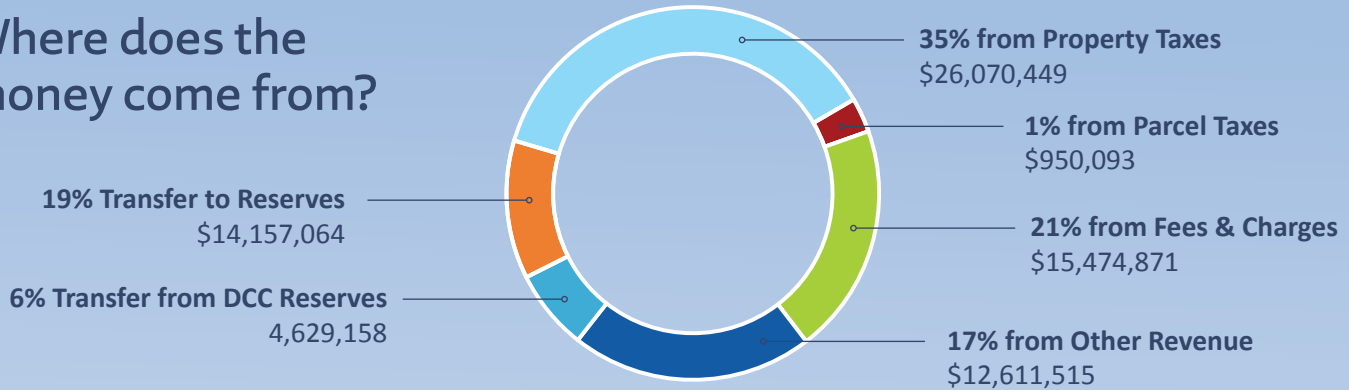


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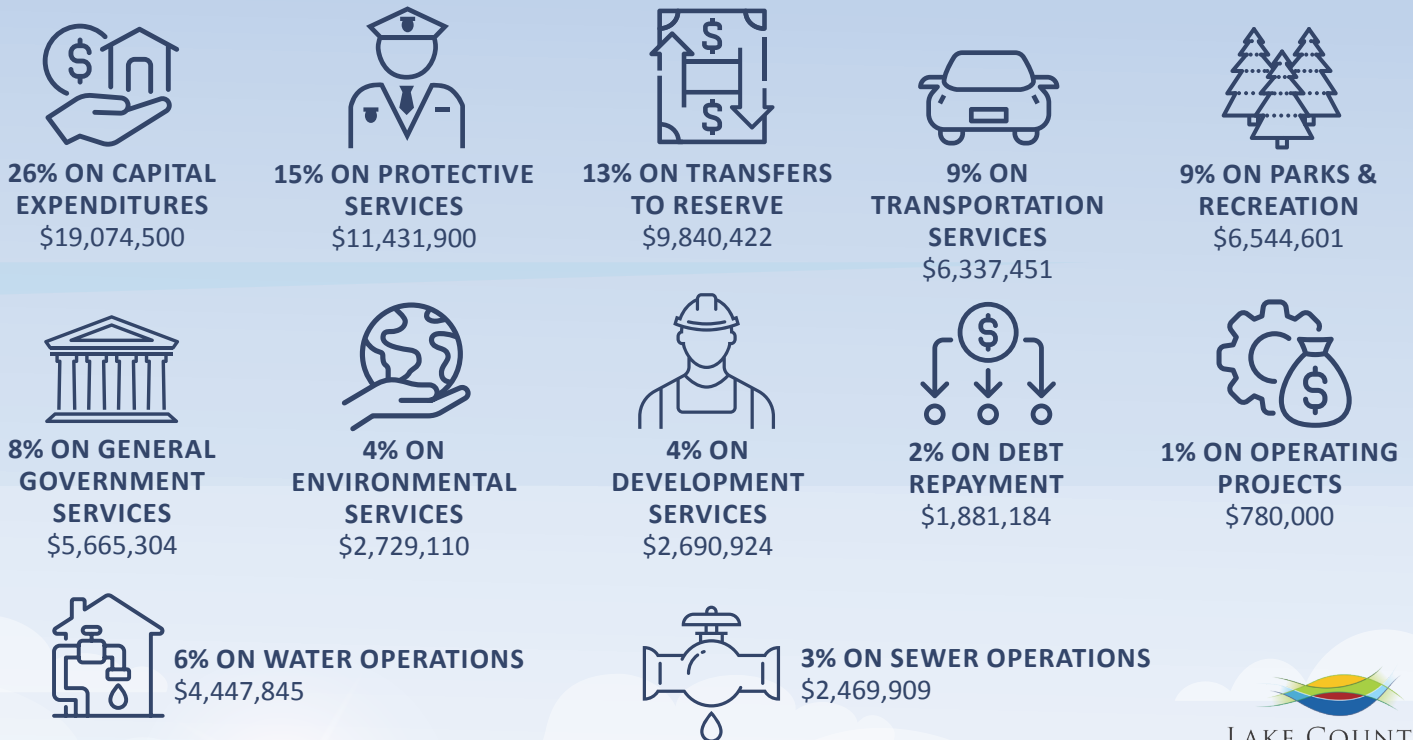
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Where does the money come from?



Where does the money go?

The District collects funds for the Regional District of the Central Okanagan, the Central Okanagan Regional Hospital District (CORHD), Okanagan Regional Library, Provincial school taxes, BC Assessment and the Municipal Finance Authority. The District's Water and Sewer Systems as well as Garbage & Recycling are funded entirely by user fees.



PAY ONLINE • For more information on property taxes and to pay online, visit lakecountry.bc.ca/propertytaxes or scan the QR code.





**OPERATING
BUDGET**
\$50.5 million



**PROJECT AND
CAPITAL BUDGET**
\$32 million

Budget includes support of Community Services:

Lake Country Health Planning Society
Lake Country Art Gallery
Lake Country Heritage Society
Boys and Girls Club
Community Hall Grants
Community Engagement Grants

Other support includes permissive tax exemptions to non-profit, social, cultural, athletic and recreation organizations.

2026 CAPITAL PROJECTS

Lake Country Business Park (LCBP)
Comprehensive Servicing Plan \$750,000.
Clearwater Subdivision Drainage \$200,000.
Lodge Road Forcemain Partial Twinning \$1,000,000.
Woodsdale Watermain
Connection \$900,000.
Woodsdale Recreation
Park \$1,950,000.

Learn more about all the
2026 capital projects at:
lakecountry.bc.ca/projects

HOME OWNER GRANT

If eligible, you must apply for your home owner grant each year through the Province of BC. Penalties will be levied if home owner grants are not received by the province by the due date.

Municipalities do not accept home owner grant applications. Grants are a form of payment towards your property taxes. You do not need to make a payment to claim your home owner grant.

Visit gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant or phone **1-888-355-2700** to apply for your grant or to find out if you are eligible.

TAX DEFERMENT

Eligible BC residents can apply for the provincial deferment program at gov.bc.ca/propertytaxdeferment or **1-888-355-2700**.

Property owners must continue to make outstanding utility payments to the District of Lake Country.



Following Council's deliberations this February, Lake Country's 2026 Operating and Capital Budget has been approved as part of our five-year financial plan.

This year's budget reflects a 5.75% increase to the municipal, policing, and fire portion of property taxes, down from 6.25% at first reading. For the typical single-family home, that's about \$160 per year, or roughly \$13 per month.

As a Council, our focus has been clear: maintain and improve the essential services residents rely on while keeping tax increases predictable and manageable. That means continued investment in core services like policing, fire protection, and bylaw enforcement, while also addressing rising costs and long-term community needs.

At the same time, we are taking steps to strengthen Lake Country's financial future. By expanding and diversifying our tax base through initiatives like the Lake Country Business Park and light industrial development, we are creating the stability needed to support critical infrastructure and responsible growth.

This year's budget also puts a renewed focus on smaller, neighbourhood-level projects. These are the kinds of improvements residents see and feel in their day-to-day lives, and they matter.

But none of this happens without community input. Thank you to everyone who took the time to share feedback through Let's Talk and at our open houses. Your input plays an important role in shaping these decisions.

As we move forward, we remain focused on delivering reliable services, investing responsibly, and making the decisions needed to support Lake Country now, and into the future.

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Mayor Blair Ireland



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