

What will my 2024 taxes pay for?

Figures are based on 2024 average assessed property values in North Cowichan



\$494 to Protective Services

This includes 32 municipally funded RCMP Officers, your 4 fire halls, and Bylaw services



\$207 to Capital Expenditures

This includes new: pavement, roads, sidewalks, traffic circles, parking lots, playground equipment, and trail signage



\$311 to Roads and Drainage Maintenance

This includes street lighting, flood pumps and culvert cleaning, street cleaning, line painting, bridge maintenance, and snow removal

\$1,962

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\$149 to Parks and Recreation

This includes operation of the Cowichan Aquatic Centre, Fuller Lake Arena, Crofton Pool, sports fields, and your neighbourhood parks



\$77 to Development Services

This includes building permits and inspections, community planning and development applications



The remainder, **\$724**, is invested in: General government (\$339), Debt repayment (\$166), Library services (\$102), Reserve fund (\$86), and Energy and environment (\$31)



A homeowner in North Cowichan whose home has an average assessed value of \$767,412 will pay **\$4,078** in property taxes in 2024

This is how your tax dollars break down

\$835

Cowichan Valley Regional District

A portion of the property tax that North Cowichan collects is paid to the Cowichan Valley Regional District for regional services. Some of these services include:

- Transit
- Solid Waste
- Economic Development
- Emergency Planning
- 911 Services
- Regional Parks & Parkland Acquisition
- Environmental Initiatives
- Regional Tourism
- Arts & Culture
- Regional Recreation

\$27

BC Assessment and Municipal Finance Authority

\$973

Cowichan Valley School District 79

\$281

Cowichan Valley Regional Hospital District

Property taxes are due by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 2, 2024

Avoid a 10% penalty by paying your taxes and claiming your Home Owner Grant before this date

Don't forget: Claim your Home Owner Grant at gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant or call **1-888-355-2700**

How to pay

Online through your bank or financial institution – search “North Cowichan District Taxes” and use your folio number as the account

Cheque in person (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm), by mail, or by courier to Municipal Hall.

Credit card in person or online at northcowichan.ca/MyMuni
(note - a 2.75% convenience fee is added to all credit card transactions)

Tired of paper bills? Get your next utility or property tax bill by email! Visit northcowichan.ca to sign up for e-billing. You will need your account number and access code found at the top of your current bill.

Water conservation

North Cowichan's water conservation measures generally coincide in step with the Province's drought level – as the drought level increases, our water stages increase. We do this while monitoring the demands on our water systems and the environmental conditions of our water sources.

Water use spikes every spring as residents water their lawns and gardens. Reducing usage during peak spring and summer times helps keep infrastructure and water sources healthy.

What can you do?

- Let your lawn go brown (it's not dead - just dormant and will return to its lush green colour when rains return in the fall)
- Landscape with drought tolerant and native plants
- Install drip irrigation

The table below is a summary of lawn and garden water conservation measures only.
Visit northcowichan.ca/water for the full list of restrictions

	Stage 1 May 1 - Oct 31	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Outdoor watering is not permitted between the hours of 9am - 7pm				
Conventional irrigation systems and sprinklers				
Lawns, vegetable gardens, fruit trees, ornamental trees, shrubs, flower gardens	2 hours/day Even addresses: Wed & Sat Odd addresses: Thurs & Sun	2 hours/day Even addresses: Wednesday Odd addresses: Sunday	NOT PERMITTED	NOT PERMITTED
New lawns	2 hours/day Any day - requires Garden Irrigation Permit	1 hour/day Any day - requires Garden Irrigation Permit	1 hour/day Any day - requires Garden Irrigation Permit	NOT PERMITTED
Hand watering, micro/drip irrigation				
Vegetable gardens, fruit trees	4 hours/day	4 hours/day	2 hours/day	2 hours/day
Ornamental trees, shrubs, flower gardens	2 hours/day	2 hours/day	1 hour/day	1 hour/day
Lawns	2 hours/day	1 hour/day	NOT PERMITTED	NOT PERMITTED
New lawns	2 hours/day	1 hour/day	1 hour/day Requires Garden Irrigation Permit	NOT PERMITTED

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