

# How is your property tax dollar spent?

When you write *your* property tax check to Clatsop County, only *some* of your money goes to the county. We *collect* the taxes, then *distribute* the money to 66 taxing districts. This illustration shows how an average tax dollar is divided.

## Where your property tax dollar goes:



## What your 12.74 cents to Clatsop County provides:

### 5.71 cents

#### Public Safety and Justice

(44.74% of budget)  
sheriff's office, jail, district attorney's office, juvenile department, emergency services



### 1.50 cents

#### Public Services

(11.42% of budget)  
assessment & taxation, elections & records, surveyor, community development, public and mental health



### 1.61 cents (rounded)

#### Contingency

(11.92% of budget)  
Set aside for unanticipated expenses



### 2.30 cents (rounded)

#### Miscellaneous

(18.51% of budget)  
building maintenance, parks, animal control, data system services, finance



### 0.61 cent (rounded)

#### Administration

(5.95% of budget)  
County administration, human resources, legal counsel



### 1.01 cents (rounded)

#### Fairgrounds

(7.46% of budget)  
Enhanced operations and facility improvements



### County services your property tax dollar does NOT pay for:

- Building codes inspection and enforcement
- Commission on Children and Families
- Economic development
- Fisheries Project
- Law library

### Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016

Source:  
Clatsop County Manager's Office  
and  
Clatsop County Department of  
Assessment & Taxation



\*County Figures provided do not include Clatsop County Rural Law Enforcement District or Road District No. 1. Out of every \$1 that taxpayers pay, about 2 cents goes to the Rural Law Enforcement District and 3 cents to the Road District which is included in the figure above under "Other districts".