

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

FISCAL YEAR

The City of Bridgeport's Fiscal Year begins July 1 and ends June 30.

BALANCED BUDGET

The Charter of the City of Bridgeport mandates a balanced budget. For the purposes of meeting this requirement, each year a budget is adopted in which the projected expenditures are equal to the projected revenues.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The City of Bridgeport's accounting system is operated on a fund basis. A fund is a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts in which cash and other financial resources or balances are recorded and segregated to carry on specific activities or attain certain objectives in accordance with specific regulations and limitations. The operations of the general fund are maintained on a modified accrual basis, with revenues recorded when measurable and available and the expenditures recorded when the services or goods are received and liabilities are incurred. In contrast, accounting records for the City's enterprise, pension and nonexpendable trust funds are managed on the accrual basis of accounting. The types of funds utilized by the City are as follows: general; special revenue; capital projects; enterprise; and trust and agency. The type and number of individual funds established is determined by GAAP and sound financial administration.

BUDGET PROCEDURE

The Mayor's annual budget is developed by the City's Office of Policy & Management (OPM). The budget is submitted to the City Council, which in turn makes additions and changes as necessary before turning it over to the Mayor for approval. The City maintains budgetary control through the Office of Policy & Management. The objective of budgetary control is to ensure compliance with the legal provisions embodied in the annual adopted budget approved by the City Council. The level of budgetary control is established by organization, agency, appropriation and object. The City of Bridgeport also utilizes an encumbrance accounting system as one technique for accomplishing budgetary control. Encumbrances reserve appropriations which have been obligated through purchase orders or other contractual documents. Encumbrances are reported as reservations of fund balance at the end of the year. Transfers of certain appropriations between departments require the approval of the City Council. The City of Bridgeport's Capital & General Fund Budgets must be adopted by the City Council and approved by the Mayor.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

The management of the City of Bridgeport is maintained through a control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the City are protected from loss, theft, or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data is compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP. The control structure is designed to provide reasonable assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived from that cost and that the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments be made by management. In addition, the City of Bridgeport has an internal audit staff responsible for monitoring the various City departments in compliance with the City Charter, ordinances, and all other policies and procedures.

As a recipient of Federal, State and local financial assistance, the City of Bridgeport is responsible for ensuring adequate internal control policies and procedures are in place to ensure and document compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to these programs. This internal control structure is subject to periodic evaluation by management as well.

FY 2013-2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET
 BUDGET SUMMARY BUDGET & ACCOUNTING POLICIES

LEGAL DEBT LIMIT

The total overall statutory debt limit for the City is equal to seven times annual receipts from taxation, or \$1,921,265,906. All long-term debt obligations are retired through General Fund appropriations or user charges. As of June 30, 2012, the City recorded long-term debt of \$693 million related to Governmental Activities and \$45.6 million related to Business-Type Activities, well below its statutory debt limit. The City's total debt increased by \$36.7 million during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. For more information on debt service, see the debt service section.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The City carries commercial insurance for insurable risks of loss except for general liability, workers' compensation and employee health and dental insurance. Coverage has not been materially reduced, nor have settled claims exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

The City carries no insurance coverage for losses arising out of workers' compensation claims. These claims are paid from the General Fund. This is accounted for in the governmental activities of the government-wide statements.

The City maintains a group health and dental self-insurance plan to pay for medical claims of current and retired City employees and their covered dependents. Approximately 3,852 active employees and 3,726 retirees receive their health coverage through this plan. Payments related to these claims are made by an outside administrator under an administrative services contract and are accounted for in the Internal Service Fund. The contract requires the City to maintain a \$2,500,000 certificate of deposit which is recorded as restricted cash in the accompanying balance sheet.

The liability for general liability, workers' compensation and group health insurance includes all known claims reported plus a provision for those claims incurred but not reported, net of estimated recoveries. The liability is based on past experience adjusted for current trends and includes incremental claim expenditures. The liability for workers' compensation claims is calculated using actuarial methods. Changes in the reported liability are as follows:

A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liabilities for claims for the 2002-2012 fiscal years:

	CURRENT YEAR			
	LIABILITY: START OF	CLAIMS &	LIABILITY: END OF	
	FISCAL YEAR	CHANGES IN	CLAIM PAYMENTS	FISCAL YEAR
	ESTIMATES	ESTIMATES	CLAIM PAYMENTS	ESTIMATES
2012	\$ 109,987,266	\$ 99,431,453	\$ 107,232,923	\$ 102,185,796
2011	\$ 83,701,474	\$ 124,650,961	\$ 98,365,169	\$ 109,987,266
2010	\$ 72,277,783	\$ 119,677,303	\$ 108,253,612	\$ 83,701,474
2009	\$ 67,301,000	\$ 102,263,079	\$ 90,691,701	\$ 72,277,783
2008	\$ 65,740,860	\$ 88,167,399	\$ 86,607,259	\$ 67,301,000
2007	\$ 50,070,000	\$ 95,669,180	\$ 79,998,320	\$ 65,740,860
2006	\$ 54,076,619	\$ 71,379,804	\$ 75,386,423	\$ 50,070,000
2005	\$ 62,045,079	\$ 66,036,204	\$ 74,004,664	\$ 54,076,619
2004	\$ 61,964,745	\$ 66,974,067	\$ 66,893,733	\$ 62,045,079
2003	\$ 65,787,386	\$ 59,776,938	\$ 63,599,579	\$ 61,964,745
2002	\$ 81,968,096	\$ 42,867,583	\$ 59,048,293	\$ 65,787,386

AUDIT

State Statutes require an annual audit conducted by independent certified public accountants. Portions of these audits are included in the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and these can be accessed through the City's website, http://www.bridgeportct.gov/filestorage/89019/89745/2012_CAFR_Bridgeport.pdf

UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE POLICY

PURPOSE

To maintain a balance of funds within the total unreserved, undesignated fund balance to be available for unforeseen contingencies.

Definition: Unreserved, undesignated fund balance is the remaining balance available following the reduction for "resources not available for spending" or "legal restrictions" (reservation) and "management's intended future use of resources" (designation).

POLICY

The sum of all components identified for the undesignated fund balance level will be set at no less than 8.00% of annual operating expenditures and other financing uses (transfers out) of the prior audited fiscal year with the annual approval by the City Council. In the event that the undesignated fund balance exceeds 12.00%, the amount exceeding this percentage may be available for appropriation at the discretion of the Mayor with the approval of City Council.

RATIONALE

The City of Bridgeport recognizes the importance of maintaining an appropriate level of undesignated fund balance on a Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) basis to withstand short-term financial emergencies. After evaluating the City's operating characteristics, its overall financial health, the diversity and flexibility of its tax base, the reliability of non-property tax revenues sources, the City's working capital needs, the impact of state policies regarding tax exempt properties and PILOT reimbursements on City revenues, Brownfield policies, the national, state and local economic outlooks, emergency and disaster risks, other contingent issues and the impact on the City bond ratings of all these factors, the City of Bridgeport hereby establishes goals regarding the appropriate handling and funding of the undesignated fund balance.

The City of Bridgeport's formal undesignated fund balance policy shall be to maintain adequate unencumbered reserves to accomplish the following objectives:

- (1) Have sufficient funds available for appropriation for unforeseen expenditures or unforeseen shortfalls in revenue after adoption of the annual budget ; and
- (2) Avoid unexpected spikes in the mill rate caused by non-reoccurring revenues.

REPLENISHMENT OF SHORTFALL

The undesignated fund balance of the General Fund may fall below the approved minimum level due to fluctuations between planned and actual revenues and expenditures, other financial emergencies or catastrophic events of an unforeseen nature. When an audited shortfall is reported in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), it must be rebuilt during the following ensuing fiscal years. This will be achieved by adding an annual appropriation, during the budgeting process of a minimum of 10% of the difference between the fund balance policy level and the undesignated fund balance presented in the latest audited statements.

When dealing with the unanticipated sale of municipal assets, no less than 50% of the "gain on sale of city asset" must be deposited toward the undesignated fund balance until the 12.00% goal has been achieved.

The maintenance of undesignated levels is not to be construed as surpluses or over-taxation by the City. Rather, it is an element of sound fiscal management required for sustaining a high credit rating and financial management flexibility.

DESCRIPTION OF FUND STRUCTURE

The accounts of the City of Bridgeport are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, utilizing a fund structure in which fund activities are aggregated for specific purposes. A fund is a combination of related accounts used to maintain control & accountability of resources that are dedicated to specific activities or objectives. The City of Bridgeport, like other state & local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure appropriate fiscal control and to demonstrate our compliance with accepted accounting principles set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Detailed financial schedules for all of the funds described below are *not* contained within this budget document. This document includes information on the General Fund, as well as some detail on the Internal Service Fund, and Capital Project Funds. Of these funds, only the General Fund is subject to appropriation. Detail on the other funds described below can be found in the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, prepared by the Finance Department, and can be accessed through the City's website, <http://www.bridgeportct.gov/finance>. Grateful acknowledgement of the assistance of the Finance Department in providing certain schedules and detail from the 2012 CAFR is noted here, and we have provided attribution for these throughout the budget book, as is applicable.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

The City of Bridgeport maintains 21 individual governmental funds. The major funds of these 21 are discussed below.

THE GENERAL FUND is the primary operating fund of the city. It is the largest fund which encompasses traditional governmental services, and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is primarily supported by the property tax. General Fund revenues are displayed by type in the Revenue Summary section of this budget and by department in the Budget Detail section. Appropriations are also listed by department in the Budget Detail section. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS are used to account for revenues dedicated for a specific purpose. These funds are prescribed by Federal or State program guidelines regarding the distribution or use of revenues.

THE DEBT SERVICE FUND is used for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long term bonded debt to be issued in future years.

BOARD OF EDUCATION FUND This fund accounts for the operations of the Board of Education, except for those required to be accounted for in another fund.

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS are utilized for various construction projects as well as the purchase of the City's fleet inventory. Capital Project Funds are used to account for the proceeds of general obligation bonds and other financing sources for the planning, acquisition and construction or improvement of major capital facilities such as new schools and urban renewal projects.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

ENTERPRISE FUNDS are used to report activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise. In the case of the City of Bridgeport, the Water Pollution Control Authority or WPCA, is one such fund which accounts for the activities of the City's two sewage treatment plants, sewage pumping stations, and collection systems

for the City of Bridgeport. These funds are covered in the Finance Department's Annual Financial Report, but not in this document.

THE INTERNAL SERVICE FUND was established by Ordinance to account for self-insured health benefit activities of the City, Board of Education (BOE) and all other departments. Governmental Accounting Standards allow for the use of Internal Service Funds for risk financing activities. The Internal Service Fund is a proprietary type fund, which utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. The use of a separate fund for self insured benefit activities can help smooth the impact of severe claims fluctuations which can now occur in the General Fund. Funding will be provided through the annual General Fund Budget which will separately identify the City, BOE, BOE Grants and Nutrition portions. The amount budgeted will be the amount transferred to the Internal Service Fund. Contributions will be also be made by the WPCA and Grants. Employee contributions will be made directly to the Internal Service Fund. Interest and investment income earned by the fund will be used to pay expenses of the fund. Investment of available funds will be made by the City Finance Director and Treasurer in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. These funds are not reflected in government-side financial statements because the resources contained within these funds are not available to provide services for the City's constituents. The City of Bridgeport has four pension trust funds that support the pensions of City employees. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds, and again, is covered in some detail in the Finance Department's Annual Financial Report, but not in this document.

THE BUDGET PROCESS

MAYOR RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

City departments begin preparation and documentation processes for the budget in January. The Office of Policy & Management reviews all submitted department requested documents; verifies contractual obligation thresholds, calculates all formula-driven data, and presents a draft budget to the Mayor and selected staff. In accordance with the City Charter, Chapter 9, Section 5(c) the Mayor, no later than the first Tuesday in April of each year, must present to the City Council a proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year as prescribed in that same section.

CITY COUNCIL PROCESS

The City Council's Budget and Appropriations Committee, under City Council rules, will set a schedule for budget deliberations and in accordance with City Charter, shall hold at least one public hearing before taking final action on the proposed budget and mill rate. The City Council Budgets & Appropriations Committee reports its changes to the Council as a whole in the form of a budget amendment resolution. The City Council has the power to reduce or delete any item in the budget recommended by the Mayor by a majority vote of the council members present and voting. It shall have the power to increase any item in said budget or add new items to said budget only on a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the entire membership of the council. The budget adopted by the City Council shall be submitted to the Mayor not later than the second Tuesday in May of each year. The Mayor shall sign the adopted budget or within fourteen days after adoption of the budget, the Mayor may veto any action taken by the City Council. The veto power of the Mayor shall be that of line item veto only, and any such veto may be overridden by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire membership of the City Council. If the Mayor shall disapprove any action of the City Council, he shall, no later than the close of business of the fourteenth day, return the proposed budget to the City Council with a statement of objections. Thereupon, the President of the City Council shall call a meeting to be held no later than seven days after the receipt of the Mayor's veto. If the City Council fails to adopt a budget by the second Tuesday in May of any year, the proposed budget of the Mayor shall become the budget of the City for the ensuing year.

BUDGET TIMETABLE

FISCAL YEAR 2013 - 2014

<u>Dates:</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Actions</u>
Feb. 8, 2013	Friday	Departments submit capital project request and back-up to OPM
Feb. 15, 2013 <i>15-Feb</i>	Friday	Departments data enter request budget into MUNIS <i>DEPARTMENTS MUST SUBMIT STATUS OF FY2013 GOALS FOR FIRST SIX MONTHS TO OPM</i>
Feb. 18, 2013	Monday	Last day for BOE to enter requested budget changes into MUNIS
March 05, 2013 (no later than) <i>Feb 18 - Mar 22</i>	Tuesday	Mayor Submits Capital Budget to the City Council <i>Mayor formulates General Fund Budget. Budget goes to final production</i>
April 02, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	Per City Charter, Mayor Submits Proposed Budget to the City Council
TBD		BAC meetings and Public Hearing held
May 07, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	Capital Improvement Program is adopted and Submitted to Departments Directors
May 14, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	City Council Submits Adopted Budget to the Mayor
May 28, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	Last day for the Mayor to Veto the City Council's Adopted Budget
June 04, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	Last day for the City Council to vote on the Mayor's veto of the City Council's Adopted Budget
June 11, 2013 (no later than)	Tuesday	City Council sets mill rate <i>(mill rate is set no later than seven days after action on the budget is complete) This may be a vote necessary no later than June 4th.</i>

FY 2013-2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET
 BUDGET SUMMARY GENERAL FUND BY AGENCY

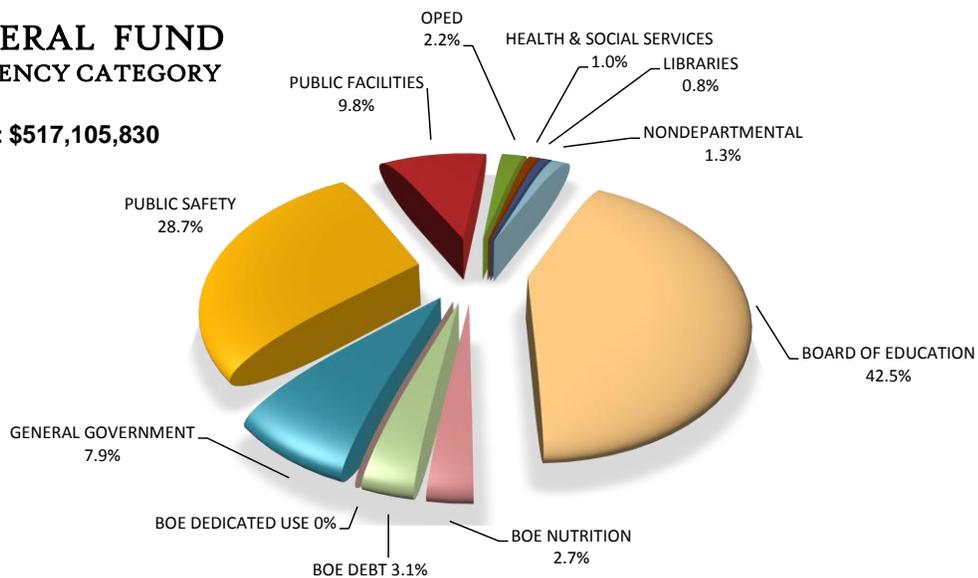
The General Fund is primarily funded by the property tax. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period, or soon enough thereafter, to pay liabilities of the current period.

GENERAL FUND
 BY AGENCY CATEGORY

AGENCY CATEGORY	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 CURRENT BUDGET	FY 2014 MAYOR PROPOSED	FY2014 COUNCIL ADOPTED	VARIANCE
01 GENERAL GOVERNMENT	39,847,405	40,779,159	41,504,611	40,760,080	-19,078
02 PUBLIC SAFETY	145,709,580	145,147,506	149,396,827	148,590,303	3,442,797
03 PUBLIC FACILITIES	41,996,495	45,055,390	51,532,652	50,518,749	5,463,359
04 OPED	12,878,677	11,033,724	11,125,786	11,125,786	92,062
05 HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES	3,898,378	4,746,339	5,035,577	5,035,577	289,238
06 NONDEPARTMENTAL	4,027,382	5,466,023	4,504,128	4,104,128	-1,361,895
07 LIBRARIES	6,060,999	6,748,214	6,748,214	6,877,801	129,587
08 BOARD OF EDUCATION	215,841,144	219,813,895	219,813,895	219,813,895	0
09 BOE FOOD SERVICES	11,705,594	13,788,890	14,046,476	14,046,472	257,582
10 BOE DEBT SERVICE	15,664,675	14,777,193	16,233,038	16,233,038	1,455,845
11 BOE DEDICATED USE	0	900,000	0	0	-900,000
Grand Total	497,630,329	508,256,333	519,941,205	517,105,830	8,849,497

**GENERAL FUND
 BY AGENCY CATEGORY**

TOTAL: \$517,105,830

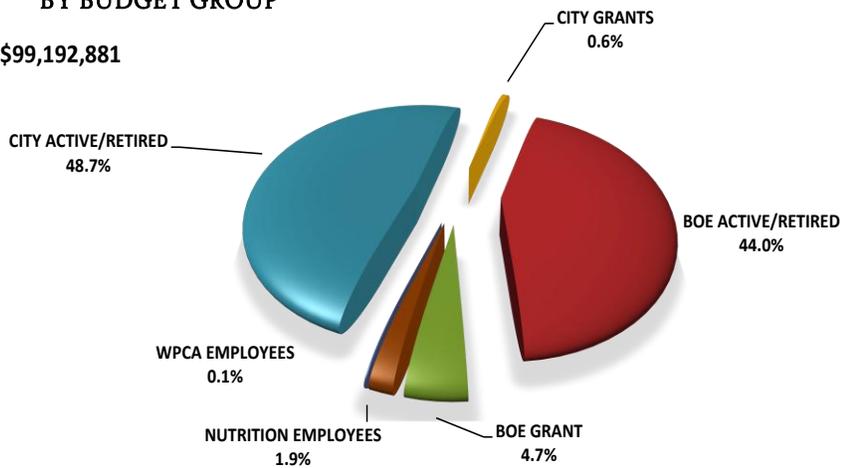


INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

The City, by Ordinance, established an Internal Service Fund to account for self-insured health benefit activities of the City, Board of Education and all other departments. Governmental Accounting Standards allow for the use of Internal Service Funds for risk financing activities. The Internal Service Fund is a proprietary type fund, which utilizes the accrual basis of accounting.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUND
BY BUDGET GROUP

TOTAL: \$99,192,881



FY 2013-2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET
BUDGET SUMMARY INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

DESC	OBJECT	DESC	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
'GRANT HEALTH BENEFITS	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-899,519	-637,938	-612,167
'GRANT HEALTH BENEFITS	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-211,281	-173,662	-288,733
'HEALTH BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION	'44382	'MEDICARE PART D REIMBURSEMENT	0	-500,000	-500,000
'HEALTH BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-44,034,424	-44,476,223	-48,281,582
'HEALTH BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-3,373,286	-5,395,311	-5,045,718
'HEALTH BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION	'44385	'RETIREE CONTRIBUTIONS	-600,000	-940,666	-700,000
'WPCA INTERNAL HEALTH SERVICE	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-102,007	-68,497	-110,036
'WPCA INTERNAL HEALTH SERVICE	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-34,003	-34,003	-39,964
'BOE INTERNAL HEALTH SERVICE	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-44,172,448	-44,396,775	-43,678,672
'HEALTH BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION	'44382	'MEDICARE PART D REIMBURSEMENT	0	0	-500,000
'BOE INTERNAL HEALTH SERVICE	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-4,382,862	-6,143,925	-7,310,028
'BOE INTERNAL HEALTH SERVICE	'44385	'RETIREE CONTRIBUTIONS	-3,200,000	-3,200,000	-3,500,000
'BOE GRANTS INTERNAL HEALTH SER	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-5,024,540	-5,902,650	-4,653,557
'BOE GRANTS INTERNAL HEALTH SER	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-691,780	-1,967,550	-1,746,243
'BOE FOOD SERVICES	'44383	'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-1,707,696	-1,784,250	-1,856,867
'BOE FOOD SERVICES	'44384	'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-234,609	-594,750	-572,433
GROSS REVENUE AND INTERFUND			-108,668,455	-116,216,200	-119,396,000
'GRANT HEALTH BENEFITS		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-211,281	-173,662	-288,733
CITY ACTIVE HEALTH BENEFIT		'MEDICARE PART D REIMBURSEMENT	0	-500,000	-500,000
CITY ACTIVE HEALTH BENEFIT		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-3,373,286	-5,395,311	-5,045,718
CITY RETIREE HEALTH BENEFIT		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-600,000	-940,666	-700,000
TOTAL CITY CONTRIBUTIONS			-3,973,286	-6,835,977	-6,245,718
WPCA HEALTH BENEFIT		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-34,003	-34,003	-39,964
BOE ACTIVE HEALTH BENEFIT		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-4,382,862	-6,143,925	-7,310,028
BOE ACTIVE HEALTH BENEFIT		'MEDICARE PART D REIMBURSEMENT	0	0	-500,000
BOE RETIREE HEALTH BENEFIT		'RETIREE CONTRIBUTIONS	-3,200,000	-3,200,000	-3,500,000
TOTAL BOE CONTRIBUTIONS			-7,582,862	-9,343,925	-11,310,028
BOE GRANTS HEALTH BENEFIT		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-691,780	-1,967,550	-1,746,243
'BOE FOOD SERVICES		'ACTIVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	-234,609	-594,750	-572,433
TOTAL FROM EMPLOYEES			-12,727,821	-18,949,867	-20,203,119
'GRANT HEALTH BENEFITS		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-899,519	-637,938	-612,167
CITY HEALTH BENEFIT		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-44,034,424	-44,476,223	-48,281,582
WPCA HEALTH BENEFIT		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-102,007	-68,497	-110,036
BOE HEALTH BENEFIT		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-44,172,448	-44,396,775	-43,678,672
BOE GRANTS HEALTH BENEFIT		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-5,024,540	-5,902,650	-4,653,557
'BOE FOOD SERVICES		'INTERFUND CONTRIBUTION	-1,707,696	-1,784,250	-1,856,867
NET NEED FROM CITY			-95,940,634	-97,266,333	-99,192,881
TOTALS			-108,668,455	-116,216,200	-119,396,000

FY 2013-2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET
BUDGET SUMMARY

REVENUE SUMMARY

The primary source of revenues in the City of Bridgeport is property taxes. The second largest source of revenue is Intergovernmental Revenue—which includes aid to public schools, Education Cost Sharing, and funding for federal school lunch programming. Education Cost Sharing funds from the state help to provide essential funding for schools in urban areas where student need is great and local funding for schools can strain local budgets. While the Proposed budget is created based on revenue predictions from the State of Connecticut’s proposed budget, by June 5, the State of Connecticut’s budget was passed, so concerns about proposed cuts to municipal aid were resolved. On the state level, overall municipal aid increased 3.3% and funding for education increased by 3.8%. Education Cost Sharing grants increased by 2.9%. |

REVENUE SUMMARY

ORG DESC	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 CURRENT BUDGET	FY2014 MAYOR PROPOSED	FY2014 COUNCIL ADOPTED	VARIANCE
01010000 COMPTROLLERS OFFICE	3,115,764	2,556,022	3,260,860	5,545,958	2,989,936
01040000 TAX COLLECTOR	275,318,493	285,683,587	305,792,810	294,559,891	8,876,304
01041000 TAX ASSESSOR	20,052,437	19,548,095	8,549,491	15,465,514	-4,082,581
01045000 TREASURY	72,663	200,000	125,000	125,000	-75,000
01050000 REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	100	100	100	100	0
01060000 CITY ATTORNEY	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	0
01070000 CIVIL SERVICE	93,342	90,100	90,100	90,100	0
01090000 TOWN CLERK	1,440,025	1,552,100	1,352,100	1,352,100	-200,000
01108000 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICE	7	250	250	250	0
01250000 POLICE ADMINISTRATION	5,984,674	6,374,550	6,374,550	6,374,550	0
01260000 FIRE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION	202,243	204,425	204,425	204,425	0
01285000 WEIGHTS & MEASURES	76,915	76,000	76,000	76,000	0
01290000 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER	77,404	0	0	0	0
01300000 PUBLIC FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION	935,176	776,300	791,800	886,800	110,500
01325000 SANITATION & RECYCLING	7,795	6,900	10,400	10,400	3,500
01341000 BEARDSLEY ZOO / CAROUSEL	336,633	0	0	0	0
01350000 RECREATION	53,040	67,000	67,000	67,000	0
01355000 PARKS ADMINISTRATION	2,222,540	2,346,856	2,349,606	2,514,606	167,750
01356000 PARKS MAINTENANCE SERVICES	-29,028	0	0	0	0
01375000 AIRPORT	773,964	842,140	849,264	849,264	7,124
01385000 ENGINEERING	4,411	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
01450000 OPEN ADMINISTRATION	671,562	455,000	455,000	455,000	0
01455000 BUILDING DEPARTMENT	2,769,198	3,213,000	3,603,000	3,603,000	390,000
01456000 ZONING, BOARD OF APPEALS	38,348	35,000	35,000	35,000	0
01457000 ZONING COMMISSION	199,526	170,400	170,400	170,400	0
01552000 VITAL STATISTICS	490,685	443,250	490,580	490,580	47,330
01554000 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CLINIC	36,545	0	0	0	0
01555000 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	312,963	354,200	354,200	354,200	0
01556000 HOUSING CODE	-37,214	23,000	17,700	17,700	-5,300
01600000 GENERAL PURPOSE BONDS PAYAB	2,272,385	2,947,615	2,755,383	2,755,383	-192,232
01610000 OTHER FINANCING USES	59,690	100,000	100,000	100,000	0
01863000 BOE ADMINISTRATION	162,885,443	164,564,894	167,349,601	165,351,191	786,297
01875000 TRANSPORTATION	1,634,529	1,623,838	403,523	1,338,356	-285,482
01900902 BOE FOOD SERVICES	11,718,146	13,992,711	14,304,062	14,304,062	311,351
Grand Total	493,790,404	508,256,333	519,941,205	517,105,830	8,849,497

FY 2013-2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET
 BUDGET SUMMARY

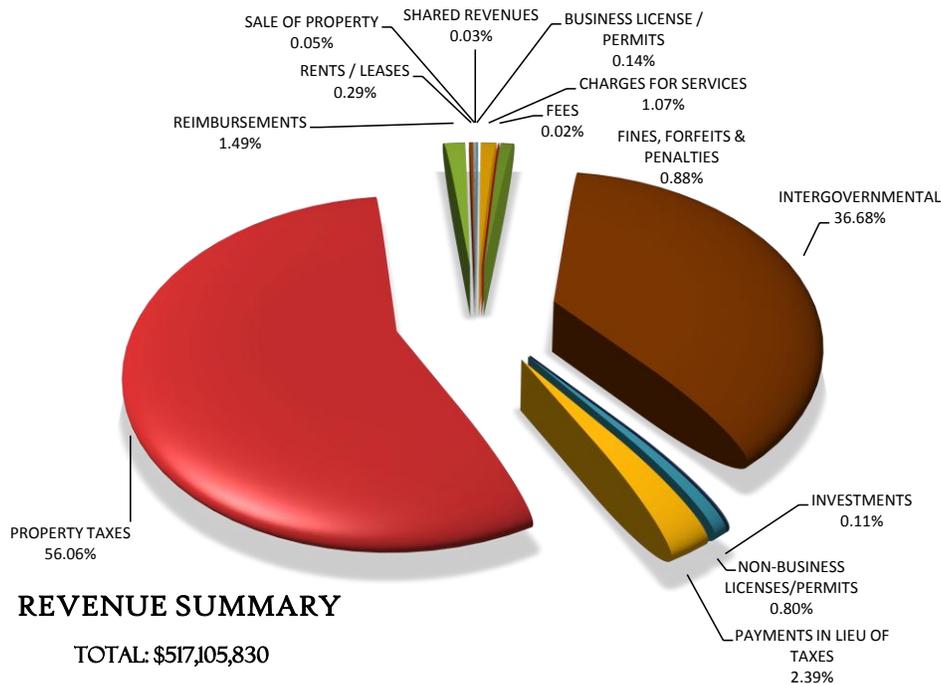
REVENUE SUMMARY

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BY AGENCY TYPE

The City of Bridgeport's revenues rely heavily on Property Taxes & Intergovernmental Revenue. This year's budget takes a conservative approach to tax collection revenues, and includes an increase in municipal aid. The State budget increased Education Cost Sharing by 3.0%, but decreased PILOT payments, though less than initially projected. For complete detail on revenues on and the State Budget's impact on Bridgeport, see the Revenue Detail section.

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CHARGES FOR SERVICES	5,799,468	5,469,335	5,347,600	5,512,600	43,265
DEBT SERVICE PARENT CENTER FEES	60,000 22,425	60,000 19,850	60,000 23,480	60,000 23,480	0 3,630
FINES, FORFEITS & PENALTIES	5,007,760	4,489,480	4,492,980	4,542,980	53,500
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	185,868,939	190,230,158	185,495,811	189,649,172	-580,986
INVESTMENTS	572,663	650,000	575,000	575,000	-75,000
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SALE OF PROPERTY	229,812	275,000	270,000	270,000	-5,000
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APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

BY AGENCY CATEGORY

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01 GENERAL GOVERNMENT	39,847,405	40,779,159	41,504,611	40,760,080	-19,078
02 PUBLIC SAFETY	145,709,580	145,147,506	149,396,827	148,590,303	3,442,797
03 PUBLIC FACILITIES	41,996,495	45,055,390	51,532,652	50,518,749	5,463,359
04 OPED	12,878,677	11,033,724	11,125,786	11,125,786	92,062
05 HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES	3,898,378	4,746,339	5,035,577	5,035,577	289,238
06 NONDEPARTMENTAL	4,027,382	5,466,023	4,504,128	4,104,128	-1,361,895
07 LIBRARIES	6,060,999	6,748,214	6,748,214	6,877,801	129,587
08 BOARD OF EDUCATION	215,841,144	219,813,895	219,813,895	219,813,895	0
09 BOE FOOD SERVICES	11,705,594	13,788,890	14,046,476	14,046,472	257,582
10 BOE DEBT SERVICE	15,664,675	14,777,193	16,233,038	16,233,038	1,455,845
11 BOE DEDICATED USE	0	900,000	0	0	-900,000
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GENERAL FUND BUDGET

BY APPROPRIATION TYPE

	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 BUDGET	FY2014 MAYOR PROPOSED	FY2014 COUNCIL ADOPTED	VARIANCE
1 PERSONAL SERVICES	76,435,123	81,238,201	82,052,865	80,636,622	-601,579
2 OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES	27,281,578	20,143,607	19,199,772	19,199,772	-943,835
3 FRINGE BENEFITS	67,178,869	68,907,196	72,601,533	72,245,413	3,338,218
4 OPERATING EXPENSES	72,829,079	75,612,210	81,040,224	80,349,043	4,736,834
5 FIN SOURCE RESERVE/CONTINGEN	0	675,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	825,000
6 SPECIAL SERVICES	9,964,788	11,312,524	12,365,784	11,993,957	681,433
7 SUPPORTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS	729,478	1,087,618	1,087,618	1,087,618	0
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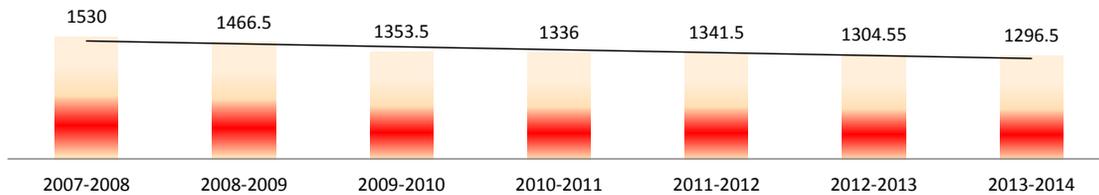
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DEPARTMENTS	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	FY 06-07	FY 07-08	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	FY 10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14
	Total	Adopted	Adopted								
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	183	192	180	180	185	180	173	176	177	168	166
PUBLIC SAFETY	925	946	872	925	912	911	858	834	835	812	807
PUBLIC FACILITIES	145	148	141	139	139	144	137	137	137	131	126
PARKS & RECREATION	52	53	53	53	54	47	46	46	45	43	43
TRANSPORTATION	22	22	22	22	22	21	21	21	21	19	19
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	34	36	33	33	40	44	38	38	40	39	40
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES	104	104	101	99	100	51	22	25	26	30	31
HUMAN SERVICES	7	6	6	8	9	9	7	8	9	10	11
LIBRARIES	68	68	68	69	69	60	52	52	53	53	54
TOTAL: ALL CITY EMPLOYEES	1,539.0	1,574.0	1,475.5	1,527.5	1,530.0	1,466.5	1,353.5	1,336.0	1,341.5	1,304.5	1,296.6

TOTAL EMPLOYEES



The proposed budget provides for level staffing as stated in the Mayor's transmittal letter with the inclusion of two new funded positions. Through the Finch administration, there has been a reduction of over 233 direct service positions in keeping with its mission of providing CORE services to the public, first and foremost. Additionally, this budget once again includes in every department TOTAL personnel costs such as Medicare, social security, pension and health care. Although health care is determined on a COBRA basis and not true cost, as the City is on claim payout, it is a fair representation of how and where the total value is paid. This is another milestone in the Finch's Administration philosophy regarding fiscal integrity and more transparent governance. This budget continues to direct the City's labor force to the delivery of Core and Core-supportive services. City Charter mandates: Administering and affecting governance; educating; protection of persons and property; promotion of sanitation, recycling, and blight removal; maintenance of the City's physical assets including buildings, roads, parks and fleet; promotion of housing and economic development; and regulatory oversight of environmental, building, code and zoning compliance.

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TAX RATE DETERMINATION

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GRAND LIST (adjusted for supplemental MV)	6,999,983,058	7,052,118,795
LEVY CHANGES / ELDERLY TAX PROGRAMS	-64,511,009	16,536,040
ADJUSTED GRAND LIST	6,935,472,049	7,068,654,835
COLLECTION RATE	97.30%	97.30%
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	6,748,214,304	6,877,801,154
TAX RATE / \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE	41.11240	41.85520
PRIOR YEAR TAX RATE / \$1,000 OF ASSESSMENT	277,435,286	287,871,743
CHANGE +/- FROM PRIOR YEAR	0.000	0.743
MIL RATE	41.112	41.855

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HOW YOUR BRIDGEPORT TAXES ARE DETERMINED

Taxes are assessed as of October 1, they are levied (or collected) on the following July 1, and are due in two installments due July 1 and January 1. Liens are filed on the last day of the fiscal year. Taxes are based on the assessed value multiplied by the current mill rate. One mill is equal to \$1.00 of tax for each \$1,000 of assessment.

Mill Rate: 41.855 mills (.041855)

Assessed value is \$200,000	
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Properties are assessed based on a formula that calculates 70% of their assessed fair market value. The property in Bridgeport, and throughout the state of Connecticut, was recently reevaluated according to the 5 year assessment schedule mandated by State of Connecticut Statutes.

Revaluation is a mass appraisal of all property within an assessment jurisdiction (i.e., the City of Bridgeport) to equalize assessed values. A city-wide reassessment of real properties is conducted to assign fair market values to all properties. This assessment allows a balancing of the city's real property tax burden among taxpayers.

MILL RATE HISTORY

Current mill rate fiscal year 2013-2014: 41.855

- mill rate fiscal year 2012-2013: 41.11
- mill rate fiscal year 2011-2012: 39.64
- mill rate fiscal year 2010-2011: 39.64
- mill rate fiscal year 2009-2010: 38.73
- mill rate fiscal year 2008-2009: 44.58
- mill rate fiscal year 2007-2008: 41.28
- mill rate fiscal year 2006-2007: 42.28
- mill rate fiscal year 2005-2006: 40.32
- mill rate fiscal year 2004-2005: 38.99

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BUDGET SUMMARY APPROPRIATION CATEGORY

PERSONNEL SERVICES

Full Time Earned Salaries
Part Time Earned Salaries
Temporary/Seasonal Earned Pay
Distributed Pay by Attendance /
Absences

OTHER PERSONNEL SERVICES

Overtime Pay
Outside Overtime Pay
Long Term Acting Pay
Temporary Acting Pay
Shift Differential Pay
Permanent Shift Pay
Holiday Pay
Longevity Pay
Compensatory Pay

FRINGE BENEFITS

Employee Allowance
 Uniform
 Laundry
Moving Expense Reimbursement
City-owned Vehicle Benefit
Health Related Employee Benefits
 Health
 Vision
 Dental
 Life insurance
Workers' Compensation
Unemployment Compensation
Health Benefits Buyout
Retiree Benefits
Fringe Benefits and Pensions
Employee Assistance Program

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

(MAJOR CATEGORIES)

Office Supplies
Medical Supplies
Automotive Services and Supplies
Utilities
 Electricity
 Water
 Natural Gas
 Heating Oil
Copy Equipment and Supplies
Computer Equipment, Software and
Supplies
Advertising
Subscriptions
Building Maintenance
Membership/Registrations
Postage and Printing services
Vehicle Maintenance

SPECIAL SERVICES

Legal Services
Training Services
Actuarial Services
Computer Maintenance
Auditing Services
Office Equipment Maintenance
Contract Services
Legal / Property Claims
Tuition Reimbursements

OTHER FINANCING USES

Debt Service
 Principal Payments
 Interest Payments
 Debt Service Refunding
Sewer Bonds
Pension Obligation Bonds
Fire Equipment Notes Payable
Attrition
Contingencies
Required Reserves
Supportive Contributions