

Fiscal Year 2024



Budget in Brief

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The City of Salem adopts its budget each June for the following fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30.

While the budget is a financial document, it is also an important policy document, outlining the City Council's priorities for the upcoming year and showing how financial resources will be committed toward those goals.

The City of Salem Community Result Areas

Good Governance



Natural Environment Stewardship



Safe and Healthy Community



Safe, Reliable, and Efficient Infrastructure



Strong and Diverse Economy



Welcoming and Livable Community



Over the past several years, the City has framed its budget around result areas that have been defined by the community and City Council through development of the Strategic Plan. This presentation clearly demonstrates how the City plans to fund and realize these priorities.

Annual Budget Process



How it All Works Together

The budget is one component in an annual cycle of planning and collaboration. The City Council looks to the community for feedback through survey responses, board or commission service, and neighborhood association participation to inform its policy agenda. The City Council's policy agenda reflects spending priorities that are included in the budget. Results achieved through funded programs and projects in the budget are featured in an annual community report.

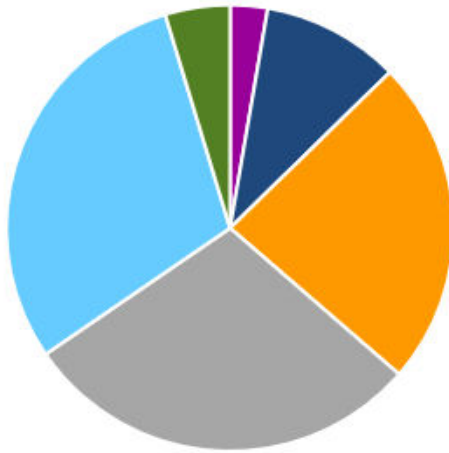
City Budget

Operating Expenditures: \$531.5 Million

Supporting Community Outcomes

The City's FY 2024 total operating budget is summarized by service groupings provided in each result area. A majority of the budget is allocated to support infrastructure, governance, and safety.

Strong and Diverse Economy	\$14.4M
Parking infrastructure and enforcement	4.2M
Business and redevelopment support	4.1M
Cultural events and tourism	3.7M
Salem Municipal Airport	2.3M



Safe and Healthy Community	\$158.8M
Emergency and public safety services	146.2M
Building permits and inspections	9.9M
Salem Municipal Court	2.6M

Natural Environment Stewardship	\$24.9M
Wastewater treatment	13.5M
Environmental monitoring and compliance	11.4M

Welcoming and Livable Community	\$53.0M
Parks and recreation	13.0M
Low-income programs and housing support*	27.1M
Salem Public Library	6.5M
Planning and neighborhoods	5.6M
Community events and art	0.8M

Good Governance	\$125.9M
Health benefits and risk management	48.6M
Administration and support services	41.8M
Vehicles and equipment	16.4M
General shared costs	9.4M
Bond debt payments	6.6M
City building maintenance	3.2M

Safe, Reliable, and Efficient Infrastructure	\$154.5M
Stormwater, wastewater, and water	98.4M
Bond debt payments	35.6M
Streets, sidewalks, and signals	19.1M
Streetlight	1.3M

*Includes one-time grant supported sheltering services and sites. Expenses shown are not anticipated to be fully spent in FY 2024.

Capital Improvements Expenditures: \$224.8 Million

Multiple **Geer Park Improvement** projects are in the design phase. They include a fenced off-leash dog park, picnic shelters, a skate park, pathways, and sport field renovations. Skate park facilities are expected to conclude design this fiscal year.



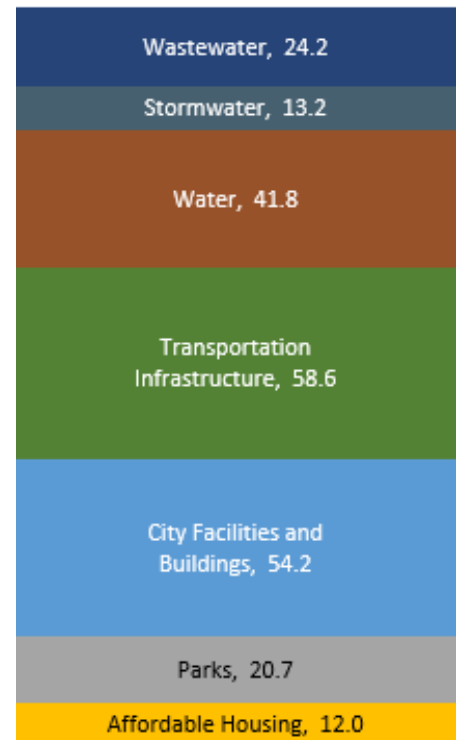
Multiple **McGilchrist Street SE Corridor Improvement** projects are ongoing. The projects will include construction of a cycle track, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, center turn lane, signal improvements, and stormwater improvements.

Initial planning for **Civic Center Seismic Improvements** will begin this fiscal year. The project will construct seismic improvements to reinforce the Civic Center structure, mitigate potential existing hazards, and revitalize areas within the complex including Peace Plaza.



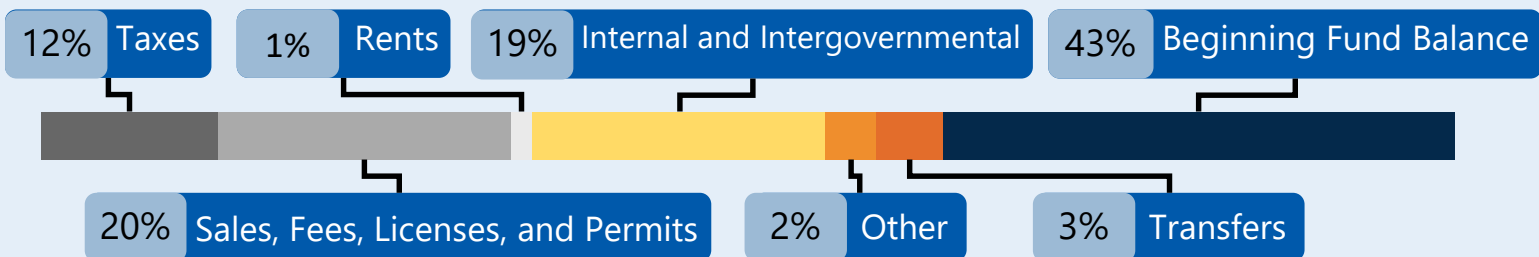
Geren Island Roughing Filter No. 2

Geren Island Roughing Filter No. 2 Reconstruction is expected to conclude by the end of the fiscal year. The project will reinforce or replace aging components of the facility and divide the filter into two separate cells, ensuring there is enough safe, clean drinking water for years to come.



\$ In Millions

Total Resources: \$908.8 Million



The **Taxes** category includes property taxes that support general City operations, voter-approved bonds for infrastructure projects, taxes paid by overnight visitors, and marijuana sales taxes.

Sales, Fees, Licenses, and Permits are composed of over 70 different charges, the largest being utility rates, planning fees, franchise fees, and building permits.

Internal and Intergovernmental revenues consist of employee insurance premiums, specific sales tax revenues shared by the State of Oregon, grants, and reimbursements from other agencies.

Transfers move money from one City fund to another for a specific expense, usually for personnel costs or construction projects.

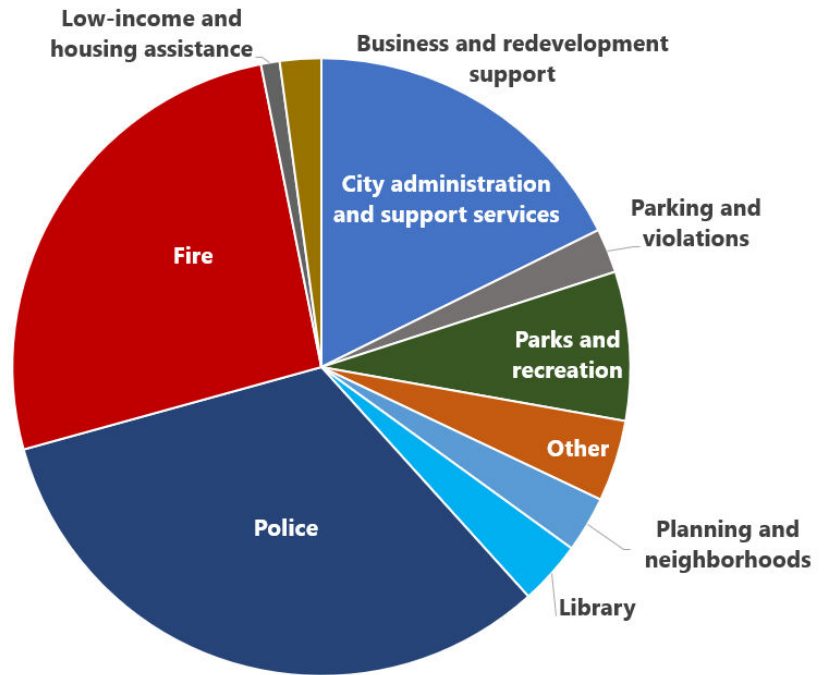
Beginning Fund Balance is the available cash in each City fund before revenues or expenses occur in the new fiscal year.

General Fund

Total Expenditures: \$186.2 Million

The General Fund pays for a wide variety of City services and programs including police, fire, library, parking, Center 50+, planning, parks, recreation, code enforcement, economic development, and administration and support services (including the City Manager’s Office, Finance, Information Technology, and Legal). Emergency and public safety services account for 59 percent of General Fund expenses.

Most revenue sources in the General Fund, including property taxes, are not restricted which means they are not designated for a certain purpose or legally limited to fund specific services.

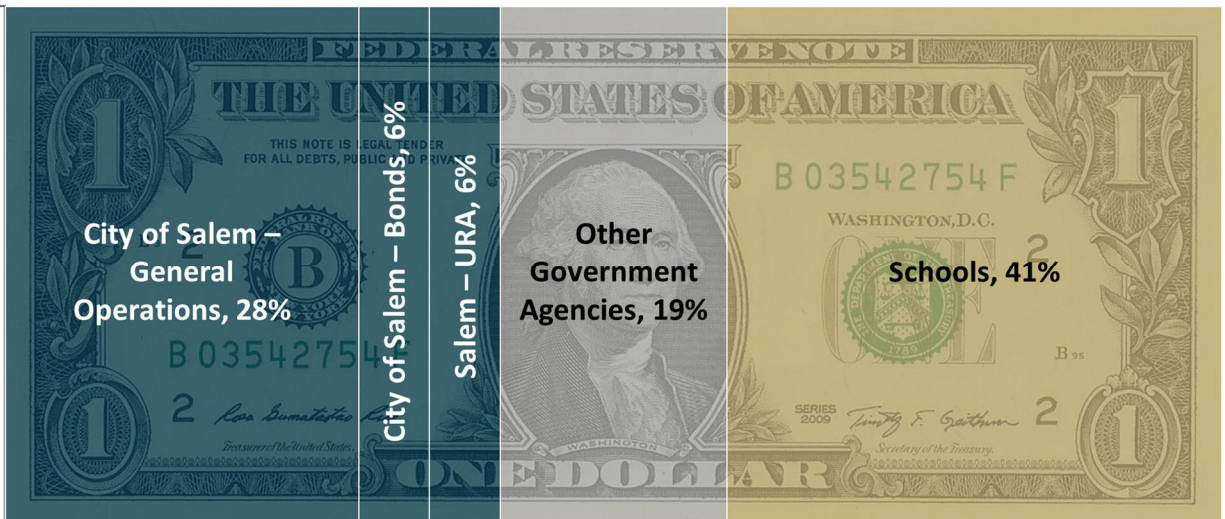


*Other includes construction project transfers, contingency, and shared costs.

More About Property Taxes

In Oregon, municipal services are funded by a combination of property taxes, fees, and charges. Income taxes paid in Oregon are used to fund State and Federal services. In Salem, nearly \$84M in property tax receipts are estimated for FY 2024 to support General Fund services which equates to 50% of total budgeted General Fund revenue. Bonds are voter-approved ballot measures used to pay for large City construction projects and cannot be used for general operations. Property taxes also fund Salem’s Urban Renewal Agency (URA) to invest in key locations in specified geographic areas of the city to spur redevelopment. The URA is a separate municipal corporation from the City but is supported by City staff.

EXAMPLE:
Residents in Marion County pay property taxes to fund services provided by many different taxing districts, not just the City, as shown to the right.



For more details about the City of Salem or Urban Renewal Agency budget, visit www.cityofsalem.net/budget.