

The City of San Luis Obispo is Prepared

The City is prepared for economic downturns or other unanticipated costs with its reserves including:

General Fund Reserve
\$11.6 Million

Keeps the City operations running for three months in case of a disaster or unanticipated event

Capital Reserve
\$4 Million

Repairs and maintains City-owned assets if no other funds are available

Revenue Stabilization Reserve
\$2 Million

Keeps the City nimble in case of a potential economic downturn

CalPERS 115 Trust Fund
\$2 Million

Supports contribution to CalPERS and ensures the City is able to make its required unfunded liability payments

Risk Management Reserve
\$1 Million

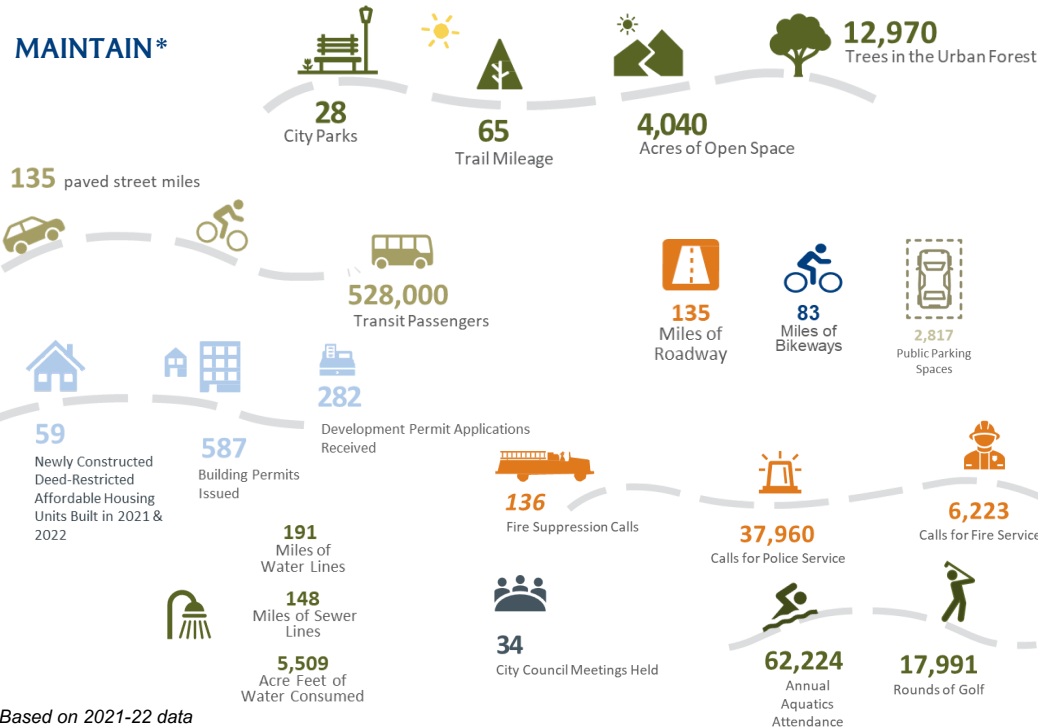
Helps protect the City from variety of risks

Local Revenue Measure: \$30.2 Million (FY 2023-24)

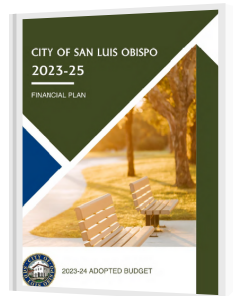
The Local Revenue Measure – also known as Measure G20 – is a one-and-a-half percent local sales tax. It protects and maintains essential services and facilities, such as open space preservation, bike lanes and sidewalks, public safety, neighborhood street paving and code enforcement, flood protection, senior programs, and other vital services and capital improvement projects.



Your City Government at Work



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CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BUDGET IN BRIEF

2023-2025 FINANCIAL PLAN

MAJOR CITY GOALS



Economic Resiliency, Cultural Vitality and Fiscal Sustainability

In collaboration with local partners, implement initiatives that reinforce a thriving and sustainable Local economy, support a diverse, inclusive, and vibrant community, preserve arts and culture, and ensure fiscal responsibility and sustainable operations



Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI)

Further our commitment to making San Luis Obispo a welcoming and inclusive city for all by continuing to incorporate diversity, equity, and inclusion into all programs and policies.



Housing and Homelessness

Support the expansion of housing options for all, and continue to facilitate the production of housing, including the necessary supporting infrastructure, with an emphasis on affordable and workforce housing as well as accessibly connected development. Collaborate with local non-profit partners, non-governmental agencies, the county, the state, and federal governments to advocate for increased funding and implementation of comprehensive and effective strategies to prevent and reduce homelessness.



Climate Action, Open Space, and Sustainable Transportation

Proactively address the climate crisis and increase resiliency through the implementation of the Climate Action Plan. Use resources to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reach carbon neutrality by 2035, with a focus on the preservation and enhancement of convenient and equitable alternative and sustainable transportation, the preservation of open space, and equitable access to parks and open space.

About the Budget

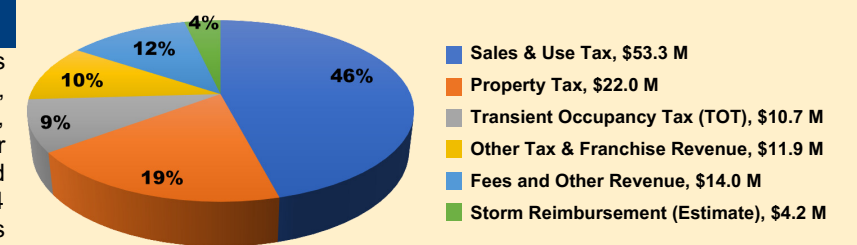
The City of San Luis Obispo follows a nationally recognized two-year Financial Plan process. The Financial Plan links goals and objectives with resources needed to accomplish them. Council approval is required for each year of the budget cycle in order to appropriate the funding.

Budget Process



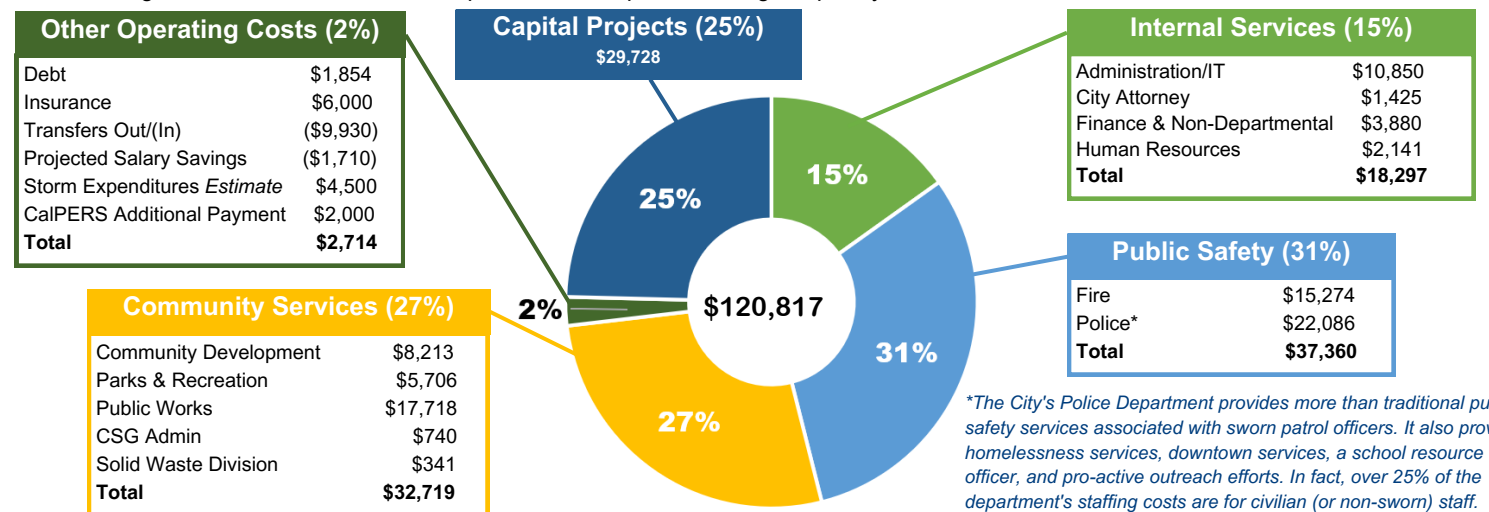
General Fund Revenue

Like most municipalities in California, various tax revenues provide the largest source of revenue for the General Fund, financing most general government services. User fees, grants, and miscellaneous revenue make up the remainder of the revenue budget. The total General Fund projected revenues are approximately \$116 million in FY 2023-24 and \$119 million in FY 2024-25. The FY 2023-24 budget is displayed at the right.



General Fund Expenditures

Where do your tax dollars and fee payments go? The City of San Luis Obispo is a full service City and the General Fund budget goes towards providing essential services to the public. The total General Fund budgeted expenditures are approximately \$121 million in FY 2023-24 and \$117 million in FY 2024-25. The FY 2023-24 budget is displayed below (in thousands). The total expenditure budget exceeds the revenue budget because some one-time expenditures are paid for using the prior year's fund balance.



*The City's Police Department provides more than traditional public safety services associated with sworn patrol officers. It also provides homelessness services, downtown services, a school resource officer, and pro-active outreach efforts. In fact, over 25% of the department's staffing costs are for civilian (or non-sworn) staff.

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2023-25 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

NEW ASSETS

ASSET REPLACEMENT

ANNUAL ASSET MAINTENANCE

The CIP and its annual implementation of projects is one of the primary functions of local government.

The CIP enables the City to plan, schedule, and finance capital projects to ensure cost effectiveness and conformance with established plans and policies. Through its adopted CIP, the City meets community needs by providing the infrastructure required for economic vitality, neighborhood wellness, housing, transportation, sustainability, active and passive recreation, public safety, cleanliness, and other basic amenities.

The map below highlights major upcoming projects and includes the status of projects currently in progress (as of June 2023).

Total CIP Budget
(All funding sources combined)

FY 2023-24:
\$116 Million*

FY 2024-25:
\$67 Million

**Higher than FY 2024-25 due to construction of Cultural Arts District Parking Structure*

2023-25 Major Projects

INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

- 2023 Arterial Roads (various locations)
- Storm Response
- Prado Road Interchange
- California Taft Roundabout
- Mid-Higuera Bypass
- ATP - Higuera Complete Street
- ATP - Railroad Safety Trail
- ATP - South/King Crossing

PARKING

- Cultural Arts District Parking Structure
- Parking Structure Maintenance
- Gateless Equipment

UTILITIES

- WRRF/Wastewater Collection Maintenance Facility
- Waterline: Johnson - Iris to Bishop
- WTP Building Maintenance
- Water Storage Tank Maintenance
- Sewer-main: Taft, Hathaway, Phillips, Buena Vista, Loomis

TRANSIT

- Bus Replacement with Electric Vehicles
- Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

COMMUNITY

- Mission Plaza Concept Plan
- Development Parks Orcutt Area



TO VIEW THE CITY'S INTERACTIVE GIS MAP OF ACTIVE PROJECTS, VISIT SLOCITY.ORG OR SCAN HERE!

Enterprise Funds

Enterprise Funds, often referred to as "Business Activities" are distinguished from governmental funds by their similarity to private sector enterprises and are financed solely through user charges. The City's four largest enterprise funds and their operating budgets are:

WATER FUND



Expenditures	Revenue
2023-24: \$32.0 Million	2023-24: \$28.2 Million
2024-25: \$31.6 Million	2024-25: \$28.6 Million

SEWER FUND



Expenditures	Revenue
2023-24: \$23.0 Million	2023-24: \$52.6 Million
2024-25: \$23.8 Million	2024-25: \$20.8 Million

PARKING FUND



Expenditures	Revenue
2023-24: \$57.7 Million	2023-24: \$56.5 Million
2024-25: \$10.2 Million	2024-25: \$10.4 Million

TRANSIT FUND



Expenditures	Revenue
2023-24: \$10.3 Million	2023-24: \$11.8 Million
2024-25: \$9.6 Million	2024-25: \$11.9 Million

Storm Recovery

The City experienced multiple storms during the first few months of the 2023 calendar year and while initial damage assessments have been done, the number and scope of the repairs continues to evolve as staff is able to access impacted areas to fully assess the extent of the damage. The overarching strategy for the 2023-25 Financial Plan is to prioritize storm recovery and prepare for future storm events. Several emergency repair projects are already underway and some will begin in FY 2023-24 or FY 2024-25.

