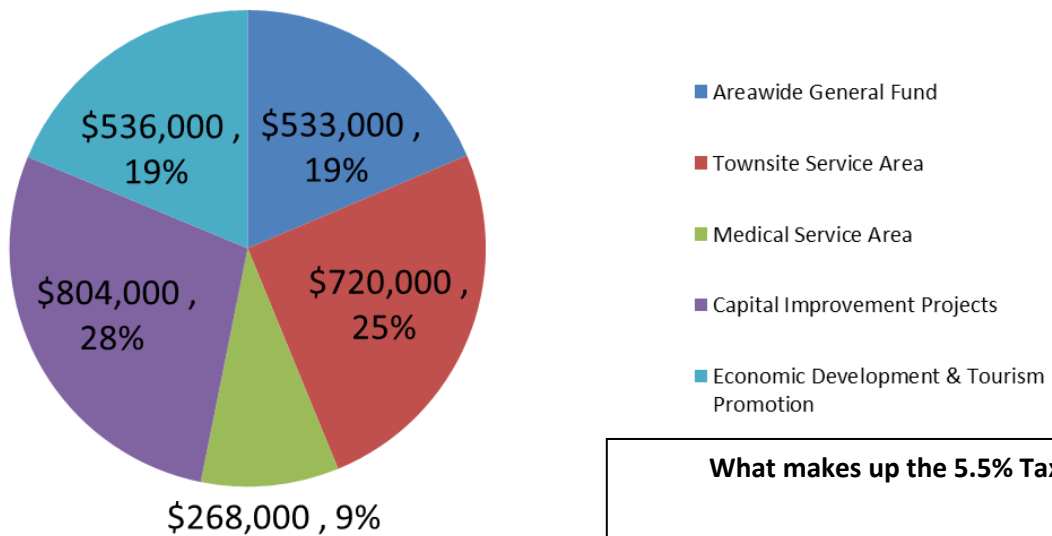




# WHERE DO YOUR SALES TAX DOLLARS GO?

Haines Borough sales tax rate is set by the people of Haines. No sales tax can be created without being ratified by the voters. The sales tax is levied on all retail sales made, on all amounts paid as rent, and on all services performed within the borough in the regular course of business. The current rate is 5.5% inside the Townsite and 4% outside the Townsite. Additionally, there is a 4% lodging tax on all stays less than 30 days. Most of the sales tax collected is dedicated for specific use as follows:

**Where will the \$2.86 million in FY17 5.5% sales tax go?**



**What makes up the 5.5% Tax?**

	Tax
Economic Development	1.0%
Townsite Service Area	1.5%
Areawide General Fund	1.0%
Medical Service Area	0.5%
Capital Improvement Projects	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.5%</b>

**Economic Development & Tourism Promotion**—A 1% tax supporting the Tourism Promotion Budget as well as other economic development activities in the Borough.

**Townsite Service Area** — Helps pay for police, public works, and animal control in the Townsite.

**Capital Improvement Projects** These funds support capital projects for Borough roads and facilities.

**Areawide General Fund** — Helps pay for school, library, museum, pool, Chilkat Center, parks, CYD, facility maintenance, hazardous waste disposal & Borough administrative functions.

**Medical Service Area** — Primarily supports the Borough’s ambulance service as well as a share of the cost of dispatch. A portion of the funds go towards mental health.

**How much does the 4% lodging tax bring in?**

In addition to the \$2.86 million listed above, in FY17 the 4% lodging tax will bring in roughly \$90,000-100,000. The lodging tax revenues are deposited into the Areawide General Fund.