

How much does it cost to incarcerate people for life?

The state spends

\$47,680

per year on each non-elderly prisoner

The state will spend roughly

\$342 million 

this year to maintain its lifer prison population

Releasing *1/3 of prisoners over age 55* would save PA

\$56 million

this year

\$3 billion

total over the rest of the prisoners' lives



The money saved could be used for...

School district debt in Philly: 

PWSA's debt in Pittsburgh: 

PA's deficit: 