



## Charles County, Maryland

<b>Form of Government</b>	Code Home Rule
<b>When Adopted</b>	2002
<b>Number of Elected Officials</b>	Commissioner President At-large, 4 District Commissioners, Elected at-large
<b>Term of Office</b>	No Term Limits
<b>County Meeting Dates</b>	Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesdays as needed.

<u>Name of Elected Official</u>	<u>Title and District</u>	<u>First Elected</u>
Peter F. Murphy	Commissioner, President	2014
Ken Robinson	Commissioner, District 1	2010
Debra M. Davis	Commissioner, District 2	2014
Amanda M. Stewart	Commissioner, District 3	2014
Bobby Rucci	Commissioner, District 4, Vice President	2010

### Demographics

<u>Population and Density</u>	
Land Area (sq. miles)	457.8
Population	157,705
Population Density	344.5

### Racial Distribution

White	41.7%
African American	45.3%
Hispanic/Latino	5.5%
Asian	3.2%
American Indian	0.6%
Native Hawaiian	0.1%
Multi-Racial	3.5%

### Other

Median Household Income	\$ 91,373
Median Home Price	\$ 313,475
% Persons Living in Poverty	7.4%
Income Ranking Per Capita	13

### Municipalities

Number	3
Population	13,076
% of Cnty Population	8.3%
Largest	La Plata

### Recent Annexations

LaPlata - Small PUD

### County Management of Property Taxes

Tax Differential

### FY 2019 Budget Actions

Budget increased by 3.4% over prior year. No tax increases. County provided performance-based merit increases and a 1% COLA for general county employees.

### Budget and Finance

FY 2019 General Fund Budget

\$404.7 million

### K-12 Education (FY 2018)

% of General Fund for Public Safety

26.8%

County Share

46.0%

% of General Fund for Education

46.0%

State Share

50.4%

Federal Share

3.6%

### Tax

<u>Tax</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
Property	1.141
Income	3.03%
Recordation	\$5.00
Transfer	0.50%
Hotel/Motel	5%
Adm & Amusement	10%
Impact Fee/Excise	\$16,206

### % Limit

Homestead Credit	7%
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Adequate Public Financing Ordinances

Yes. Facilities or services include schools, roads, water supply, and fire.