



2026 - 2030 Financial Plan Public Meeting

Kaslo and Area D



February 23, 2026

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This presentation contains DRAFT budget numbers subject to change and is for discussion purposes only



Agenda



Regional Districts & Services Model Overview



Property Assessments & Budget Impact



2026 Overall Outlook



Service by Service Discussion



Estimated Taxation by Area



Preamble – DRAFT Budget

- The current financial plan document is considered a “Draft” and is subject to change until the March 19, 2026 Board meeting
 - 2025 fiscal year-end adjustments remain that can affect the 2026 plan, including prior year surplus amounts.
 - Staff, Committee, Commission, Director and Board level reviews are continuing
 - Public Information sessions remain
 - This presentation is based on the January 16th draft

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Budget Review Process

Board	Commissions and Committees	Local Service Committees	Directors/Participants
Oct/25 to Jan/26	As Scheduled	Creston A, B, C & SLO/SIL/NDE H & Kaslo, D	As Scheduled
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Services (GA, RA, Building, GIS, Planning) • 911 Communications • Emergency Planning • Asset Management • Regional Fire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks • Recreation • Riondel Services • Utilities (Some CAC) • Resource Recovery (Subregional & Joint) • West Transit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library, Museum, Airport • FR/Search & Rescue • Recreation & Parks • Economic Development • Creston Valley Transit • Other Contribution Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire • Animal Control • Library, Cemetery, other contribution services. • Economic Development

**** Public budget review meetings are to be held between February and mid March to allow for a final draft of the budget to be ready for adoption by the board on March 19 for submission to the ministry by March 31st.**



Regional District of Central Kootenay

- One of 27 Regional Districts in BC
- 11 Rural Electoral Areas (A to K)
- 9 Member Municipalities
- Providing 186 Services including:
 - Parks & Rec Facilities
 - Rural Fire Protection & Emerg. Mgmt
 - Resource Recovery & Waste
 - Building Inspection, Planning, GIS, Bylaw
 - Transit
- Each service stands on its own

Statistics

298 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees
280 Volunteer Firefighters
62,500 residents (2021 Census)
22,000 square kilometres





BC Provincial Regulations Impacting the RDCK

Local Government Act

Community Charter

Accessible BC Act

Building Act

Climate Change Accountability Act

Declaration Act

Diking Authority Act

Drinking Water Protection Act

Election Act

Emergency and Disaster Management Act

Employment Standards Act

Environment and Land Use Act

Environmental Assessment Act

Environmental Management Act (Waste)

Financial Information Act

Fire Department Act

Fire Services Act

First Peoples' Heritage, Language and Culture Act

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Homeowner Protection Act

Hospital District Act

Housing Supply Act

Human Rights Code

Integrated Pest Management Act

Land Act

Land Survey Act

Land Title Act

Limitation Act

Local Elections Campaign Financing Act

Local Elections Statutes Amendment Act, 2014

Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act

Manufactured Home Act

Negligence Act

Ombudsperson Act

Personal Information Protection Act

Privacy Act

Property Law Act

Safety Authority Act

Safety Standards Act

Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act

Taxation (Rural Area) Act

Transportation Act

Wildfire Act

Workers Compensation Act



How are annual property taxes for RDCK services calculated?

Tax requisition amounts required to fund each service are determined through the RDCK budget process

Property assessment values are determined by BC Assessment

Tax rate \$/1000 for each Service

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Assessed value of each individual property

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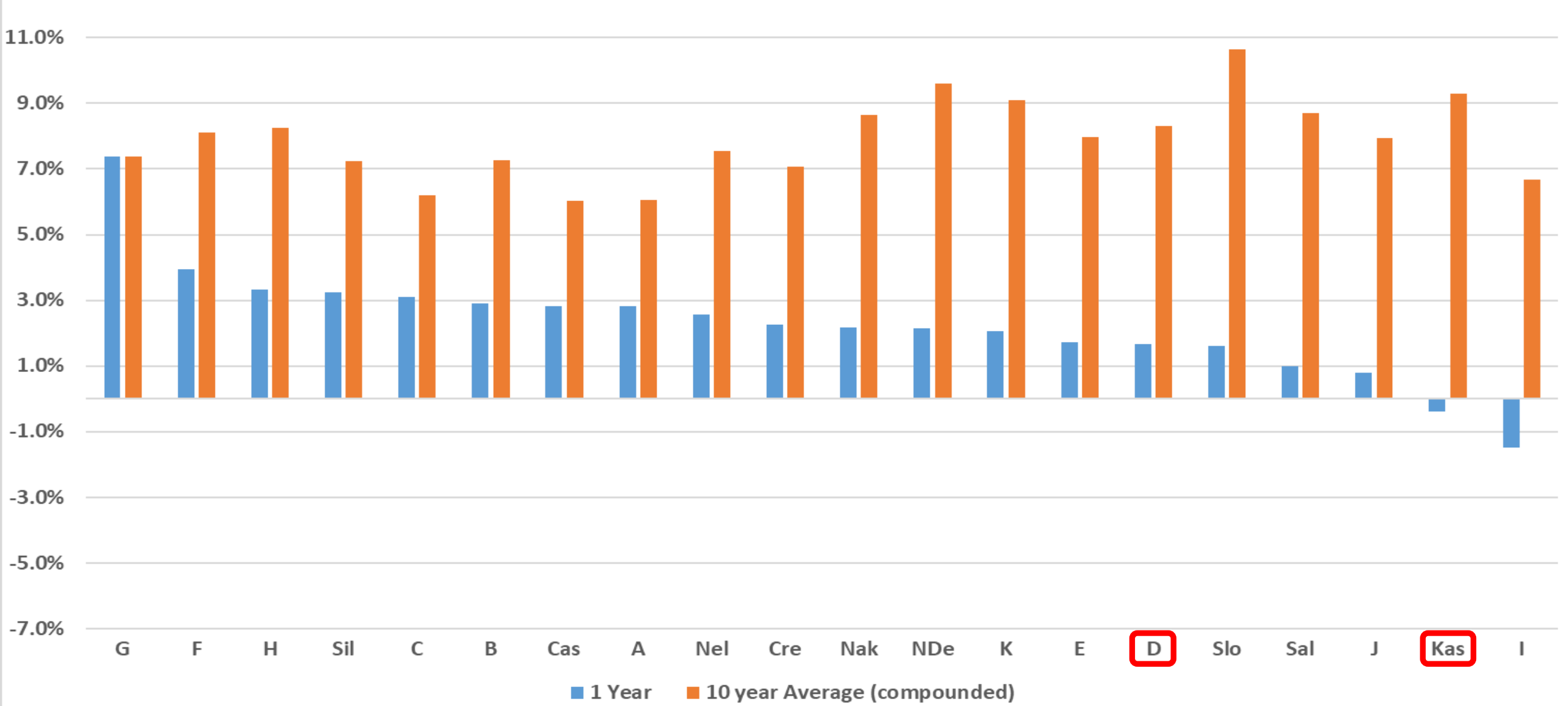
Property tax for each individual property for each Service

*** parcel taxes are separate

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Annual Assessment Change: 1 Year vs 10 Year Average

Annual Assessment Change - % - to 2026





Financial Plan Components

Latest Draft of the Financial Plan is available on the RDCK website

Electoral Area D Kaslo Rural

	2025			2024			2023		
	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	71,536,044	64,653	0.090	67,763,996	59,806	0.088	59,339,013	62,151	0.105
S264 DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	71,536,044	-	-	67,763,996	-	-	59,339,013	-	-
S101 RURAL ADMINISTRATION	71,536,044	101,027	0.141	67,763,996	80,517	0.119	59,339,013	78,876	0.133
S102 GIS SERVICE	71,536,044	11,977	0.017	67,763,996	11,547	0.017	59,339,013	10,792	0.018
S104 BUILDING INSPECTION	71,536,044	56,028	0.078	67,763,996	44,228	0.065	59,339,013	33,783	0.057
S104 PLANNING AND LAND USE	71,536,044	61,843	0.086	67,763,996	51,893	0.077	59,339,013	46,606	0.079
S105 COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	71,536,044	10,838	0.015	67,763,996	11,560	0.017	59,339,013	10,571	0.018
S106 FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	71,536,044	-	-	67,763,996	-	-	59,339,013	-	-
S109 ED-CASLO AND D	71,536,044	2,653	0.004	67,763,996	0	0.000	59,339,013	12,991	0.022
S120 ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA D	71,536,044	-	-	67,763,996	675	0.001	59,339,013	675	0.001
S150 JAWS OF LIFE-KASLO AND AREA D	71,536,044	21,121	0.030	67,763,996	19,004	0.028	59,339,013	18,428	0.031
S156 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	71,536,044	31,431	0.044	67,763,996	24,448	0.036	59,339,013	20,600	0.035
S162 EMERGENCY PLANNING-KASLO & D	71,536,044	50,460	0.071	67,763,996	48,296	0.071	59,339,013	31,429	0.053
S187 REFUSE DISPOSAL-CENTRAL SUBREGION	71,536,044	292,263	0.409	67,763,996	267,707	0.395	59,339,013	218,400	0.368
S221 COMM FAC RECREATION & PARKS - KASLO & D	71,536,044	184,760	0.258	67,763,996	174,750	0.258	59,339,013	159,073	0.268
S236 KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	71,536,044	57,071	0.080	67,763,996	42,275	0.062	59,339,013	45,311	0.076
S292 LOCAL CONSERVATION SERVICE	71,536,044	-	-	67,763,996	-	-	59,339,013	-	-
Regional Requisition		\$ 945,923			\$ 836,706			\$ 749,686	
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment			1.322			1.235			1.263
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee			0.069			0.065			0.066
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment			1.392			1.300			1.330
Difference (\$) from prior year		109,217			87,020			78,244	
Percentage Change from prior year		13.06%			11.61%			11.65%	
S184 MOSQUITO CONTROL-AREA D	8,597,091	83,563	0.972	8,240,872	72,000	0.874	7,669,594	70,000	0.913
S185 MOSQUITO CONTROL - PINERIDGE	5,466,365	13,715	0.251	5,469,713	13,284	0.243	4,529,533	13,324	0.294
S194 LIBRARY-KASLO AND DEF D	60,301,017	81,154	0.135	57,138,456	76,032	0.133	49,557,752	71,157	0.144
S246 WATER UTILITY-DEF D MACDONALD CREEK	3,315,840	6,242	0.188	2,955,090	6,242	0.211	2,508,160	6,242	0.249
S259 WATER UTILITY-DEF D-WOODBURY	2,997,390	-	-	3,111,310	-	-	2,614,210	-	-
S278 FIRE PROTECTION - ANSWORTH/WOODBURY	11,537,078	28,023	0.243	11,546,965	27,478	0.247	9,599,986	23,980	0.250
S280 FIRE PROTECTION - KASLO FIRE	35,201,196	255,213	0.725	33,145,054	215,149	0.649	28,242,245	194,902	0.690
S299 AREA D MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDER	33,751,233	56,672	0.177	-	-	-	-	-	-

Regional District of Central Kootenay
Assessment & Taxation Summary - 2025 & 2024 Comparative
Electoral Areas and Municipalities

	Assessments		Change 2025 vs. 2024 (A-B)/B = C	2025 Taxation Subtotal D	Defined Area Taxation E	Total Taxation 2025		Total Taxation 2024 G	Gross Change (F-G)/G = H	Non Market Change I	Net Change H - I = J
	2025 A	2024 Revised B				D + E = F	F - G = H				
ELECTORAL AREA 'A'	123,241,031	121,922,855	1.08%	1,608,912	1,116,633	2,725,545	2,596,033	5.0%	2.4%	2.6%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'B'	153,713,877	147,154,884	4.46%	3,841,929	962,948	4,804,877	4,549,383	5.6%	3.5%	1.9%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'C'	62,439,315	59,379,270	5.15%	1,548,739	420,221	1,968,960	1,841,482	6.9%	2.7%	4.3%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'D'	71,536,044	67,763,996	5.57%	945,923	527,582	1,473,505	1,246,891	18.2%	4.1%	14.0%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'E'	176,899,654	169,807,112	4.79%	2,207,002	1,654,450	3,861,451	3,526,325	12.4%	2.3%	10.1%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'F'	161,686,330	155,827,374	3.76%	3,187,578	896,206	4,083,784	3,667,574	11.3%	1.0%	10.4%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'G'	65,257,332	63,967,135	2.02%	1,124,311	454,318	1,578,629	1,476,147	6.9%	0.1%	6.8%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'H'	159,695,711	146,343,544	8.42%	1,284,962	2,049,652	3,334,614	3,023,473	10.3%	1.4%	8.9%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'I'	74,226,441	71,516,454	3.78%	1,025,653	802,768	1,828,421	1,671,991	8.4%	0.8%	7.6%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'J'	113,514,473	109,069,426	4.08%	1,915,154	831,334	2,746,488	2,574,530	6.7%	1.2%	5.5%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'K'	82,249,256	74,415,199	10.53%	587,471	474,946	1,062,417	946,245	12.3%	2.5%	9.7%	
CITY OF CASTLEGAR	309,401,196	287,108,170	7.76%	3,903,391	-	3,903,391	3,777,493	3.3%	1.0%	2.3%	
TOWN OF CRESTON	149,792,146	143,035,477	4.72%	3,331,316	-	3,331,316	3,147,811	5.8%	0.8%	5.0%	
VILLAGE OF KASLO	37,679,417	36,573,032	3.03%	734,549	-	734,549	683,967	10.6%	2.1%	8.5%	
VILLAGE OF NAKUSIP	48,769,696	45,348,145	7.54%	696,165	-	696,165	645,419	8.5%	1.3%	6.9%	
CITY OF NELSON	450,173,645	429,453,930	4.82%	5,780,154	-	5,780,154	5,293,743	9.2%	1.3%	7.9%	
VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER	19,732,124	18,940,406	4.18%	173,563	-	173,563	157,694	10.1%	1.7%	8.4%	
VILLAGE OF SALMO	25,095,694	23,510,519	6.70%	287,432	-	287,432	262,515	9.6%	2.3%	7.4%	
VILLAGE OF SILVERTON	8,115,000	8,573,269	6.32%	86,825	-	86,825	76,375	13.7%	0.3%	13.4%	
VILLAGE OF SLOCAN	10,519,932	11,192,968	-6.01%	207,111	-	207,111	209,846	-1.3%	0.5%	-1.8%	
TOTAL	2,303,699,114	2,189,903,105	5.20%			44,881,188	41,452,699	8.3%	1.8%	6.5%	

Assessment and Taxation Summary

- Comparison by Area / Municipality

S121 Advisory Planning-Area E

Account	Description	2024 DRAFT	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	2029 Budget
41010	Requisitions	775	775	0	0	0	0	0
41020	Grants in lieu of Taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
49100	Prior Year Surplus	10,622	10,622	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960
Total Income		11,397	11,397	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960

EXPENSES

Account	Description	2024 DRAFT	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	2029 Budget
52010	Travel	0	219	213	207	200	194	0
53020	Admin. Office Supplies & Postage	0	150	150	150	150	150	150
53040	Advertising	0	100	100	100	100	100	100
59100	Accumulated Operating Surplus	0	10,622	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960	7,355
59510	Transfer to Other Service - General Admin. Fee	306	306	315	324	334	344	355
Total Expenses		306	11,397	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960

Total Service		11,091	0	0	(0)	(0)	(0)	0
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Detailed Service Statements

Taxation Details by Area / Municipality

- Shows Taxation changes over a 3-year period for each service

Taxation Details Example – Area D

Electoral Area D Rural

		2026			2025			2024		
		Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	72,730,119	74,741	0.103	71,389,272	64,673	0.091	67,763,996	59,806	0.088
S264	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	72,730,119	-	-	71,389,272	-	-	67,763,996	-	-
S101	RURAL ADMINISTRATION	72,730,119	82,600	0.114	71,389,272	100,403	0.141	67,763,996	80,517	0.119
S102	GIS SERVICE	72,730,119	14,902	0.020	71,389,272	11,969	0.017	67,763,996	11,547	0.017
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	72,730,119	44,991	0.062	71,389,272	54,257	0.076	67,763,996	44,228	0.065
S104	PLANNING AND LAND USE	72,730,119	61,737	0.085	71,389,272	60,660	0.085	67,763,996	51,893	0.077
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	72,730,119	14,297	0.020	71,389,272	10,578	0.015	67,763,996	11,560	0.017
S106	FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	72,730,119	-	-	71,389,272	-2,763	-0.004	67,763,996	-	-
S109	EDC-KASLO AND D	72,730,119	7,494	0.010	71,389,272	2,651	0.004	67,763,996	-	-
S120	ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA D	72,730,119	-	-	71,389,272	-	-	67,763,996	675	0.001
S150	JAWS OF LIFE-KASLO AND AREA D	72,730,119	22,143	0.030	71,389,272	21,106	0.030	67,763,996	19,004	0.028
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	72,730,119	32,666	0.045	71,389,272	31,146	0.044	67,763,996	24,448	0.036
S162	EMERGENCY PLANNING-KASLO & D	72,730,119	50,489	0.069	71,389,272	50,436	0.071	67,763,996	48,296	0.071
S187	REFUSE DISPOSAL-CENTRAL SUBREGION	72,730,119	296,987	0.408	71,389,272	281,034	0.394	67,763,996	267,707	0.395
S221	COMM FAC RECREATION & PARKS - KASLO & D	72,730,119	205,441	0.282	71,389,272	184,629	0.259	67,763,996	174,750	0.258
S239	KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	72,730,119	76,005	0.105	71,389,272	57,071	0.080	67,763,996	42,275	0.062
S292	LOCAL CONSERVATION SERVICE	72,730,119	-	-	71,389,272	-	-	67,763,996	-	-
Regional Requisition			\$ 984,493			\$ 927,850			\$ 836,706	
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment				1.354			1.300			1.235
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee				0.071			0.068			0.065
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment				1.425			1.368			1.300
Difference (\$) from prior year			56,643			91,144			87,020	
Percentage Change from prior year			6.10%			10.89%			11.61%	
S184	MOSQUITO CONTROL AREA D	9,067,610	75,000	0.827	8,584,489	73,563	0.857	8,240,872	72,000	0.874
S185	MOSQUITO CONTROL - PINERIDGE	5,597,280	15,550	0.278	5,466,365	13,715	0.251	5,469,713	13,284	0.243
S194	LIBRARY-KASLO AND DEF D	60,851,694	85,702	0.141	60,235,767	81,121	0.135	57,138,456	76,032	0.133
S246	WATER UTILITY-DEF D MACDONALD CREEK	3,055,360	6,242	0.204	3,315,840	6,242	0.188	2,955,090	6,242	0.211
S259	WATER UTILITY-DEF D-WOODBURY	2,846,435	-	-	2,997,390	-	-	3,111,310	-	-
S278	A INSWORTH/WOODBURY FIRE RESPONSE	11,467,528	26,755	0.233	11,532,778	28,023	0.243	11,146,665	27,478	0.247
S280	FIRE PROTECTION - KASLO FIRE	35,682,248	272,566	0.764	35,201,196	243,138	0.691	33,145,054	215,149	0.649
S299	AREA D MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDER	34,255,629	42,240	0.123	33,627,361	59,672	0.177	-	-	-

Taxation Details Example – Village of Kaslo

		2026			2025			2024		
Village of Kaslo		Assessment	Rate/\$1,000		Assessment	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Rate/\$1,000		
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	37,535,923	38,574	0.103	37,679,417	34,135	0.091	36,573,032	32,278	0.088
S102	GIS SERVICE	37,535,923	7,691	0.020	37,679,417	6,317	0.017	36,573,032	6,232	0.017
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	37,535,923	23,220	0.062	37,679,417	28,637	0.076	36,573,032	23,870	0.065
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	37,535,923	7,379	0.020	37,679,417	5,583	0.015	36,573,032	6,239	0.017
S109	EDC-KASLO AND D	37,535,923	3,868	0.010	37,679,417	1,399.13	0.00	36,573,032	-	-
S280	FIRE PROTECTION - KASLO	37,535,923	286,725	0.764	37,679,417	260,255	0.691	36,573,032	237,401	0.649
S150	JAWS OF LIFE-KASLO AND AREA D	37,535,923	11,428	0.030	37,679,417	11,140	0.030	36,573,032	10,257	0.028
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	37,535,923	16,859	0.045	37,679,417	16,439	0.044	36,573,032	13,195	0.036
S162	EMERGENCY PLANNING-KASLO & D	37,535,923	26,057	0.069	37,679,417	26,620	0.071	36,573,032	26,066	0.071
S187	REFUSE DISPOSAL-CENTRAL SUBREGION	37,535,923	153,275	0.408	37,679,417	148,331	0.394	36,573,032	144,484	0.395
S194	LIBRARY-KASLO AND DEF D	37,535,923	52,864	0.141	37,679,417	50,743	0.135	36,573,032	48,667	0.133
S221	COMM FAC RECREATION & PARKS - KASLO & D	37,535,923	106,028	0.282	37,679,417	97,448	0.259	36,573,032	94,315	0.258
S239	KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	37,535,923	42,753	0.114	37,679,417	28,165	0.075	36,573,032	20,863	0.057
Regional Requisition			<u>776,720</u>			<u>715,212</u>		<u>663,867</u>		
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment			<u>2.069</u>			<u>1.898</u>		<u>1.815</u>		
Difference (\$) from prior year			61,508			14,595		62,419		
Percentage Change from prior year			8.60%			2.25%		10.64%		



Rural Property Tax Bill - Example

The BC government is providing property tax relief during COVID-19.
 Visit gov.bc.ca/annualpropertytax for more information.
 See insert for information about potential penalties for late payment.
 Postmarks are not accepted as date of payment.

The *Rural Property Tax Notice* for the period ending December 31, 2020 has been sent to all property owners. The easiest way to pay your taxes and claim your home owner grant is online using eTaxBC at gov.bc.ca/ruralpropertytax Find all payment options on the reverse.

	Class	Land Value	Improvements	Rate	No Grant A	Reg Grant B	Add'l Grant C
Provincial Services							
School	01	169,000	321,000	2.06570	1,012.19	1,012.19	1,012.19
Less: Home Owner Grant					0.00	(770.00)	(1,012.19)
Net School					1,012.19	242.19	0.00
Provincial Rural Tax	01	169,000	321,000	0.47000	230.30	230.30	230.30
Police Tax	01	169,000	321,000	0.13330	65.32	65.32	65.32
Local Services							
BEAS/BLEW FIRE - AREA F	01	169,000	321,000	0.66466	325.68	325.68	325.68
F CENTRAL KOOTENAY	01	169,000	321,000	2.13276	1,045.05	1,045.05	1,045.05
W KOOT-BOUNDARY HOSP	01	169,000	321,000	0.24875	121.89	121.89	121.89
BC ASSESSMENT	01	169,000	321,000	0.04260	20.87	20.87	20.87
MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY	01	169,000	321,000	0.00020	0.10	0.10	0.10
Residual Home Owner Grant					0.00	0.00	(32.81)
TOTAL 2020 PROPERTY TAXES					2,821.40	2,051.40	1,776.40
BALANCE					2,821.40	2,051.40	1,776.40

Assessment and Taxation Summary by Area / Municipality

	Assessments		Change	2026 Taxation	Defined Area	Total Taxation	Total Taxation	Gross	Non	Net
	2026 Completed	2025 Revised	2026 vs. 2025	Subtotal	Taxation	2026	2025	Change	Market	Change
	A	B	(A-B)/B = C	D	E	D + E = F	G	(F-G)/G = H	I	H - I = J
ELECTORAL AREA 'A'	126,706,898	123,155,171	2.88%	1,642,323	1,221,141	2,863,464	2,705,736	5.8%	0.8%	5.0%
ELECTORAL AREA 'B'	158,182,167	153,355,750	3.15%	3,971,079	1,026,293	4,997,372	4,775,443	4.6%	1.5%	3.2%
ELECTORAL AREA 'C'	64,379,582	62,384,034	3.20%	1,629,316	422,606	2,051,922	1,959,171	4.7%	0.9%	3.8%
ELECTORAL AREA 'D'	72,730,119	71,389,272	1.88%	984,493	524,054	1,508,547	1,433,323	5.2%	1.0%	4.3%
ELECTORAL AREA 'E'	179,958,741	176,789,320	1.79%	2,287,165	1,745,177	4,032,342	3,919,437	2.9%	1.0%	1.9%
ELECTORAL AREA 'F'	168,053,287	161,517,715	4.05%	3,329,169	935,011	4,264,180	4,044,529	5.4%	0.7%	4.7%
ELECTORAL AREA 'G'	70,069,641	65,220,642	7.43%	1,223,068	493,084	1,716,152	1,561,986	9.9%	1.1%	8.8%
ELECTORAL AREA 'H'	163,936,340	158,281,436	3.57%	1,304,251	2,347,276	3,651,526	3,319,776	10.0%	0.8%	9.2%
ELECTORAL AREA 'I'	73,123,684	74,185,834	-1.43%	1,083,854	817,845	1,901,698	1,824,723	4.2%	0.7%	3.6%
ELECTORAL AREA 'J'	114,400,612	113,393,800	0.89%	2,003,917	841,422	2,845,339	2,744,000	3.7%	1.4%	2.3%
ELECTORAL AREA 'K'	83,951,724	82,014,864	2.36%	575,675	487,623	1,063,298	1,053,882	0.9%	0.4%	0.5%
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CITY OF CASTLEGAR	318,158,980	309,284,444	2.87%	4,288,125		4,288,125	3,904,501	9.8%	1.1%	8.7%
TOWN OF CRESTON	153,162,018	149,542,681	2.42%	3,499,845		3,499,845	3,318,341	5.5%	1.1%	4.4%
VILLAGE OF KASLO	37,535,923	37,679,417	-0.38%	776,720		776,720	715,212	8.6%	0.7%	7.9%
VILLAGE OF NAKUSP	49,823,359	48,765,116	2.17%	725,958		725,958	697,521	4.1%	0.0%	4.1%
CITY OF NELSON	461,741,524	449,902,585	2.63%	6,065,467		6,065,467	5,713,548	6.2%	0.5%	5.6%
VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER	20,157,190	19,724,224	2.20%	183,727		183,727	173,146	6.1%	0.8%	5.4%
VILLAGE OF SALMO	25,330,953	24,636,604	2.82%	429,306		429,306	388,694	10.4%	0.6%	9.9%
VILLAGE OF SILVERTON	9,410,185	9,115,000	3.24%	96,246		96,246	86,626	11.1%	0.2%	10.9%
VILLAGE OF SLOCAN	10,689,385	10,506,972	1.74%	208,938		208,938	207,025	0.9%	0.8%	0.1%
TOTALS	2,361,502,312	2,300,844,881	2.64%			47,170,174	44,546,620	5.9%	0.9%	5.0%



2026 Overall Outlook

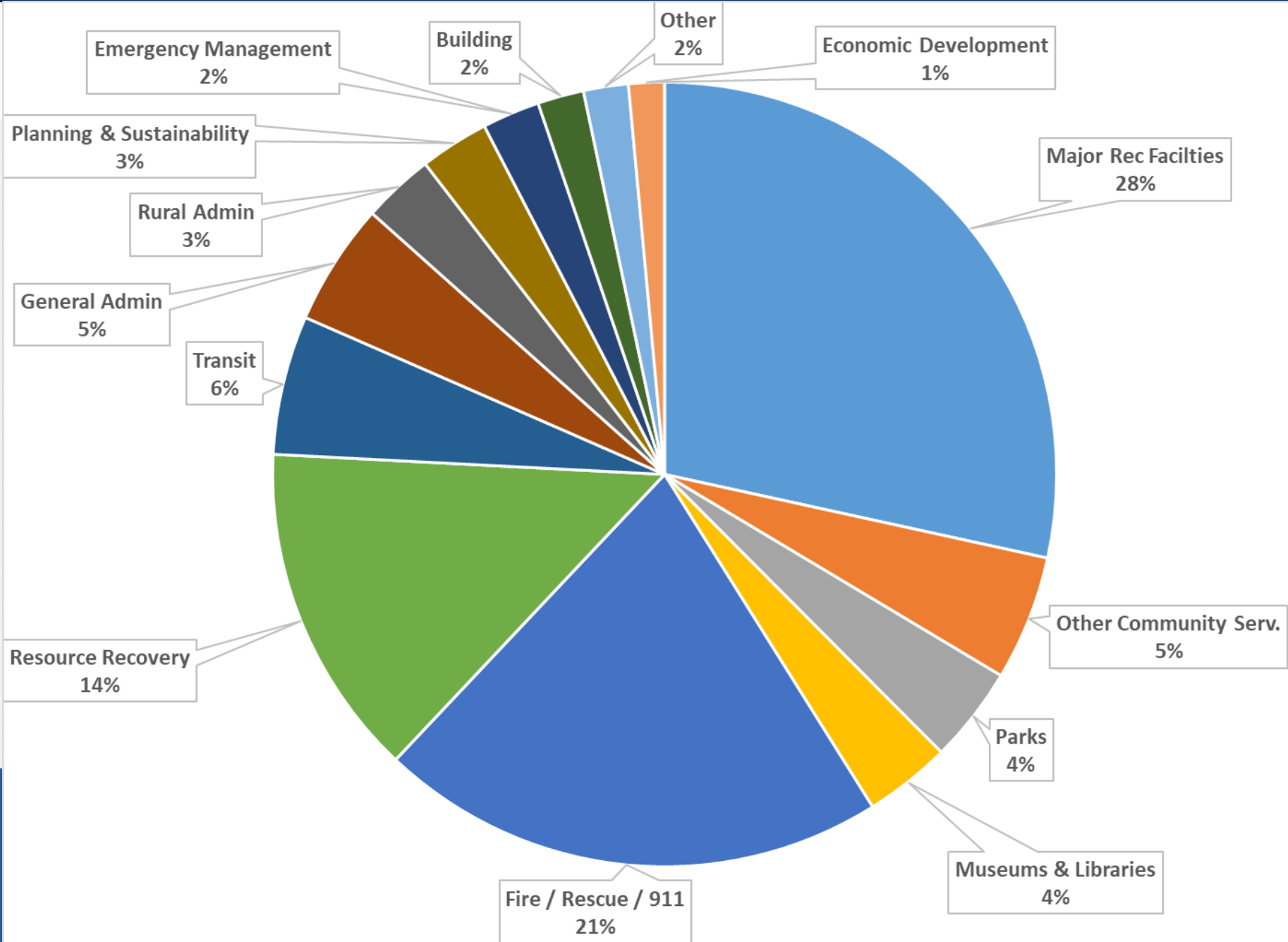
- Projected average tax increase of 5% for the RDCK in the February 17th draft budget.
- \$48.3M in total tax requisitions for 2026 in the current draft plan are \$1.5M lower than the \$49.8M in total tax requisitions forecasted for 2026 in the 2025-2029 Financial Plan.
- CPI Increase on staff salaries and Director stipends – 2.5%.
 - Effectively using a two-year CPI average to smooth annual increases and decreases
 - Union positions have a 3.4% wage increase in 2026 as per the collective agreement
- Decreasing Interest rates are reducing interest charges on short term loans
 - But also reducing investment income.



2026 Challenges and Opportunities

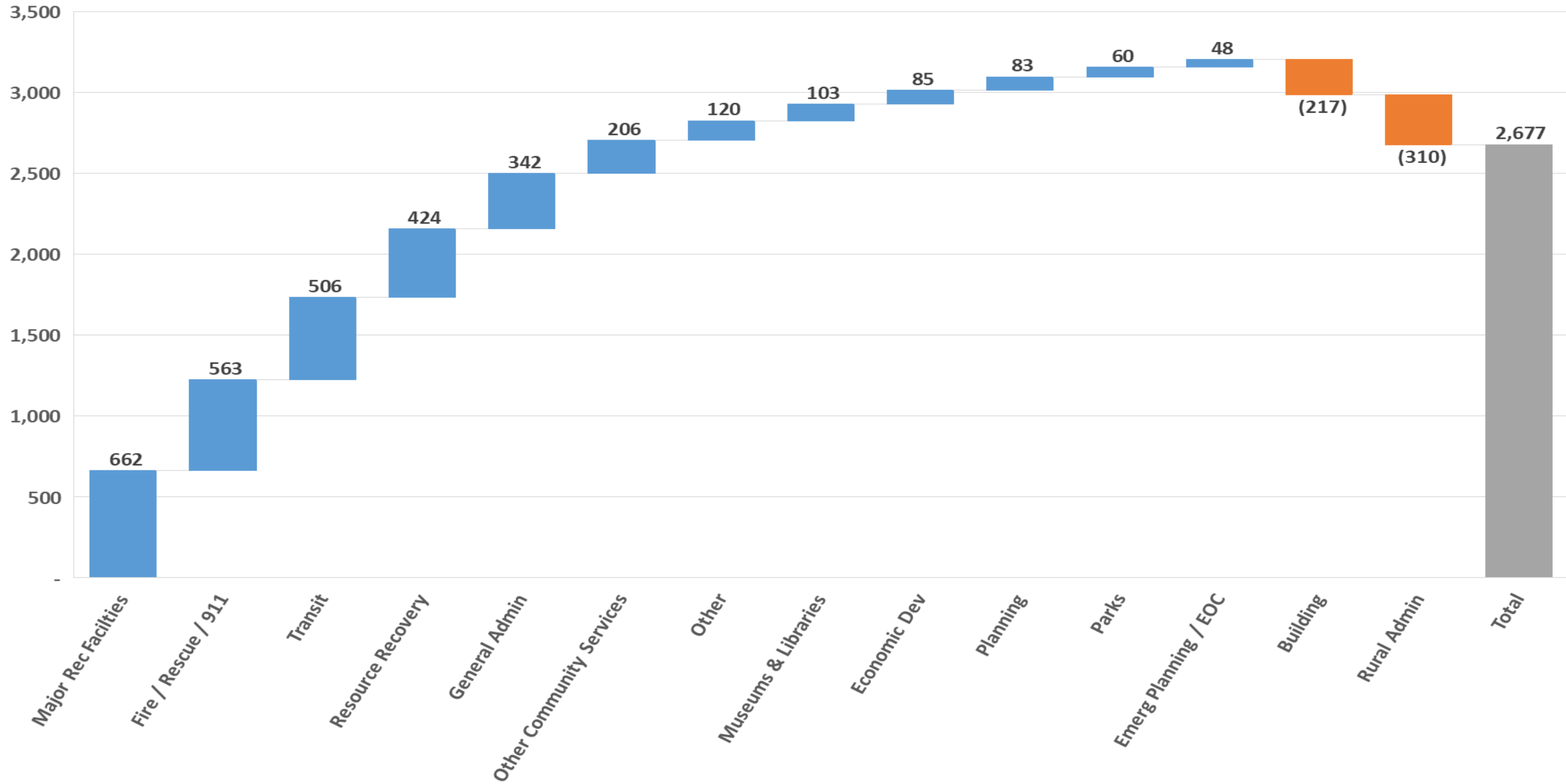
- Political Climate / Foreign Trade including Tariffs & Counter Tariffs
 - Increased procurement costs or supply chain issues
 - Potentially slowing economic activity: lower building permit, waste disposal and recreation fee revenue
 - A more severe economic downturn could have a wider effect
- Fluctuating Canadian Dollar
 - Could lead to increased inflation and procurement costs for the RDCK
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Technology is evolving quickly
 - Use at the RDCK has increased, although still fairly limited
 - Need to be mindful of accuracy and privacy concerns

2026 Tax Requisition Share by Segment



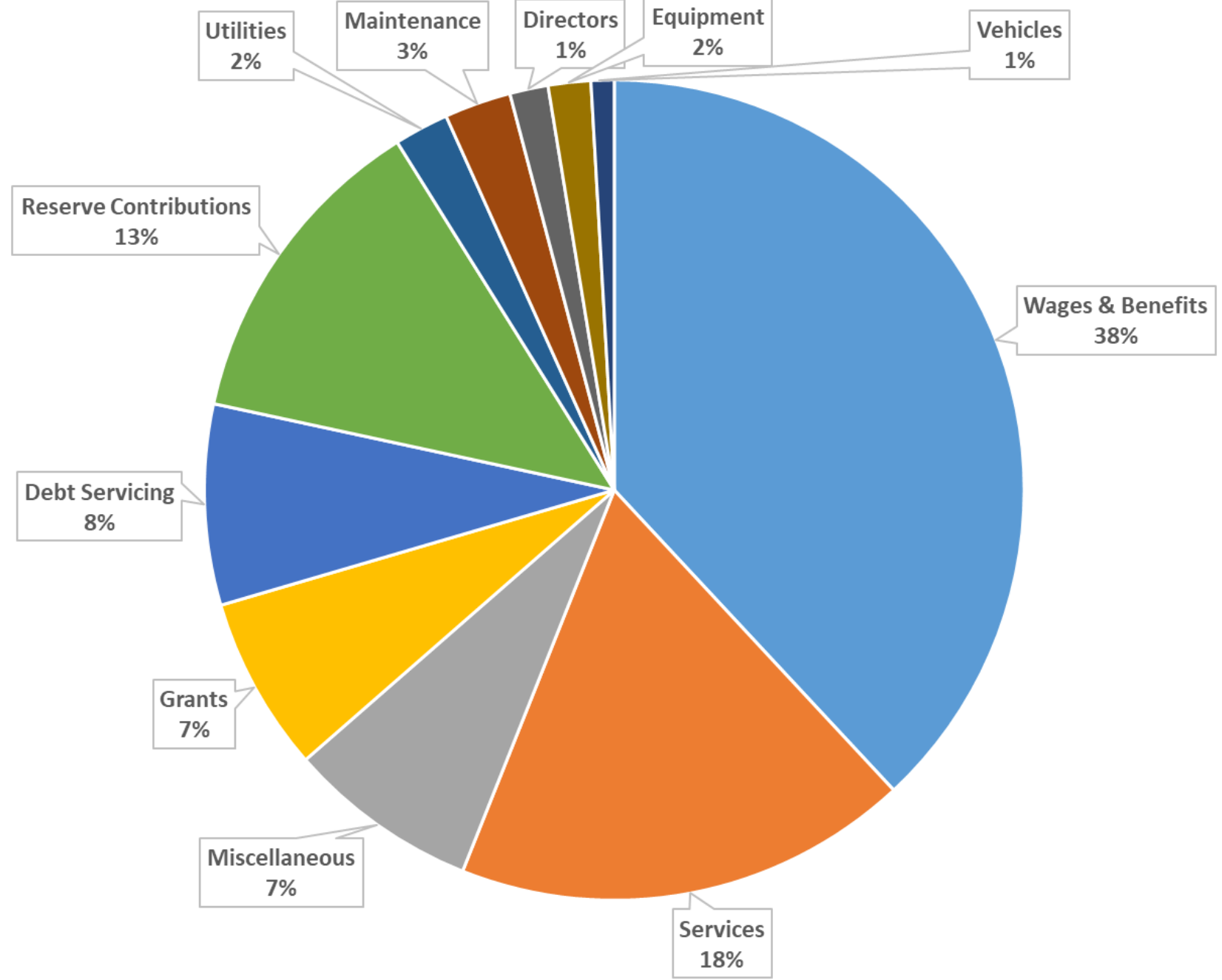
Requisition Change 2025 to 2026 (\$000)

■ Increase ■ Decrease ■ Total



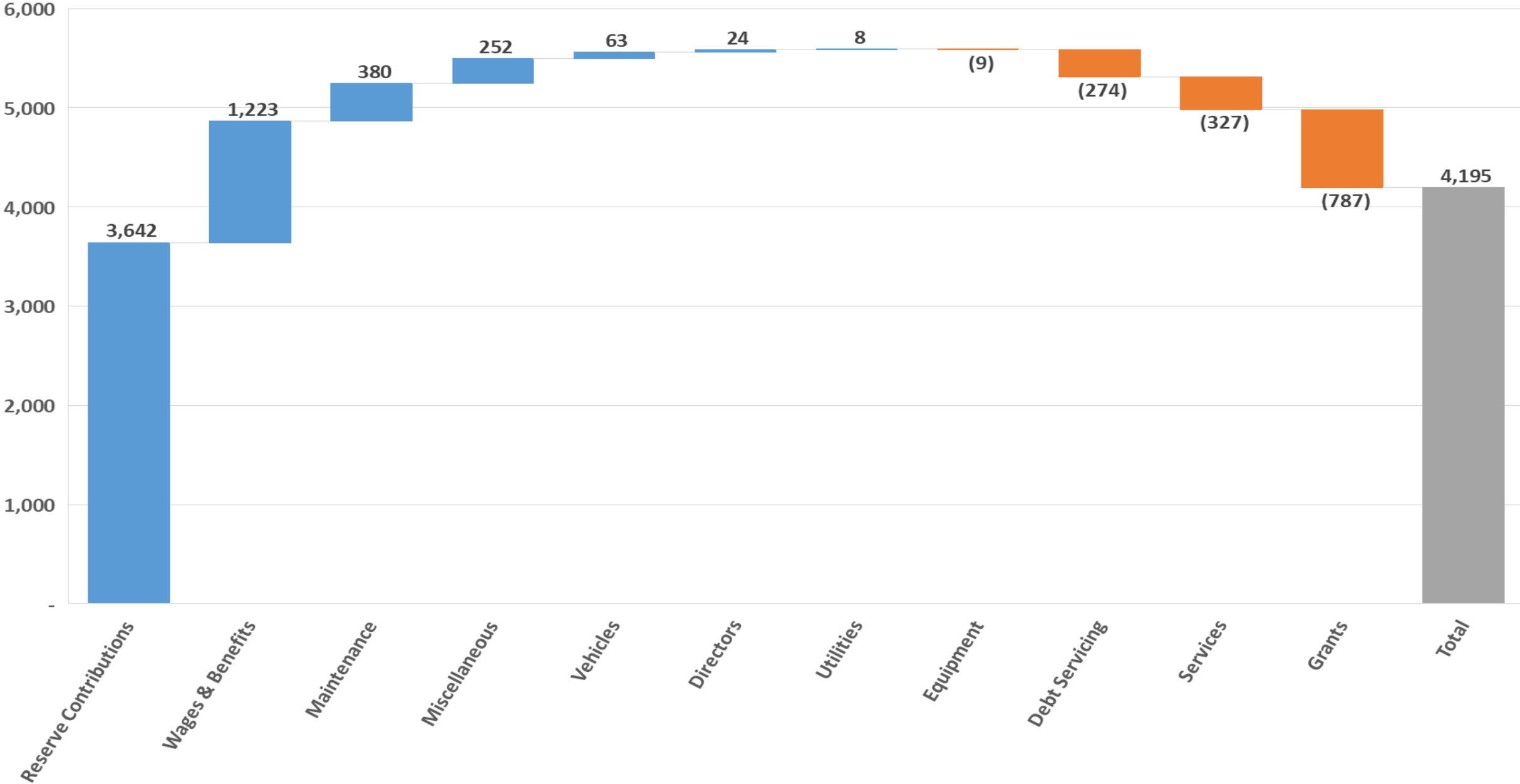


2026 Non-Capital Expenses - share by Expense Type



Non-Capital Expense Change 2025 to 2026 (\$000)

■ Increase ■ Decrease ■ Total





Kaslo / D

General Administration

Service S100

General Administration

- Includes Corporate Administration, Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources, CAO & Municipal Directors

General Administration - S100

- 16% Taxation Increase in 2026
- \$150K less prior year surplus carried forward
- \$70K increase in annual fees for accounting software
- \$60K to migrate accounting software to the “cloud”
- Housing availability and high expectations for wages and compensation continue to impede recruitment efforts
- Migration to SharePoint for records management
- Continued migration to Microsoft 365 environment
- Continuing to build Cyber Security system resiliency





Area D

Rural Administration

Service S101

Rural Admin. - S101

- 17% Taxation Decrease in 2025

Bylaw Enforcement

- Includes Noise, Animal Control, Unsightly & Nuisance Properties, Zoning and Soil Removal/Deposit Bylaw Enforcement
- Bylaws vary by electoral area
- Bylaw and Building Manager is shared between S101 and S103
- Legal review of Noise, Nuisance and Unsightly Bylaw in 2026
- New Dog Control Service for Areas A,B,C and H

Rural Directors

- Includes Director Stipends & some Travel

Regional Fire

- Has been moved to service A107



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Kaslo / D

GIS

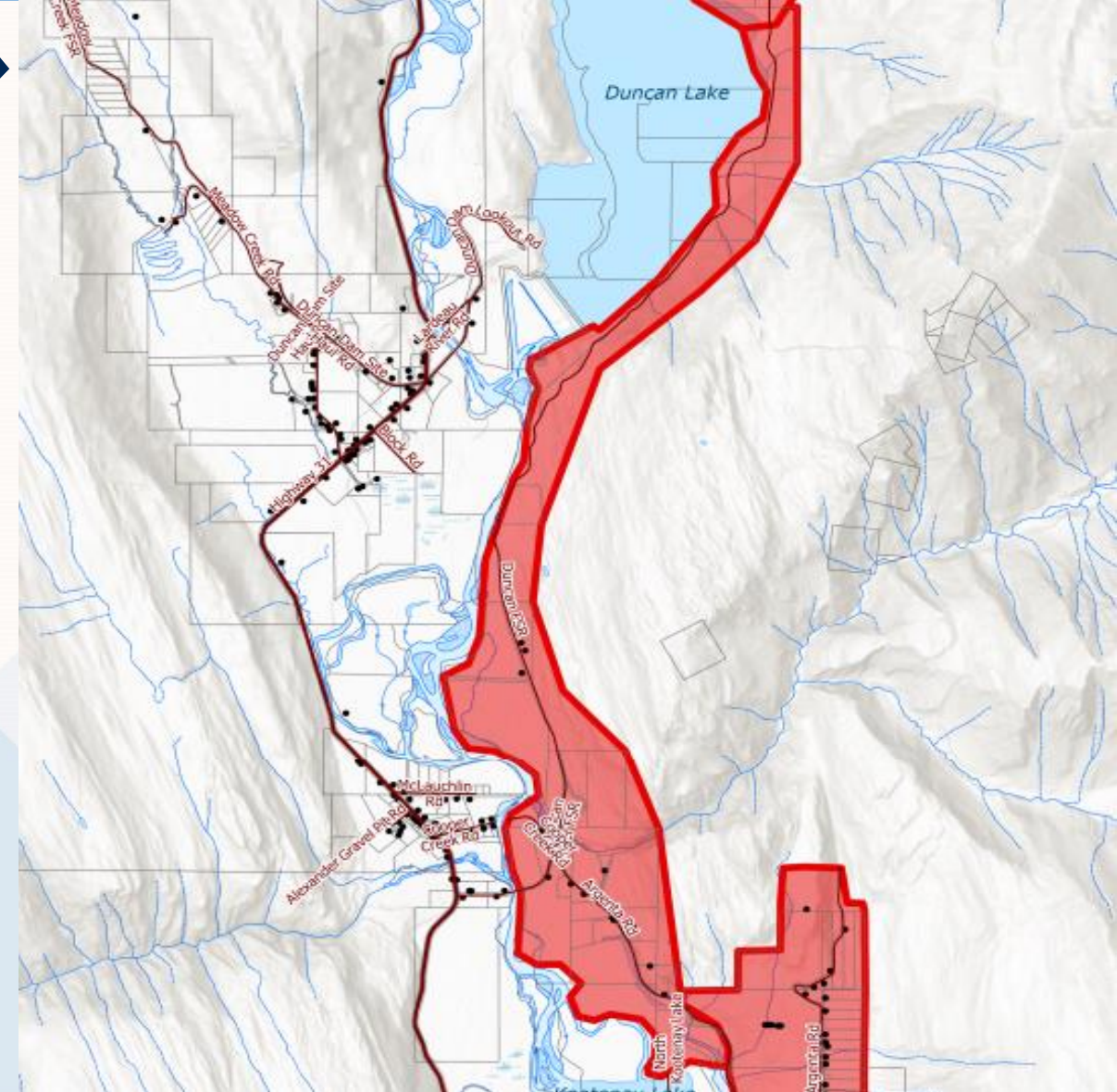
Service S102

Geospatial Information Systems (GIS)

- Provides regional efficiency, location intelligence, communication and transparency through internal and public web mapping tools.
- Services include but not limited to: landfill surveys, Addressing and 911 data, fire services, and emergency management support and evacuation mapping.

GIS - S102

- 25% Taxation Increase in 2026
- \$40K for required upgrades to ESRI GIS systems
- \$30K for Real Time Kinematics (RTK) GPS replacement
- Working on grant funded \$75K NG911 transition project
- \$32,000 increase in General Admin fees, correcting 2025 under-charge





Kaslo / D

Building Inspection

Service S103

Building Inspection - S103

- 16% Taxation Decrease in 2026
- Permit revenue was stronger than expected in 2025
 - \$998K actual vs \$903K budget
- Review and drafting of new modernized building bylaw planned for 2026
- Digital archiving of paper files will continue in 2026
- New Bluebeam software license in 2026 will allow for more versatility for plan checkers
- Two Building Inspection vehicles slated for replacement in 2026 to be funded from reserves





Area D

Planning & Land Use

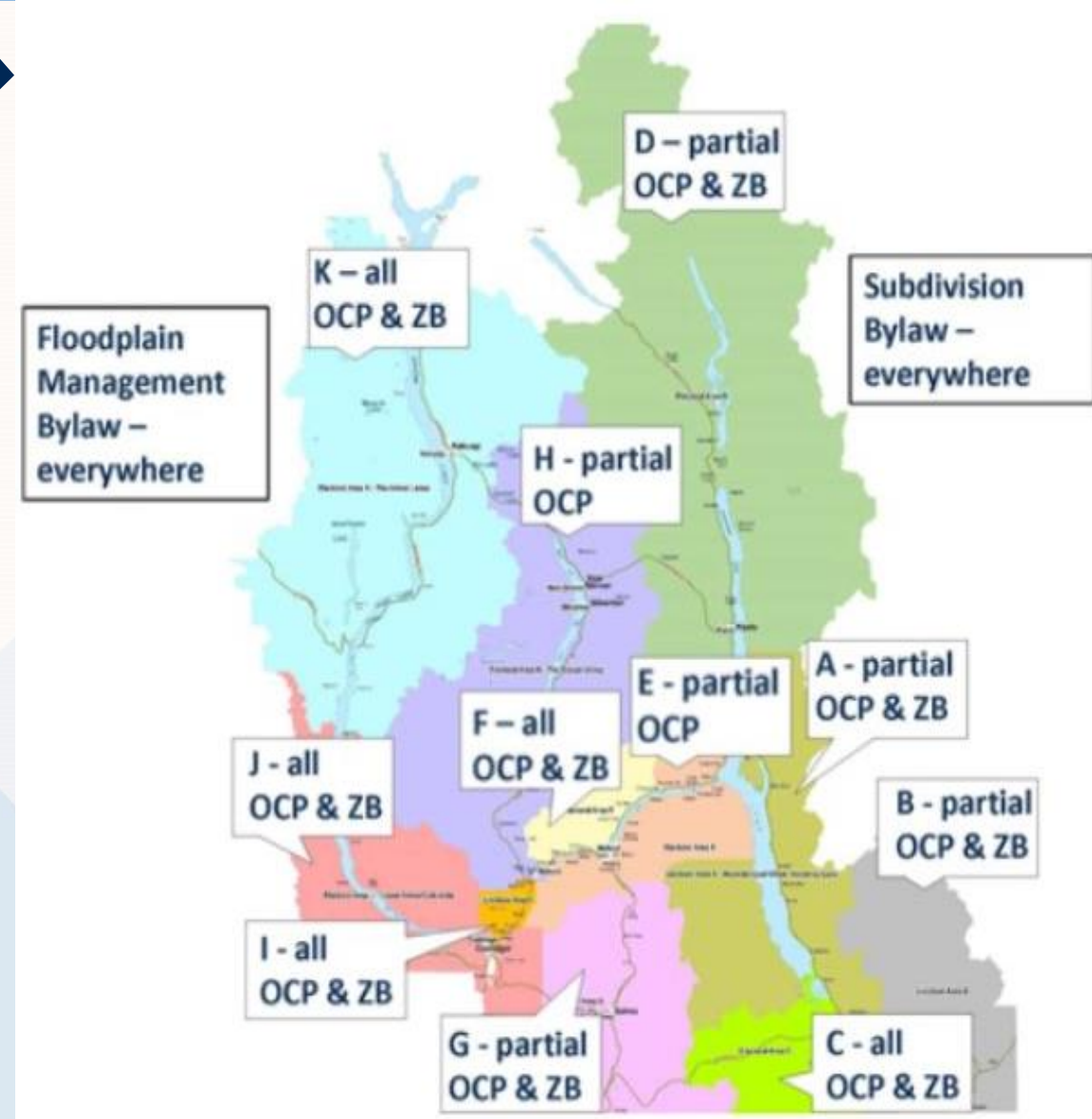
Service S104

Planning Department

- Responsible for administration of zoning, land use and development applications
- Development of long-term community plans
- Administers RDCK land use & zoning bylaws, standards and policies

Planning & Land Use - S104

- 3% Taxation Increase in 2026
- Ongoing use of Provincial Funding to address housing regulation and sub-regional planning
- Subdivision servicing bylaw
- Updating Flood hazard regulation
- Official Community Plan updates





Kaslo / D

Central Resource Recovery

Service S187

Central Resource Recovery (Nelson/E/F/G/Salmo/Kaslo/D)

- Includes transfer stations, recycling depots and organics composting facilities, as well as transportation of materials.

Central Resource Recovery – S187

- 3% Taxation and 6.4% tipping fee increases
- Purchase of compacting trailer, roll off truck and tractor truck in 2026
- Grohman Recycling Depot and hauling building under assessment & design with construction planned for 2027
- Reconstruction of Marblehead Transfer Station bin wall mid-2026
- Legacy Landfill (Balfour/Kaslo/Salmo/Marblehead/Nelson) closure plans
- Assessment and piloting of new septage management options
- Commercial organics regulation phase-in until October 2026
- Rural organics diversion initiatives beginning in 2026





Kaslo / Area D

Parks

Service 221

Proposed Taxation Increase: 10.4% (\$29,392)

Park Highlights

- There are 3 parks in Service 221. The work mentioned below is only the major projects taking place in 2026. It does not detail general park maintenance.

GLACIER CREEK

- Early season and high water driftwood management and tree maintenance.
- Ongoing upgrades including picnic tables, firepits, and site levelling.

LARDEAU

- Ongoing park improvements including invasive management and riparian restoration.
- Picnic tables and potential parking and signage updates.





Kaslo/ Area D

Parks

RDCK Regional Parks, Trails and Water Access Strategy

- Strategy will define priorities, policies, and direction for regional and community parks services.
- Project began in early 2024; completion anticipated Spring 2026.
- Final report to be reviewed by the Board, followed by external review and public engagement.





Recreation & Parks

Service 221

Proposed Taxation Increase: 10.4% (\$29,392)

Budget Highlights

- Areas primarily impacting taxation is due to a net increase to community grants.



Recreation Grants

Kaslo Recreation \$11,500	Kaslo Arena \$56,000 for operations	Village of Kaslo \$10,000 reserve for Arena	Kaslo Curling Rink \$10,000 for operations
Kaslo Park \$10,000	Lardeau Community Centre \$41,233	Ainsworth Hall \$11,000 for operations	Kaslo Curling Rink \$7,500 Ice Scrapper
	Argenta Community Hall \$12,450	Johnsons Landing Hall \$13,825 for operations	



Kaslo / D

Library

Services S194

Library – S194

- 5% Taxation Increase to \$139K in 2026





Area D

Water Utilities

Services S246 & S259

MacDonald Creek – S246

- 0% Requisition increase and 0% parcel tax increase
- Agreement renewal with Village of Kaslo

Woodbury – S259

- Proposed 4% user fee increase and 7% parcel tax increase for 2026
- \$50K of Community Works funded installation of fire hydrants
- Installation of standby/emergency generator





Kaslo / D

Emergency Planning

Service S162

Emergency Planning - S162

- 1.5% Taxation decrease to \$76.5K in 2026 due to lower assessment value
- Continued implementation of the new Emergency and Disaster Management Act (EDMA)
 - Emergency plans, risk assessments, business continuity plans
 - Multi-jurisdictional planning underway
 - Aligning bylaw, policy, procedures and templates
 - Expansion of the Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program
- Indigenous Engagement Regional project as part of EDMA requirements
- Continuing to increase Emergency Support Services (ESS) regional capacity
- Emergency Operations Centre Microsoft 365 Modernization
- FireSmart programs including free Assessments, Rebates, Local FireSmart Collective Program (formerly Neighbourhood Recognition) and CWRP updates, funded through UBCM CRI FireSmart Program.





Kaslo / D

911 Communications

Service S156

911 Communications - S156

- 4.9% Taxation increase in 2026 driven by rising costs and declining external revenue. This trend is expected to continue due to inflation and the ongoing reduction in landline use, which is the current source of 911 user fees (mobile 911 fees are not yet collected in BC).
- Gen Admin Fee has decreased to better align with actual usage.
- Expenditure increases are primarily due to:
 - Higher contracted service costs for ECOMM 911 dispatch and Fraser Fort George Fire Dispatch.
 - \$62K for GIS services to support ongoing integration of Next Generation 911. Staff are seeking direction to apply for the UBCM CEPF 911 grant to help offset this cost.
- 4 initial capital projects planned for 2026 to maintain regional dispatch infrastructure.





Kaslo / D

Fire Protection, Fire Response & First Responder

Services S278, S280 and S299

Kaslo Fire Protection – S280

- 11% Taxation Increase to \$559K in 2026
- Increase primarily driven by salaries and professional development related firefighter wages due to full officer roster, new recruits, and increase in call volume with First Responders.

Ainsworth Woodbury Fire Response – S278

- 4.5% Taxation decrease to \$26.8K in 2026 (lower assessment value)

Area D Medical First Responder – S299

- 29% Taxation decrease to \$42K in 2026
- Higher last year due to initial setup costs for vehicle and equipment





Kaslo / D

Transit

Service S239

2026 Initiatives

- Health Connection Funding increases 33% a year for the next 3 years from \$192k to \$387K
- Implementation of new apportionment method
- Service changes presented in 2026 with potential implementation and cost savings

Kootenay Lake West – S239

- Taxation Increase 2026 41%, 2027 5%, 2028 3%
- Use of surpluses and reserves in 2024 and 2025 resulted in the service funding at an unsustainable level
- 2026 will see service funding reach a sustainable level
- Operating cost increases from contract with BC Transit, asset maintenance, and transfers to S238 to fund the #20 Slocan Valley and #10 North Shore



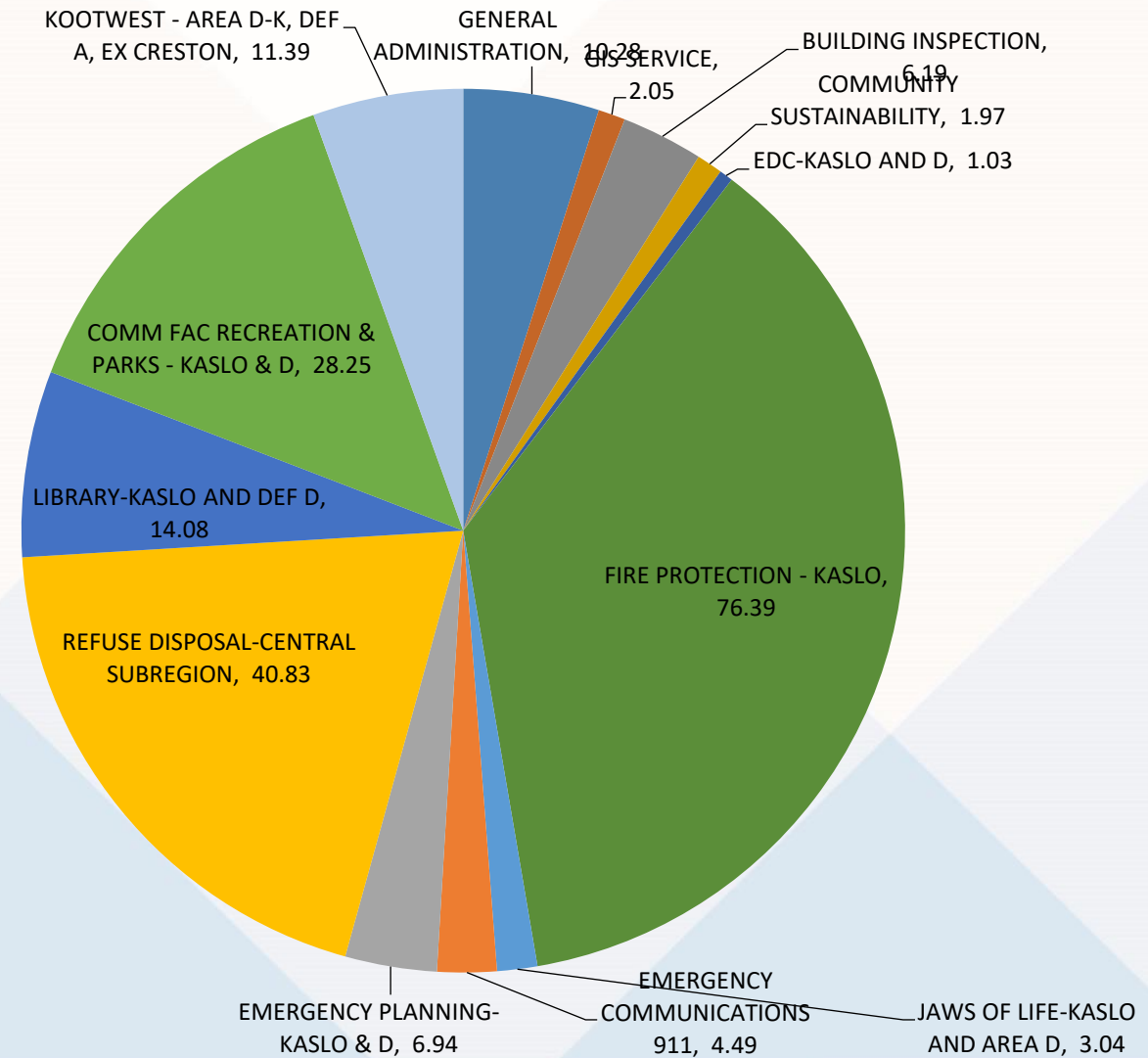


Village of Kaslo - RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value

\$ 207 Tax Bill

\$ 190 - 2025



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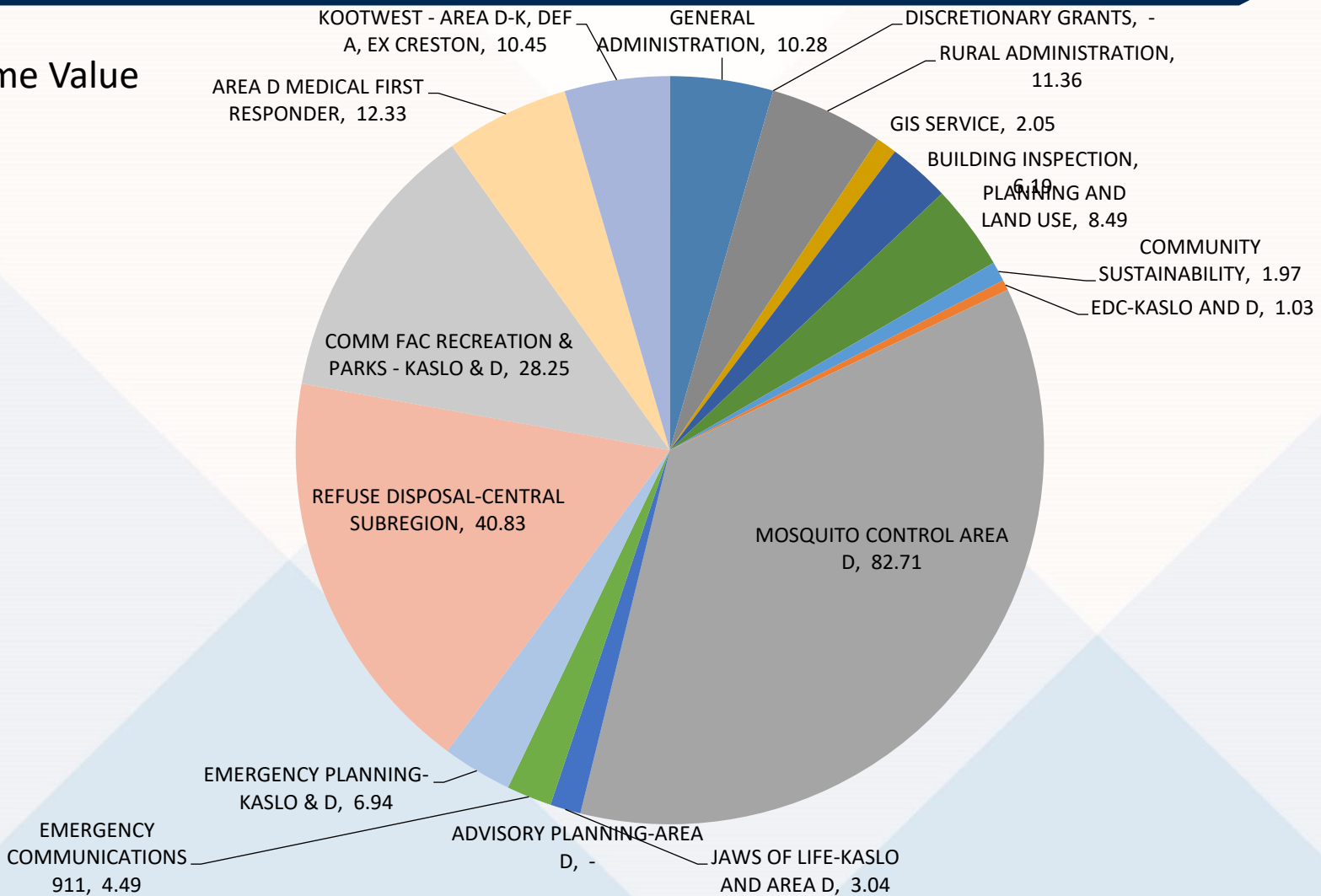


Meadow Creek RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value

\$ 230 Tax Bill

\$ 234 - 2025



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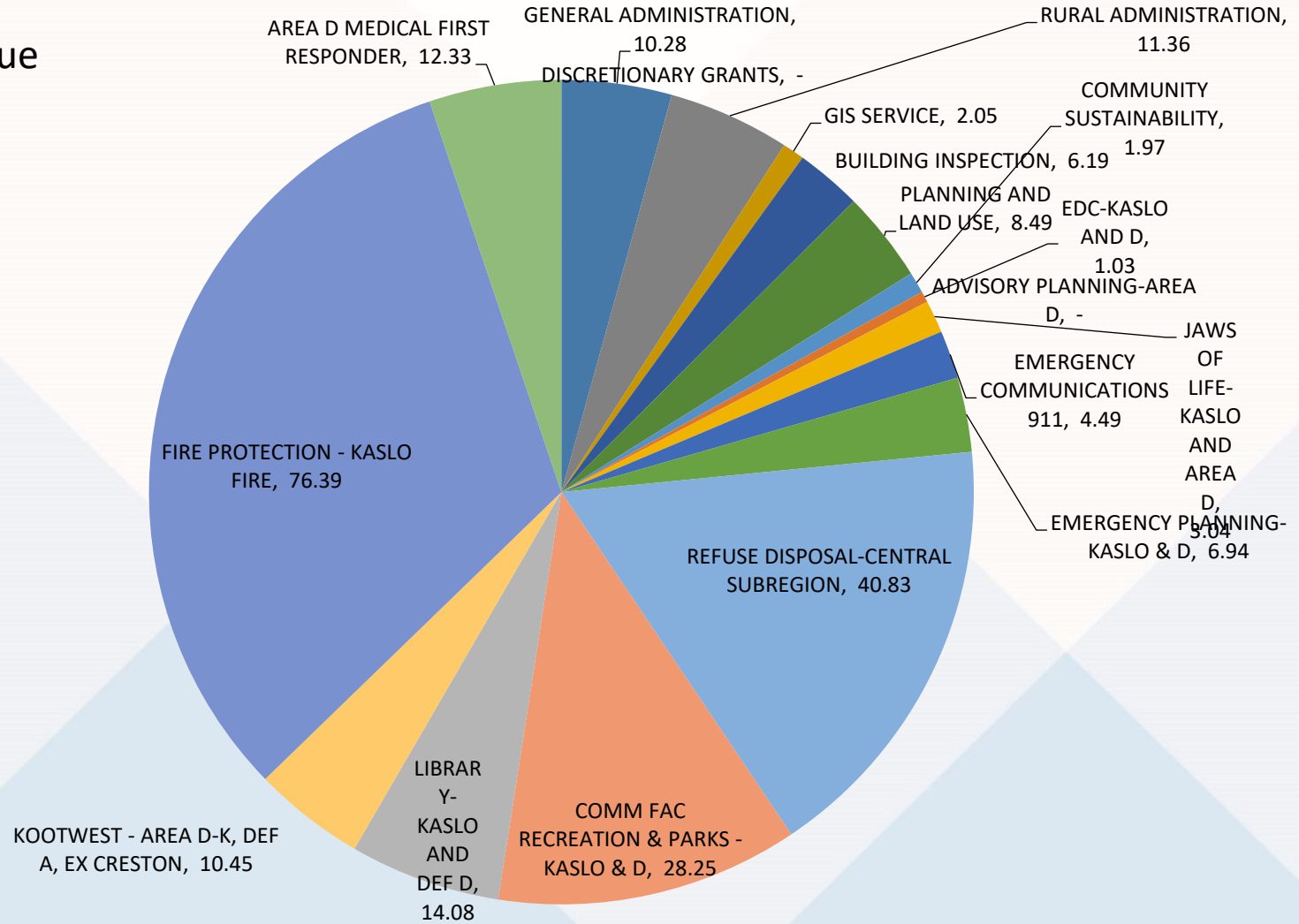


Pine Ridge RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value

\$ 265 Tax Bill

\$ 256 - 2025

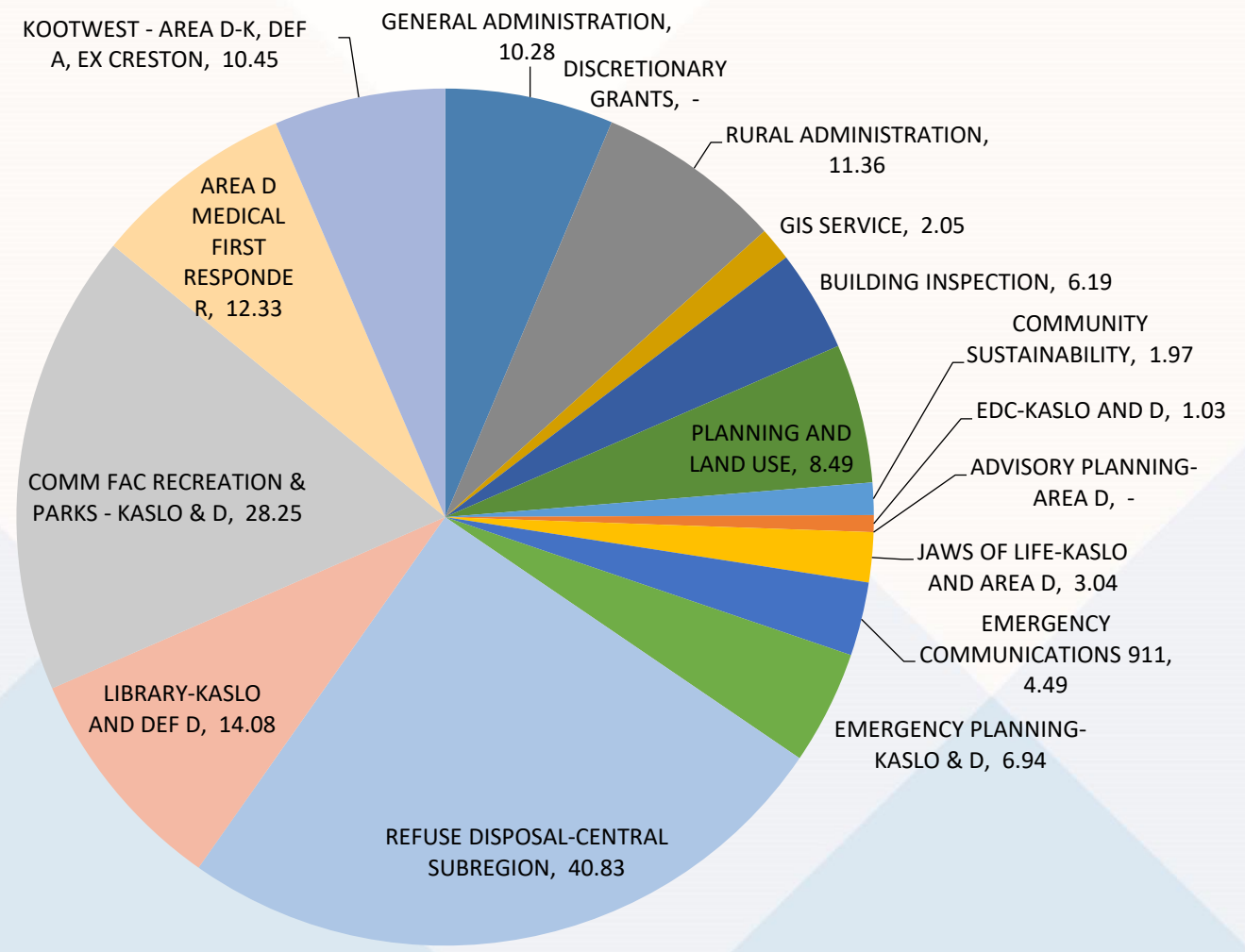


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Area D (No Mosquito) RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value
 \$ 162 Tax Bill
 \$ 162 - 2025

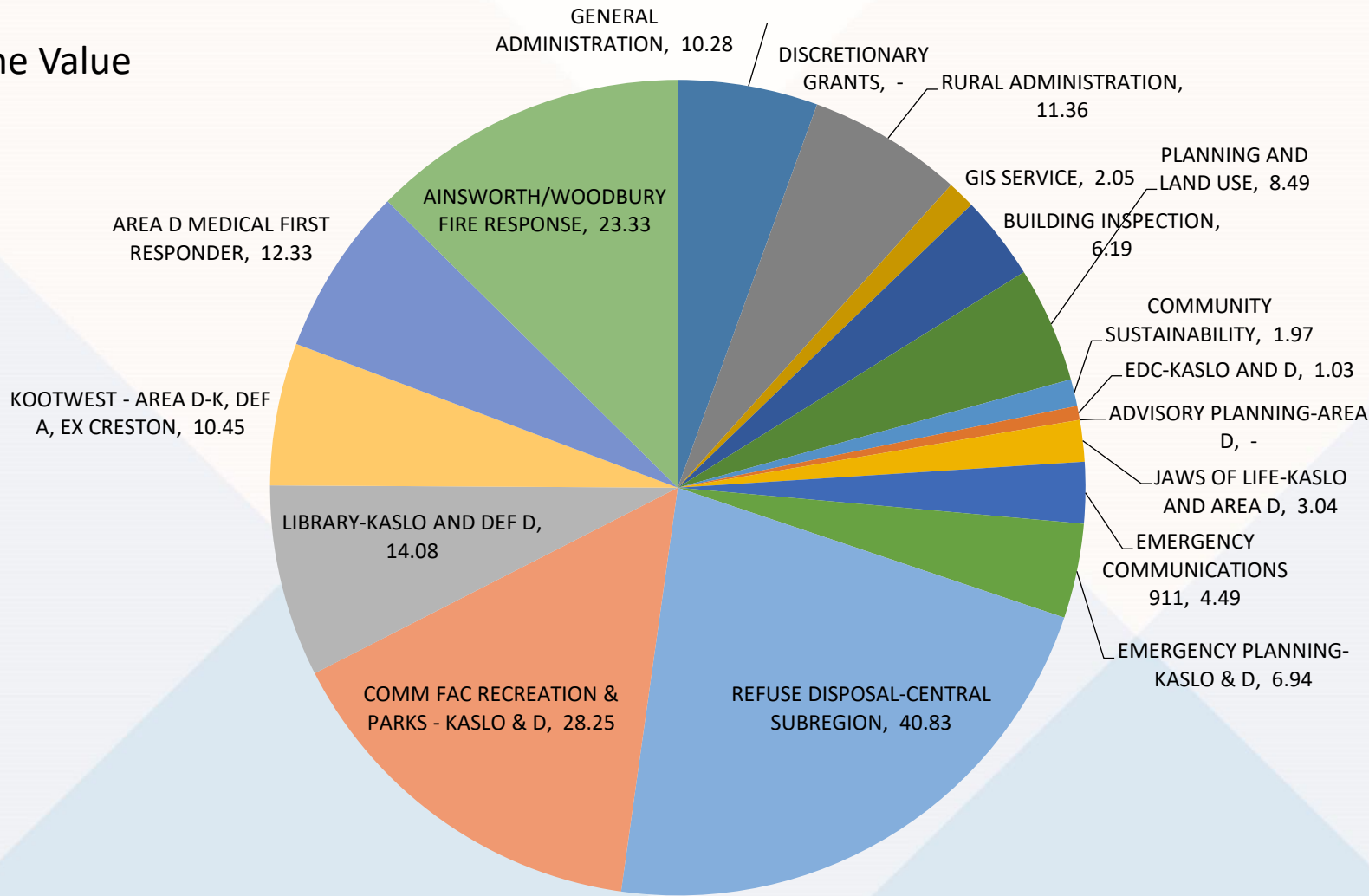


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Area D (Ainsworth/Woodbury Fire Response) RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value
 \$ 185 Tax Bill
 \$ 186 - 2024

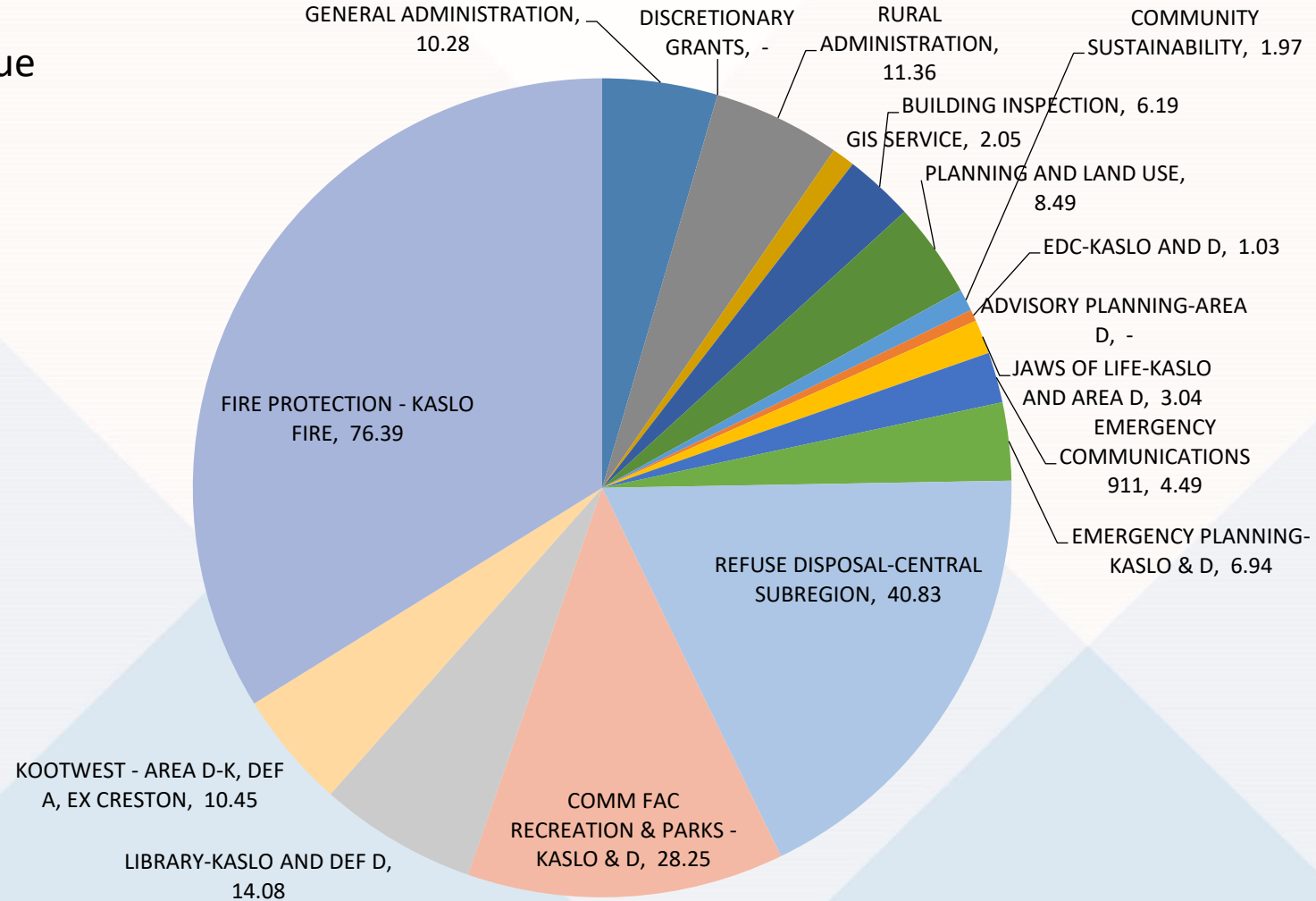


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Area D (Kaslo Fire) RDCK Tax Bill

\$ 100,000 of Home Value
 \$ 226 Tax Bill
 \$ 213 - 2024



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