Funding City Services - 2026

How City of Battle Ground taxes compare to other cities in Clark County

In the City of Battle Ground, core city services are supported by property, sales, and utility taxes:

City Property Tax

As a City of Battle Ground resident, only 13% of the total property tax you pay is distributed to the city to pay for core city services.

City Utility Tax

City of Battle Ground residents pay a 12% tax on city utilities. Other cities have their own specific rates - some more, some less. 100% of the utility tax you pay is allocated to the city's General Fund and is essential to support core city services.

City Sales Tax

Each city in Clark County uses sales tax revenue to pay for core services. Only 11.8% of the sales tax collected is distributed back to the city where it was paid. Sales tax is not included in this comparison because each city collects the same rate, and because residents often shop beyond the city in which they reside.

Example Resident Profile

We've used a specific resident profile, but any profile can be applied.



Resident Jane



Home Assessed $500,000



Average use of City Utilities

Core City Services



Police



Streets



Community Development



Parks & Recreation

City Owned Utilities



Water



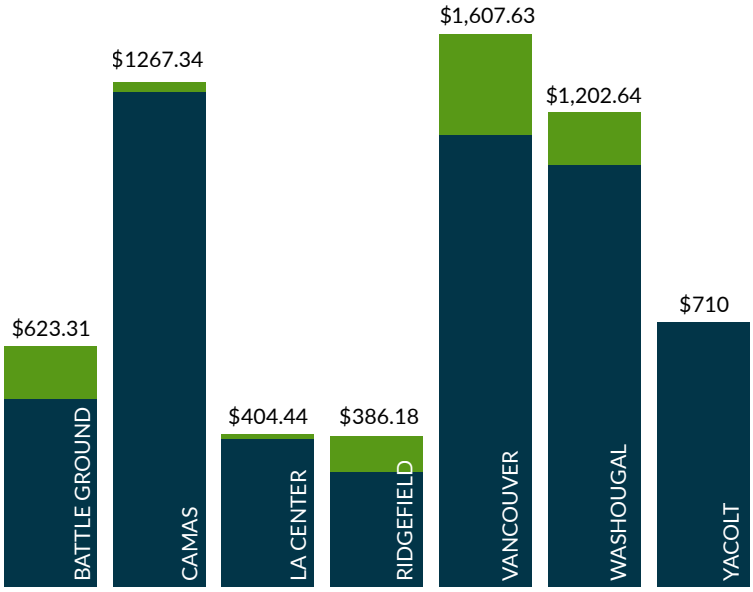
Sewer



Storm Drainage

Cost of Services (Taxes) 2026

Each city uses its own tax structure and rates to fund core services. Looking at the total taxes a resident pays provides the most accurate, apples-to-apples comparison between cities.



[Calculations made using Example Resident Profile, displayed on the left.]

City	City Property Taxes		City-Owned Utility Taxes			Annual Total
	Mil Rate	*Total Annual Tax*	*Annual Cost of Utilities*	*Utility Tax Rates*	*Total Annual Tax*	
Battle Ground	**0.95**	**$475**	**$1,235.88**	**12%**	**$148.31**	**$623.31**
Camas	2.48	$1,240	$1,366.92	2%	$27.34	$1,267.34
La Center	0.77	*$385*	$1,401.60	6% Water	$19.44	$404.44
Ridgefield	0.58	$290	$1,398.60	8% Water & Storm 10% Sewer	$96.18	$386.18
Vancouver	2.41	$1,204.23	$994.56	28.90%	$404.40	$1,608.63
Washougal	2.12	$1,060	$1,628.94	10% Water 8.81% Sewer 6% Storm	$142.64	$1,202.64
Yacolt	1.42	$710	*Town of Yacolt does not provide utilities.*			$710

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