

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, IL
BUDGET IN BRIEF
FISCAL YEAR 2017 ▪ MAY 1, 2016 - APRIL 30, 2017



WELCOME FROM THE CITY MANAGER

It is my pleasure to present Bloomington's Fiscal Year 2017 Budget In Brief. The City Council adopted the FY 2017 Budget on April 11, 2016. The Budget is the City's business plan, reflecting the community's priorities & values through the funding of services, programs & projects. In this *Budget In Brief*, you will find a high-level overview of the FY 2017 Budget.

The Mayor & Council made a concerted effort to tackle many of the City's financial challenges in recent years. In FY 2015, the City started to address capital maintenance needs for roads by issuing a \$10M bond & adopting a local motor fuel tax earmarked for road repair. Last year, the Council passed a 1% sales tax that, combined with holding the line on expenses, goes a long way in addressing the City's structural deficit.

The FY 2017 Budget is balanced, & the City's current financial health is strong. Still, the City faces many continued challenges, including those from deferred capital maintenance, rising labor costs & inefficiency due to under-staffing & underfunding. It is vitally important now to formulate a long-term fiscal sustainability plan.

I hope all stakeholders find this document informative. On behalf of the City Council & staff team, I look forward to implementing your FY 2017 financial plan.

Sincerely,

David A. Hales, City Manager

THE BUDGET PROCESS

The City of Bloomington adopts its budget in accordance with Chapter 65 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes. The City's Fiscal Year runs from May 1-April 30. Formulation of the budget is a critical & difficult process that involves analyzing citizen input & data, projecting available revenue sources, identifying priorities, allocating resources & expenditures, reviewing City performance data, negotiating & anticipating department budgets & establishing the fees, charges & taxes necessary to provide adequate levels of services to the citizens of Bloomington. The budget process is continual year-round.



WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM Full Budget Revenues

Revenues Combined by Source

Charges for Services	\$66,318,085	31.94%
Home Rule & State Sales Taxes	\$37,986,194	18.30%
Other Taxes	\$32,599,992	15.70%
Property Tax	\$24,063,066	11.59%
Transfers In	\$15,249,318	7.34%
Use of Fund Balance	\$14,189,347	6.83%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$9,790,820	4.71%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$3,885,344	1.87%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$1,631,312	0.79%
Licenses & Permits	\$1,200,443	0.58%
Investment Income	\$706,633	0.34%
TOTAL	\$207,620,553	100.00%

Revenues by Fund Type

General	\$104,794,506	50.47%
Enterprise	\$49,948,028	24.06%
Internal Service	\$18,204,346	8.77%
Capital Projects	\$14,280,830	6.88%
Special Revenue	\$12,586,065	6.06%
Debt Service	\$7,306,778	3.52%
Fiduciary	\$500,000	0.24%
TOTAL	\$207,620,553	100.00%

WHERE THE MONEY GOES Full Budget Expenditures

Expenditures by Classification

Salaries	\$50,906,796	24.52%
Contractual	\$48,371,060	23.30%
Capital Expenditures	\$24,666,430	11.88%
Commodities	\$15,898,648	7.66%
Intergovernmental	\$15,827,552	7.62%
Benefits	\$15,569,338	7.50%
Transfers Out	\$15,249,318	7.34%
Principal Expense	\$11,344,490	5.46%
Other	\$6,661,812	3.21%
Interest Expense	\$3,125,109	3.21%
TOTAL	\$207,620,553	100.00%

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THE GENERAL FUND Overview

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the City. Included are police & fire protection, parks & recreation, legal, planning & economic development, general administration of the City & any other activity for which a special fund has not been created. The water, solid waste, sewer, storm water, golf operations, U.S. Cellular Coliseum & Abraham Lincoln parking funds are expected to be self-supporting, so the revenue from & expenses incurred by these funds are excluded from the General Fund. Revenues that exceed the cost of providing General Fund services are added to the General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance. This excess revenue can be used to finance future capital improvements & provides a reserve for future emergencies.

General Fund Revenues

Taxes	\$86,454,247	82.50%
Charges for Services	\$12,996,635	12.40%
Transfers In	\$1,896,246	1.81%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$976,682	0.93%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$855,400	0.82%
Permits	\$792,851	0.76%
Intergovernmental	\$368,471	0.35%
Licenses	\$359,750	0.34%
Investment Income	\$76,225	0.07%
Sale Capital Assets	\$18,000	0.02%
Use of Fund Balance	\$0	0%
TOTAL	\$104,794,506	100.00%

General Fund Expenditures

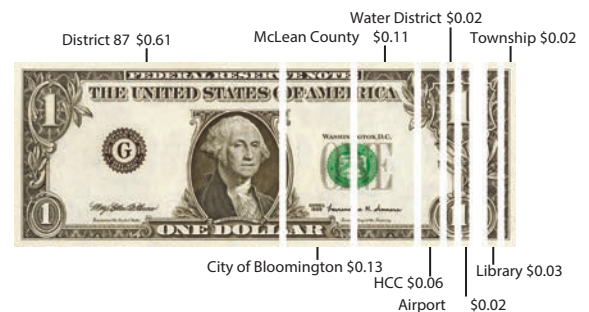
General Fund Transfers	\$10,653,569	10.17%
Fleet Management	\$3,305,864	3.15%
Economic Development	\$2,809,883	2.68%
Information Services	\$2,630,944	2.51%
McLean County Mental Health	\$2,428,619	2.32%
Finance	\$1,609,089	1.54%
Non-Departmental	\$1,504,300	1.44%
Human Resources	\$1,498,498	1.43%
Legal	\$1,340,308	1.28%
Administration	\$1,197,408	1.14%
Public Transportation	\$1,188,050	1.13%
PACE Facilities Maintenance	\$1,024,121	0.98%
PACE Government Center	\$844,951	0.81%
City Clerk	\$437,745	0.42%
Sister City	\$29,201	1.13%
TOTAL General Government	\$32,502,550	31.02%
Public Safety	\$51,537,604	49.18%
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts	\$12,313,977	11.75%
Highway & Streets	\$7,608,329	7.26%
Governmental Parking	\$832,047	0.79%
TOTAL	\$104,794,506	100.00%

UNDERSTANDING PROPERTY TAX

Property tax is based on the fair cash value of your home as identified by the City of Bloomington Township Assessor. The Property Tax Code states that each property shall be assessed at 33.33% of fair cash value. The City of Bloomington's 2015 tax rate payable in 2016 is 1.07729. Therefore, City taxes collected in FY 2017 on a \$165,000 home total \$592.45 based on the adopted tax rate. The total amount of property taxes paid based on a \$165,000 home is \$4,613.87, as seen below:

Taxing Body	Tax Rate	\$ Collected	% of Total
District 87	5.15877	\$2,837.04	61.49%
City of Bloomington	1.07729	\$592.45	12.84%
McLean County	0.91836	\$505.05	10.95%
Heartland Comm. College	0.54046	\$297.22	6.44%
Bloomington Library	0.25098	\$138.03	2.99%
B-N Water Reclamation	0.17446	\$95.94	2.08%
B-N Airport Authority	0.13572	\$74.64	1.62%
Bloomington Township	0.13366	\$73.51	1.59%
TOTAL	8.3897	\$4,613.87	100%

For every \$1 of property tax...



QUICK REFERENCE

CITY OFFICES www.cityblm.org
Business hours are M-F, 8 am-5 pm for *most* offices;
please call ahead.

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Legal	309-434-2213
Library	309-828-6091
Parks, Rec. & Arts	309-434-2260
Public Works	309-434-2225
Water	309-434-2426

POTHOLE HOTLINE

309-434-BUMP (2867)

CRIME MAPPING

www.cityblm.org/RAIDSONline

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

www.cityblm.org/OffenderWatch

myBLOOMINGTON

Download the myBloomington app & report potholes, schedule appliance pickup & more. New request types are continuously being added to the app's functionality.

SOCIAL MEDIA



Connect with the City of Bloomington, Police, Fire, Parks & more via Facebook, Twitter & other social media outlets. Scan the QR code to the right to access the social media portal at www.cityblm.org.

BLOOMINGTON 101

Get a hands-on, behind-the-scenes look at local government by participating in the Bloomington 101 citizens' academy program. The ten-week program occurs twice a year, once in spring & once in fall, & covers a variety of City departments & topics. Applications & more info are available at www.cityblm.org.