

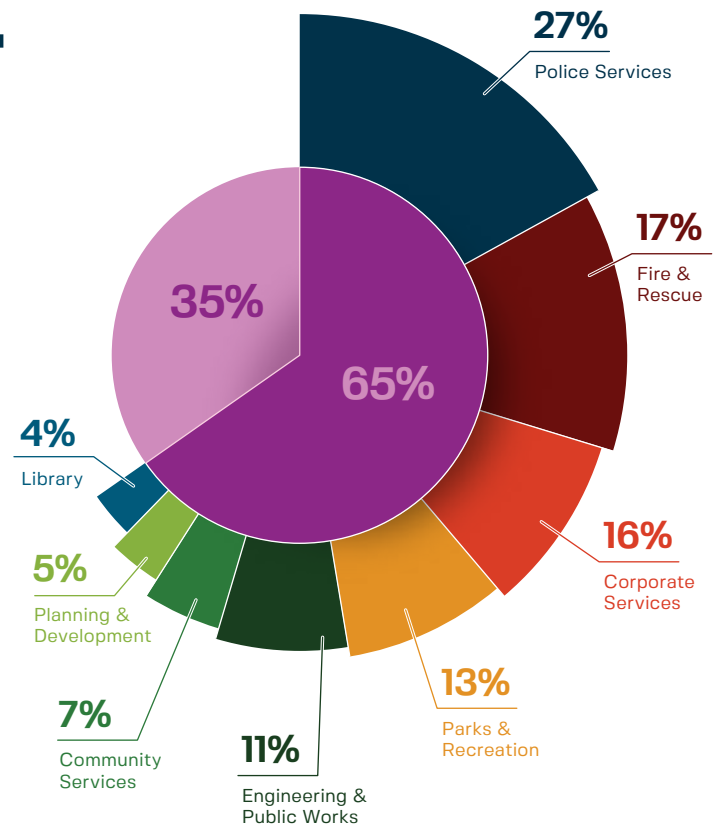


Investing In Our Community

The City of New Westminster collects property taxes, but not all of that money stays with the City.

About **35%** of your property taxes are sent to other organizations like the Province of BC, TransLink, BC Assessment, and Metro Vancouver. This helps pay for things like schools and regional services.

The remaining **65%** stays with the City and is used to fund local services you rely on every day, including police and fire protection, parks and recreation services and programs, the public library, and ongoing maintenance and upgrades to essential City facilities and public spaces.



1% Capital Levy

Your property tax now includes a new 1% capital levy to help pay for major long-term projects in the city, such as roads, buildings, and other public infrastructure.

Over the next five years, the **City of New Westminster will invest \$363.6 million in various projects, including:**

Improving walking, cycling, and active transportation routes

Maintaining & upgrading roads, sidewalks, and pathways

Repairing & improving civic buildings and facilities

Supporting affordable housing projects

Building a new downtown fire hall

Upgrading greenways and public spaces

Renovating the Massey Theatre

Mayor's Message

Across the Lower Mainland, cities are facing increasing challenges with infrastructure and service demands, and costs are rising faster than inflation.

In New Westminister, we strive to deliver high-quality public services our community demands, while keeping tax increases in line with regional averages and working with senior governments to secure investments.

The City's Capital Budget includes more than \$600 million in investments to support the community over the next 10 years, including \$34 million for much-needed renovations of Massey Theatre, \$40 million for a new Downtown fire hall, and ongoing investments for road paving, sidewalk improvements, and pedestrian safety.

We're investing in services and programs that support our community every day. This includes hiring more police officers, expanding Bylaw Enforcement, and launching a new Parks Liaison Officer program. We have also increased grant funding by 50% to support local organizations that provide arts and culture, youth sports, and social services. At the same time, we're enhancing Parks and Recreation services to ensure we're meeting the needs of our growing population.

We also continue to advocate to senior governments for funding and have successfully secured \$3.8 million for our urban reforestation program, \$1.8 million for the Crises Response Pilot Project, and more than \$10.5 million to support ongoing sewer separation work. We have also seen increased investment in affordable housing, securing \$21 million from the Provincial and Federal governments to build 52 new supportive housing units set to open this summer.

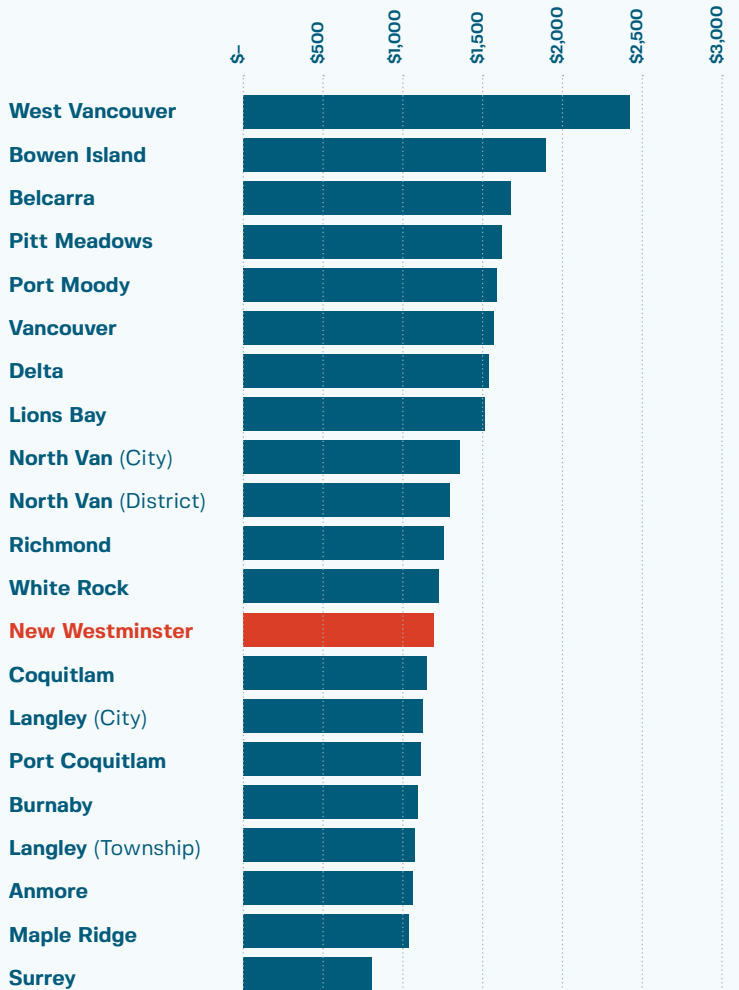
These are uncertain economic times, challenging both household and government budgets. In New Westminister, we're taking a careful approach with our investments to meet community needs while keeping our finances strong to maintain the high quality of life residents expect for years to come.




PATRICK JOHNSTONE
Mayor

Comparison of 2025 Municipal Property Taxes per Capita

This measures the average amount of municipal property tax paid per person in a city. The chart compares how much residents are paying across municipalities and shows how efficiently a city relies on property tax relative to its population size.



BC Local Government Statistics - Tax Burden 2025 SCH 707.
Total Municipal Variable Rate Taxes/2024 BC Stats Population Estimate

PROVINCIAL PROPERTY TAX DEFERMENT

You may be eligible to defer your current year property taxes through BC property tax deferral programs, if all arrears are paid. The Province of BC Budget 2026 includes changes to interest rate terms. For more information, please call or visit:

1-888-355-2700 | gov.bc.ca/propertytaxdeferral

PROVINCIAL HOME OWNER GRANT

All Home Owner Grants must be claimed through the Province. Municipalities no longer accept Home Owner Grant applications. For more information, please contact the BC Home Owner Grant program at:

1-888-355-2700 | gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant

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