

## Where Do Your Ad Valorem Taxes Go?

Your property taxes help fund the essential services provided by the City. In the most recent budget, the **General Fund will collect \$1,865,588.19** in revenues, most of which comes from **ad valorem (property) taxes**.

Here's how those funds will be spent:

Department / Service	Amount	% of Budget	Description
<b>Police Department</b>	\$555,117.25	<b>30%</b>	Public safety and law enforcement.
<b>Fire Department</b>	\$435,191.00	<b>23%</b>	Fire protection and emergency response.
<b>Administration</b>	\$327,661.99	<b>18%</b>	City management, finance, and general operations.
<b>Streets Department</b>	\$252,928.52	<b>14%</b>	Street maintenance and repair. Equipment maintenance and repair.
<b>Municipal Court</b>	\$104,755.25	<b>6%</b>	Local judicial services.
<b>ACCE</b>	\$82,630.41	<b>4%</b>	Animal Control/Code Enforcement.
<b>Parks Department</b>	\$52,900.00	<b>3%</b>	Parks and recreational facilities.
<b>Cemetery Maintenance</b>	\$28,085.00	<b>2%</b>	Cemetery upkeep and services.
<b>I &amp; S Fund</b>	\$22,250.00	<b>1%</b>	Interest & Sinking Fund for Bond/debt payments. And interest on Bond/debt

### In Summary:

Over **half of your property tax dollars (53%)** go directly to **public safety**—police and fire protection. The rest supports streets, parks, city administration, courts, code enforcement, animal control and more—everything that helps the city run smoothly and serve residents.