



TOWN OF BIGGAR

2025 PROPOSED BUDGET

Budget Presentation Outline

□ 2025 Proposed Budget Presentation

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2025 Property Tax Rate Proposal

Mill Rate = 9 mills

Commercial Mill Rate = 18 mills

Minimum Tax:

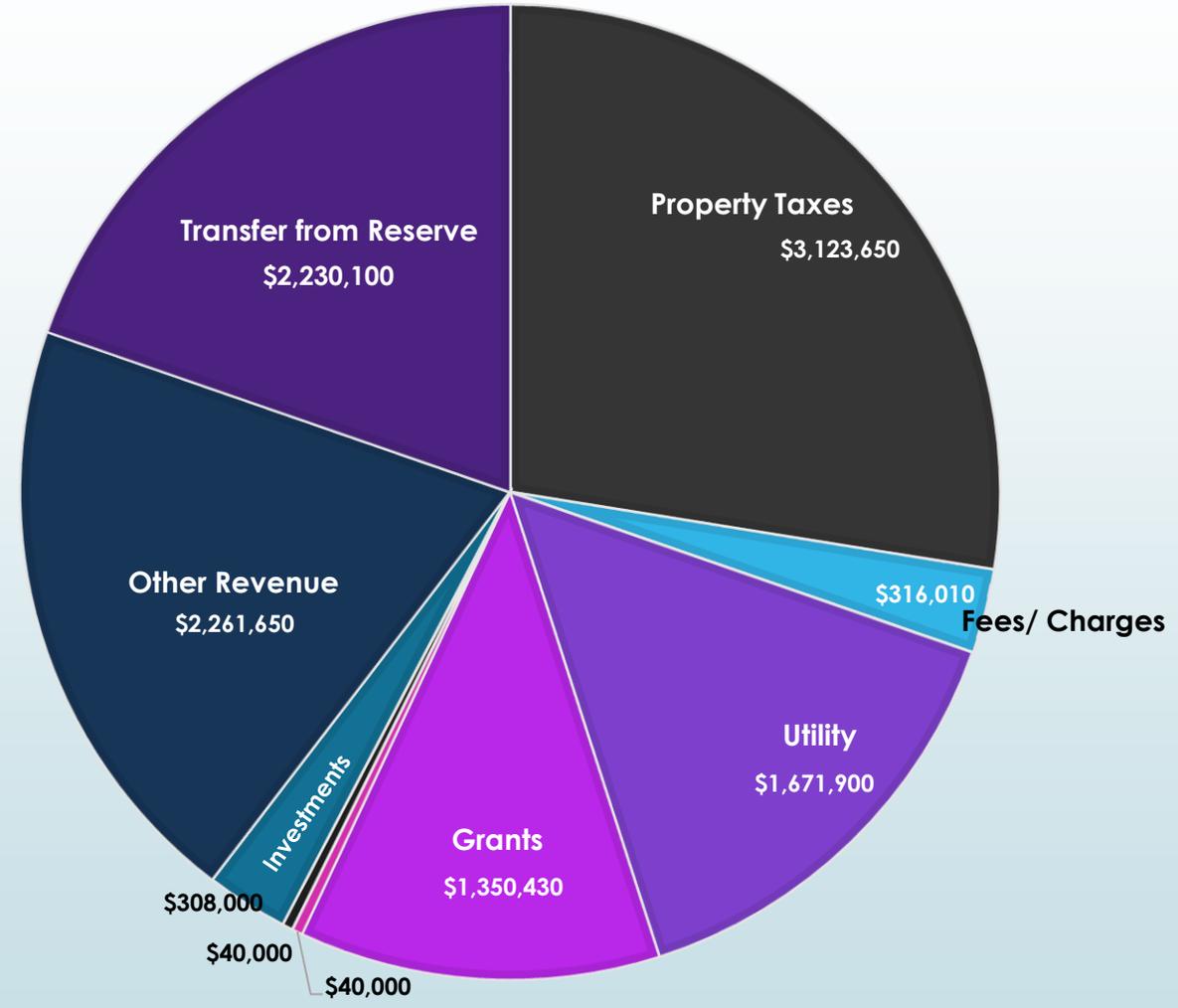
- **Residential** = Land & Improvements \$1,250.00 (inc. from \$1,150.00)

Base Tax:

- **Agriculture** = Land \$400 (inc. from \$300), Improvements \$400 (inc. from \$300)
- **Residential** = Land \$700 (inc. from \$600), Land & Improvements \$400 (inc. from \$300)
- **Commercial** = Land \$700 (inc. from \$600), Improvements \$700 (inc. from \$600), Land & Improvements \$400 (inc. from \$300)

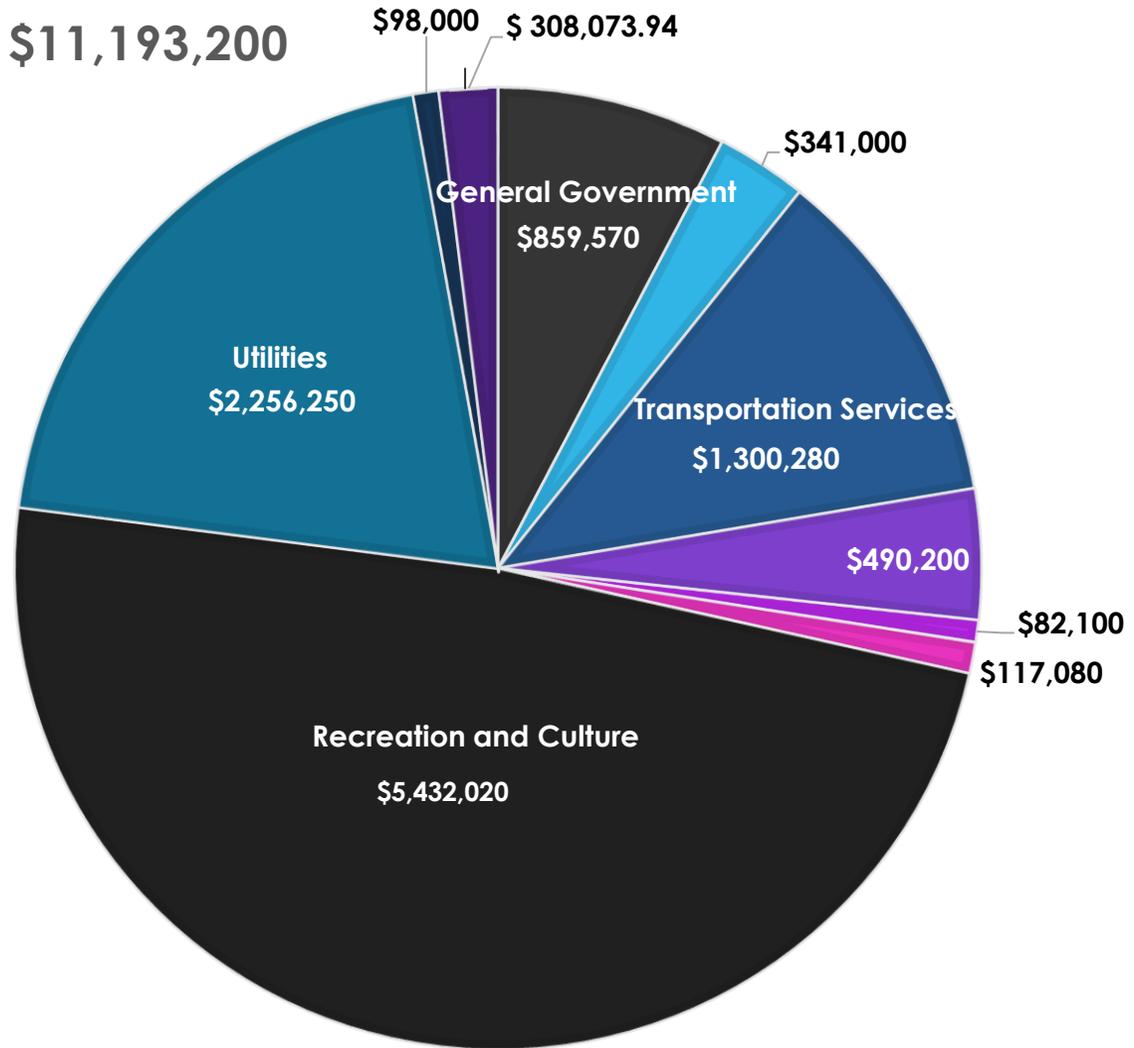
TOTAL REVENUE = \$11,248,880

- TOTAL TAXES
- FEES AND CHARGES
- PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
- UTILITIES
- GRANTS CONDITIONAL/UNCONDITIONAL
- CAPITAL ASSET PROCEEDS
- LAND SALES
- INVESTMENT INCOME
- OTHER REVENUE
- INTERNAL TRANSFERS



TOTAL EXPENDITURES = \$11,193,200

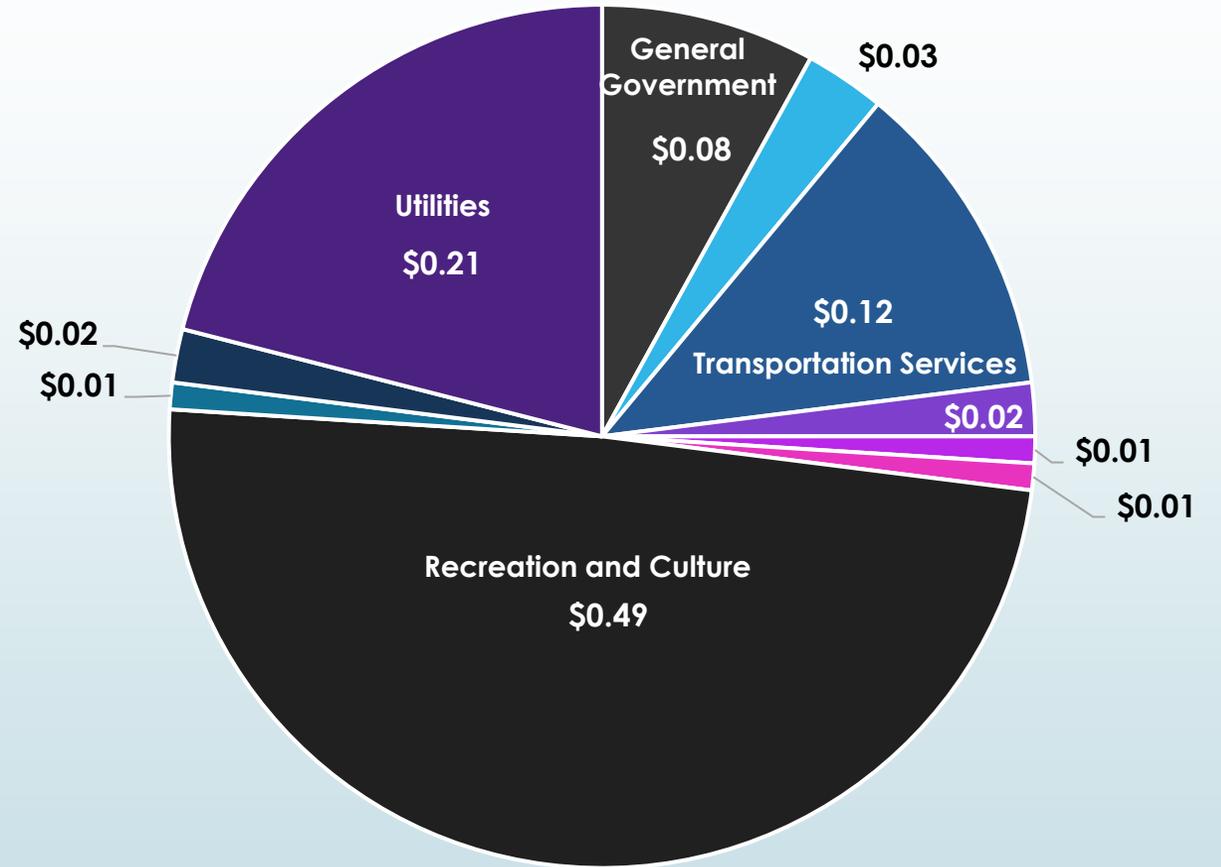
- GENERAL GOVERNEMENT
- PROTECTIVE SERVICES
- TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
- ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES
- PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
- RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES
- UTILITIES
- INTERNAL TRANSFERS
- LONG-TERM DEBT REPAYMENT



Where do your tax dollars go?

This chart represents one tax dollar.

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- UTILITIES



GENERAL GOVERNMENT

What does it include?

General Government services encompass administrative functions and support systems provided by a municipal government to manage the affairs of a town. The aim is to ensure efficient governance, maintain public order, and enhance the overall quality of life for residents in the community..

Budget includes items such as:

- Council Indemnities
- Administration Costs
- Professional Services: i.e. Legal, Audit, Business Consulting etc.
- Staff recognition

Total 2025 GG Budget = \$859,570.00 / Total 2024 GG Budget \$863,960.00

2025 Budget Highlights:

- PC tower replacement for 2 workstations = \$3500

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

What does this include?

Protective Services are essential services to a municipality and cover expenditures related to public safety such as policing and fire services.

Budget includes items such as:

- RCMP Contract Services
- Administration Costs
- Fire Protection
- Animal Control / Bylaw Enforcement
- Emergency Services

Total 2025 PS Budget = \$341,000.00 / Total 2024 PS Budget = \$272,500.00

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

What does this include?

Transportation Services are essential services that the community greatly depends on to keep a municipality operating and citizens mobile.

Budget includes items such as:

- Public Works Wages & Benefits
- Snow Removal & Road Maintenance
- Street Lighting Costs
- Equipment Repair/Maintenance
- Equipment Fuel
- Facility Utilities / Maintenance
- Road Signage

Total 2025 TS Budget = \$1,300,280.00 / Total 2024 TS Budget = \$1,482,945.00

2025 Budget Highlights:

- Christmas Decorative Lights = \$65,000
- Purchase of Gravel Truck = \$150,000 (trade in allowance \$40,000)
- Tractor Blower = \$25,000
- Shop Maintenance = \$15,000

Environmental Health

What does this include?

Environmental Health & Development is a smaller category, and the bulk of expenditures are related to Waste Management.

Budget includes items such as:

- Solid Waste Management
- Recycling
- Engineering Fees RE: Landfill Monitoring

Total 2025 EH budget = \$490,200 / Total 2024 EH budget = \$410,110.00

2025 budget highlights:

- Scale Installation \$80,000

Planning & Community Development

What does this include?

The Planning and Development Department is responsible for the review, processing and approval of all planning applications, such as: Official Plan Amendments, Zoning Bylaw Amendments, Plans of Subdivision, Consents, Minor Variances, Site Plan Control, etc.

Planning & Community Development budget includes items such as:

- Zoning related costs
- Building inspections
- Local business support
- Town marketing

Total 2025 P&D budget = \$117,080 / Total 2024 P&D Budget = \$156,790.00

2025 P&D Budget Highlights

- Town Promotional Items = \$10,000
- Town Marketing = \$27,000

RECREATION & CULTURE SERVICES

What does this include?

Recreation and Culture is the function of providing opportunities and facilities for members of the community for leisure time activities and cultural enrichment. Ultimately Recreation and Culture enhance the quality of life for Biggar residents and attracts new ones.

Recreation budget includes items such as:

- Recreation Facility Maintenance Costs
- Parks upkeep/maintenance
- Library Grant

Total 2025 Budget = \$1,129,470.00 / Total 2024 Budget = \$5,432,020

2025 Budget Highlights:

- Gateway Park and Railway Square = \$4,767,065
- North Ball Diamond Expansion = \$36,500 (if feasible)
- Phase 3 Walking Path Paving = \$100,000
- Phase 1 Walking Path Lights = \$75,000
- Park Teepee = \$10,000 (grant dependant)
- Sports Complex Septic Install = \$20,000



PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE SERVICES

What does this include?

Your local government provides support for public health initiatives and welfare programs to help ensure a standard for everyone's quality of life.

Public Health and Welfare Services budget includes items such as:

- Cemetery Administration & Maintenance
- Community Medical Staff Recruitment/Retention

Total 2025 H&W budget = \$84,100.00 / Total 2024 H&W budget = \$64,225.00

2025 Budget Highlights:

- Cemetery Maintenance = \$14,000

WATER & WASTEWATER SERVICES

What does this include?

These services typically include water supply, sewage treatment and garbage collection. The primary goal of municipal utility services is to ensure the provision of reliable, safe, and affordable access to these necessities. In accordance with legislation, water and sewer revenues are to cover the expenditures related to providing this service such as underground infrastructure replacement.

Utility budget includes items such as:

- Staff Wages, benefits, and training
- Water testing
- Water treatment supplies
- Capital expenditures (i.e. infrastructure replacement)
- Water meters

Total 2025 W&S Utilities Budget = \$2,256,250.00 / Total 2024 W&S Utilities Budget = \$1,562,650.00

2025 Budget Highlights:

- 2nd Ave West Water & Sewer Replacement = \$968,000
- Lagoon Enzymes = \$10,000
- Lagoon Pump Replacement = \$50,000

2025 Projects

General Government	COST	RESERVES
Strategic Plan	N/A	
Work Station Upgrades	\$3,500.00	
Emergency Response Plan Review	TBD	
Diamond Lodge Lots (Sign)	\$500.00	
Farm in the Dell Land Transfer	\$4,000.00	
Increase Housing Inventory	TBD	
G&G TOTAL	\$8,000.00	

Transportation	COST	RESERVES
Equipment		
- Blower	\$25,000.00	
- Gravel Truck	\$150,000.00	
Shop		
- Fence	\$50,000.00	
- Maintenance	\$15,000.00	
TS TOTAL	\$240,000.00	\$0.00

Recreation	COST	RESERVES
Multi-Use Facility	TBD	
Gateway Park And Rail Square	\$4,767,065.00	-\$1,664,100.00
Community Hall		
- Paint Hall	\$14,000.00	-\$14,000.00
- Round Tables	\$4,000.00	-\$4,000.00
Arena		
- Lobby Seats	\$13,000.00	-\$13,000.00
- Structural Assessment	\$12,000.00	-\$12,000.00
- Front Doors	\$26,000.00	-\$26,000.00
- Deep Fryer Electrical	\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00
- Line in RO Room	\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00
Parks & Sports Complex		
- Walking Path Paving	\$100,000.00	-\$100,000.00
- Septic	\$20,000.00	-\$20,000.00
- Expand North Ball Diamond (if feasible)	\$42,200.00	-\$11,000.00
- Teepee (grant dependant)	\$10,000.00	
- Walking Path Lights	\$50,000.00	-\$25,000
Curling Rink Demolition	\$0.00	
Christmas Lights	\$65,000.00	
R&C TOTAL	\$5,129,265.00	-\$1,895,100.00

2025 Projects

Water & Sewer	COST	RESERVES
WTP Control System Upgrade	\$12,000.00	
New Well Phase 1	\$75,000.00	-\$75,000.00
Pipe Repair - Wells 2 & 4	\$15,000.00	
Lagoon Enzymes	\$10,000.00	
2nd Ave Infrastructure	\$968,000.00	-\$267,000.00
W&S TOTAL	\$1,080,000.00	-\$342,000.00

Reserves & CTF Payments	Amount	
Landfill Decommissioning	\$50,000.00	
Loader	\$48,000.00	
TOTAL	\$98,000.00	

2025 TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET = \$6,469,765.00



Questions & Comments