WHERE DOES MY MONEY GO?

USER FEE - $3.00/WEEK

POLICE $1.23/WEEK

In the FY 2020 budget, approximately $1.85 million, or 41%, of the Safe Streets Fee, also known as the Municipal User Fee, will go toward police personnel (34%) and the purchase of police equipment (7%).

In action: Since 2016, the Municipal User Fee has allowed the Morgantown Police Department to hire 10 police officers, and purchase 20 vehicles and additional equipment such as body cameras to ensure our streets are kept safe.

STREETS $1.20/WEEK

In the FY 2020 budget, approximately $1.8 million, or 40%, of the Municipal User Fee will go toward public right-of-way improvements, which include paving and ADA improvements to sidewalks.

In action: Since 2016, the Municipal User Fee has allowed the City Engineering Department to pave 30 miles of city streets and install over 468 ADA improvements to city sidewalks.

PUBLIC WORKS $0.57/WEEK

In the FY 2020 budget, approximately $835,000, or 19%, of the Municipal User Fee will go toward Public Works personnel (13%) and the purchase of Public Works equipment (6%).

In action: Since 2016, the Municipal User Fee has allowed the Morgantown Public Works Department to hire 5 additional staff and purchase new equipment including a street sweeper, snow plows, and paving equipment to help maintain our city.

FIRE FEE - COST VARIES

FIRE DEPT. 52%

The FY 2020 Fire Department Budget in total is $6.5 million, which is funded in part, through the Fire Fee. Charges for residential, commercial, and university properties make up over 52%, or $3.3 million, of the Department’s overall costs.

In action: The Fire Fees have helped the Morgantown Fire Department earn a Class Two rating from the Insurance Services Office. This places it within the top 3% of fire departments across the nation on its ability to protect the community.

PROPERTY TAX -11.6%

In the FY 2020 budget, property taxes are expected to generate $4.35 million. These monies are placed in the General Fund and support city operations such as personnel, public safety, streets and transportation, transit, and culture and recreation.

Top five revenue sources:
1. B&O Tax $13,300,000
2. Property Tax $4,345,398
3. B&O Construction $2,300,000
4. Utility Excise Tax $1,195,000
5. Hotel Occupancy $1,000,000

WHERE ARE THE FUNDS USED?

Operating Transfers & Contributions 6.04%
Culture & Recreation 8.89%
Streets & Transportation 22.74%
Transit 0.96%
General Government 15.31%
Public Safety 46.07%