

NIAGARA REGION BUDGET

2020

# INTRODUCTION TO THE 2020 LEVY

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019



# Purpose of Levy Overview Presentation

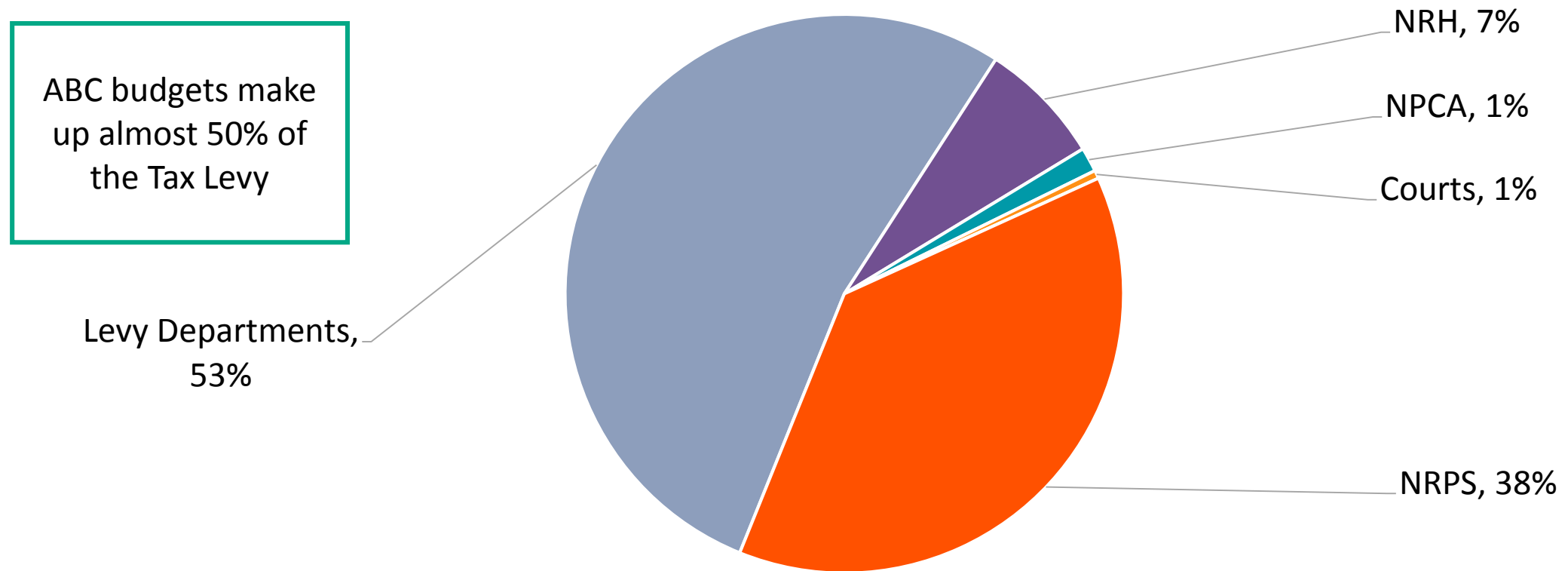
- To provide context for how the ABCs budget requests fit in to the total 2020 tax levy
- To provide timely update and understanding of the consolidated General Levy budget
- To provide opportunity for questions to be addressed to the respective ABC representatives presenting this evening

# Levy Budget

- Levy budget includes:
  - Regional departments
  - ABCs (NRPS, NRH, NPCA and Court Services)
  - excludes Water, Wastewater, and Waste Management
- The 2019 Tax Levy was \$365.7 million,
  - 2% of the Levy is \$7.3 million
- The ABCs comprise 47% of the Tax Levy

# Consolidated Levy Budget

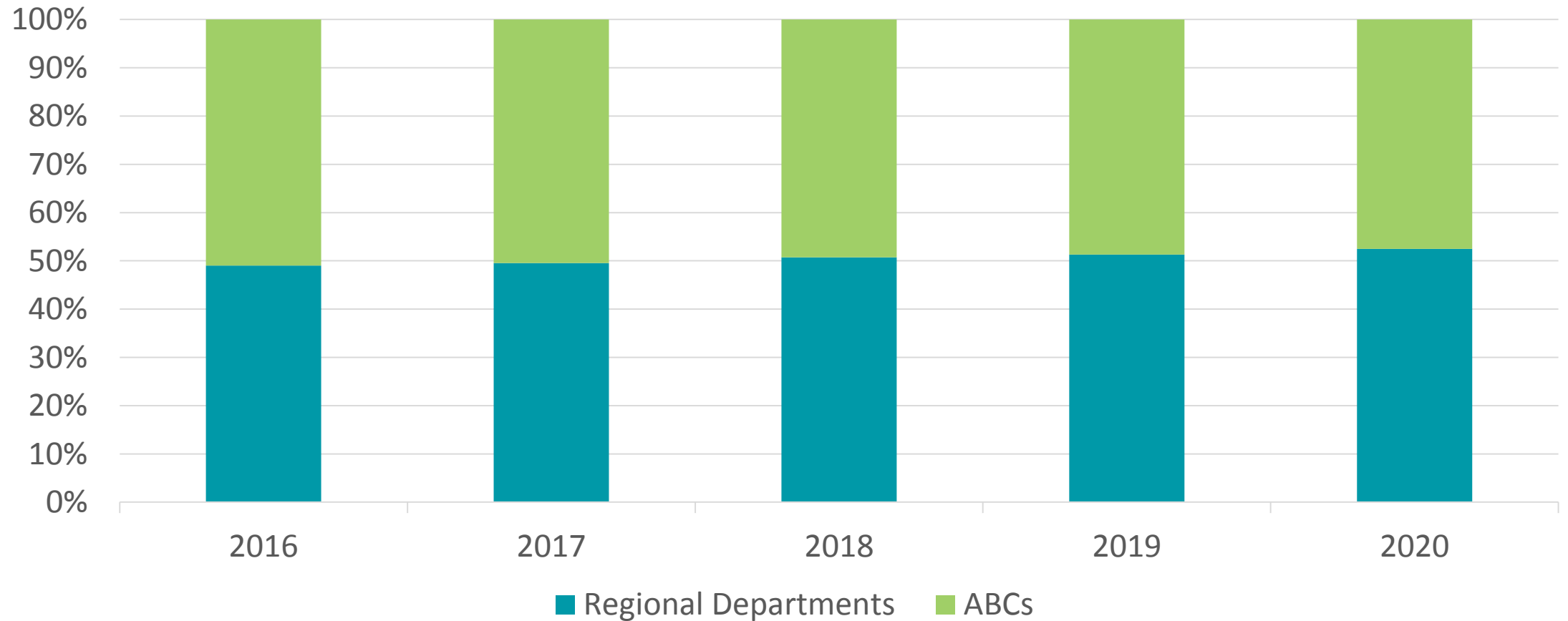
## 2019 Levy Distribution



\*figures from 2019 budget

# ABC as Percentage of Tax Levy

Levy distribution between Departments and ABCs relatively consistent



# General Levy Operating Budget

Direction Based on Budget Planning

	\$	Yr/yr %	% Levy
Departments	3.7	2.0%	1.0%
ABCs	3.6	2.0%	1.0%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
Net Revenue Pressure (Provincial download)	2.1		0.6%
Capital Financing (Long-term Care Debt)	5.6		1.5%
New and Enhanced Services	0.5		0.1%
Costs of Growth (including Niagara Regional Transit)	6.7		1.8%
Assessment Growth			(1.4%)
<b>Subtotal of Changes</b>	<b>14.9</b>		<b>2.7%</b>
<b>Net Taxpayer Impact</b>	<b>22.3</b>		<b>4.7%</b>

Pressures previously reported with at 2.7% in additional to 2% base direction

# General Levy Operating Budget

Status as at November 21, 2019

	\$	Yr/yr %	% Levy
<b>Base Department Increase</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>
Net Revenue Pressure/download	2.1		0.6%
Capital Financing Long-term Care Debt	5.6		1.5%
New and Enhanced Services	0.5		0.1%
Costs of Growth (including NRT)	6.7		1.8%
Assessment Growth			(1.4%)
<b>Subtotal of Regional Departments</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
NRPS	7.7	5.3%	2.1%
NPCA	0.3	5.9%	0.1%
NRH	0.6	2.0%	0.2%
Courts	(0.1)	(21.5%)	(0.0%)
<b>Subtotal of ABCs</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>Total Budget Increase</b>	<b>27.1</b>		<b>6.0%</b>

Region estimating  
1.0% on base plus  
2.7% pressures for  
total of 3.7%

ABCs proposing  
2.3% increase in  
the levy

# NRPS

## Summary of Budget Submitted

	2018	2019	2020	2021
Base Budget	138.4M	144.3M	152.3M	TBD
Program Changes	-	3.1M	4.1M	
<b>Budget Request before Deferrals</b>	<b>138.4M</b>	<b>147.4M</b>	<b>156.3M</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Percentage Change Required</b>		<b>6.5%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	
2019 ¼ year deferral of 22 FTEs	-	(0.7M)	-	
2020 ½ year deferral of 40 FTEs	-	-	(1.9M)	1.9M
<b>Budget Request after Deferrals</b>	<b>138.4M</b>	<b>146.7M</b>	<b>154.5M</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Budget Increase</b>		<b>8.3M</b>	<b>7.7M</b>	<b>1.9M</b>
<b>Percentage Change Submitted</b>		<b>6.0%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>

2% increase for 2020 is \$2.9M compared to request of \$7.7M



# NPCA

## Summary of Budget Submitted

	2017	2018	2019	2020
Base Budget	7.1M	7.6M	7.1M	4.9M
<b>Percentage Change</b>		<b>6.5%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>(10.2%)</b>
Download of programs to Niagara Region		(0.6M)		
Reduction of Special Levy for debt charges and land acquisition			(1.6M)	
Capital Budget Special Levy Increase				0.9M
<b>Budget Request after Reductions</b>	<b>7.1M</b>	<b>7.0M</b>	<b>5.5M</b>	<b>5.8M</b>
<b>Budget Increase</b>		<b>(0.2M)</b>	<b>(1.5M)</b>	<b>0.3M</b>
<b>Percentage Change</b>		<b>(2.2%)</b>	<b>(21.4%)</b>	<b>5.9%</b>

2% increase for 2020 is \$0.1M compared to request of \$0.3M

# Court Services and NRH

## Summary of Budget Submitted

- NRH budget submission is a 2.0% increase
- Court Services budget submission is less than 2% increase
  - Courts generate a net revenue for the General Levy
  - 2020 net revenue is \$130 thousand greater than 2019 net revenue



Questions?

