



Understanding Property Tax & Requisition Breakdown

Municipal Tax Portion

This is the part of your property taxes that is set and controlled by the Municipality and is used to fund local services such as roads, emergency services, utilities, recreation, and administration. Each year, Council reviews and approves an operating and capital budget to ensure all departments can deliver these services to the community. Once the total cost of providing services is determined, the Municipality subtracts all other sources of revenue—including grants, user fees, and transfers from reserves—and the remaining amount, known as the municipal tax levy, is what must be raised through property taxes. This levy is then distributed across all taxable properties using tax rates set for each property class. In addition to the municipal portion, property tax notices also include requisitions, which are amounts collected on behalf of other organizations such as education, seniors housing, designated industrial property, and the Provincially Mandated Police Funding Model; these are added to the tax bill but are not controlled by the Municipality and must be remitted accordingly.

Alberta Education & RCSSD (School Requisitions):

Education property taxes are requisitioned by the Province of Alberta and local school divisions, including the Roman Catholic Separate School Division (RCSSD), to fund the K-12 education system. The Municipality collects these amounts on behalf of the Province and remits them directly; Council does not control these rates or revenues.

Seniors Foundation (Grande Spirit Foundation):

The Grande Spirit Foundation requisition supports the provision of seniors housing and related services within the region. This includes lodges, affordable housing, and programs for seniors. The Municipality collects this requisition on behalf of the Foundation and forwards the funds as required.

Designated Industrial Property (DIP):

The Designated Industrial Property (DIP) requisition applies to specific industrial properties as defined by the Province. It supports provincial oversight, assessment, and administration of these specialized properties. The Municipality collects this amount but does not determine the rate or use of the funds.

Police Funding Model:

The Police Funding Model (PFM) is a funding program established by the Government of Alberta. Under this model, municipalities that receive policing services from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are required to contribute to the cost of those services. The contribution amount is determined by the Province using a standardized funding formula. While this is a mandated requisition that the Municipality is required to collect and remit, it is not presented as a separate requisition within the municipal tax rate bylaw. Instead, it forms part of the overall municipal tax requirement, even though the Municipality has no authority over the amount.

Does the Municipality Decide This Amount?

No.

The Police Funding Model contribution:

- Is calculated by the Province of Alberta
- Is based on a provincially determined formula

• Is mandatory for municipalities receiving provincial policing services

• Must be remitted to the Province

The Municipality does not have authority to reduce or eliminate this amount.

How Is the Amount Calculated?

The Province uses a funding formula that considers factors such as:

- Municipal population
- Equalized property assessment
- Community type

The formula determines each municipality's required contribution for the year.

Where Does the Money Go?

Funds collected under the Police Funding Model are remitted to the Province to help support provincial policing services provided through the RCMP in our community.

For more information about the provincial Police Funding Model, you may also visit the Government of Alberta website.

Questions?

If you have questions about your municipal tax notice, please contact:

Municipal District of Spirit River No.133

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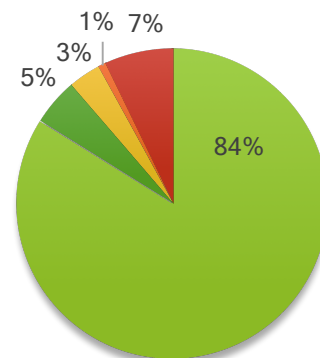
For Assessment Questions please refer to Assessor information printed in tax Notice.

Requisitions Breakdown Including PFM:

Mandatory Requisitions & amounts:

- Alberta Education: **\$820,198**
- Grande Prairie RCSSD: **\$47,927**
- Seniors Foundation: **\$32,828**
- DIP: **\$8,795**
- Police Funding Model: **\$68,332**

Requisitions



- Alberta Education
- Grande Prairie RCSSD
- Seniors Foundation (Grande Spirit Foundation)
- Designated Industrial Property (DIP)
- PFM

Details about our Final 2026 Operating and Capital Budget can be found in our Website:

