



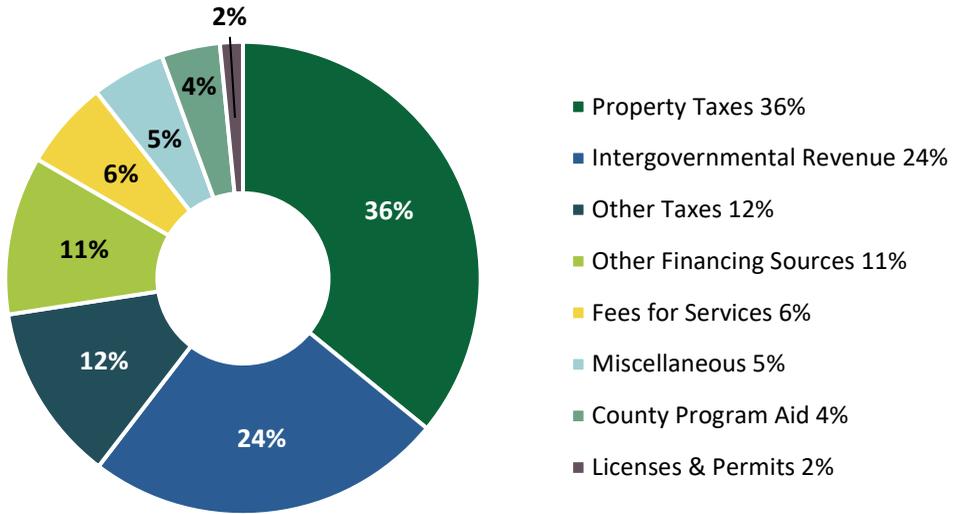
Fiscal Year 2024 Budget-in-Brief



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2024 Revenue Sources



Washington County is committed to sound fiscal management and financial reporting. Developing the annual county budget emphasizes providing sufficient funding for high-quality services and programs. The Budget-in-Brief is a condensed description of Washington County government and its budget. The county’s fiscal year runs January 1 through December 31.

Where the money comes from

Revenues for use by Washington County come from many different sources, affected by an array of outside agencies, including state and federal legislation and financial changes. County growth, historical and current trends, and potential legislative changes are considered when estimating county revenues.

2024 Major Revenue Sources \$371,277,900

Property Taxes (\$133.4M) is the amount that is collected from property owners to support the county budget (\$131.5M), the Land & Water Legacy Program (\$1.2M), and the Regional Rail budget (\$660,000).

Intergovernmental Revenues (\$90.8M) are funds received from state, federal, or city governments for specific projects or programs.

Other Taxes (\$45.2M) consist of transportation sales tax, county environmental charges, wheelage tax, and other miscellaneous taxes.

Other Financing Sources (\$40.2M) includes use of bond proceeds and planned use of fund balance.

Fees for Services (\$22.4M) are revenues generated from charges for services the county provides.

Miscellaneous Revenues (\$18.6M) are those not accounted for in other categories, such as interest earnings on the county’s investments, rent revenues, collections, donations and contributions, and revenues received from fines and penalties imposed for statutory offenses.

County Program Aid (\$14.8M) is general purpose aid given to the county by the State of Minnesota and is intended to reduce property taxes for individual taxpayers.

Licenses & Permits (\$5.8M) are revenues from businesses, individuals, and occupations which are licensed in the county.

2024 Expenditure Categories

Where the money goes

Washington County organizes its expenditures into categories based on the intended use of funds.

2024 Major Expenditure Categories \$371,277,900

Streets & Highways (\$109.5M) Costs of maintenance and repair of local highways, streets, bridges, and road construction. Also includes capital road and bridge projects.

Health & Community Services (\$78.8M) Costs of child protection, social services, community health, household hazardous waste, veterans' services, job training, and food and medical care for people in need.

General Government (\$72.0M) Administrative costs of county government, including Administration,

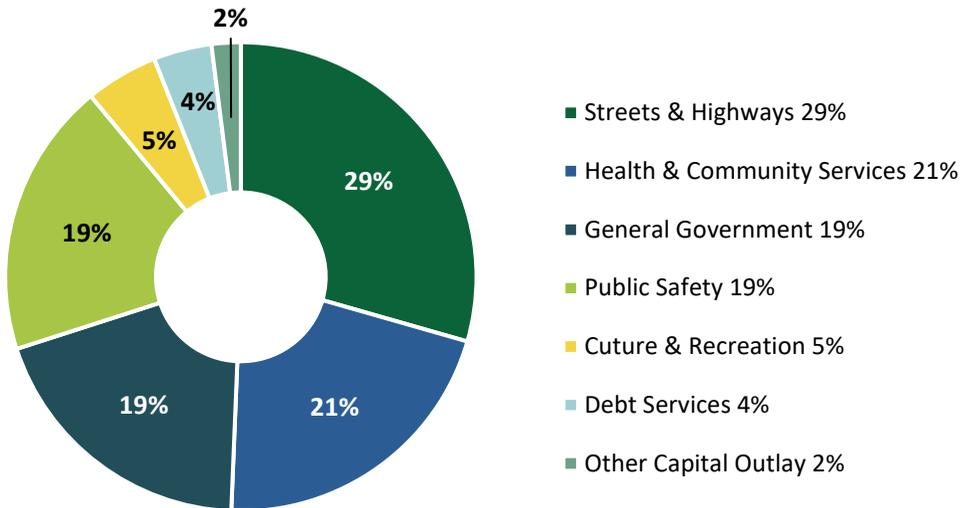
Accounting & Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources, Property Records & Taxation, and Building Services.

Public Safety (\$70.6M) Costs to protect persons and property, combining Sheriff, Corrections, and Attorney.

Culture & Recreation (\$19.0M) Costs of Libraries, Parks, and the county's Land and Water Legacy Program.

Debt Service (\$15.3M) Principal payments on bonded debt, as well as interest and fiscal charges.

Other Capital Outlay (\$6.0M) Major capital improvements to county facilities, such as building upgrades, roof replacements, and cooling and heating.



How we compare

Washington County is part of the "7-County Metropolitan Area." The most recent data (2023), as provided by each county to the Minnesota State Auditor's Office, identifies Washington County as having one of the best rankings in the metro area, as well as statewide, in each of the following categories. Similar rankings are anticipated for 2024.

Washington County 2024 Budget

Net Levy per Capita	\$486	County Tax on Median House Value (\$417,000)	\$927
County Tax Rate	21.9%	Employees per 1,000 Population	5.08

Net Levy excludes Regional Rail Authority and Land & Water Legacy Program levies. Per capita information is based on the most current estimated population from Metropolitan Council for 2021 of 270,805.

Washington County Board of Commissioners and County Administrators

Five commissioners are elected from five districts on a non-partisan basis for staggered four-year terms. The County Administrator is appointed by the Board.



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More Information

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- Recommended 2024 county budget;
- Department-specific budgets.

