



2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

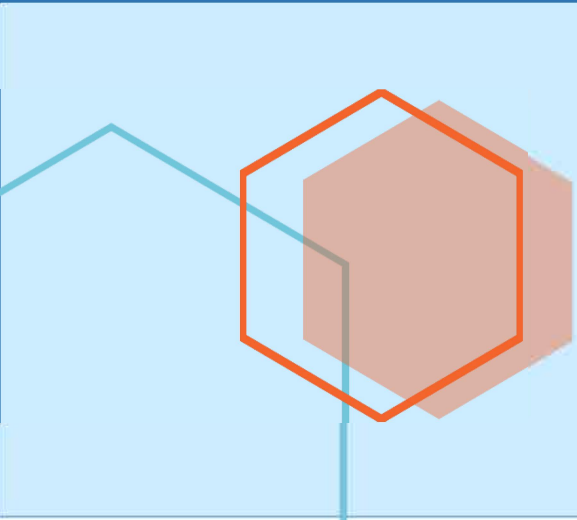


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MESSAGE FROM TOWN MANAGER

Members of the Financial Services Department are pleased to present the Town of Payson's 14th Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. This report is intended to present an overview of the Town's financial position and emphasize its commitment to providing responsive services and programs in a fiscally responsible manner.

We share with you details of how the Town's revenue is generated, where the dollars are spent, and how the local economy impacts Payson's overall financial status. Above all, our goal is to provide you with an opportunity to better understand the many financial aspects that affect your local government.

The information provided here is drawn from detailed financial information found within the 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The financial statements were prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and audited by an independent accounting firm, receiving an unmodified (or clean) opinion. The numbers contained within the CAFR were obtained by employing the basis of accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).



In short, the highest standards of accounting principles have been utilized to ensure full financial disclosure and accountability. Recognition of this commitment is evidenced by the Town attaining the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for 21 consecutive years, the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting for 13 consecutive years, and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 21 consecutive years. These awards are presented by the Government Finance Officers Association.

While the numbers in this Popular Report come from an audited source, they are presented in an abridged, unaudited non-GAAP format. Citizens who wish to review audited GAAP-basis financial statements can refer to the Town's 2019 CAFR, which is available from the Financial Services Department, the Payson Public Library, or online at www.paysonaz.gov.

Members of the Financial Services Department and Staff across the organization are proud to serve this fine community. We hope that the 2019 Popular Annual Financial Report serves its purpose and helps assure you that every effort is made to manage the community's resources wisely for the benefit of all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sheila DeSchaaf', written over a light blue oval background.

Sheila DeSchaaf
Acting Town Manager

ABOUT PAYSON

Payson has been called the
“Heart of Arizona”

because it is located almost exactly in the geographic center of the state.



...PAYSON FACTS...

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Incorporated: 1973 | Rainfall: 21.28 in. | Average Age: 58.4 |
| Area: 20.46 | Snowfall: 22 in. | Average Household Size: 2.3 |
| Elevation: 4,982 ft. | Precipitation Days: 79 | Median Housing Value: \$243,600 |
| Population: 15,710 | Sunny Days: 286 | Unemployment Rate: 5.7% |

PAYSON PROFILE

Payson is intersected by State Routes 87 and 260, just 90 miles North of Phoenix, Arizona. The Town's boundaries enclose 20.46 square miles in Northern Gila County. Payson is nestled below Arizona's Mogollon Rim at an elevation of approximately 5,000 feet and enjoys a moderate four-season climate. The Town is surrounded by the Tonto National Forest and the world's largest stand of virgin Ponderosa Pines.

The Payson Town site was established in 1882 with a population of 40. It was first known as Union Park, although residents referred to the Town as Green Valley. The first post office was opened in 1884 and the postmaster officially changed the name of the town to Payson, in honor of Senator Louis Edward Payson who was the congressional head of the Post Office and Post Roads at the time. Payson was incorporated in 1973.

In its early years, Payson's economy was based on logging, ranching and mining. This western heritage still lives on through its many festivals and events. The Payson Rodeo, now billed as the "World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo," started in 1884. The Hashknife Pony Express also makes its annual historic run through the Town, picking up letters for delivery. Other events include arts & crafts fairs, classic car shows, Mountain High Days Festival, Annual Monster Mudda, Farmer's Markets, and the State Championship Fiddlers Contest.

Tourism, home building, and the retirement industries dominate the current economy with a growing emphasis on manufacturing and service firms. Light industry that is compatible with the community's "High Quality of Life" is also being encouraged. Payson's major employers include Payson Unified School District, Mazatzal Hotel & Casino, Walmart, Gila County, and Banner Medical Center.

The Town operates under the council-manager form of government. The Town Council, which has policy-making and legislative authority, consists of a mayor and a six-member council. The Town Council is responsible for, among other things, passing ordinances, resolutions, and adopting the Town's annual budget. They also appoint committees and hire the Town Manager and Town Attorney. The Council is elected on a nonpartisan "at large" basis. Council members are elected to four-year staggered terms with three Council members elected every two years. The qualified voters of the Town directly elect the Mayor for a two-year term. The Town Manager is responsible for carrying out the policies, ordinances and resolutions of the Council, and for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Town.



MISSION STATEMENT

The Town of Payson is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for our citizens by working hard to provide a superior level of service in the most effective and efficient manner while exercising fiscal responsibility.

To Accomplish this, We...

- ◆ Value open communication
- ◆ Encourage citizen participation
- ◆ Operate honestly and fairly
- ◆ Conduct ourselves through unity and teamwork
- ◆ Respect our differences
- ◆ Treasure our natural resources and unique environment



CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

Payson has been, and will continue to be, very proactive in encouraging quality community and organizational development. Each year, the Town Council, citizens and the management staff participate in a strategic planning process to update and enhance the Corporate Strategic Plan (CSP) to accommodate changes in the community’s needs. The CSP carries out the Town’s mission statement and General Plan by establishing Key Result Areas (KRAs). The Corporate Strategic Plan is divided into ten Key Results Areas (KRAs). Each KRA is specifically defined and includes priorities and strategies that help guide the Town’s operation. The complete CSP document can be viewed on the Town of Payson website at <http://www.paysonaz.gov>

The following KRAs were established for Fiscal Year 2018/2019:





TOWN SERVICES

Town Council provides clear policy direction to the administrative staff with a focus on making the Town of Payson the premier community in which to live, work and raise a family.

Town Manager provides overall management direction to the organization. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, implementing policy direction, overseeing Town operations and evaluating Town programs.

Town Clerk's Office, Human Resources, Information Services, Financial Services, and the **Town Attorney's Office** play vital supporting roles providing a wide range of skills & expertise necessary for the successful day-to-day operations of the Town.

Payson Library's modern facility provides information in a variety of formats. Its collection affords the opportunity to educate, inform, enrich, entertain, and inspire.

Fire Department provides emergency services which include responses to fire suppression, medical emergencies, technical rescues and first responder operations response to hazardous material incidents. The Fire Department also participates in the Wildland / Urban Program which allows departments from all over the state to enter into agreements to facilitate the movement of firefighting resources to any wildland fire.

Park, Recreation & Tourism Dept. provides a wide variety of cultural events and recreational programs for citizens of all ages. Our Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department host and co-host a wide variety of special events including the Old Time Fiddlers' Contest, Mogollon Monster Mud Run, Trunk-or-Treat Halloween Festival, Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run, Electric Light Parade, a variety of rodeos and a fabulous 4th of July Fireworks Event.

- Parks Maintenance preserves the beauty of 169 acres of park land.
- Payson's park system consists of 169 acres of land with diverse facilities including:
 - Rumsey Park - soccer fields, ball fields, tennis courts, volleyball courts, skate park, off-leash dog park, playground, picnic facilities and the Taylor swimming pool.
 - Green Valley Park - fishing lakes, walking paths, playground, bandstand, picnic facilities, launch ramp for sail & row boats and much more.

- The Multi-Event Center is a 36-acre facility with bleacher seating available for over 3,500 people. This facility was established for hosting large scale events including, but not limited to, equestrian activities.
- The Trails and Open Spaces Division is responsible for the construction and maintenance of the Payson Area Trails System (PATs). This interconnecting trail system establishes an interior trail network that connects to Forest Service roads within Payson’s boundary. This division also conducts outdoor recreation-related classes.
- The Tourism Division is committed to enhancing the Town’s economic vitality. The division promotes “Adventure Where We Live” to encourage visitors to enjoy our outdoor recreational activities, western heritage and mountain charm.
- Taylor Pool provides a safe and fun aquatic environment for swim lessons, swim teams, water aerobics and other aquatic activities for the entire family.

Police Department

enforces local, state and federal laws in addition to protecting citizens and their property. The department’s 52 employees are responsible for public safety & emergency service coordination.

- The Special Operations Division includes a School Resource Officer, Animal Control, and Drug Enforcement.

Public Works Department

is responsible for providing safe and efficient infrastructure systems including the construction and maintenance of the Town’s approximately 112 miles of roadway.

- The Payson Municipal Airport is a public use airport designed to accommodate piston engine aircraft, turboprop aircraft and small business jet aircraft. The airport has an automated weather observation system, self-service fueling station and continuous power medium intensity runway lights that are operated by pilot controlled aircraft radios. A fly-in campground is available for overnight guests.
- The Water Division is a public water utility that supplies high quality drinking water to approximately 8,400 accounts. The water system includes 42 active production wells, over 8 million gallons of storage capacity, over 200 miles of distribution lines, 11 booster-pumping stations, a groundwater recharge project and water treatment facility.

Building Department

protects the public health and safety by ensuring that all structures are built in accordance with adopted building codes.

Planning & Development Department

provides comprehensive long-range planning and current land use services in support of the community’s vision.

- The Economic Development Division provides assistance to businesses getting started, expanding, or relocating to Payson.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The Statement of Net Position provides a “snapshot” of where we stood financially as of June 30, 2019, the last day of the fiscal year. Net Position represents the Town’s ownership (equity) in the assets within its possession.

Government-wide Statement of Net Position

| Total Town Government | June 30, 2019 | June 30, 2018 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | |
| Current & Other Assets | \$ 28,099 | \$ 23,834 |
| Capital Assets | \$ 166,634 | \$ 161,683 |
| Total Assets | \$ 194,733 | \$ 185,517 |
| Deferred Outflows of Resources | \$ 7,214 | \$ 7,364 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | |
| Current Liabilities | \$ 6,286 | \$ 5,901 |
| Noncurrent Liabilities | \$ 82,482 | \$ 79,827 |
| Total Liabilities | \$ 88,768 | \$ 85,728 |
| Deferred Inflows of Resources | \$ 2,629 | \$ 2,491 |
| <u>Net Position</u> | | |
| Net Investment in Capital Assets | \$ 131,725 | \$ 129,989 |
| Restricted | \$ 3,746 | \$ 3,217 |
| Unrestricted | \$ (24,922) | \$ (28,544) |
| Total Net Position | \$ 110,549 | \$ 104,662 |

ASSETS represent the economic resources owned by the Town. Current and Other Assets include cash, investments and receivables (money due to the Town). Capital Assets consist of land, buildings, infrastructure, water system, vehicles, machinery and equipment.

LIABILITIES represent what the Town owes that will be settled over time through the transfer of money, goods or services. Current Liabilities consist of payables (money due from the Town to pay within one year). Noncurrent Liabilities represent debt that the Town will pay back but not due for settlement within one year.

DEFERRED INFLOWS / OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES are broken out because they relate to future periods (revenue not earned or expenditures not chargeable in the current fiscal period in which they are collected or made). For example, a grant payment to the Town in the current fiscal year would be deferred if the Town has not yet met all of the requirements necessary to be eligible for the grant.

NET POSITION may serve, over time, as a useful indicator of a government’s financial health and consists of three components. The largest portion of the Town’s net position reflects its Net Investment in Capital Assets less any outstanding related debt used to acquire those assets. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. An additional portion of net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they should be used. These legal restrictions are imposed by outside entities such as federal or state governments. Unrestricted net position is reported as a deficit due to the Town’s pension and other post-employment benefit obligations.

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At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Payson was able to report positive balances in two of the three categories of net position for the government as a whole and total assets exceeded total liabilities by more than \$110.5 million.



Photos taken by Craig Miller

CAPITAL ASSETS

The Town of Payson invests in capital assets to provide services that will enhance the quality of life for our citizens. The Town’s total investment in capital assets (net of depreciation) was \$166,610,187 as of June 30, 2019.

➤ CAPITAL ASSET CATEGORIES

BUILDINGS include police and fire stations, library, recreation/sports facilities.

IMPROVEMENTS include upgrades such as parking lots, fences, sports courts and ball fields.

EQUIPMENT includes fire engines, service vehicles, tractors, plotters, etc.

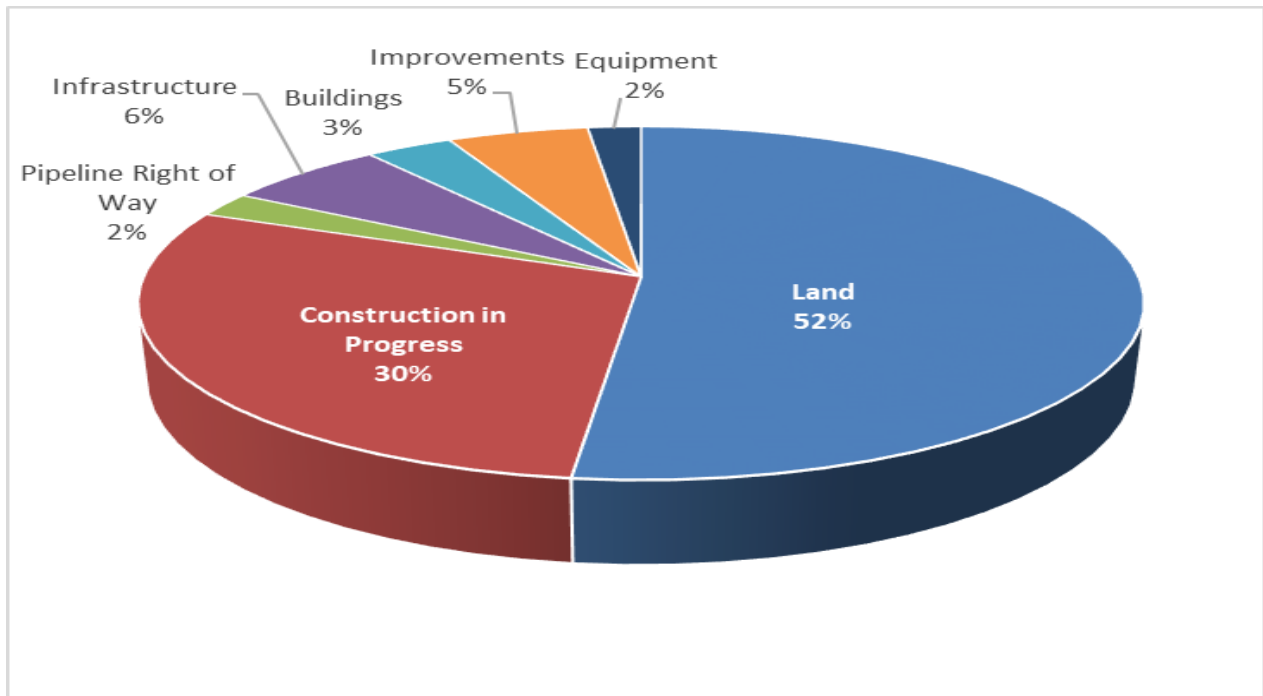
LAND includes real estate purchased to provide services to residents like parks & facilities.

CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS reflects the cost of all projects for construction of buildings, other improvements and equipment that are in progress but not yet completed.

RIGHTS of WAY privilege to pass over the land of another.

INFRASTRUCTURE includes streets, sidewalks, water lines, water mains and wells.

CAPITAL ASSETS AS OF JUNE 30, 2019



C.C. Cragin Pipeline Project—Payson’s Water Source for the Future



In 2004 the United States Congress passed the Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act which allocated an annual average of 3,000 acre-feet of surface water from the C.C. Cragin (formerly Blue Ridge) Reservoir to the Town of Payson. In partnership with Salt River Project (SRP), the Town has completed construction of a 14.5-mile raw water penstock pipeline, along East Houston Mesa Road from Washington Park to Payson. This pipeline will deliver raw surface water from SRP facilities at Washington Park to a new hydroelectric generator and 4.5 million gallons per day potable water treatment facility approximately one mile north of Payson. Downstream of the treatment facility, the Town of Payson has constructed 7 new treated water pipelines, totaling 5.6 miles, to distribute treated potable C.C. Cragin Reservoir water to the existing Town of Payson water distribution system and 8 Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) wells. The ASR wells will be utilized for injection of excess treated potable water from the treatment facility into the ground for long-term storage and recovery during drought conditions.

Also as part of the Arizona Water Settlement Act, an additional 500 acre-feet is available for allocation to Northern Gila County communities. Therefore, communities adjacent to the raw water penstock may wish to connect to the pipeline for use of C.C. Cragin water in the future. Communities near Payson may wish to partner with the Town of Payson for the delivery of treated water from the new Town of Payson water treatment plant. Payson has already entered into an agreement for treatment and delivery of this new water source to one community known as Mesa Del Caballo, adjacent to the treatment facility.

For more info, contact Payson Water Dept. at (928) 474-5242, Option #4 or visit www.paysonaz.gov



How Capital Investments Are Funded

The Town’s Debt Policy provides a set of criteria to help determine when it’s best to fund capital projects and which method of funding to use. The Town enjoys favorable bond ratings which allow for very competitive interest rates when issuing debt.



DEBT TYPE DEFINITIONS

General Obligation Bonds – long-term debt that is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town. These bonds require voter approval and are typically repaid by a property tax levy.

Special Assessment Bonds – long-term debt with repayment assessed to homeowners

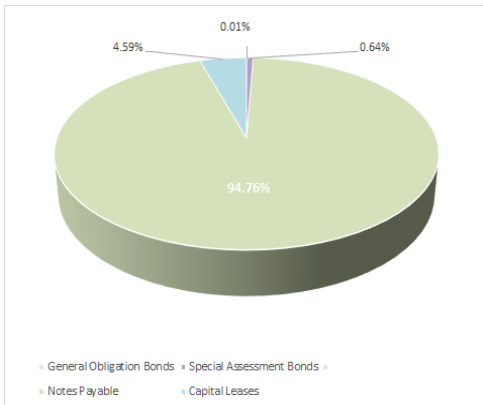
Revenue Bonds – long-term debt with repayment to come from a pledged Town revenue stream

Notes Payable – long-term debt that does not include bonds, but a contract for repayment

Capital Leases – short term debt used for equipment

TWO YEAR DEBT SUMMARY (All Funds)

| <u>Debt Type</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2018</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| General Obligation Bonds | \$ 3,083 | \$ 335,583 |
| Special Assessment Bonds | \$ 225,000 | \$ 295,000 |
| Notes Payable | \$ 33,056,918 | \$ 29,911,638 |
| Capital Leases | \$ 1,600,044 | \$ 1,114,630 |
| Total Debt | \$ 34,885,045 | \$ 31,656,851 |



- The Town typically issues General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds to fund the capital projects of general government (non-enterprise) departments. Current G.O. Bonds funded various public safety improvements and construction of Fire Station #13. Instead of a property tax levy, a special 0.12% sales tax was dedicated for the payment of this debt. The bond was paid off in July 2019.
- Special assessments imposed on certain parcels of land within the assessment district are used to pay the Westerly Drive Improvement District bonds.
- The Town has entered into lease agreements for the acquisition of public safety vehicles, various equipment, vector truck, field lighting and turf. General fund revenue is used to pay the majority of capital lease obligations.
- The Town has obtained Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) loans for improvements to the water system and construction of the C.C. Cragin Pipeline Project. These loans are included in the Notes Payable category.

REVENUES FOR FY2018/2019

Governmental Funds are used to account for the basic functions of the Town, such as police, fire, parks, community development and general administration



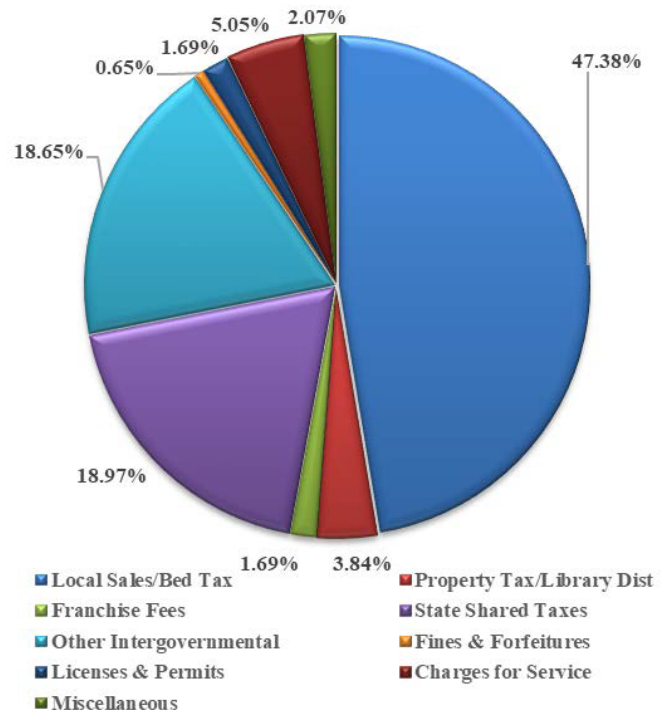
The revenues used to fund governmental activities come from:

- ✦ **Local Sales / Bed Tax**—A local sales tax of 3% is charged on most goods purchased in Town and a 5% tax was added to transient lodging
- ✦ **Property Tax**—A primary property tax is charged based on assessed property valuation
- ✦ **Franchise Tax**—Fees paid by public utilities, telecommunication companies and cable television businesses
- ✦ **State Shared Taxes**—State revenue-sharing programs include sales tax, income tax and vehicle license fees
- ✦ **Other Intergovernmental Revenues**—Monies received from other governments or entities
- ✦ **Fines & Forfeitures**—Revenues received from library and court fines
- ✦ **Licenses & Permits**—Fees for building permits, business licenses, liquor licenses, etc.
- ✦ **Charges for Service**—Revenues received for services provided
- ✦ **Miscellaneous**—Contributions, investment earnings, special assessments and other revenues that don't fit under any of the above classifications

Sources of Governmental Revenue

(Governmental Funds) Total revenues increased 6.8% due to increases in local sales\tax and state shared taxes.

| Revenue | 2019 | % of Total |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Local Sales/Bed Tax | \$ 11,260,010 | 47.4% |
| Property Tax/Library Dist. | \$ 911,742 | 3.8% |
| Franchise Taxes | \$ 402,237 | 1.7% |
| State Shared Taxes | \$ 4,508,104 | 19.0% |
| Other Intergovernmental | \$ 4,433,074 | 18.7% |
| Fines & Forfeitures | \$ 154,065 | 0.6% |
| Licenses & Permits | \$ 402,179 | 1.7% |
| Charges for Service | \$ 1,200,133 | 5.1% |
| Miscellaneous | \$ 492,695 | 2.1% |
| Total Revenues | \$ 23,764,239 | 100.0% |

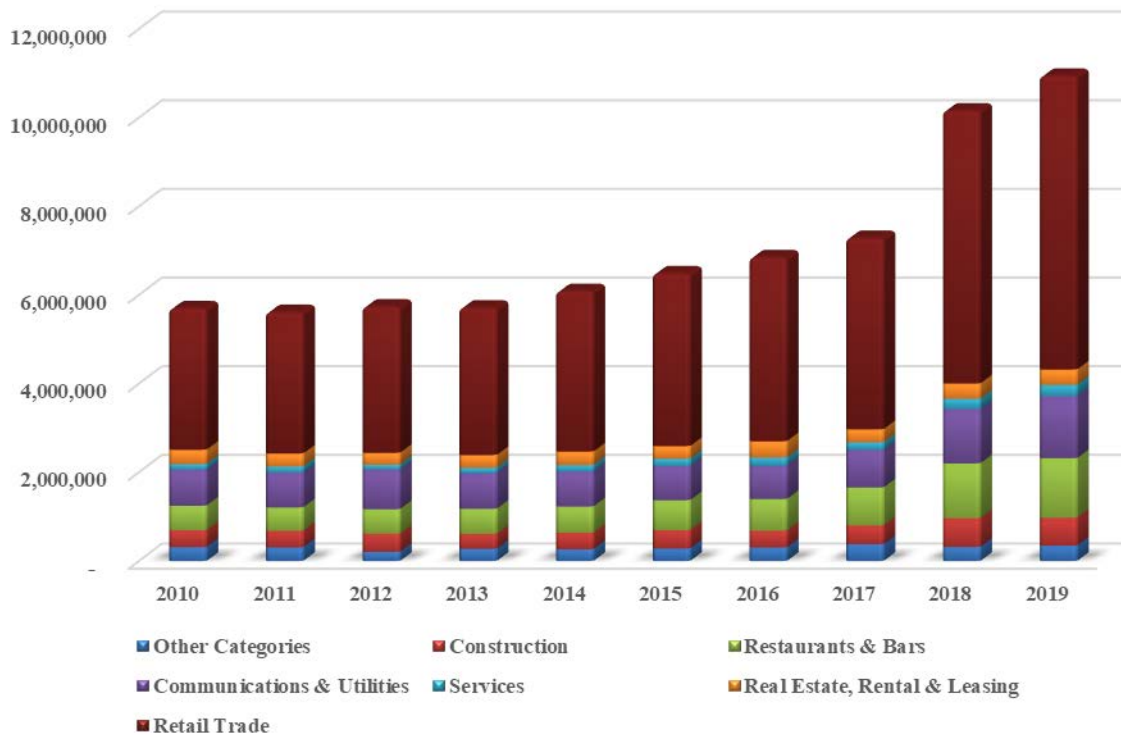


* Note: The FY2018/19 revenues reflected in the pie chart do not include bond proceeds or the Town's Enterprise Fund

Transaction Privilege Taxes by Category

The Transaction Privilege Tax, commonly called Sales Tax, is the primary source of governmental fund revenue. It is collected on the gross receipts of business activities that occur within the Town of Payson. The Town adopted the Model City Tax Code and has an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the State Department of Revenue to administer and collect the tax for the Town. The collected funds are deposited directly into the Town’s depository on a timely basis and the Town is notified as to the amount.

The chart below shows a ten-year history of the Town of Payson’s sales tax activity by category. This clearly illustrates the impact of the nationwide economic downturn and its upturn to recovery.



The “Other Categories” classification includes Transportation & Warehousing, Manufacturing, Finance & Insurance, Wholesale Trade, Arts and Entertainment, and other.

EXPENDITURES FOR FY2018/2019

➤ **EXPENDITURE TYPE DEFINITIONS**



General Government—Functions serving Town operations as a whole including the offices of: Town Council, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Town Clerk, Finance, Human Resources, and Central Services.
Public Safety—Police Department & Fire Departments including the Wildland Program.
Public Works—Includes Airport and Streets Division.
Culture & Recreation—Includes Parks Maintenance, Recreation, Tourism, and the Library.

Community Development—Includes Planning/Zoning/Code Enforcement, Economic Development, Housing, and Building Services.
Health & Welfare—Encompasses contributions to entities providing services for the Town.
Debt Service Payments—Principal, interest and other related costs associated with the Town’s issuance of debt to support various capital improvement activities.
Capital Outlay—Expenditures for projects and equipment for the Capital Improvement Program.

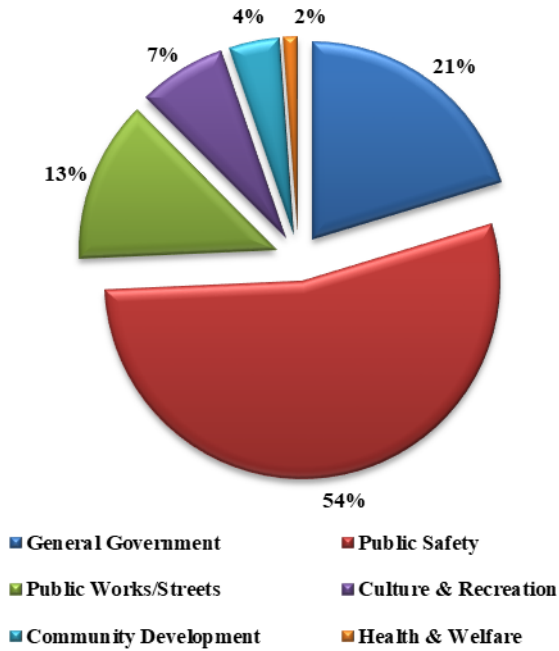
**Governmental Funds
Two-Year Town Expenditures by Type**

The two-year comparison on the right shows the change in total expenditures for governmental funds. The most significant change was in the Capital Outlay category as increased funding was allotted for the investment in various machinery & equipment. Public Safety retirement contribution rates increased again this year. Overall, FY2018/2019 Total Governmental Fund expenditures showed an increase of \$2,677,700 or 13% as compared to FY2017/18.

2019 Governmental Fund Expenditures

| <u>Expenditures</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2018</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| General Government | \$ 3,862,621 | \$ 3,359,622 |
| Public Safety | \$ 10,257,862 | \$ 9,320,464 |
| Public Works | \$ 2,516,241 | \$ 2,355,801 |
| Culture & Recreation | \$ 1,363,281 | \$ 1,259,903 |
| Community Development | \$ 786,350 | \$ 858,785 |
| Health & Welfare | \$ 218,179 | \$ 218,312 |
| Subtotal | \$ 19,004,534 | \$ 17,372,887 |
| Debt Service Payments | \$ 598,431 | \$ 789,724 |
| Capital Outlay | \$ 3,605,100 | \$ 2,367,754 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ 23,208,065 | \$ 20,530,365 |

2019 Governmental Fund Expenditures



The pie chart on the left reflects the breakdown of Fiscal Year 2018/2019 expenditures within the Town's operating budget. These categories reflect personnel services, benefits and operating expenditures but exclude capital outlay and debt services.



ENTERPRISE FUND

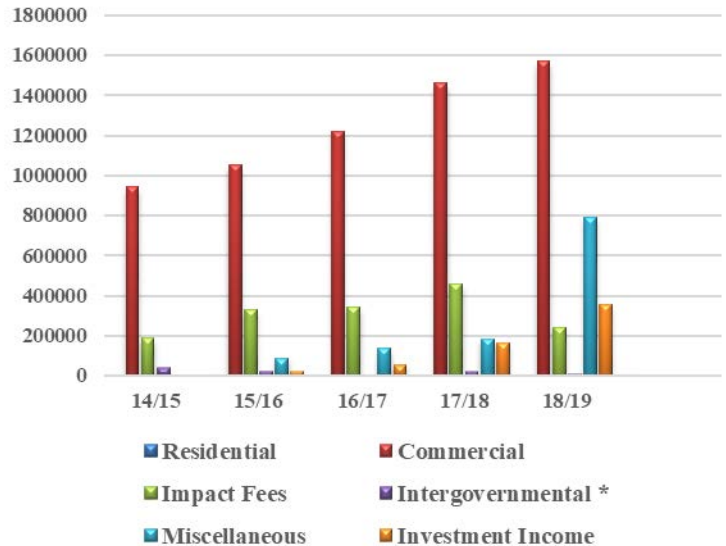
Enterprise Funds are business-type funds considered to be self-supporting in that the services rendered are generally financed through user charges or fees.



The Town has one Enterprise Fund—The Water Fund. This fund is used to record revenues and expenses related to the maintenance and improvement of the current water system infrastructure. The Town’s Water Division provides a safe & adequate domestic water supply to Payson residents.

Water Fund Revenues

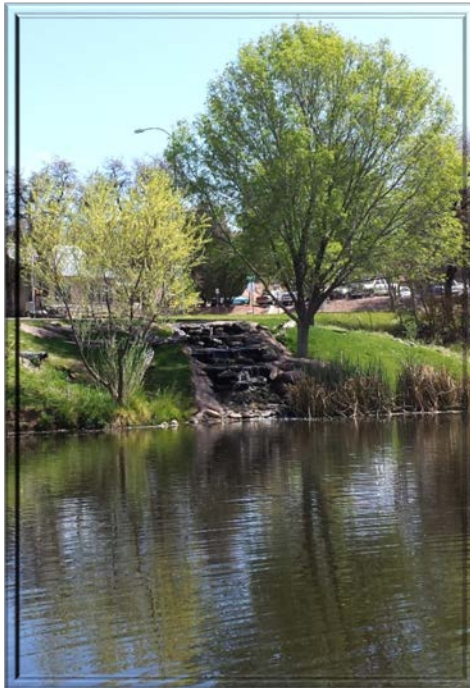
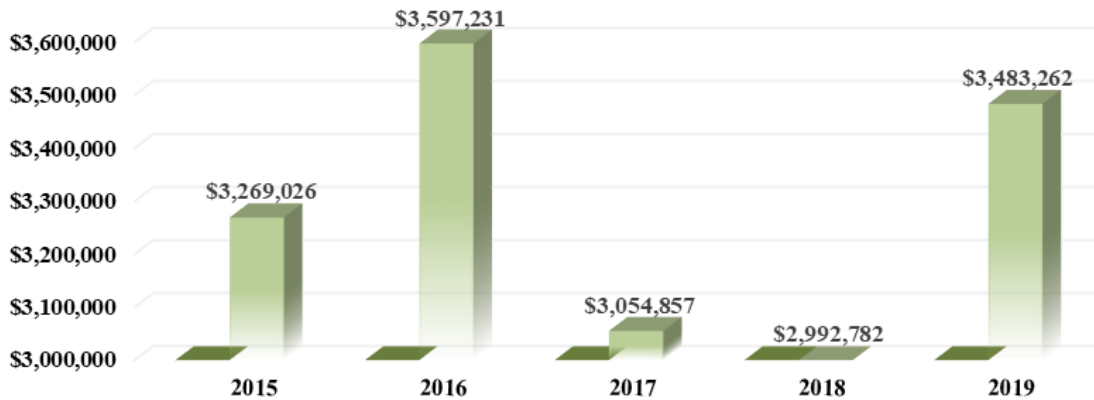
The chart on the right compares the major Water Fund revenues for the last five fiscal years. Since there wasn’t a significant change in Payson’s population during this time period, the changes in revenues were largely due to annual rate increases for water usage implemented to help cover the debt service for the C.C. Cragin Pipeline Project. During the 2018/2019 fiscal year, high quality, reliable water service was provided to 8,381 water customers.



Enterprise Fund for FY2018/2019

The Water Fund expenditures significantly increased by 16% in comparison with Fiscal Year 2017/2018. Over the past few years, the funding requirements of various maintenance projects has caused fluctuations in Water Fund Operating Expenses. Retirements and other changes in staffing also contributed to the increases reflected in Fiscal Year 2018/2019

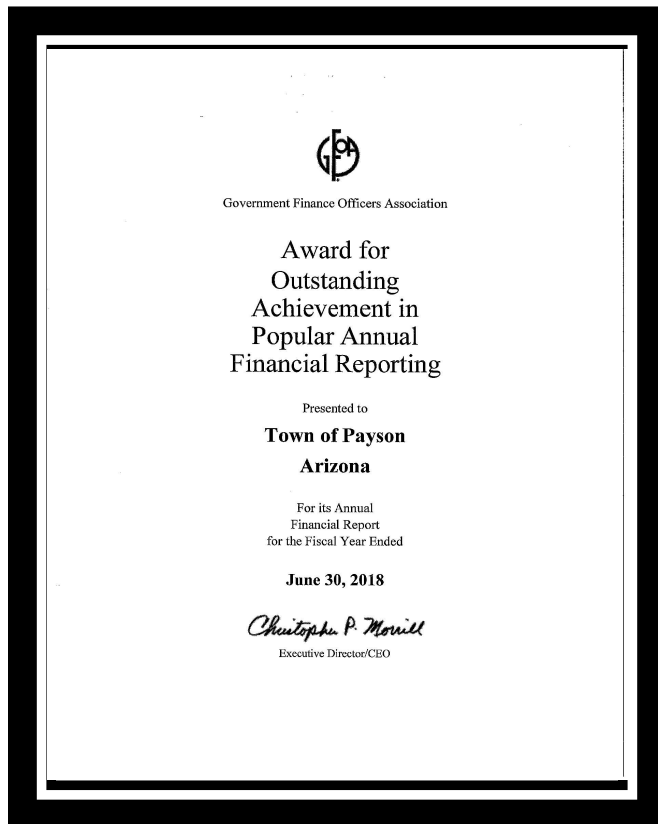
WATER FUND OPERATING EXPENSES
(EXCLUDING DEPRECIATION)



Need more information about the Town of Payson?

This Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) is intended to summarize the financial information appearing in the FY2018/2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Visit the Town of Payson Financial Services Department, Payson Library, or www.paysonaz.gov to obtain copies of these additional planning and financial documents which can provide more detailed information.

- ✚ **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)** - This report is published, after completion of the external audit, to provide detailed information concerning the financial condition and activities of the Town government for a specific fiscal year.
- ✚ **Annual Budget Document** - The Budget, adopted annually by the Town Council, is designed to be a policy document, financial plan, operations guide, and communications medium for a specific fiscal year.
- ✚ **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)** - This document outlines the Town's five-year capital improvement plan, sources of funds and associated debt. The document includes descriptions of the capital projects and the capital purchase plan for machinery & equipment.
- ✚ **Corporate Strategic Plan (CSP)** - This plan, covering a period of three fiscal years and reviewed by the Town Council annually as part of the budget process, highlights the Town's overall direction and priorities. Key Result Areas (KRA) are defined with a focus on strategic goals based on an understanding of the needs and desires of Payson residents.



The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to the Town of Payson, Arizona for its Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports. In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Popular Annual Financial Reporting requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

**TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA
FY2018/19 TOWN COUNCIL**

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Mayor | Tom Morrissey |
| Vice Mayor | Janell Sterner |
| Council Member | Barbara Underwood |
| Council Member | Chris Higgins |
| Council Member | Jim Ferris |
| Council Member | Steven Smith |
| Council Member | Suzy Tubbs-Avakian |

CONTACT INFORMATION

CONTACT & LOCATION INFO

To send an e-mail to the Mayor or any of the Council Members, just visit the Town website at www.paysonaz.gov and select the appropriate Representative from the Town Council tab.

Payson Town Hall

303 N. Beeline Highway
Payson, AZ 85541
Phone: (929) 474-5242
Fax: (928) 474-4610
TDD: (928) 472-6449

Recreation & Tourism Department

1000 W. Country Club Drive
Payson, AZ 85541
(928) 474-5242 Option #7

Payson Public Library

328 N. McLane
Payson, AZ 85541
(928) 474-9260

Payson Police Department

303 N. Beeline Highway
Payson, AZ 85541
Emergency—Dial 9-1-1
Police Admin: (928) 472-5057
Non-Emergency: (928) 474-5177

Fire Department

400 E. Main Street
Payson, AZ 85541
(928) 474-5242 Option #9

Fire Department—Station #12

108 E. Rancho Road

Fire Department—Station #13

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