



# FY 2020-2021 Property Taxes

Office of the Tax Collector  
Mecklenburg County, NC



## *Mecklenburg County*

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*Charlotte Cornelius Davidson Huntersville  
Matthews Mint Hill Pineville*



# Mecklenburg County

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## What do property taxes pay for?

When you call the police or fire department, play in the park, send your children to public school, check out a book at the library, or eat at an inspected restaurant, you are using services paid for by your property taxes. Your taxes also pay for services to help people move from welfare to work, protect children and senior citizens from abuse and neglect, protect our water and air from pollution, repair and build roads, and much more. Property taxes are the largest source of revenue to fund these services you count on every day. For more information about Mecklenburg County's budget, the services funded by your property taxes, and links to municipal websites, visit [www.MeckNC.gov](http://www.MeckNC.gov). For information about the budget for the City of Charlotte, visit [www.CharlotteNC.gov](http://www.CharlotteNC.gov). Budget information for Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill, and Pineville may be found on their respective websites.

## What property is taxed?

Property taxes are levied on real property, such as land and buildings; business personal property, including office equipment, machinery, computer equipment and others; registered motor vehicles; individual personal property, such as boats, unregistered vehicles, campers and others; and other property as required by North Carolina Law.

## How much will I pay in taxes?

The amount you pay is based on the assessed value of your property, the tax rate, and any other items included on the bill. The County Assessor assesses the value of all taxable property as of January 1st. The tax you pay is based on that value and the tax rate established by the elected city, county, or town officials. To calculate the taxes due, divide the assessed value by \$100.00 and multiply the result by the tax rates. Also, add the fees charged to determine the total tax due. For example, the tax bill for a home assessed at \$200,000 in value is \$1,233.80 for County taxes and \$696.20 for Charlotte taxes. Other charges, such as Solid Waste Fees, are added to the total due.

## What are the Police and Fire Taxes?

Property owners in unincorporated Mecklenburg County pay taxes for police services through the Law Enforcement Service District Tax and for fire protection, including emergency services, through the Fire Protection Service District Tax.

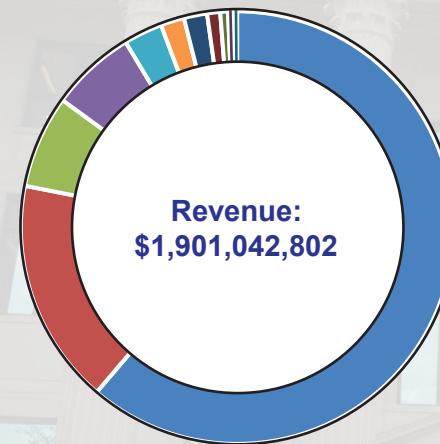
## How do I change the address on my tax bill?

To change the mailing address for real estate tax bills, please visit  
<https://www.mecknc.gov/AssessorsOffice/Pages/Change-of-Address.aspx>

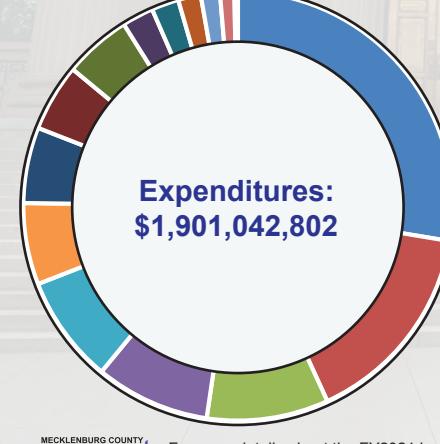
## FY 2020-2021 Mecklenburg County Budget Summary

FY 2021 Mecklenburg County Tax Rate:	Law Enforcement Service District Tax Rate:	Fire Protection Service District Tax Rate:
\$0.6169 per \$100 of assessed value	Charlotte (MCH) ..... \$0.1781	Charlotte (MCH) ..... \$0.0750
	Cornelius (MCN)..... \$0.2290	Cornelius (MCN)..... \$0.0612
	Davidson (MDV) ..... \$0.1432	Davidson (MDV) ..... \$0.0890
	Huntersville (MHT)..... \$0.1584	Huntersville (MHT)..... \$0.0456
	Mint Hill (MMH)..... \$0.1558	Mint Hill (MMH)..... \$0.0700
	Pineville (MPN)..... \$0.1637	

### Where the Money Comes From:



61% - Property Taxes	\$1,164,352,777
17% - Sales Tax	\$320,405,502
7% - Charges for Services	\$131,909,195
6% - Federal & State	\$120,717,410
3% - Fund Balance	\$54,973,736
2% - Other Revenue	\$33,458,464
1% - Licenses & Permits	\$33,029,473
1% - Law Enforcement Service District Tax	\$18,466,581
1% - Investment Income	\$11,003,277
<1% - Fire Protection Service District Tax	\$7,484,323
<1% - Local ABC Profits	\$5,242,064



### How the Money is Used:

28% - CMS Operating	\$524,932,548
16% - Health & Human Services	\$295,607,022
9% - CMS Debt Service	\$174,367,208
9% - Administrative Services	\$164,085,941
8% - Detention & Court Support Services	\$154,276,764
6% - General Debt Service	\$116,758,247
6% - Land Use & Environmental Services	\$108,536,919
5% - Community Services	\$96,450,745
5% - Financial Services	\$96,427,942
2% - Business Partners	\$45,161,932
2% - CPCC Operating	\$39,091,669
<2% - Pay-As-You-Go	\$32,461,500
1% - Customer Satisfaction & Management	\$27,355,817
1% - CPCC Debt Service	\$20,568,548
<1% - CMS Capital Replacement	\$4,960,000



# City of Charlotte

[www.CharlotteNC.gov](http://www.CharlotteNC.gov)

## FY 2020-2021 City of Charlotte Budget Summary

### FY 2021 City of Charlotte

#### Tax Rate:

\$0.3481 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$0.9650 combined with  
Mecklenburg County rate)

#### Tax Rate Breakdown:

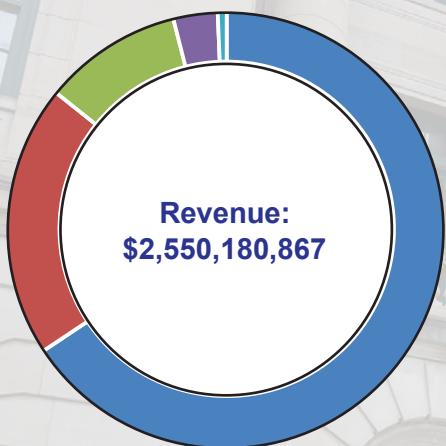
General Fund .....	\$0.2731
Debt Payment .....	\$0.0677
Pay-As-You-Go.....	\$0.0073
<b>Total City Tax Rate....</b>	<b>\$0.3481</b>

#### Municipal Tax Districts:

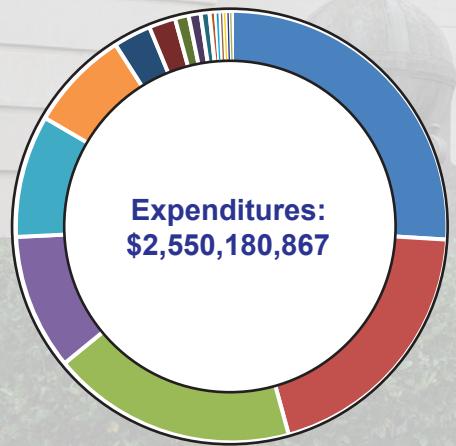
District 1 Tax Rate .....	\$0.0136
District 2 Tax Rate .....	\$0.0363
District 3 Tax Rate .....	\$0.0474
District 4 Tax Rate .....	\$0.0390
District 5 Tax Rate .....	\$0.0279

(The tax rates for districts 2 and 3 include the tax rate for district 1)

### Where the Money Comes From:



### How the Money is Used:

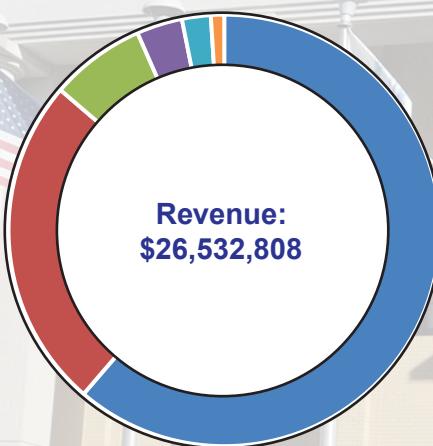


## FY 2020-2021 Town of Cornelius Budget Summary

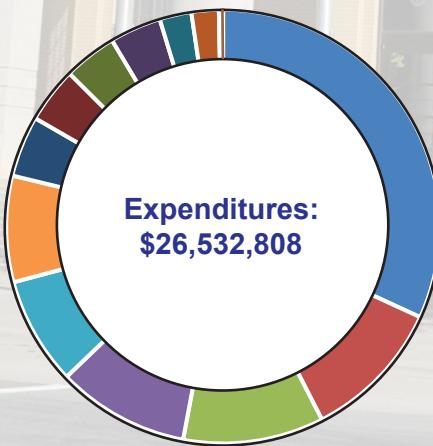
### FY 2021 Town of Cornelius Tax Rate:

\$0.222 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$0.8389 combined with Mecklenburg County rate)

### Where the Money Comes From:



### How the Money is Used:





## Town of Davidson

[www.townofdavidson.org](http://www.townofdavidson.org)



## Town of Huntersville

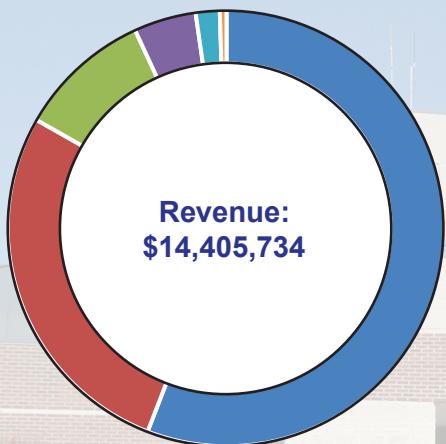
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### FY 2020-2021 Town of Davidson Budget Summary

#### FY 2021 Town of Davidson Tax Rate:

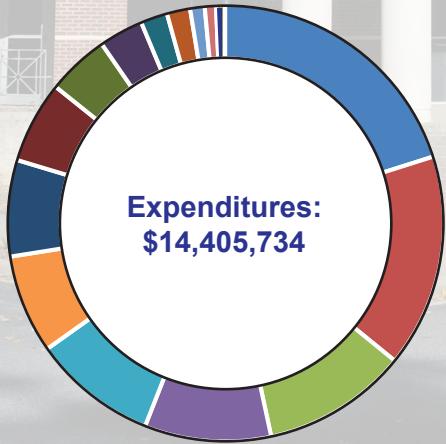
\$0.29 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$0.9069 combined with Mecklenburg County rate)

#### Where the Money Comes From:



Source	Percentage	Amount
Property & Vehicle Taxes	56%	\$8,048,778
Other Taxes	27%	\$3,936,596
Charges for Services & Fees	10%	\$1,425,710
Powell Bill	4%	\$666,650
Other Revenue	2%	\$257,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	1%	\$71,000

#### How the Money is Used:



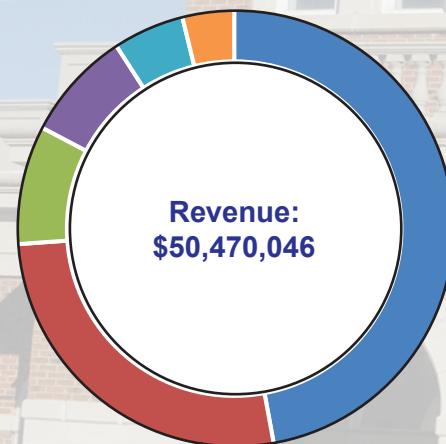
Category	Percentage	Amount
Police & Public Safety	20%	\$2,898,017
Fire & Rescue	16%	\$2,270,518
Admin & General Government	11%	\$1,547,155
Capital Projects	9%	\$1,345,805
Parks & Recreation	9%	\$1,327,053
Solid Waste	7%	\$1,055,000
Streets	7%	\$1,030,771
Other - Non Departmental	6%	\$879,563
Powell Bill	5%	\$666,650
Planning	3%	\$475,818
Travel & Tourism	2%	\$287,434
Storm Water	2%	\$250,000
Economic Development	1%	\$155,893
Affordable Housing	1%	\$120,460
Governing Board	1%	\$95,597

### FY 2020-2021 Town of Huntersville Budget Summary

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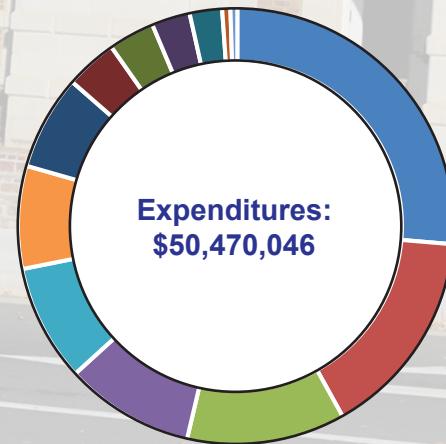
\$0.24 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$0.8569 combined with Mecklenburg County rate)

#### Where the Money Comes From:



Source	Percentage	Amount
Property & Vehicle Taxes	47%	\$23,772,120
Other Taxes	27%	\$13,504,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	9%	\$4,464,301
Other Revenue	8%	\$4,132,529
Charges for Services & Fees	5%	\$2,666,096
Powell Bill	4%	\$1,931,000

#### How the Money is Used:



Category	Percentage	Amount
Police & Public Safety	26%	\$13,296,810
Streets	15%	\$7,879,145
Parks & Recreation	12%	\$5,923,112
Fire & Rescue	10%	\$4,816,679
Other - Non Departmental	9%	\$4,349,575
Solid Waste	8%	\$3,822,440
Admin & General Government	7%	\$3,528,930
Powell Bill	4%	\$1,931,000
Travel & Tourism	3%	\$1,715,650
Storm Water	3%	\$1,432,700
Planning	2%	\$1,211,675
Governing Board	<1%	\$306,013
Economic Development	<1%	\$256,317





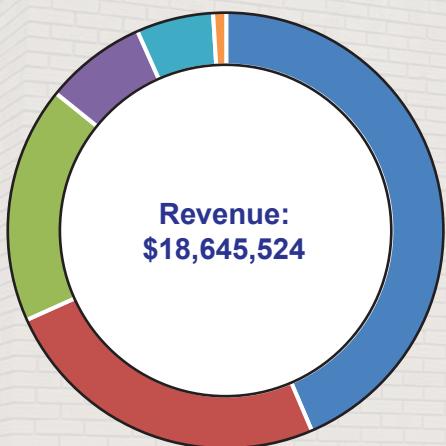
# Town of Pineville

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## FY 2020-2021 Town of Pineville Budget Summary

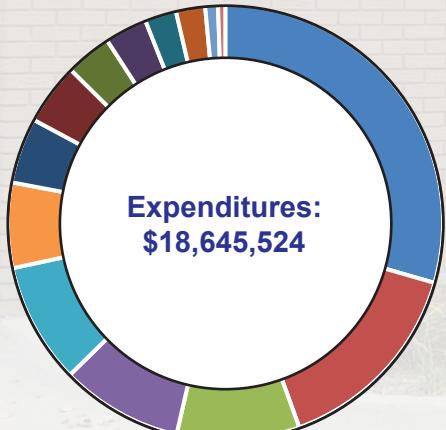
**FY 2021 Town of Pineville Tax Rate:**  
\$0.33 per \$100 of assessed value  
(\$0.9469 combined with Mecklenburg County rate)

### Where the Money Comes From:



44% - Property & Vehicle Taxes	\$8,125,000
25% - Other Revenue	\$4,608,044
18% - Other Taxes	\$3,264,330
7% - Storm Water	\$1,405,000
5% - Fund Balance Appropriated	\$1,063,150
1% - Powell Bill	\$180,000

### How the Money is Used:



# MECKLENBURG COUNTY

## OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

#### MOST CONVENIENT OPTIONS

##### Via Website

- Pay online via <http://MeckNC.gov/paytax>
- Tax bill number required
- eCheck and Credit/Debit cards accepted



##### Via Phone

- Call 1-800-994-1026
- Tax bill number required
- eCheck and Credit/Debit cards accepted

#### ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

##### Drop Box

- 3205 Freedom Drive, Suite 3000 Charlotte, NC 28208
- Use entrance E
- Located on wall to the left of the service points
- Check/Money Order only<sup>1</sup>
- Tax bill number required on Check/Money Order

##### Mail

- Check/Money Order<sup>1</sup>
- Payable to: Mecklenburg County Tax Collector
- Mail to:  
Mecklenburg County Tax Collector  
P.O. Box 71063  
Charlotte, NC 28272-1063
- Tax bill number required on Check/Money Order

##### Online Banking<sup>2</sup>

- Not recommended for payment of taxes
- Personal banking online bill pay
- 24-digit tax bill number in the account number field required
- Please see your bank's online bill pay policies, as most banks advise against using online bill pay to pay taxes

#### IMPORTANT NOTES

<sup>1</sup>Checks must have drawer's name, drawer's address, check number, financial institution's name, and MICR numbers preprinted on the check. In addition, the check should have the current date, numbers printed, the amount paid spelled out, and a signature. The Mecklenburg County Tax Collector does not accept starter, counter, altered, or photocopied checks.

<sup>2</sup>If the entire tax bill number is not entered in the online bill pay account number field, the payment will be rejected and sent back to taxpayer's bank. Any interest accrued due to a rejected payment cannot be removed from the tax bill. Bill numbers from previous payments must be deleted and replaced with a current bill number with each payment. Interest will apply if payment is received on or after the interest begins date.

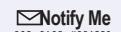
### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE OTC

The Office of the Tax Collector has moved to a new location! It is no longer located in the Bob Walton Plaza building. In person and drop box payments may be made at the new location at the Valerie C. Woodard building, **3205 Freedom Dr. Suite 3000, Charlotte**. The OTC moved to this new location in February 2019.

Be informed. "Notify Me" is a subscription-based service offered by Mecklenburg County and the City of Charlotte at no charge to the public. With "Notify Me," you can receive an alert whenever content of interest is updated or newsletters are published. You can choose to have alerts delivered to your email address and/or via text message. To receive alerts from the Office of the Tax Collector, visit our website at <http://MeckNC.gov/Taxes>, click on *Office of the Tax Collector*, and then click the link for *Notify Me*. If you are a new user, you will be prompted to enter an email address and supply a zip code. You may access your user profile to make changes at any time, including removing yourself from receiving further updates.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Office of the Tax Collector: Telephone: 704-336-7600  
Email: [taxmeck@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:taxmeck@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov)



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## How do I pay my taxes?

There are five ways to pay your real estate and personal property taxes. **The 24-digit bill number is required when paying taxes.**

- 1. By Internet:** Visit <http://MeckNC.gov/paytax> to use your credit/debit card or choose eCheck to have payment deducted from your checking account. Please have your bill number ready.
- 2. By Telephone:** Call toll-free 1-800-994-1026 to use your credit/debit card or choose eCheck to have payment deducted from your checking account. Please have your bill number ready.
- 3. By Mail:** Mail both the tax payment stub and check or money order to Mecklenburg County Tax Collector, P.O. Box 71063, Charlotte, NC 28272-1063. If mailing payment without a payment stub, mail the check or money order to Mecklenburg County Tax Collector, P.O. Box 31457, Charlotte, NC 28231-1457. Make check or money order payable to Mecklenburg County Tax Collector. The entire 24-digit tax bill number is required.
- 4. In Person:** Payments (cash, check, debit cards, credit cards, or money order only) are accepted Monday - Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Valerie C. Woodard Center, 3205 Freedom Drive, Suite 3000, Charlotte, NC 28208.
- 5. Online Banking:** **NOTE: This payment option is not recommended for payment of taxes. Any interest accrued due to a rejected payment cannot be removed from the tax bill.** Funds are sent electronically or by check to the Mecklenburg County Tax Collector by your financial institution. A payment may take up to four business days, after it has been authorized, before it is applied to the tax bill. The entire 24-digit tax bill number must be entered on the online bill pay account number field to ensure proper payment posting to the tax bill. The payment will be rejected and sent back to the financial institution if the tax bill number is missing or incorrect. Interest will apply if payment is received after January 5, 2021. Tax bill numbers from previous payments must be deleted and replaced with a current tax bill number for each payment.

## What is the County's check policy?

Checks must have drawer's name, drawer's address, check number, financial institution's name, and MICR number preprinted on the check. Checks must have the current date, numbers printed, the amount paid spelled out, and a signature. Mecklenburg County does not accept starter, counter, altered, or photocopied checks. A 10% fee, with a minimum of \$25.00 and a maximum of \$1,000.00, whichever is greater, will be added for returned checks, per NCGS 105-357 (b)(2).

## What are the tax deadlines?

Property tax payments (except registered motor vehicles) are due September 1, 2020 and must be paid by January 5, 2021. If mailed, payments must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service (not by postage meter) on or before January 5, 2021 to avoid interest charges. Taxpayers whose payment is received on or after January 6, 2021 will be charged 2% interest for January and an additional 3/4% interest for each month thereafter until paid. Unpaid real and personal property taxes (except registered motor vehicles) as of January 6, 2021 may be advertised in the local newspaper as being delinquent and an additional fee for advertising will be added. All delinquent taxes are subject to garnishment, levy (seizure), and foreclosure.

## Still have questions?

- Visit our website at <http://MeckNC.gov/taxes>.
- Contact the **CharMeck Call Center** by dialing 311 if calling within Mecklenburg County or 704-336-7600 for all calls originating outside of Mecklenburg County.
- To learn more about Mecklenburg County and the services provided, visit [www.MeckNC.gov](http://www.MeckNC.gov).