Services provides budget counseling and one-time assistance with an urgent need to prevent residents from

descending into a long-term crisis and life altering circumstances.

East Hampton Youth & Family Services strives to create a supportive community that enhances the well-being of our youth and their families. Our goal is to empower families by promoting resiliency, fostering positive youth development, and assisting in building strong and healthy relationships within their home and the community. The department is committed to expanding our practice of trauma-informed care, restorative justice, and wrap around support. We offer free

child, family, and couples counseling on-site as well as group counseling.

East Hampton Prevention Partnership is a new edition this year to the Youth & Family Services Department. Through the work of the Local Prevention Council, The CT Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services awarded East Hampton The Partnership for Success grant for youth-focused drug and alcohol abuse prevention. This Council is a grassroots organization that focuses on substance abuse education, awareness and providing alternative activities to the youth of East Hampton. 🍷

SOCIAL SERVICES: YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Oil Assistance	2	2	8	4	16
Electric Assistance	4	1	3	4	12
Homelessness	-	2	3	3	8
Rent Assistance	-	-	-	2	2
Evictions	1	1	2	3	7
Other	-	18	43	39	100
Calls for Information	137	48	191	151	527

SAVINGS AND STATISTICS OF THE DISCOUNT PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Total Claims	312	257	246	208	1,023
Total Cards Used	33	40	35	29	137
Member RX Cost	\$10,726	\$ 9,319	\$ 7,481	\$ 5,753	\$ 33,279
Avg Member RX Cost	\$ 34.38	\$ 36.26	\$ 30.41	\$ 27.66	\$ 32.53
Price Savings	\$13,016	\$15,465	\$16,548	\$10,228	\$55,257
Avg Price Savings	\$ 41.72	\$ 60.18	\$ 67.27	\$ 49.17	\$ 54.02
% Price Savings	56%	62%	69%	63%	62%

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES: YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Individual Counseling Hours	342	347	210	181	1,080
Couples Counseling Hours	214	207	98	97	616
Family Counseling	74	82	32	30	218
Group Counseling	0	0	24	222	246
Total Counseling Hours	630	636	364	530	2,160





The Town Clerk's Office began accepting eRecordings on December 18, 2014. To date 987 documents have been accepted and \$110,259.00 in recording fees. Electronic recordings are secure and allow indexing the document with fewer rejections of documents due to incorrect recording fees or the document to be recorded was mailed to wrong town. The document is electronically returned saving postage and the revenue is deposited into the town's account immediately following the recordation of the document.

In January 2018, the Department of Revenue Services has indicated that it will be allowing electronic transmission of State's portion of the conveyance tax along with the OPM-236 form which will allow this office to accept deeds that transfer title electronically. This should result in more electronic recordings of closing paperwork for transfers of property.

The on-line land records' portal has generated \$8,912.00 in revenue for this fiscal year. The on-line portal includes trade names, maps and liquor permits which can be printed from any computer with a subscription with our vendor. This has reduced the traffic in the office for making copies of these documents. 📄

TIDBITS OF INTERESTING INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOWN CLERK'S DATA AS OF JUNE 30, 2017:

- 📄 Total number of instruments in Resolution 3 = 257,713
- 📄 Average number of instruments filed per year = 3,365
- 📄 Total number of images in Resolution 3 = 631,433
- 📄 Average number of images filed per year = 10,265
- 📄 Voter turnout for the Presidential Election was 83%
- 📄 500 absentee ballots were issued
- 📄 Collected approximately \$138,131 in Revenue for the State
- 📄 Collected approximately \$264,537 in Revenue for the Town



YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
Land Recordings	1,041	747	662	930	3,380
Sports Licenses	61	115	176	272	624
Dog Licenses	324	79	46	1,000	1,449
Marriage Licenses	24	8	5	21	58
Notary Services	50	50	69	58	227
Maps Filed	6	13	12	22	53
Conveyance Tax Collected	\$45,261.79	\$ 36,427.46	\$ 23,162.11	\$ 38,128.95	\$142,980.31
On-Line Land Record Copies	\$ 2,507.00	\$ 2,246.00	\$ 1,897.00	\$ 2,262.00	\$ 8,912.00
Certified Vital Records	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 2,480.00	\$ 2,535.00	\$ 9,695.00
eRecordings	\$ 8,955.00	\$ 12,237.00	\$ 14,937.00	\$ 14,164.00	\$ 50,293.00





WASTE WATER

The Town of East Hampton's WPCA, through the Colchester-East Hampton Joint Facilities, is directly responsible for over 34 miles of collection system and over 27 lift stations in East Hampton. The East Hampton WPCA operating budget ending June 30, 2017 was \$1,188,973, which included payment of \$796,887, to the Colchester-East Hampton Joint Facilities for treatment and operation of the wastewater system. There are over 3,365 properties connected to the wastewater system in East Hampton.

State regulations that established the WPCA require that the Authority operate as an "Enterprise Fund" i.e. all fees paid by the users of the system must be used for the operations and maintenance of the wastewater system. There is no Town tax revenue used for the operations or maintenance of the wastewater system. In East Hampton, the users pay \$355 per EDU for the annual use of the system. Those users with a Town maintained grinder pump pay an additional \$125

per year. Based upon 2017 sewer rate information published by Tighe & Bond Engineers, East Hampton's use rate is one of the lowest of the 17 towns surveyed.

WATER

The Town owns and through the WPCA operates the **Town Center Water System (TCWS)** and the **Royal Oaks Water System (ROWS)**. The WPCA, through contract services with State certified water treatment and distribution operators, is responsible for the day to day operations of both of these systems. A Special Revenue Fund presently exists for the water budget for the operation and maintenance of these water systems. The operating budget for both systems totaled \$122,415, the monthly meter charge is \$40 and the commodity charge is \$9.25/1000 gallons used. 2015 was the first year that the water systems were self-sufficient. 🌊



YEAR AT A GLANCE

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD
After Hour Callouts	22	16	20	18	76
New Sewer Permits	3	6	1	3	13

