

## How do I pay my taxes?

There are five ways to pay your real estate and personal property taxes. A convenience fee will be charged for the Internet and phone options that require a credit/debit card or eCheck. This fee is charged and retained by a private company to process the payment transactions. Mecklenburg County does not receive any portion of this fee. **Please use Bill Number as reference when paying tax bills.**

- 1. By Internet:** Visit <http://paytax.charmeck.org> and use your credit/debit card or choose eCheck to have payment deducted from your checking account. Fee Charged.
- 2. By Phone:** Call Toll-Free 1-877-533-0072 and use your credit/debit card. Fee Charged.
- 3. By Mail:** Mail both the tax payment stub and the check or money order to Mecklenburg County Tax Collector, PO Box 32247, Charlotte NC 28232-2247. Make checks/money orders payable to Mecklenburg County Tax Collector.
- 4. In Person:** Robert L. (Bob) Walton Plaza at 700 East Stonewall Street. Monday-Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. (CASH, CHECK or MONEY ORDER ONLY.)
- 5. Online Banking:** Many financial institutions offer online banking/bill payment services. Fees for this service vary by institution. Mecklenburg County does not receive any portion of the fees associated with this service. Please use the Bill Number as reference when paying tax bills.

## What are the tax deadlines?

Property tax payments (except registered motor vehicles) are due September 1, 2005 and must be paid by January 5, 2006. If mailed, payments must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service (not by meter) on or before January 5, 2006 to avoid interest charges. Taxpayers whose payment is received after January 5, 2006 will be charged 2% interest for the month of January 2006 and an additional 3/4% interest for every month until paid. All unpaid taxes (except registered motor vehicles) as of January 5 will be advertised in a local newspaper as being delinquent and an additional fee for advertising will be added. All delinquent taxes are subject to garnishment, levy (seizure), and foreclosure. A \$25.00 fee or 10% of the check, with a maximum of \$1,000.00 will be added for returned checks.

## Still have questions?

- Visit our website at <http://tax.charmeck.org> or email us at [mecktax@co.mecklenburg.nc.us](mailto:mecktax@co.mecklenburg.nc.us) or
- Contact the **CharMeck Call Center** by dialing **311** if calling within Mecklenburg County or 704-336-4600 if calling outside of Mecklenburg County.
- To learn more about Mecklenburg County and the services provided, log on to [www.4citizenhelp.com](http://www.4citizenhelp.com).

Charlotte  
Cornelius  
Davidson  
Huntersville  
Matthews  
Mecklenburg  
Mint Hill  
Pineville

# 2005 - 2006 Property Taxes

Office of the Tax Collector,  
Mecklenburg County, NC



## What do property taxes pay for?

When you call the police or fire department, play in a park, send your children to public school, check out a book at the library, or eat at an inspected restaurant, you are using services paid for by your property taxes. Your taxes also pay for services to help people move from welfare to work, protect children and senior citizens from abuse and neglect, protect our water and air from pollution, repair and build roads, and much more. Property taxes are the largest source of revenue to fund these services that you count on every day. For more information about Mecklenburg County's budget, the services funded by your property taxes, and links to the municipal web sites, visit [www.4citizenhelp.com](http://www.4citizenhelp.com).

## What property is taxed?

Property taxes are levied on real property (land and buildings), motor vehicles, boats, trailers and income-producing personal property. You pay taxes to Mecklenburg County and the municipality in which you live. If you live in Charlotte, Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill or Pineville, you receive one tax bill for both county and municipal taxes. Property owners in unincorporated Mecklenburg County pay additional taxes for their share of police services through the Law Enforcement Service District Tax.

## How much will I pay in taxes?

The amount of property tax you pay is based on the assessed value of your property. The Tax Assessor determines the value of all taxable property by the first of each year. The tax you pay is based on that value and the tax rate established by the elected city, county or town officials. (Multiply the tax rate by each \$100 of assessed value). For example, the tax bill for a home assessed at \$150,000 in value will be \$1,255.20 for County taxes and \$630.00 for Charlotte taxes.

## What is the solid waste fee on my tax bill?

Owners of residential properties within Mecklenburg County (except Matthews) pay a County solid waste fee of \$12 per residence, which funds recycling and waste reduction programs. Residential properties within the City of Charlotte are subject to both a County and City solid waste fee. The City fee, which funds the disposal cost of trash collected in Charlotte, is \$45 per single-family residence and \$27 per multiple-family residence.

## How do I change my address on my tax bill?

To change your mailing address for real estate tax bills, please contact the CharMeck 311 Call Center by dialing 311 if calling within Mecklenburg County and 704-336-7600 for calls originating outside of Mecklenburg County or log on to [tax.charmeck.org](http://tax.charmeck.org) and click on Office of the Tax Collector. For all registered motor vehicle tax bills, contact the Division of Motor Vehicles which is linked to from the Tax Collector's website. Address information for registered motor vehicle tax bills comes directly from the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Please change your address with their offices and they will send the corrected information to the Tax Assessor's Office the next time you renew your license tag.

## 2005-2006 Mecklenburg County Budget in Brief

How the Money is Used (in millions)

Program Category by Priority Level	FY 2006 County Dollars	FY 2006 Total Funding	FY 2006 % of Budget
Adult Abuse, Neglect Prevention/Protection	\$ 1.22	\$ 1.94	0.14%
Adult Mental Illness Prevention/Protection	12.71	22.00	1.44%
Aging in Place Services	7.14	11.16	0.81%
Building Safety (LUE)	1.62	26.23	0.18%
Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Funding	379.50	409.95	43.22%
Child Abuse, Neglect Prevention/Protection	18.13	37.14	2.06%
CPCC Education Funding - Debt	13.49	13.49	1.53%
Debt Service	94.12	107.80	10.72%
Economic/Financial Assistance	60.07	119.37	6.84%
Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment	5.63	11.71	0.64%
<b>Total Priority 1</b>	<b>\$ 593.63</b>	<b>\$ 760.79</b>	<b>67.62%</b>
Air Quality	0.50	2.35	0.05%
Child Mental Illness Prevention/Treatment	5.91	18.53	0.67%
Communicable Illness Prevention/Treatment	2.29	3.27	0.26%
CPCC Education Funding - Operations	20.39	20.39	2.32%
Financial Management	27.16	41.13	3.09%
IT Resource Management	13.41	15.67	1.52%
Jails & Detention Facilities	34.86	58.33	3.97%
Land Quality	0.00	15.89	0.00%
Water Quality	0.82	7.84	0.09%
<b>Total Priority 2</b>	<b>\$ 105.34</b>	<b>\$ 183.39</b>	<b>11.99%</b>
Disability Prevention/Treatment	8.29	30.24	0.94%
Diversity/Minority Affairs	0.22	0.22	0.02%
Domestic Violence Protection/Prevention	2.13	2.35	0.24%
Egov/Tech Investments	14.18	14.80	1.61%
Homelessness Services	0.59	0.74	0.06%
Legal Counsel	1.90	2.07	0.21%
Library Services	26.42	26.87	3.00%
Non-Communicable Illness Prevention/Treatment	30.55	39.29	3.48%
Personal Responsibility/Self-Sufficiency	5.75	8.03	0.65%
Transportation	1.39	40.22	0.15%
<b>Total Priority 3</b>	<b>\$ 91.42</b>	<b>\$ 164.84</b>	<b>10.41%</b>
Community Violence Protection/Prevention	11.17	25.48	1.27%
Court Services Coordination	0.85	3.52	0.09%
Employee Resource Management	15.52	17.93	1.77%
Greenway Planning & Development	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Land, Property, Records	(3.53)	9.89	-0.40%
Park, Fields, & Recreation Centers	18.46	18.94	2.10%
Property & Asset Management	26.90	27.39	3.06%
Voting Services	2.00	3.06	0.22%
<b>Total Priority 4</b>	<b>\$ 71.37</b>	<b>\$ 106.22</b>	<b>8.13%</b>
Economic Development	0.53	0.53	0.06%
Historical Preservation	0.24	0.32	0.03%
Nature Preserves & Open Space	1.93	2.06	0.22%
Public/Employee Communications	4.79	5.25	0.54%
Real Estate Purchasing	0.01	0.01	0.00%
Recreation & Leisure Programs	2.57	3.69	0.29%
Regional Planning	1.49	1.49	0.17%
<b>Total Priority 5</b>	<b>\$ 11.57</b>	<b>\$ 13.35</b>	<b>1.32%</b>
Advisory Committee	0.04	.06	0.00%
Aquatic Services	0.94	2.12	0.11%
Athletic Services	1.06	1.31	0.12%
Morgue & Medical Examiner	0.50	0.98	0.06%
Partnership/Underwriting Development	0.12	0.19	0.01%
Personal Responsibility/Self-Sufficiency	1.06	1.23	0.12%
<b>Total Priority 6</b>	<b>\$ 3.72</b>	<b>\$ 5.89</b>	<b>.42%</b>
County Education Services	0.82	0.84	0.09%
Job Training/Employment Assistance	0.06	0.12	0.00%
Personal Injury Prevention/Protection	0.06	0.06	0.00%
<b>Total Priority 7</b>	<b>\$ 0.94</b>	<b>\$ 1.02</b>	<b>.11%</b>
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$ 877.99</b>	<b>\$ 1,235.51</b>	<b>100%</b>

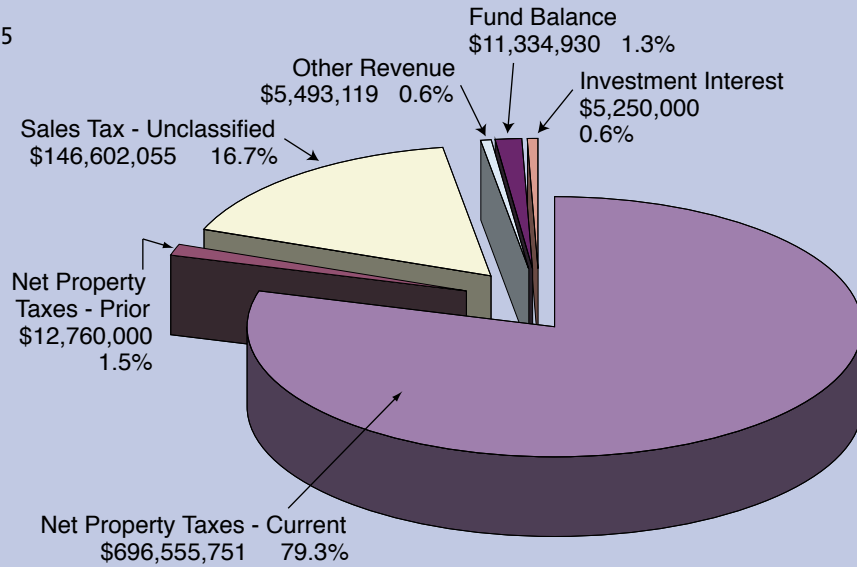
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## Where the Money Comes From (County Dollar)

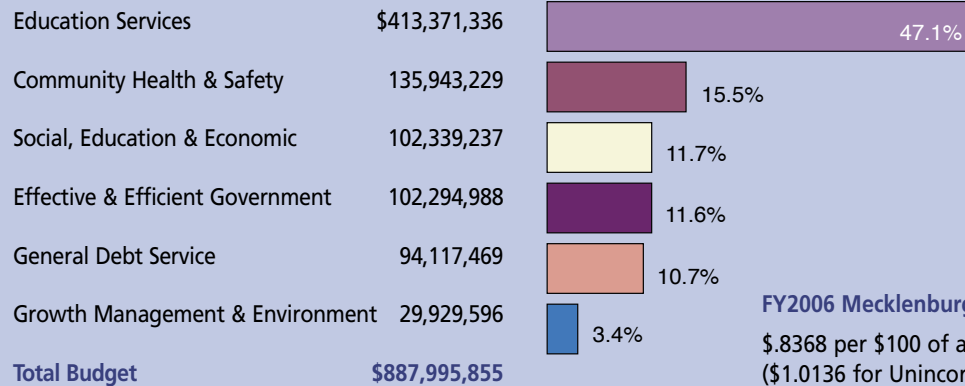
Total Revenue \$887,995,855



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## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Mecklenburg County Tax Rate**  
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 (\$1.0136 for Unincorporated Areas).

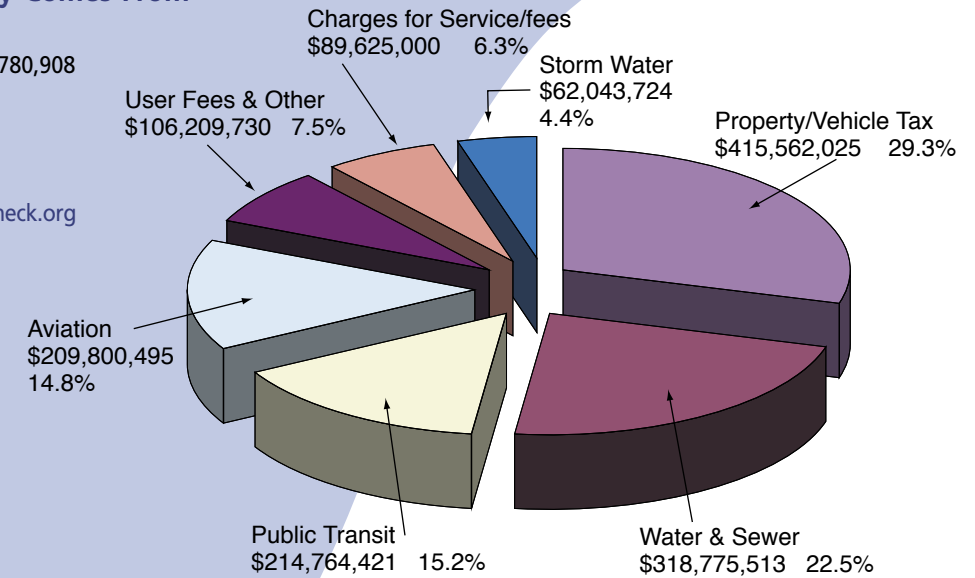
# 2005-2006 City of Charlotte Budget in Brief

## Where the Money Comes From (Sources of Revenue)

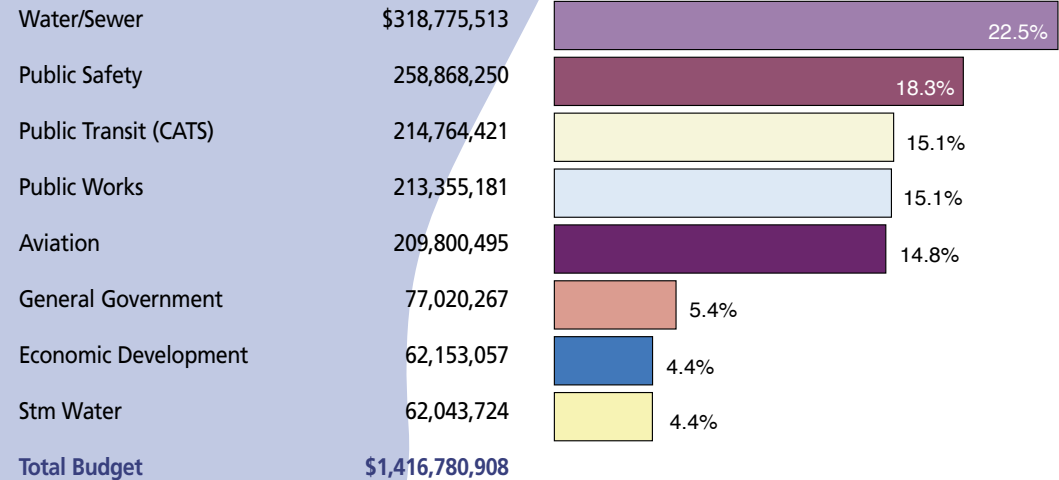
Total Revenue \$1,416,780,908



<http://citybudget.charmeck.org>



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 City of Charlotte Tax Rate**  
 is \$.42 per \$100 of assessed value  
 (\$1.2568 combined with Mecklenburg County rate)

### Tax Rate Breakdown

General Fund	\$0.3570
Debt Payments	\$0.0470
Pay-As-You-Go	<u>\$0.0160</u>
<b>Total City Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$0.4200</b>

### Municipal Tax Districts

District 1 Tax Rate	\$.0174
District 2 Tax Rate	\$.0298
District 3 Tax Rate	\$.0445
District 4 Tax Rate	\$.0668
District 5 Tax Rate	\$.0300

(To determine the total tax rate for districts 2 and 3, add the rate for district 1).



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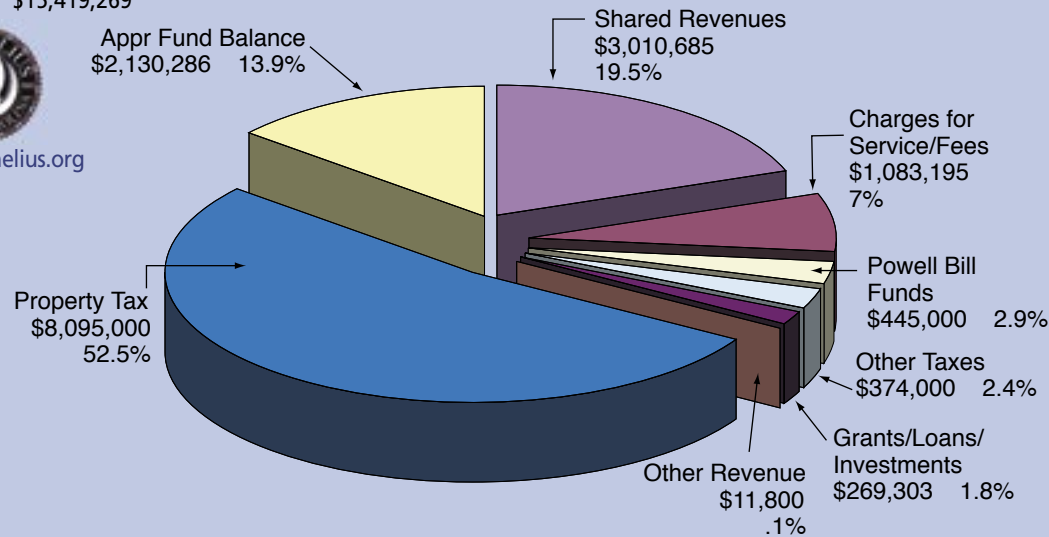
# 2005-2006 Town of Cornelius Budget in Brief

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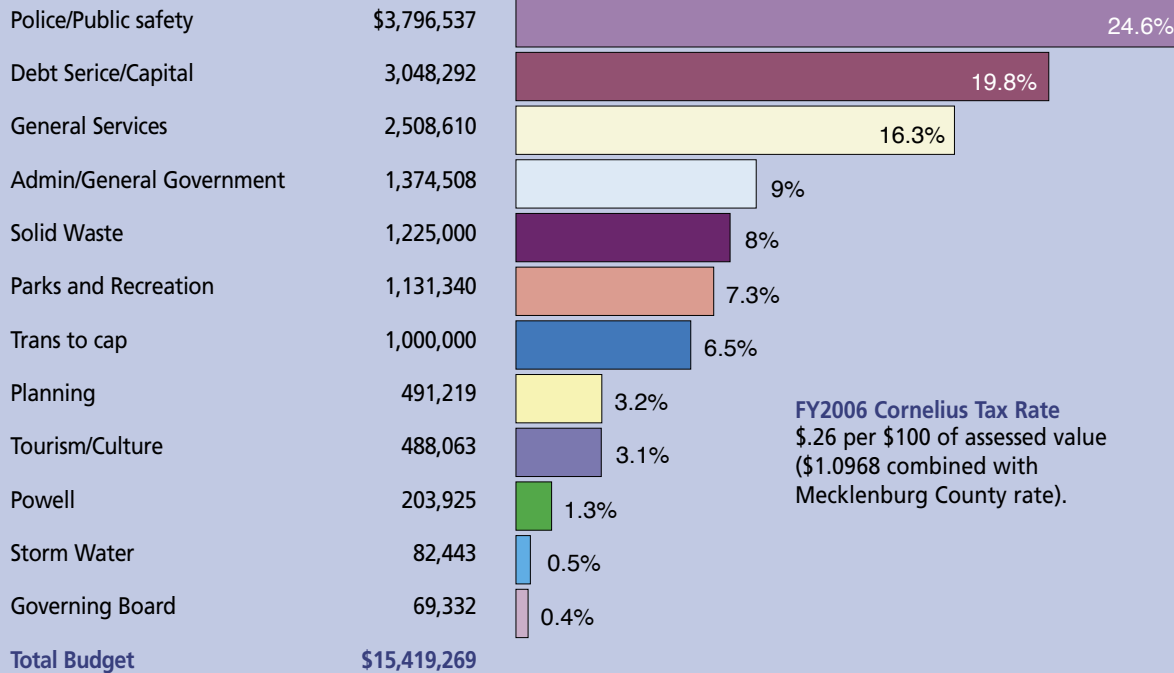
Total Revenue \$15,419,269



www.cornelius.org



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Cornelius Tax Rate**  
\$.26 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$1.0968 combined with Mecklenburg County rate).

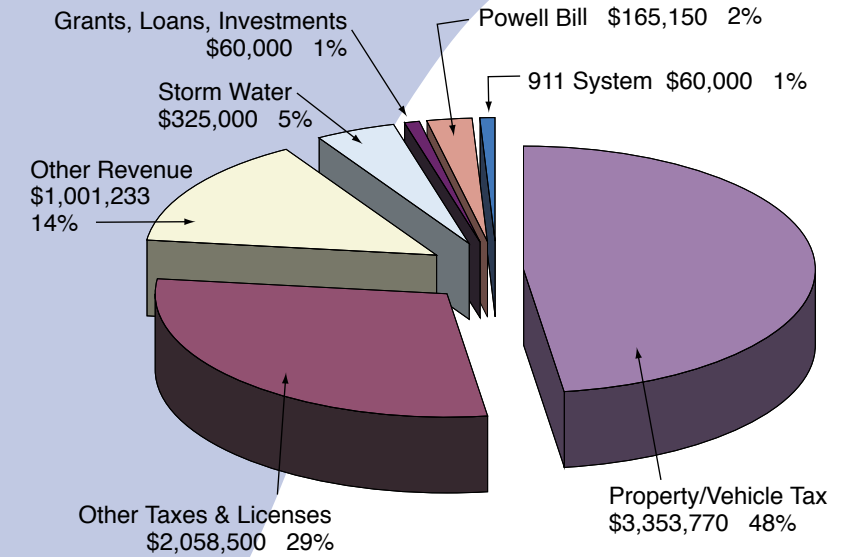
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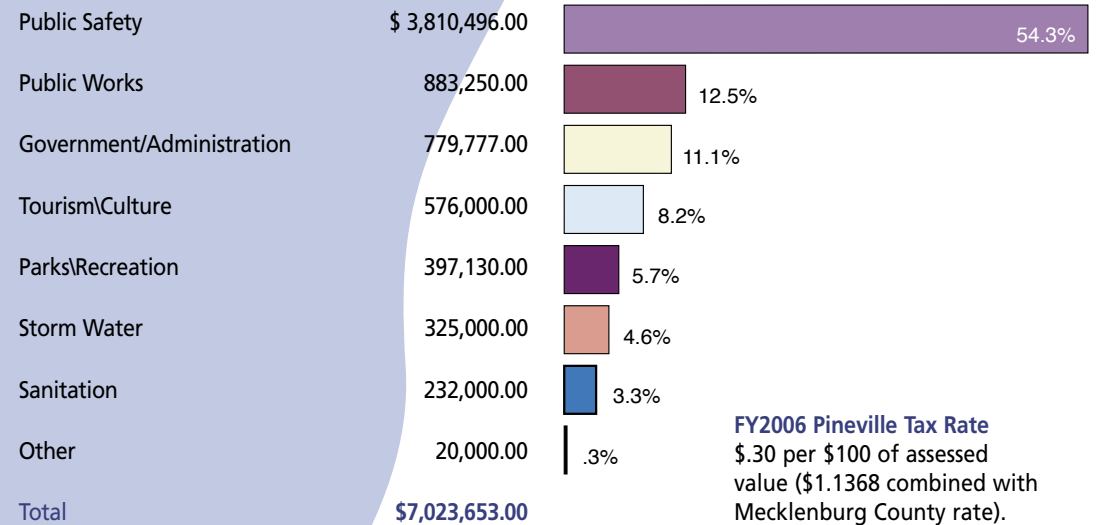
Total Revenue \$7,023,653.00



www.pinevilenc.net



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Pineville Tax Rate**  
\$.30 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$1.1368 combined with Mecklenburg County rate).

# 2005-2006 Town of Mint Hill Budget in Brief

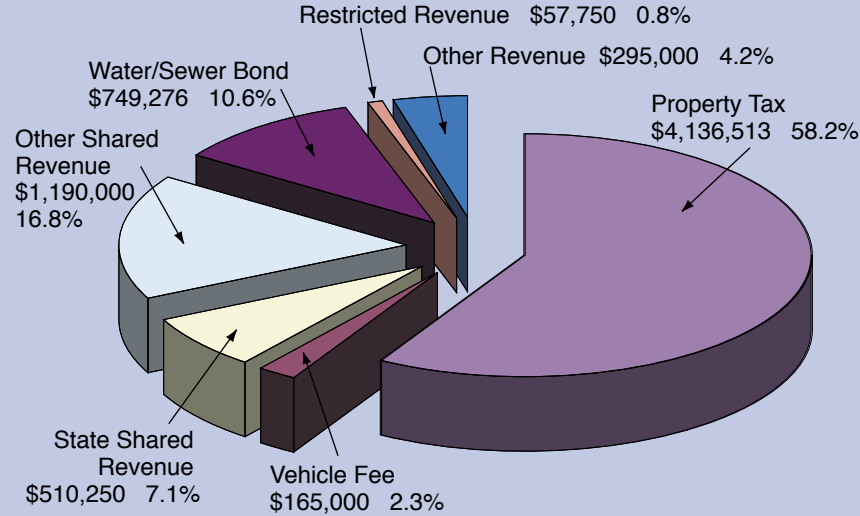
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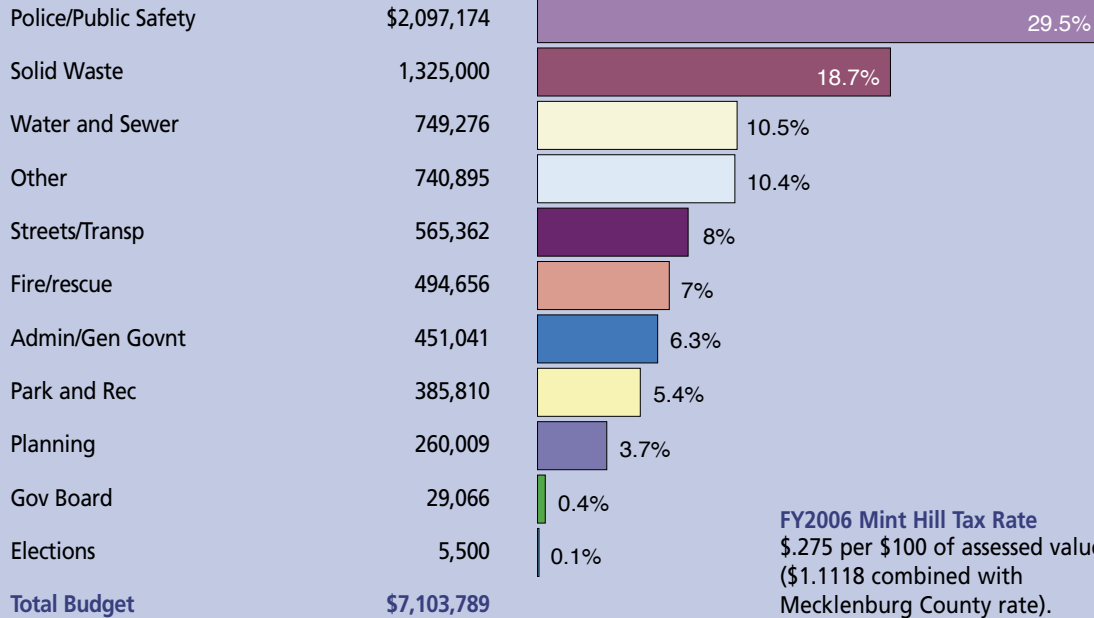
Total Revenue \$7,103,789



www.minthill.com



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Mint Hill Tax Rate**  
 \$.275 per \$100 of assessed value  
 (\$1.1118 combined with Mecklenburg County rate).

# 2005-2006 Town of Davidson Budget in Brief

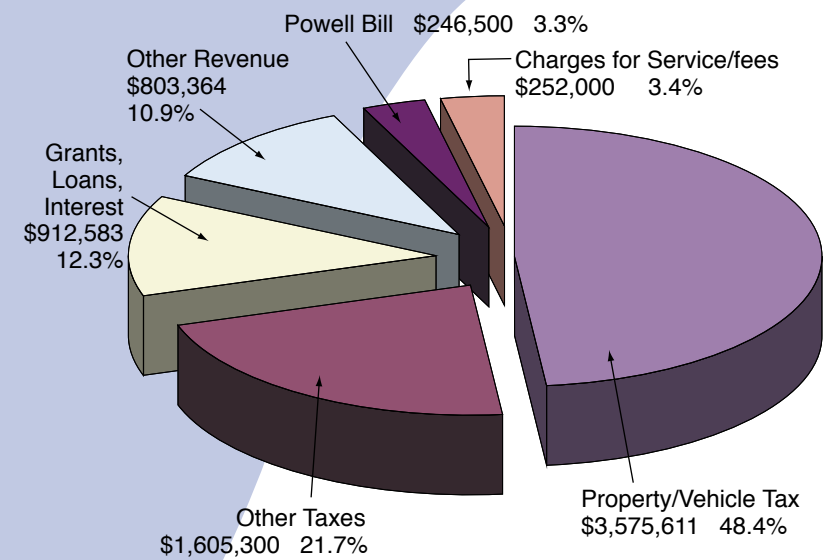
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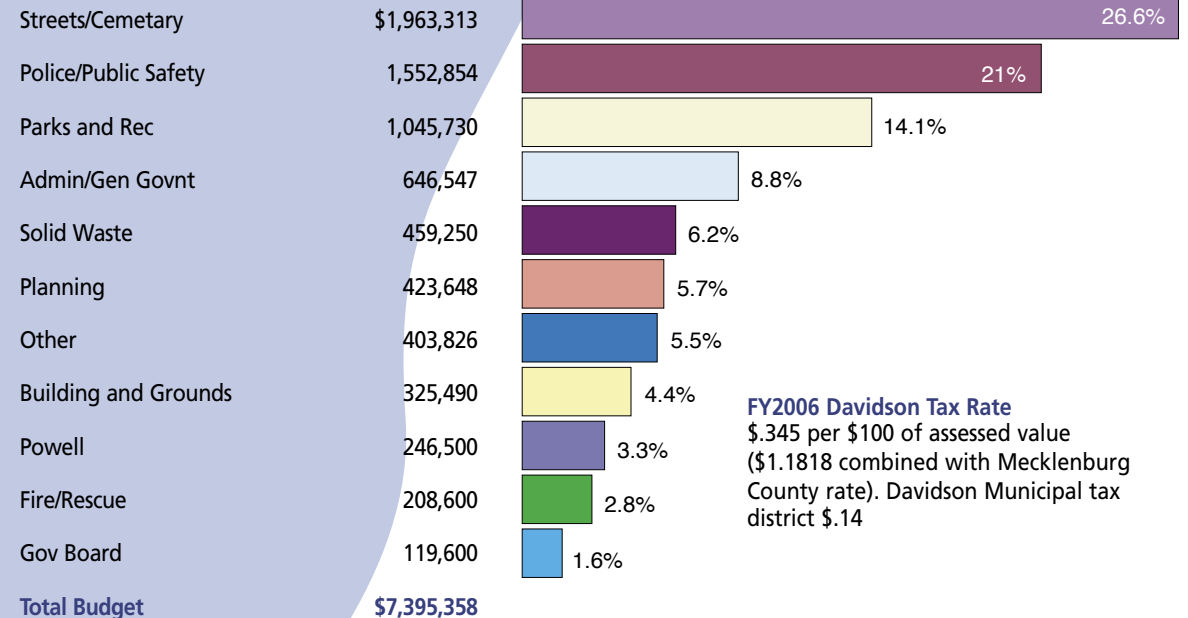
Total Revenue \$7,395,358



www.ci.davidson.nc.us



## How the Money is Used

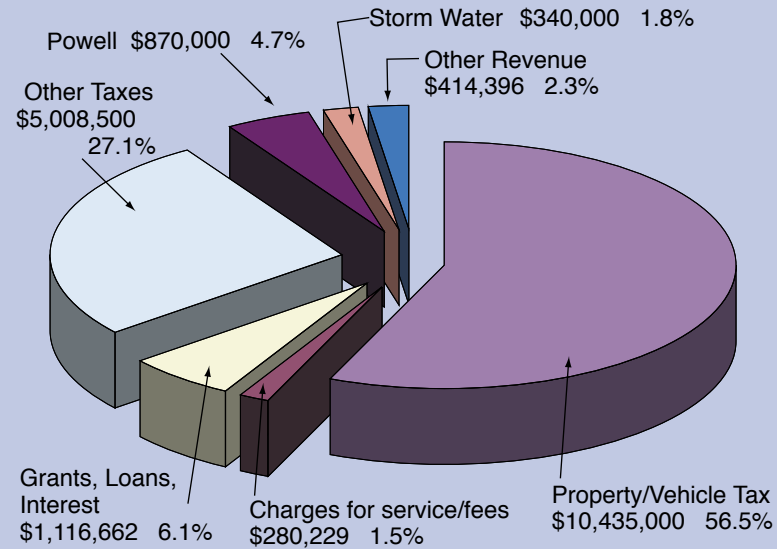


**FY2006 Davidson Tax Rate**  
 \$.345 per \$100 of assessed value  
 (\$1.1818 combined with Mecklenburg County rate). Davidson Municipal tax district \$.14

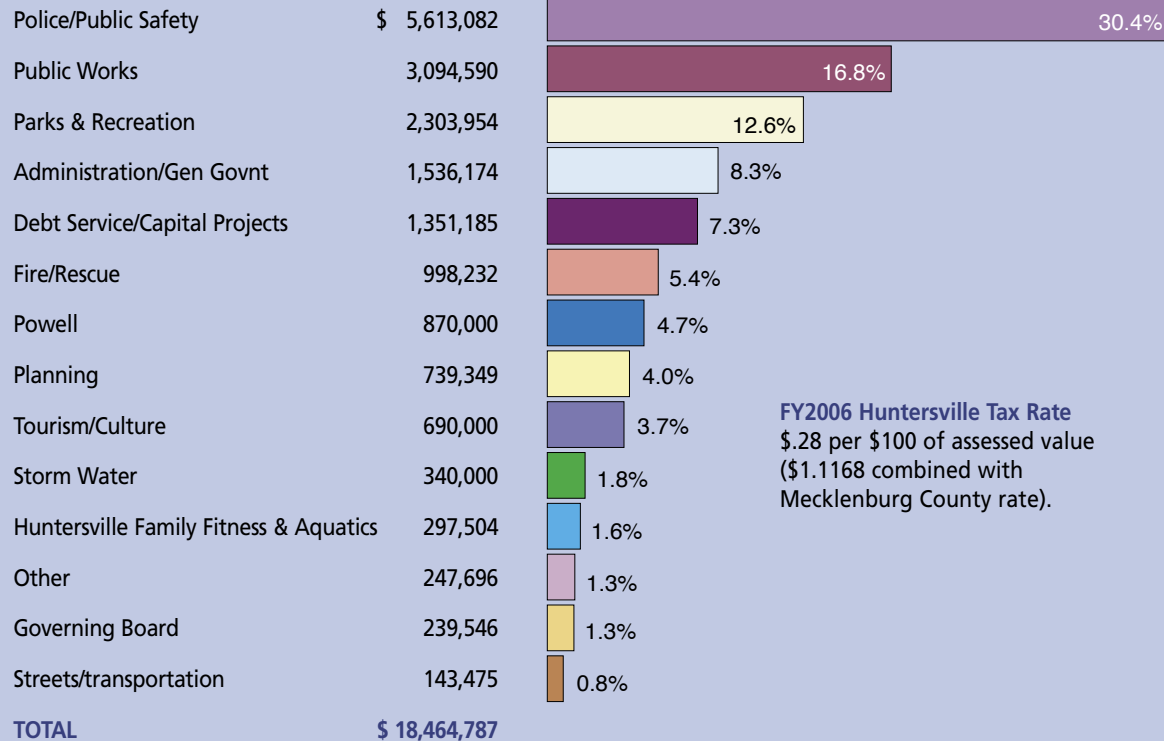
# 2005-2006 Town of Huntersville Budget in Brief

## Where the Money Comes From (Sources of Revenue)

Total Revenue \$18,464,787



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Huntersville Tax Rate**  
\$.28 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$1.1168 combined with Mecklenburg County rate).

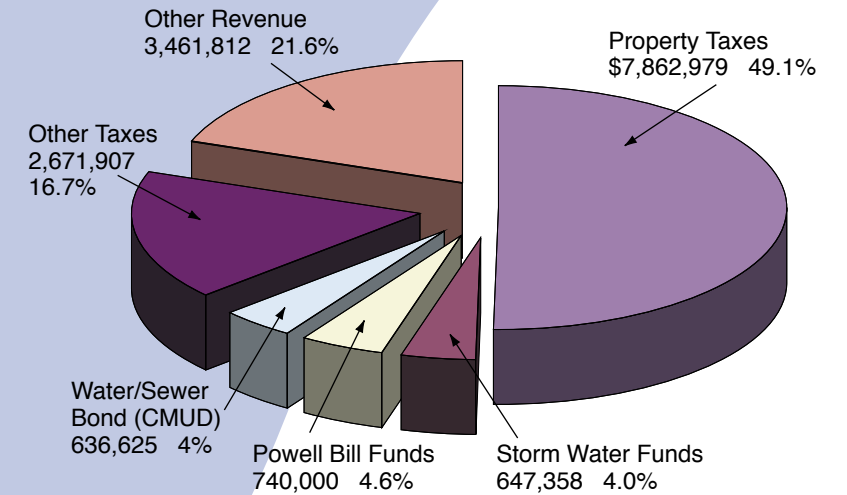
# 2005-2006 Town of Matthews Budget in Brief

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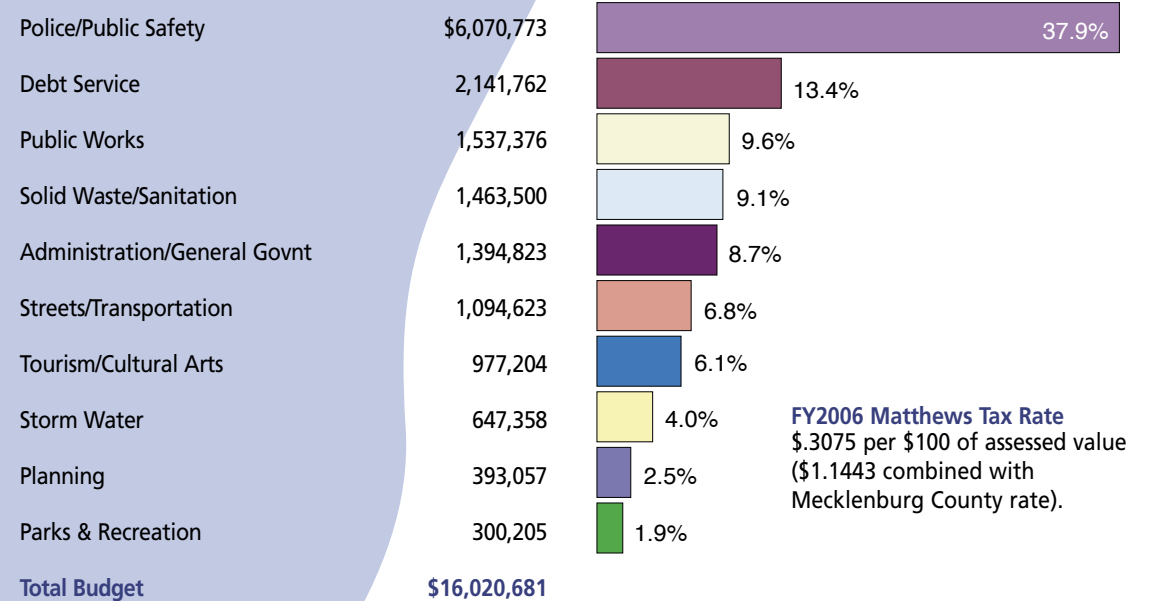
Total Revenue \$16,020,681



www.matthewsnc.com



## How the Money is Used



**FY2006 Matthews Tax Rate**  
\$.3075 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$1.1443 combined with Mecklenburg County rate).