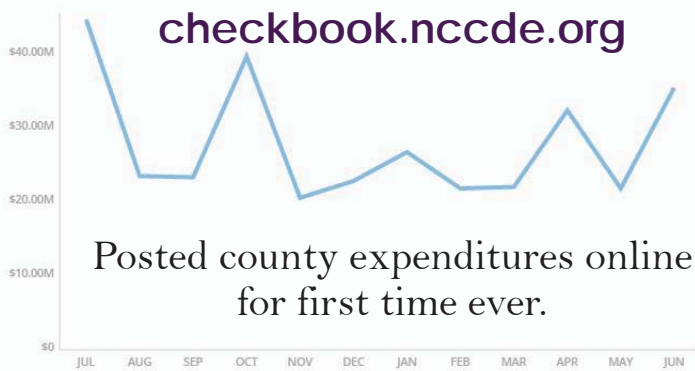


# NEW CASTLE COUNTY

ACHIEVEMENTS IN TRANSPARENCY,  
EFFICIENCY & RESPONSIVENESS IN 2017



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**\$5m** reduction in  
government spending  
combats growing  
structural deficit

**\$500,000** saved  
from first two county  
construction projects  
reposted for bid after administration  
updated contracting rules

Maintained highest  
**AAA bond rating**

*Achieved by less than 1.5% of all counties*

Paved way for **doubling** of  
clean solar power generation  
through

**renewable energy  
legislation**



Reviewed **24,800**  
development plans  
*44% increase over 2016*

Eliminated backlogs of

**200**

property tax  
exemption  
applications

**420**

property tax  
appeals

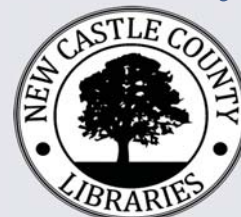
**\$1.5m** in short-term  
delinquent taxes collected

**50% reduction** in short-term delinquent  
taxes through proactive outreach

Enacted legislation to move more than  
**1,100 vacant properties**  
from sites that harm communities  
into **occupied homes** that  
**strengthen neighborhoods**

**Highest Use of Library  
System in County's History**

**2.3m**  
library  
visits



**3.5m**  
items  
checked  
out

**189,000** active library cards

Established Parks Task Force to engage residents in new park sites and priorities.

**4,400 online views** of Task Force meetings and  
**600+ written comments** from members of public.

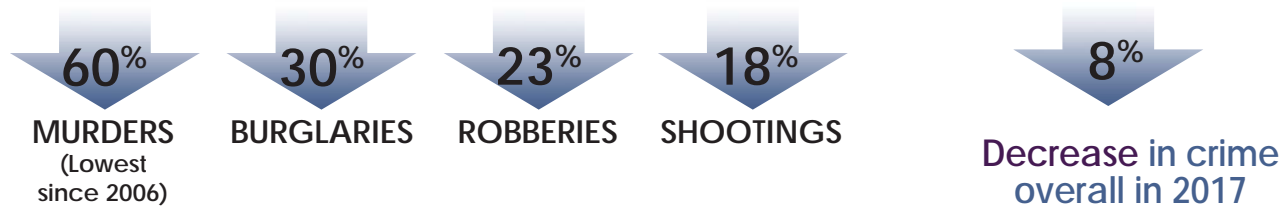
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## HISTORIC SUCCESS MAKING COMMUNITIES SAFER IN 2017



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### NCC CRIME REDUCTION



*Foot patrols have strengthened police and community relations, resulting in dramatic reduction in violent crimes in communities along the Route 9 Corridor and Edgemoor Gardens*

**\$190,000**

Secured grants to fund innovative policing strategies that address **mental health needs** and connect more individuals to **addiction** services in New Castle County

**1,469 DOSES**

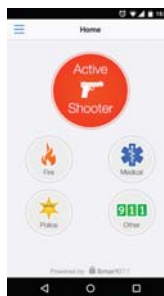
Narcan administered by NCC Paramedics and first responders

Made lifesaving Narcan available to all

**21 county volunteer fire companies at no cost.**

### ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

Advanced **125 police investigations** through use of cutting-edge DNA technology



Expanded use of **RAVE Panic Button** that integrates public facilities seamlessly with the 911 Center and first responders

Appointed **MOST DIVERSE** police command staff in County's history

911 Call Center answered **90%** of calls within **10 seconds**

*Achieved national standard for first time in County's history.*



Improved sudden cardiac arrest survival rates for 6th year in a row. Record **52** individuals whose hearts stopped beating were revived by county EMS and released from hospital with normal brain function and a return to normal activity