



City of
WHITEHALL
Opportunity is Here



SAFER WHITEHALL LEVY

City Council Presentation – January 18, 2022

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Safer Whitehall Levy Consideration Timeframe
- Police Budget and Operational Needs
- Impact on Residential Property Taxes
- Public Information Campaign



LEVY CONSIDERATION TIMEFRAMES

- **Statement of Necessity Legislation Introduction:**
January 11, 2022 City Council Committee Meetings
- **Statement of Necessity Legislation Presentation and Consideration:**
January 18, 2022 City Council Voting Meeting
- **Ballot Legislation Consideration:**
February 1, 2022 City Council Voting Meeting
- **Primary Election Issue Filing Deadline:** February 2, 2022
- **Ballot Inclusion:** May 3, 2022 Primary Election
- **Property Tax Year Impacted:** 2022
(With tax payments beginning in Calendar Year 2023)



SAFER WHITEHALL LEVY OVERVIEW

- **Main Objective: Increase public safety resources; Continue to improve outcomes**
 - Police station expansion and renovation, technology enhancements
 - Addition of six new sworn officers
- **Total Annual Cost: \$1.39 million**
 - Police Station: \$7 million
 - Police Officers: \$900,000 (Approx. \$150,000 in salary and benefits per officer)
- **Proposed Funding Sources:**
 - **General Obligation Bond:** \$7 million (\$490,000 Annual Debt Service)
 - **Safer Whitehall Levy:** \$790,000 (\$490,000 Debt Service, \$300,000 Officers)
 - **COPS Grant:** \$675,000 Year 1, \$450,000 Year 2, \$225,000 Year 3
 - **General Fund:** \$150,000 Year 2, \$375,000 Year 3, \$600,000 Year 4+



RETURN ON INVESTMENT

35%

Police budget
increase since
beginning of Safer
Whitehall
Initiative (2017)

46%

Police budget
increase since
Mayor Maggard
took office
(2012)

23%

Of General Fund
is dedicated to
Police operations
(Not including
benefits)

2017-2020 Safer Whitehall Outcomes

27%

Reduction in
violent crime

38%

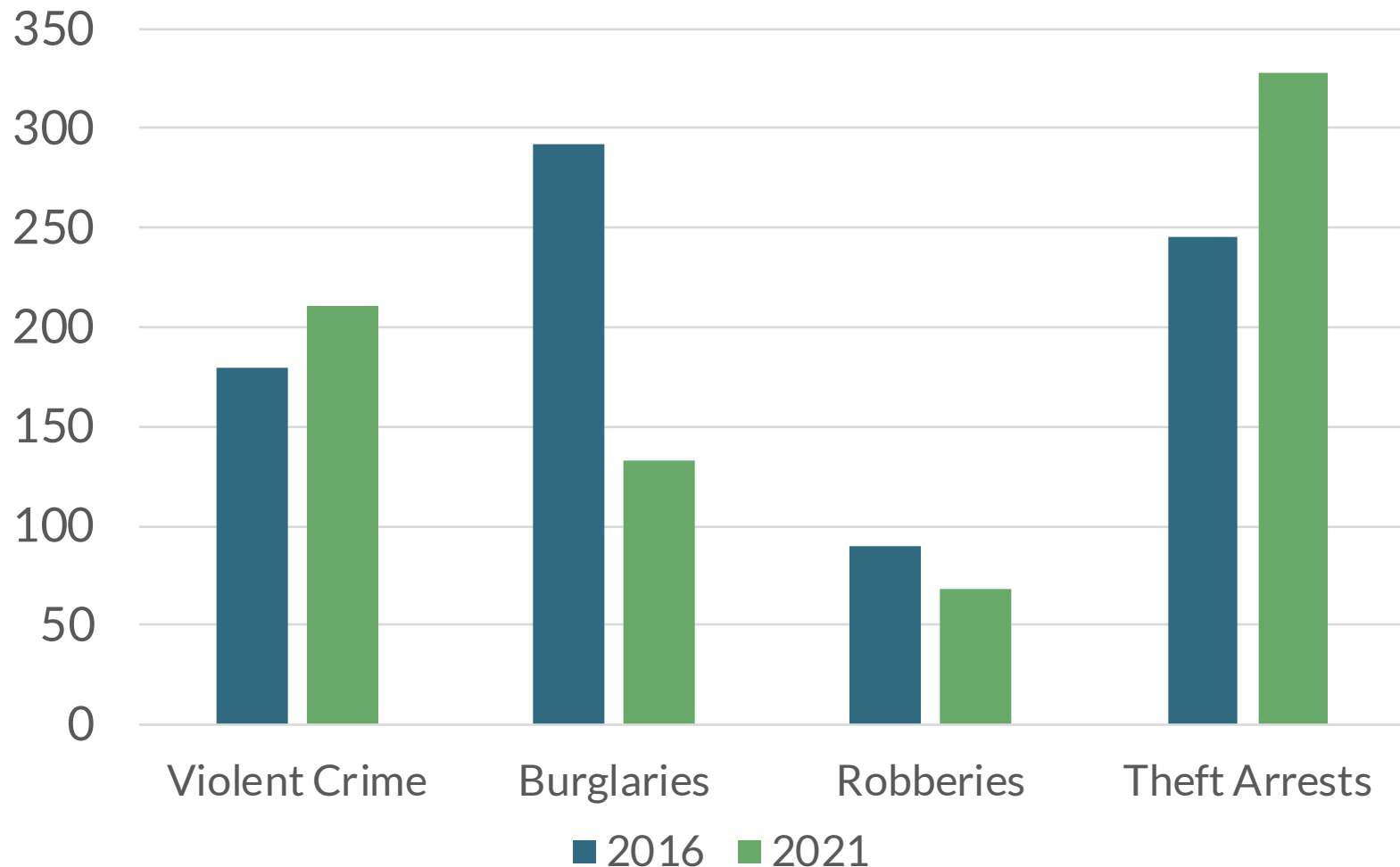
Reduction in
robberies

46%

Reduction in
burglaries

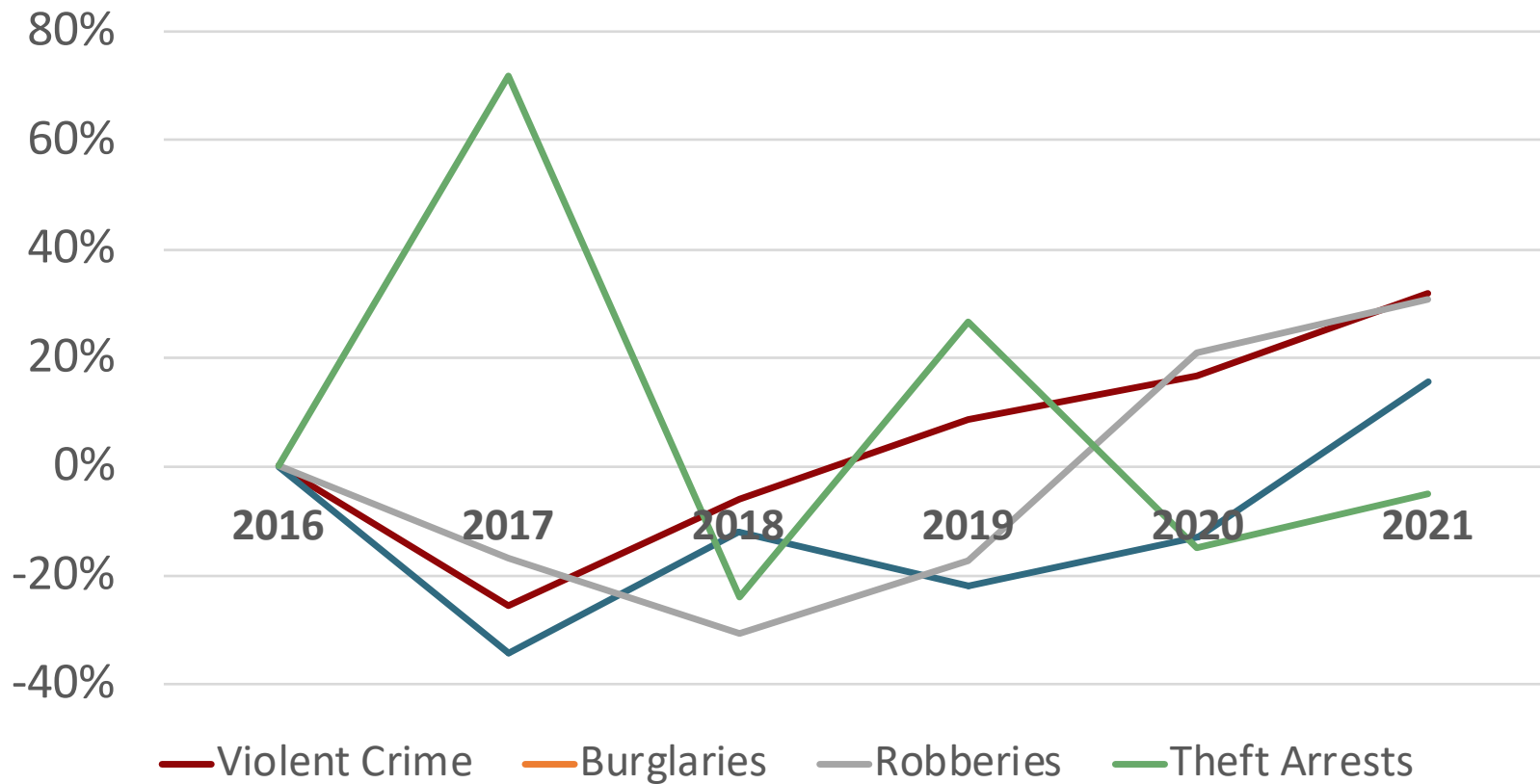


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RETURN ON INVESTMENT: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

76%

Success rate in first
year of Youth
Diversion Program

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Participants in
2021 Whitehall
Youth Citizens
Police Academy

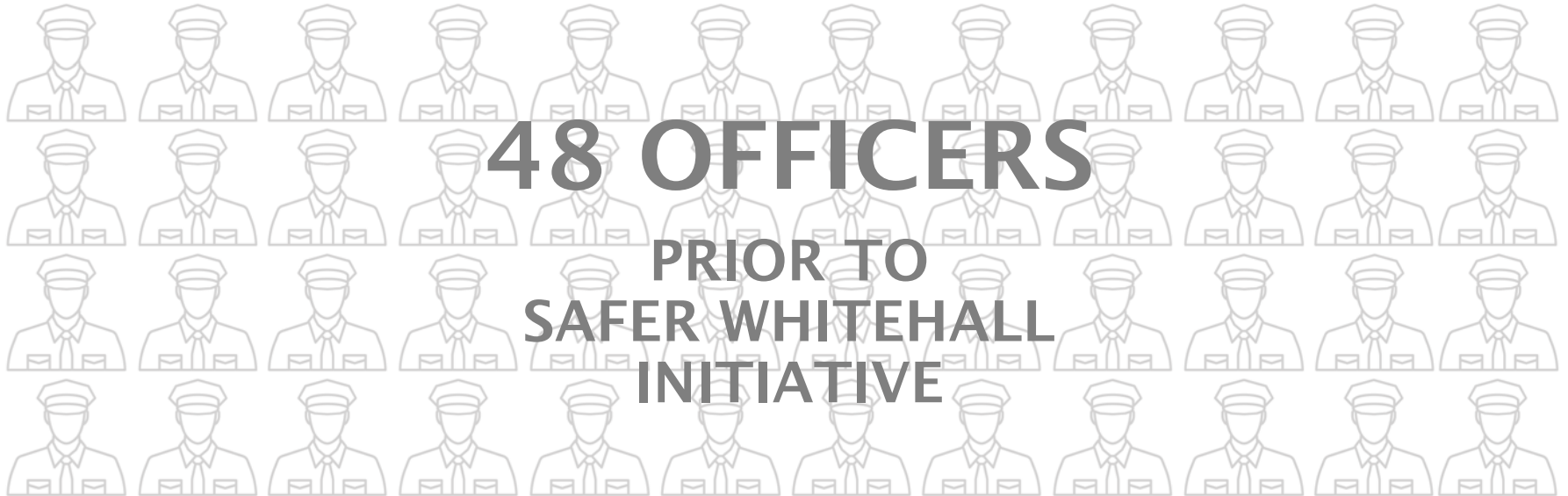
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Safer Whitehall
Town Halls Held
since 2016





FUTURE OPERATIONAL NEEDS: OFFICERS



**+6
SINCE
2016**

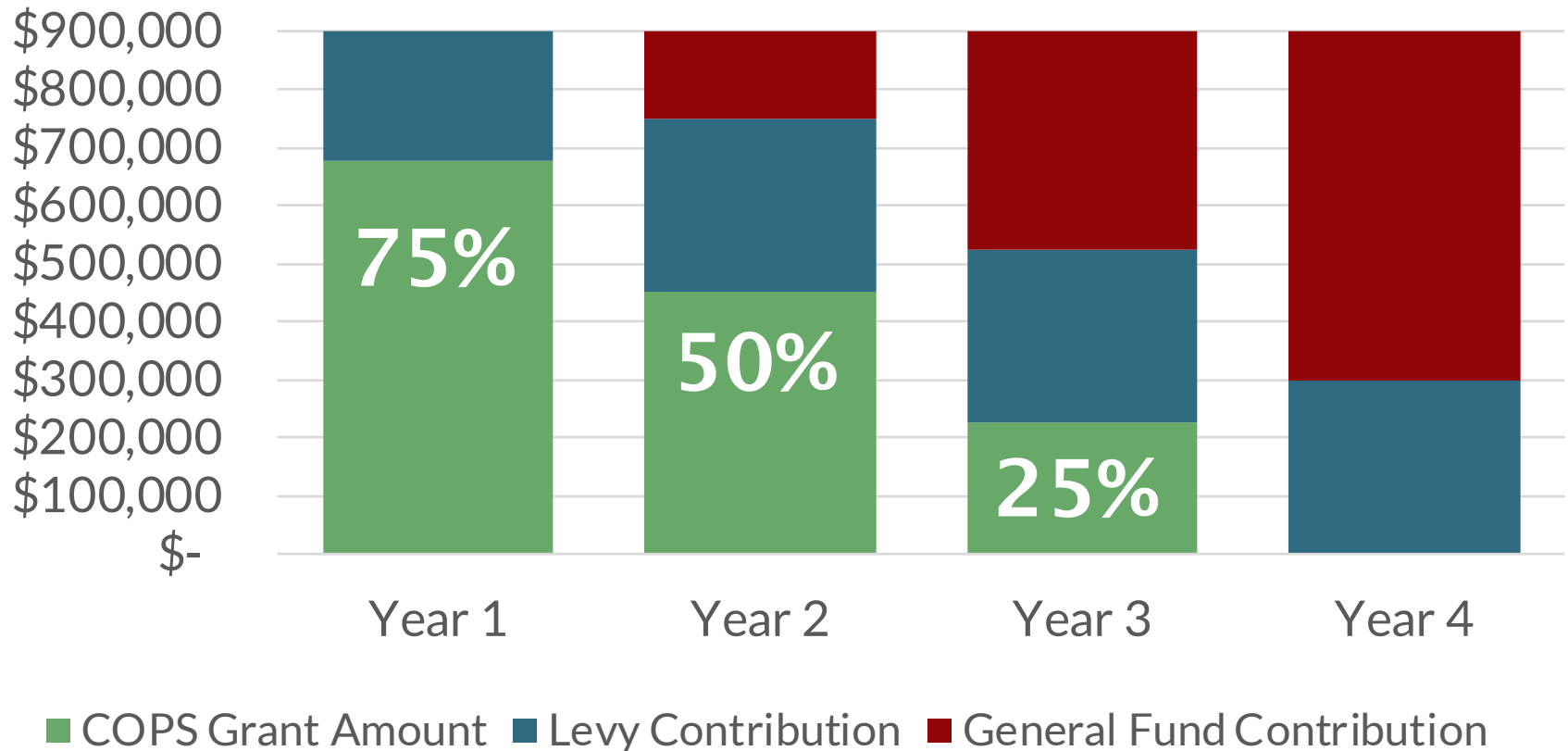


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ADDITIONAL
OFFICERS NEEDED**



FUTURE OPERATIONAL NEEDS: OFFICERS

EXAMPLE FUNDING SOURCES FOR SIX NEW
WHITEHALL POLICE OFFICERS (~ \$150K EACH)





FUTURE OPERATIONAL NEEDS: FACILITIES

- Proposed 13,000 square foot addition and 9,000 square foot renovation of existing Police Station on S. Yearling Road (Last renovated in 2011)
- Project would include upgrades to:
 - Training Room
 - Administrative Offices
 - Firing Range
 - Fleet Garage
 - Dispatch Center
 - Property Room
 - Reception Area
- Proposal includes a return to centralized police, fire and emergency medical service dispatching in Whitehall





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VIEW OF LOBBY



FUTURE OPERATIONAL NEEDS

LEVY PROCEEDS WOULD ALSO SUPPORT:



A return to centralized police, fire and emergency medical services dispatching



Improved technology for officers, dispatchers, analysts and administrators



Other equipment enhancements, including police fleet



PROPOSED SAFER WHITEHALL LEVY

2.822 MILLS

Beginning with Tax Year 2022

COST PER \$100,000 IN HOME PRICE	Standard Whitehall Home	Seniors with Homestead Exemption
ANNUALLY	\$98.77	\$74.08
MONTHLY	\$8.23	\$6.17
DAILY	\$0.27	\$0.20



LEVY PROCEED BREAK DOWN

- Total Mills: 2.822
- General Obligation Bond: \$7 million
- Annual Revenue: Approx. \$790,000
 - Annual Debt Service: \$490,000
 - Annual Operating Proceeds: \$300,000



PUBLIC INFORMATION CAMPAIGN

- Safer Whitehall Virtual Town Halls
- City website, social media and Whitehall E-Update
- Opportunity Guide Special Section
- Postcards



QUESTIONS?