Budget 2018 Explained

The District of Squamish has been operating in overdrive in recent years to manage the impact of a growing community. Key drivers for our work in 2018 include:

- · Ongoing and continued rehabilitation and renewal of our infrastructure;
- · Significant technology investment to upgrade many District systems in the next three to four years;
- Additional staff for the Fire Department and the RCMP;
- · Increased funding for BC Transit service improvements;
- Increased funding for active transportation improvements;
- · Planning for facility replacements and expansions;

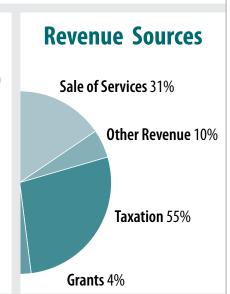
Please visit **squamish.ca/budget** to learn more about the Financial Plan.

What does this mean for me?

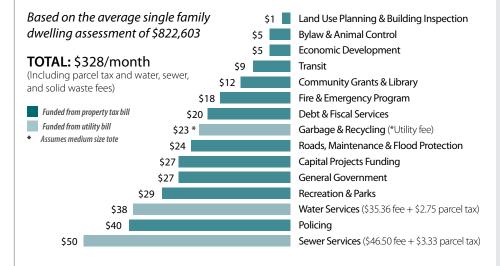
The five-year Financial Plan (2018-2022) results in a 6.3% increase in the amount of **revenue required** from property taxes in 2018 (over 2017). The impact to taxpayers varies depending on the extent of each property's assessment change in relation to other properties and property classes.

Estimated municipal property tax impact on an average assessment:

Property Class	Average 2018 Assessed value	Municipal Tax 2018	Change from 2017
Average Single Family Dwelling	\$822,603	\$2,615	-\$93
Average Strata Dwelling	\$493,704	\$1,569	+\$68
Average Business Assessment	\$783,641	\$6,801	+\$468



How your tax bill breaks down monthly



Drivers of the tax increase

- Service Changes \$642,838
- Operational Expense Changes \$269,605
- Labour Increases \$248,917
- Capital Funding Changes \$208,198
- Contractual Changes \$190,414
- Special Projects Changes \$86,991

Details of all changes are available at **squamish.ca/budget**

2018 Capital Plan

The District's capital program for 2018 is \$35.6 million and prioritizes maintenance and replacement of critical infrastructure as well as promoting active transportation in the community. The capital program includes growth and development projects of \$7.1 million.

The capital plan is funded by:

- Borrowing (\$8.7 million)
- Development Cost Charges and donations (\$9.6 million)
- Taxes and fees (\$3.8 million)
- Grants (\$5.3 million)
- Reserves and accumulated surplus (\$8.2 million)

Visit squamish.ca/projects for current capital projects details.



Economic Development \$946,849

(includes Planning and Building)

Community & Environmental Planning \$1,649,528

Utilities

(funded by utility fees & parcel tax)

Utility

2018: \$6,902,171 **2017:** \$7,781,464 Includes contribution to capital plan of: \$3,244,390

Water Utility

2018: \$4,209,889 **2017:** \$3,954,506 Includes contribution to capital

plan of: \$1,230,593

Solid Waste

2018: \$3,494,236 **2017:** \$3,440,636

Utility fee increases this year are:

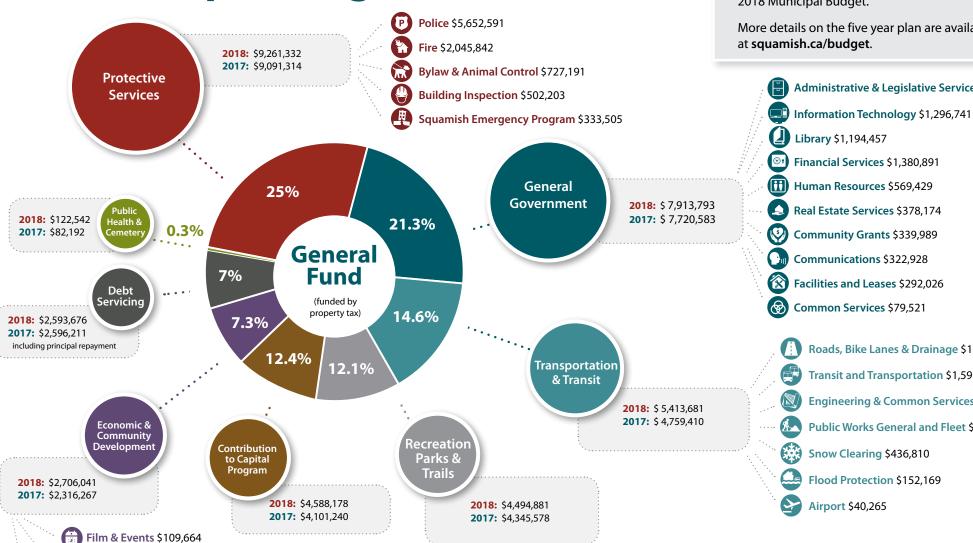
Water 2%

Sewer 0%

Solid Waste 2.7% (for medium tote)



General Operating Fund



This overview provides a snapshot of the 2018 Municipal Budget.

More details on the five year plan are available at squamish.ca/budget.

Administrative & Legislative Services \$ 2,059,637

Library \$1,194,457

Financial Services \$1,380,891

Human Resources \$569,429

Real Estate Services \$378,174

Community Grants \$339,989

Communications \$322,928

Facilities and Leases \$292,026

Common Services \$79,521

Roads, Bike Lanes & Drainage \$1,824,920

Transit and Transportation \$1,591,225

Engineering & Common Services \$1,093,140

Public Works General and Fleet \$275,152

Snow Clearing \$436,810

Flood Protection \$152,169

Airport \$40,265

Recreation Services & Facilities \$2,892,707 (excludes Aquatic Centre, funded through the Squamish Lillooet Regional District)

