

Town of Blackstone

Budget Summary
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The Town staff is inviting all citizens of the Town to come by the Town Office and have the annual budget explained to them in detail, if they so desire. A Public Hearing on this budget will be held **Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers. All interested residents of Blackstone are urged to attend and express their opinion. It is the intention of the Town to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you need special accommodations, please contact the Town Manager's office prior to **5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 14, 2024.**

Projected Revenue

General Fund:

Real Property Taxes	412,000.00
Personal Property Taxes	112,700.00
Penalties & Interest	13,700.00
Local Sales & Use Tax	230,000.00
Business License Tax	200,000.00
Motor Vehicle License Tax	60,000.00
Bank Stock Tax	130,000.00
Restaurant Food Tax	740,000.00
Lodging Tax	120,000.00
Cigarette Tax	80,000.00
Permits & Other Licenses	4,600.00
Fines & Forfeitures	15,000.00
Revenue from Use of Money	20,000.00
Revenue from Use of Property	15,500.00
Garbage Collections	516,000.00
Charges for Fire Services	12,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,130,250.00
Recovered Costs	733,000.00
Revenue from Commonwealth:	
Rolling Stock Tax	5,500.00
Auto Rental Tax	4,000.00
PPTRA Revenue from VA	42,986.00
State Communications Tax	13,000.00
599 Law Enforcement Grants	100,000.00
PD Highway & Equipment Grant	3,000.00
VDOT Highway Maintenance Grant	1,428,000.00
Litter Grant	2,500.00
Revenue from Federal Grants:	
ARPA Funds	110,000.00
FEMA Disaster Grant	117,000.00
Resurgence Grant	50,000.00
S. Main Paving Grant	599,000.00
Transfers In	773,800.00

General Fund Revenue

8,793,536.00

Weatherization Fund	140,000.00
Cemetery Fund	27,000.00
Fire Programs Fund	29,000.00
Airport Fuel Farm	451,465.00
Bus Transit Systems	1,051,183.00
Workforce Housing Fund	300,000.00
Taylor Bottom Project Fund	60,000.00
Medical Center Fund	62,000.00
Carriage Museum Fund	200.00
Electric Utilities Fund	5,131,608.00
Water/Sewer Utilities Fund	3,569,452.00
Water/Sewer Improvements	4,500.00

Total Projected Revenue

19,619,944.00

Projected Expense

General Fund:

Legislative	67,516.00
Administration	1,254,425.00
Downtown Blackstone, Inc./Tourism	69,395.00
Independent Auditor	27,100.00
Police Department	1,699,656.00
Fire Department	432,260.00
Highway & Street Maintenance	1,792,825.00
Sanitation & Waste Removal	488,289.00
General Properties:	
General Properties	26,275.00
Armory	2,500,000.00
Schwartz Tavern	22,300.00
Seay Park	6,650.00
Recreation	750.00
Wrigglesworth Stadium	10,650.00
Rescue Squad	23,500.00
Fire Training Grounds	26,650.00
Garage	256,845.00
Fuel Purchases	35,500.00
Carriage Museum	15,100.00
Library	17,450.00
Community Development	20,400.00

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The following rates will be in effect with the new budget:

Tax Rates (per \$100 value)

Effective July 1, 2024	
Real Estate	\$0.22
Personal Property	\$0.57
Bank Stock	\$0.80

Garbage Pickup Rates

Effective July 1, 2024	
In Town Residential	\$17.25
Out of Town Residential	\$24.25
In Town Commercial	
Small Commercial w/2x per week pick-up	\$28.25
Large Commercial w/ 3x per week pick-up	\$47.25
Out of Town Commercial	\$61.25

All commercial accounts requiring more than 3 pickups per week will be charged an additional \$35 per month

Cemetery Burial Fees

Current Rates for the Town of Blackstone	
Standard Plot - Burial Fee	\$200.00

Water & Sewer Rates
Effective July 1, 2024 Usage
Town of Blackstone

Gallons:	Amount
FIRST 3,000	\$26.42
3,001-40,000	\$8.81/1000
40,0001-87,000	\$8.64/1000
87,001-130,000	\$8.52/1000
ALL OVER 130,000	\$8.35/1000

Minimum sewer fee of \$26.49

Sewer Rate will be \$8.81 per thousand gallons of water over 3,000 gallons used.

Customers having sewer only will be charged \$41.37 per month.

Also 50% additional charge for water and sewer for all customers outside the corporate limits.

Electric Rates

Effective July 1, 2024 Usage
Town of Blackstone

Residential:

Basic customer Charge	\$9.17 /MONTH
FIRST 800	0.10778
801 - 2,500	0.11828
2,501 - 50,000	0.11898
OVER 50,001	0.11931

SECURITY LIGHT \$10.57 PER MONTH

\$3.00 UTILITY TAX FOR NOTTOWAY COUNTY PER METER FOR LANDFILL

Small General:

Basic Charge	\$17.14 /MONTH
First 20KW (Demand Charge)	FREE
all over 20 KW	\$9.88
First 3,000 KWH	0.11333
All over 3,000 KWH	0.09050

\$3.00 UTILITY TAX FOR NOTTOWAY COUNTY PER METER FOR LANDFILL

THE FEE FOR DELIVERING DISCONNECTION NOTICES IS \$12.50

Power Clause Adjustment (PCA):

All utility customers will have a PCA charge code for the following pass thru expenses:

PCp	*True Up	0 per kWh
FA	*Fuel Adjustment	0.00807 per kWh
SEPA	*Southeastern Power Admin	0.00164 per kWh

Electric Consumption Tax:

	State	Special	Local	Total
	Consumption Tax	Regulatory Tax	Consumption Tax	Consumption Tax
0 - 2500 KWH	\$0.00102	\$0.000195	\$0.00038	\$0.00160
2,501 - 50,000 KWH	\$0.00065	\$0.000130	\$0.00024	\$0.00102
OVER 50,001	\$0.00050	\$0.000091	\$0.00018	\$0.00077