

# 2022 Property Tax Information



## Property tax payments are due July 31, 2022

### Penalty due dates:

**July 31, 2022:**

5% on current

**September 30, 2022:**

5% on current

**November 30, 2022:**

5% on current

**January 31, 2023:**

15% on all outstanding

### Questions?

Call 403-328-5525

### Alberta Seniors Property Tax Deferral Program

Eligible senior homeowners may defer all or part of their annual residential property taxes through a low-interest home equity loan through the Government of Alberta.

The deadline to apply is June 30, 2022.

For more information, visit <https://www.alberta.ca/seniors-property-tax-deferral-program.aspx>

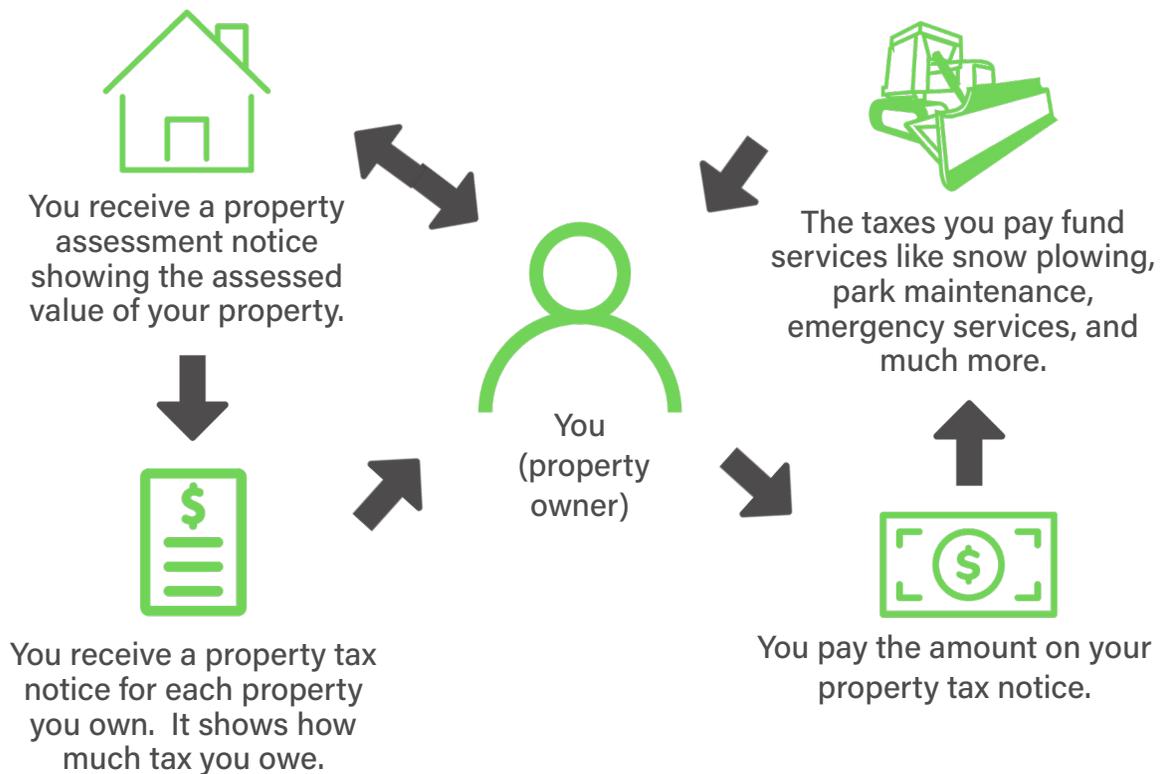


## Message from Reeve Tory Campbell

"On behalf of Lethbridge County Council and staff, thank you for choosing Lethbridge County. From our Hamlets to our industrial parks, to our vast stretches of high-quality agricultural land, Lethbridge County has much to offer. We are an agricultural leader, our producers contribute over \$2.2 billion annually to the economy, with an increasingly diverse business community growing to support our region. Council strives to provide good governance, strong relationships, regional advocacy, and heightened prosperity for all our partners.

Thank you for contributing to Lethbridge County's success, we look forward to a great 2022!"

## How do property taxes work?



## How do I pay my property taxes?

Check the back of your tax notice for more information on payments.



**MAIL**



**BANK**



**ONLINE  
CREDIT  
CARD  
PAYMENTS  
THROUGH  
PLASTIQ**



**IN PERSON**



**PHONE/ONLINE  
BANKING**



**DROP BOX  
(AFTER HOURS)**



**PRE-AUTHORIZED  
DEBIT PROGRAM**

## Connect with Lethbridge County

Lethbridge County provides information and news through many different channels:



- Visit our website: [www.lethcounty.ca](http://www.lethcounty.ca)
- Provide input and learn about projects and initiatives: [www.whatshappening.lethcounty.ca](http://www.whatshappening.lethcounty.ca)
- Check out our social media pages
- Sign up for our monthly online newsletter: [www.lethcounty.ca/p/stay-connected](http://www.lethcounty.ca/p/stay-connected)
- Opt-in to e-mail news alerts: [www.lethcounty.ca/p/stay-connected](http://www.lethcounty.ca/p/stay-connected)
- Download the Lethbridge County app in the Apple or Google Play stores

# Where do my taxes go?

When you look at your tax bill, you will notice that you are paying for:

- Municipal taxes (this is the only portion of your tax bill that the County keeps)
- Provincial requisitions (these are costs the province requires the County to collect from taxpayers): education tax and Green Acres Foundation
- Provincial policing costs (this cost is downloaded to municipalities from the province)
- Recreation funding to other municipalities (this cost is also downloaded from the province)

## 2022 BUDGET

The Budget determines what services and projects Lethbridge County will offer, as well as where the money to fund these services will come from.

**Total tax support required in 2022: \$15,861,740**  
**Tax support increase in 2022 over 2021: 1.626%**

### 2022 COSTS ADDED BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OVER 2021: \$420,750

Total costs are:

- Recreation funding increase of \$96,250
- Policing costs increase of \$117,030
- Road infrastructure grant reduction of \$298,470

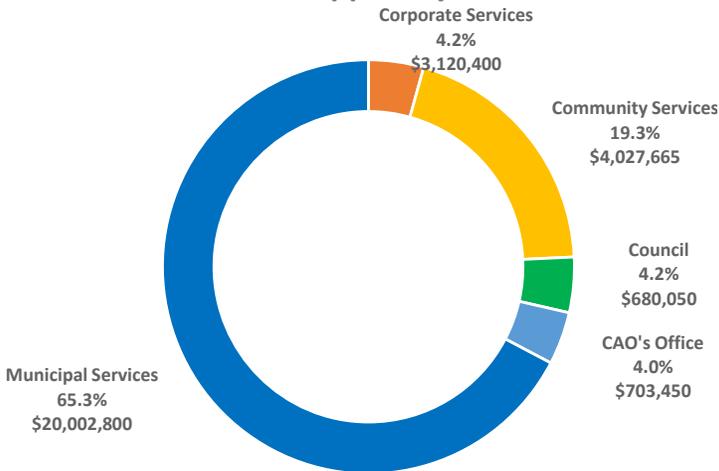
### EFFICIENCIES AND COST SAVINGS IN 2022: \$602,350

- Emergency services fee structure changes
- Fleet rate adjustments
- Anticipated increase to Planning & Development revenues

**\$28,534,365**

### OPERATING EXPENSES-

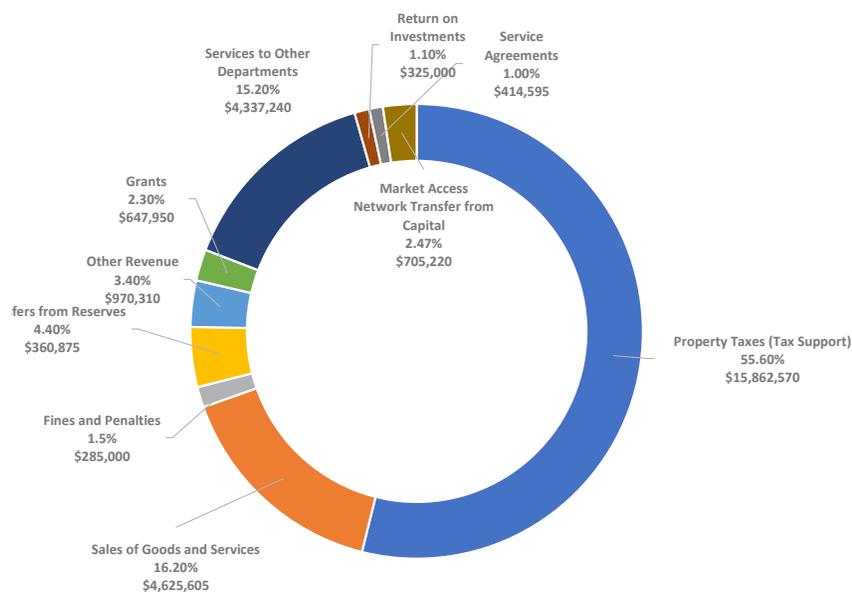
2022 Tax Support by Division



**\$28,534,365**

### OPERATING REVENUE

Operating Revenue Sources



**Operating expenses include (but are not limited to):**

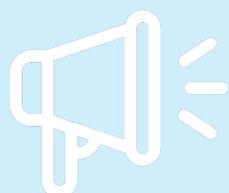
- Road and sidewalk maintenance
- Community Peace Officer and fire service agreements with contracted fire departments
- Snow removal and mowing
- Agricultural Services (weed/pest control, etc.)
- Park and playground maintenance
- Planning and Development (Growth Studies, Land Use Bylaw, etc.)
- and much more!

Property taxes are only one source of revenue used to fund operating expenses. They are not used to fund capital projects like new equipment (graders, mowers, etc.), bridge construction, paving, or new playground equipment.

**\$9,877,500**  
**CAPITAL BUDGET**

Capital projects are not funded through property taxes, but through grants, sale proceeds of equipment, the Business Tax, and transfers from reserves.

A detailed copy of the 2022 Budget is online at <https://whatshappening.lethcounty.ca/budget-2022>



## Public feedback needed: proposed Commercial/Industrial Tax Incentive Bylaw

Council is looking for public feedback on a proposed Commercial and Industrial Municipal Tax Incentive Bylaw, which would provide eligible businesses a short-term exemption from paying municipal taxes for four years. Conditions would apply and rebates would be based on assessment with a 100% rebate in the first year, 75% in the second, 50% in the third, and 25% in the fourth.

For more information and to provide your feedback to Council by June 10, visit <https://whatshappening.lethcounty.ca/proposed-tax-incentives>