

2020 - 2021 Budget & Tax Proposal Public Hearing Presentation

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Presentation agenda

1. What's in your packet?
2. Budget overview.
3. Ramsey County property trends.
4. Reading your property tax statement.
5. Refund programs.


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What's in your packet?

- Our agenda for tonight.
- A copy of this presentation.
- March 2019, November 2019 *Pioneer Press* articles on Ramsey County property values.
- Information on refund programs through the state.
- *Guide to Services* and *Popular Annual Financial Report* publications.

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Important dates in the budget process

March 2019	2019 property value notices mailed.
Aug. 6	County Manager's proposed 2020-2021 budget presentation.
Aug. 13-29	Service Team / department budget hearings.
Aug. 29	Public Hearing #1 (10:30 a.m. at Saint Paul City Hall – Ramsey County Courthouse).
Sept. 17	County Board certifies 2020 maximum property tax levy.
Mid-November	Notices of 2020 estimated taxes mailed.
 Nov. 25	Public Hearing #2 (6:30 p.m. at Ramsey County Library - Maplewood).
Dec. 17	County Board votes on 2020-2021 Budget and final levy.

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Vision

A vibrant community where all are valued and thrive.

Mission

A county of excellence working with you to enhance our quality of life.

Goals



WELL-BEING

Strengthen individual, family and community health, safety and well-being

through effective safety-net services, innovative programming, prevention and early intervention, and environmental stewardship.



PROSPERITY

Cultivate economic prosperity and invest in neighborhoods with concentrated financial poverty

through proactive leadership and inclusive initiatives that engage all communities in decisions about our future.



OPPORTUNITY

Enhance access to opportunity and mobility for all residents and businesses

through connections to education, employment and economic development throughout our region.



ACCOUNTABILITY

Model fiscal accountability, transparency and strategic investments

through professional operations and financial management.

2020-2021 Budget supports our strategic priorities

1. Residents First: Effective, Efficient and Accessible Operations.
2. Advancing Racial and Health Equity in All Decision-Making.
3. Inclusive, Effective and Meaningful Community Engagement.
4. Integrated Approach to Health, Wellness and Justice.
5. Advancing a Holistic Approach to Strengthen Youth and Families.
6. Comprehensive Economic Development to Build Prosperity.
7. Stability Starts with Place to Call Home.
8. Talent Attraction, Retention and Promotion.

View the strategic plan online at ramseycounty.us/strategicplan

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Open Finance

Open Finance is designed to help you understand how Ramsey County receives and spends money. Find out how much was paid for a project or to a vendor. See the breakdown of budget revenue by county service team or department.
[Read more](#)

Search finance data

<p>Budget Revenue</p> <p>\$738.12 Million</p> <p>Projected Revenues</p> <p>View the county's estimated revenue sources for the current budget, including property tax levy, intergovernmental revenue, charges for services and other sources.</p> <p>Explore</p>	<p>Budget Expenditures</p> <p>\$738.12 Million</p> <p>Projected Expenditures</p> <p>View budgeted expenses for the county's ongoing services and programs. Expenditures can be viewed at a service team and organizational unit level.</p> <p>Explore</p>
<p>Capital Budget</p> <p>\$44.01 Million</p> <p>Estimated Capital Budget</p>	<p>Total Spending</p> <p>\$525.67 Million</p> <p>Fiscal Year 2019</p>

- **Openfinance.ramseycounty.us**
- Track operating and capital revenue, expenditures.
- Detail provided to line-item and “checkbook” level.

The Budget Top Line

Overall budget increase:

2020: 0.5%

2021: 2.9%

Proposed general levy increase:

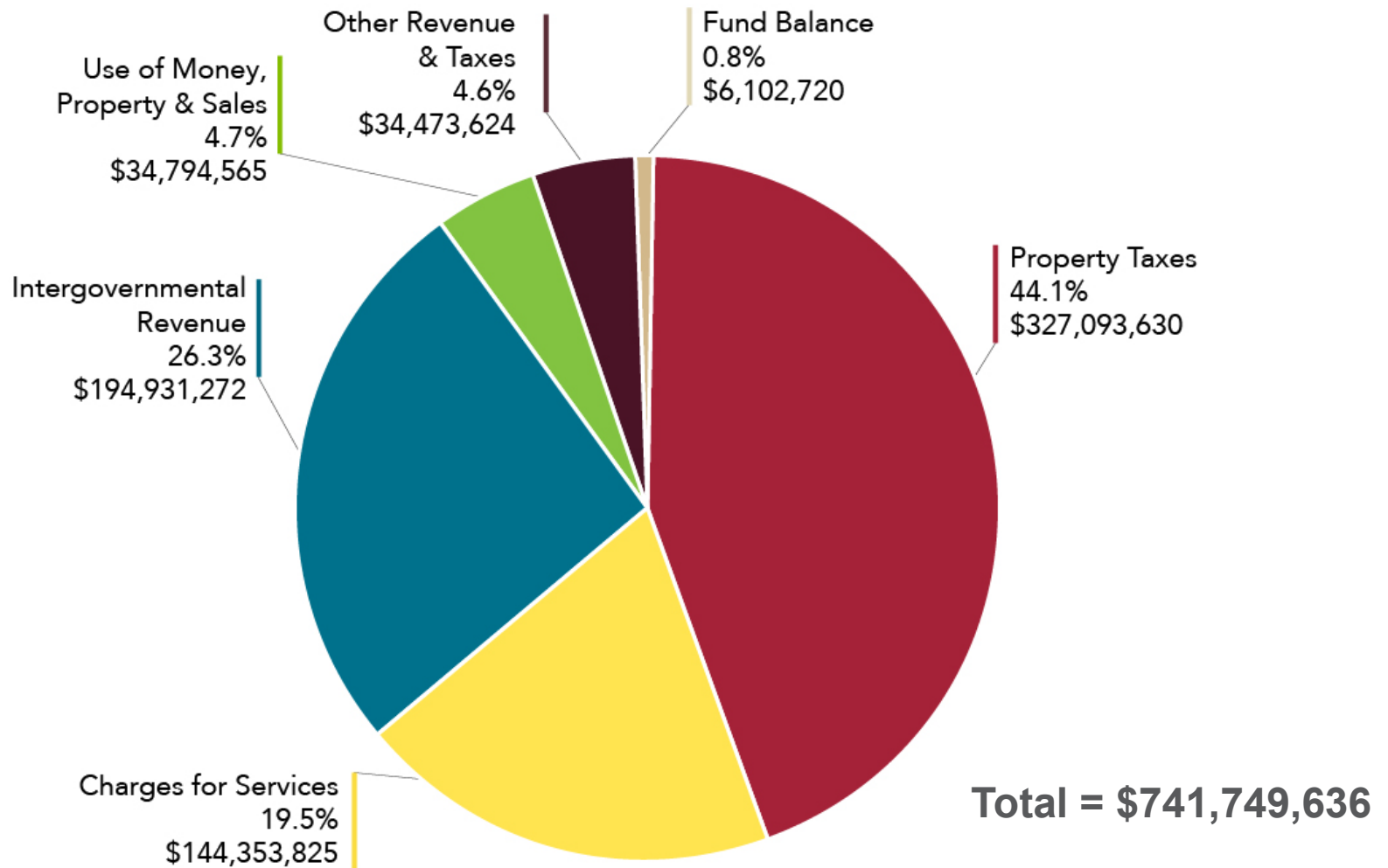
2020: 4.75%

2021: 4.50%

- Regional Rail levy remains at the statutory maximum:
2020: \$25,964,032 (7% increase)
2021: \$27,724,123 (6.8% increase)
- No HRA levy is requested.
- Revenue from non-levy sources is 55% of overall budget.
2020: \$408,553,286
2021: \$415,731,761

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Where County Funds Come From: 2020

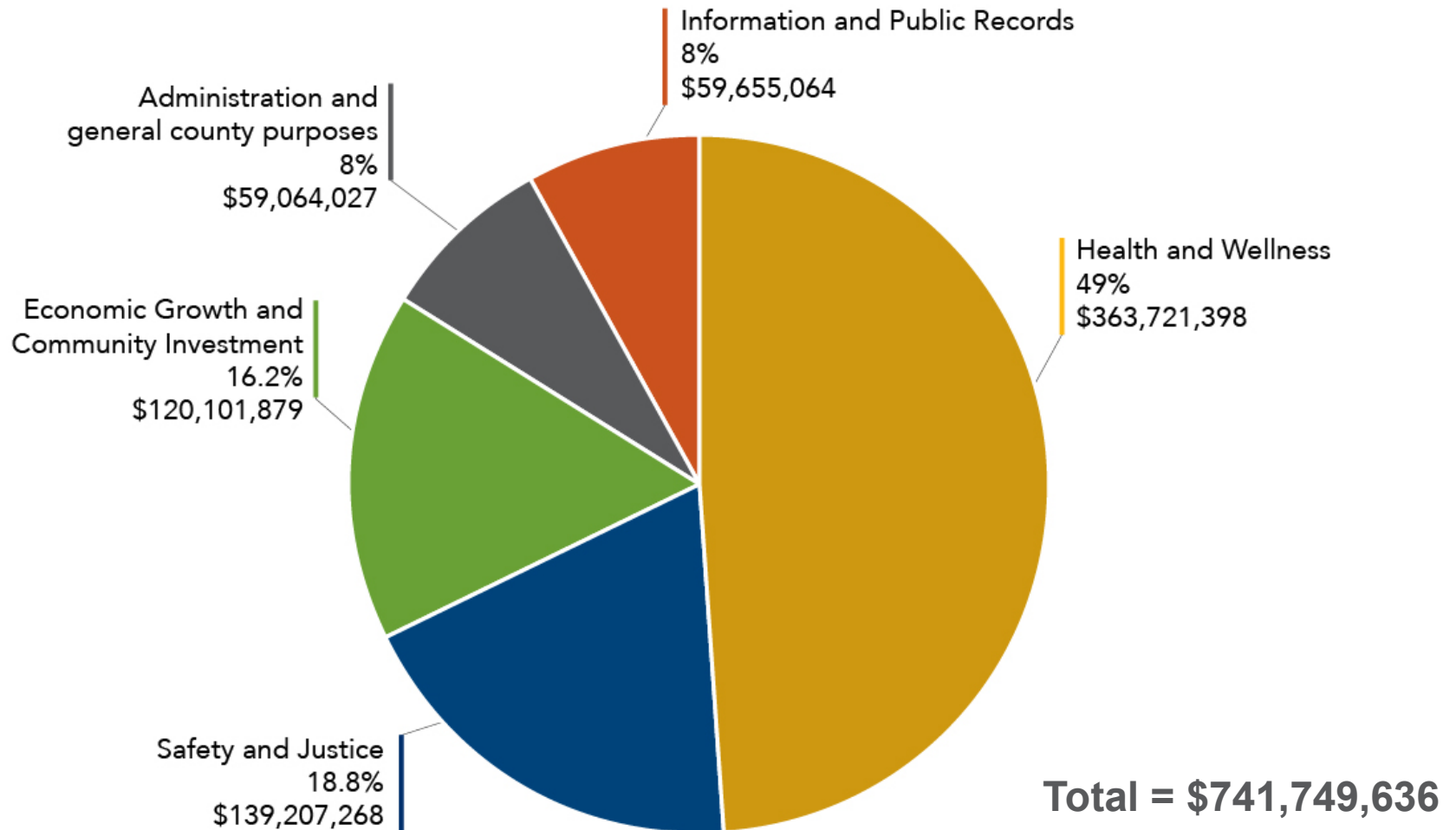


Where County Funds Come From: 2019 v. 2020

	2019 Approved		2020	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Property taxes	\$312,426,797	42.3%	\$327,093,630	44.1%
Intergovernmental revenues	\$200,524,211	27.2%	\$194,931,272	26.3%
Charges for services	\$135,951,708	18.4%	\$144,353,825	19.5%
Use of money, property & sales	\$32,241,714	4.4%	\$34,794,565	4.7%
Other revenue & taxes	\$56,165,951	7.6%	\$34,473,624	4.6%
Fund balance	\$808,228	0.1%	\$6,102,720	0.8%
Total	\$738,118,609	100.0%	\$741,749,636	100.0%

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Where County Funds Are Spent: 2020



Where County Funds Are Spent: 2019 v. 2020

	2019		2020	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Health and Wellness	\$364,629,213	49.4%	\$363,721,398	49.0%
Safety and Justice	\$134,847,661	18.3%	\$139,207,268	18.8%
Economic Growth and Community Investment	\$129,311,930	17.5%	\$120,101,879	16.2%
Information and Public Records	\$52,128,573	7.1%	\$59,655,064	8.0%
Strategic and general county purposes	\$57,201,232	7.7%	\$59,064,027	8.0%
Total	\$738,118,609	100.0%	\$741,749,636	100.0%

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Property trends: Basic Overview

- Taxes are tied to property values and levies of taxing jurisdictions.
- Assessed values are driven by the real estate market.
- Commercial tax rates are higher than residential tax rates.
- Commercial, residential and apartment values continue to increase across the county...
- ... this has generally been the trend – neighborhood by neighborhood – since the end of the ‘great recession’ in 2012.



Photo courtesy of Pioneer Press

Reading your statement (upper half)



90 Plato Blvd West • Saint Paul, MN
 651-266-2000 • AskPropertyTaxandRecords@ramseycounty.us
 ramseycounty.us/property

JOHN DOE
 1234 SPRUCE ST.
 ST PAUL MN 55102

PIN/Property Address/Abbreviated Tax Description
 SAINT PAUL MEDIAN VALUED HOME

Proposed 2019 012345678900

2020 *Proposed* Property Tax

This is NOT a bill. DO NOT PAY!

Valuation and classification

Tax Payable Year	2019	2020
Estimated Market Value	\$186,200	\$199,800
Green Acres Value	0	0
Plat Deferment	0	0

Value increase of \$13,600 (7.3%)

Exclusion	20,500	19,500
Taxable Market Value	\$165,700	\$180,500
Property Classification	Res Hstd	Res Hstd

Proposed Tax Notice

CURRENT STEP →

Step 2

Property Taxes after credit \$3,196.00



The time to provide feedback on proposed levies is now.
 The only way to appeal your value at this time is by going to tax court. Please see insert for more information.

Step 3

Property Tax Statement

Coming March 2020

Reading your statement (lower half)

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAXES AND MEETINGS BY JURISDICTION FOR YOUR PROPERTY

Contact Information	Column 1 2019 Tax – Actual	Column 2 2020 Tax – Proposed	Tax and Budget Meetings and Locations
Ramsey County	802.49	864.09	November 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
Regional Railroad Authority	64.40	70.53	Ramsey County Library, Maplewood
County tax increase of \$61.60 (7.6%)			
Ramsey 15 W. Kellogg Blvd Saint Paul, MN 55102 651-266-2222			
St Paul	732.15	967.24	December 4, 2019 at 6:00 PM
City Library City of St Paul, Financial Services 15 W Kellogg Blvd #700 St Paul, MN 55102 (651) 266-8832	100.77	110.51	City Hall Council Chambers 15 W Kellogg Blvd St Paul, MN 55102
State General Tax	0.00	0.00	No Meeting Required
ISD #625			December 3, 2019 at 6:00 PM
ISD 625 District Office 360 Colborne Street St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 767-8346			ISD 625 District Office 360 Colborne Street St. Paul, MN 55102
a. Voter approved levies	237.71	176.72	
b. Other local levies	766.20	865.93	
Metropolitan Special Taxing Districts	41.71	43.30	December 11, 2019 at 6 p.m.
Metropolitan Council 390 Robert St. N. Saint Paul, MN 55102 651-602-1111			Council Chambers 390 Robert St. N.
Total tax increase of \$368.80 (13%)			
Other special Tax increment Fiscal disparity	0.00	0.00	No Meeting Required
Total Tax excluding special assessments	\$2827.20	\$3,196.00	
Percent of Tax Change		13.0%	

Reading your statement – Election impacts

- For Saint Paul residents:
 - The result of the vote on organized trash collection likely results in an overstatement of Saint Paul City property taxes on your statement.
Please refer to city materials for additional information.
- For Mounds View and White Bear Lake School Districts 621 and 624:
 - The result of the votes on referenda likely result in understatements of school district property tax impacts on your statement.
Please refer to district materials for additional information.

Impact of value and tax changes

<u>Location / Type</u>	Median Estimated Market Value				Ramsey County Property Tax impact			
	2019	2020	\$ change	% change	2019	2020 est.	\$ change	% change
Saint Paul Single Family Home	\$186,200	\$199,800	\$13,600	7.3%	\$803	\$864	\$61	7.6%
Saint Paul Commercial	\$495,450	\$525,000	\$29,550	6.0%	\$3,075	\$3,103	\$28	0.9%
Suburban Single Family Home	\$251,400	\$271,400	\$20,000	8.0%	\$1,329	\$1,416	\$87	6.5%
Suburban Commercial	\$922,900	\$982,700	\$59,800	6.5%	\$6,217	\$6,396	\$179	2.9%

Tonight: Appraisers are available to discuss the valuation process.

This week: Appraisers can research property-specific concerns and contact you.

2020 values: Appraisers must be allowed inside a property for valuations appeals.

Special property tax programs

Contact

651-296-3781

www.revenue.state.mn.us

Form M1PR

- Refunds through the State
 - Own and occupy property on Jan. 2, 2020.
 - Total Household Income < \$115,020.
 - *Other income-based thresholds may apply.*
 - Property tax increase of >12% and >\$100.
- Senior Citizen Deferral
 - 65 or older.
 - Household income of < \$60,000.
 - Lived in home for at least 15 years.



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Begin Public Hearing

Comments made at this hearing will also be shared with the appropriate city, school district and other taxing authorities.