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## Tom Wolf's 2021 State Budget

### Overview

1. Spending increase of more than \$3.5 BILLION and more than an 11% increase over the 2020-2021 budget.
2. Historic personal Income Tax increased to 4.49%
3. Creates a new severance tax on natural gas.
4. NOTHING DONE TO PRIORTIZE DISTRUBUTION OF COVID VACCINE.

**[Click here to learn more about Tom Wolf's reckless spending and taxes.](#)**



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### What are people saying about Tom Wolf's reckless spending and taxes?

(Click on names to read their full statements.)

"While I respectfully disagree with many of these proposals, including raising income taxes and full legalization of marijuana, my deepest concerns are related to the actual administration of our government.

"I cannot – nor will our citizens – tolerate the quiet dismissal of the open mismanagement that has occurred in our



### From Chairman Sam DeMarco III

Dear Friends,

After a failed response to the Covid-19 pandemic, he now brings us a state budget that will punish all Pennsylvanians and will only serve his own special interests.

### Tom Wolf's 2020 Failures

When millions of Pennsylvanians were out of work due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Governor Wolf's labor department was unable to get unemployment checks to families in need. Indeed, many people waited MONTHS to get their first unemployment check. Making matters worse, the department of labor's phone help line was unable to handle the phone call volume from desperate Pennsylvanians.

With Covid-19 ravaging Pennsylvania's health care systems, Governor Wolf's health department FORCED sick Covid-19 patients INTO nursing homes with drastic results.

When his draconian restrictions forced schools to close and closed businesses throughout the Commonwealth, Tom Wolf's health department refused to explain any of the the science behind his decisions. They even refused to answer questions at their press conferences.

executive agencies. -**PA House Speaker Bryan Cutler.**

"Governor Wolf's progressive tax proposal is exactly what we predicted. Increasing taxes on productive Pennsylvanians. Doing this after closures and restrictions have already devastated our economy is absurd."-**Senate Majority Leader Kim Ward.**

"Not everything is solvable by throwing additional government money at the problem – actually, few problems are solved that way. Instead, we need to get PA back to work as quickly as possible by ending & not repeating the arbitrary shutdowns on restaurants, gyms, & public schools." -**Representative Rob Mercuri**

"From his proposed personal income tax increase to his plan to triple tax the natural gas industry, Gov. Tom Wolf wants more of the Commonwealth's hard-earned tax dollars at a time when money is tighter than ever for many working-class families." -**Representative Carrie DelRosso**

"The governor is seeking to put the state at financial risk by proposing more spending and more taxes. Working families and nearly every small, local family business will be affected by his tax hike. During this global pandemic, the goal to economic recovery is to keep our businesses running. Economic recovery does not result by raising taxes." - **Representative Mike Puskaric**

"Our top priority must be getting a COVID-19 vaccine deployed and enabling people to go back to work safely. Getting people back to work does not start by raising taxes on the assets which will get us back to work safely." **Representative Valerie Gaydos**

"To think of paying higher taxes, let alone 50% more, during these difficult times for people who have been forced to seek unemployment compensation is just hard for me to swallow." - **Representative Bob Brooks**

"You cannot tax your way into prosperity. Pennsylvania does not have a revenue problem, it has a spending problem. - **Senator Devlin Robinson**

Under Tom Wolf, Pennsylvania is 44 out of 50 states in getting Covid-19 vaccines into the arms of the citizens.

And now that our economy lays in ruin, Tom Wolf is proposing a more than \$3 BILLION increase in spending!

To state it clearly: Tom Wolf is a study in failed leadership.

**If you are fed up by Tom Wolf's failed policies, nonsensical Covid-19 response, and now his incredible tone deaf budget, the time to act is now!**

See below to Get involved at the local level. By working together, we can deliver a government for the betterment of ALL of Pennsylvania and for ALL of Allegheny County.

Sincerely,

Sam

"Tom Wolf has doubled down on his administration's continued Covid-19 and systematic failures with this budget. When it comes to the needs of Pennsylvania and her citizens, getting the vaccines into people's arms is much more important than Tom Wolf's massive tax hike for his special projects and his special interests." -***Sam DeMarco III***

# Make a Difference in Your Community, Get Involved and Run For Local Elected Office.



## 2021 Municipal Elections

It is understandable that so many people focus their attention of certain public offices. Not a day goes by that we don't hear something about the President, Congress, United States Senate, or Pennsylvania Governor.

But we should not forget about all of the important elected officials right where we live. Elected **school boards** decide how our local education tax dollars are spent and what extracurricular programs our schools offer. They decide if a school will have a band, science club, lacrosse team, volleyball team, and they decide how much our school taxes will be.

**Get Involved!**

**Contact RCAC Today**

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Township and borough offices such as **supervisors, councils, commissioners, mayors and elected tax collectors** play such important roles in how our local governments are managed and kept safe.

**Contact us at RCAC today** if you want to learn more about what offices in your area may be open and make a difference in your community today!

**Get involved. Work with us to save Allegheny County from Tom Wolf's draconian taxes!**

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