



FY 2019 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 19

BUDGET QUESTION: What is the cost to provide the line of duty tax relief for public safety employees?

RESPONSE: Currently, we know of three surviving spouses of Spotsylvania public safety employees who died in the line of duty who would qualify for the program. ~~The revenue loss with these three would be approximately \$20,700.~~ However, there is no way for us to know how many other families who live in the County have had a public safety line of duty loss in another locality.

A public hearing is planned for March 13 to provide citizens an opportunity to speak on the proposed ordinance associated with this tax exemption. Subsequent to the hearing, the ordinance may be adopted by the Board.

Revised Response – March 27, 2018

After further review by the Commissioner of Revenue, it was determined that the annual revenue loss for the three known surviving spouses of Spotsylvania public safety employees who died in the line of duty who would qualify for the program is \$5,296 for 2018.