PROPERTY TAX HIGHLIGHTS

SAN MATEO COUNTY CONTROLLER'S OFFICE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19



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Message from the Controller

To the Residents of San Mateo County,

Property taxes are an important source of funding for local governments, enabling them to provide services to their communities such as fire protection, public safety, health services, and education. For the eighth consecutive year, property taxes collected countywide have increased. The tax levy increased from \$2.6 billion in fiscal year 2017-18 to \$2.8 billion in fiscal year 2018-19, an increase of 8%. The levy includes \$2.3 billion for the 1% General Tax, \$250 million for debt service payments on bonds, and \$291 million in special charges.

This publication is intended to provide an overview of the administration of these property taxes, and of the different types that are collected and distributed in San Mateo County.

I would like to give a special thanks to the San Mateo County Historical Association and San Mateo County Parks Department for providing the historical photos for this report.

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Sincerely,



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Juan Raigoza San Mateo County Controller

Fiscal Year 2018-19 Tax Levy 1% General Tax \$2,254,497,837 Debt Service 250,319,479 Special Charges 290,934,111 Total Tax Levy \$2,795,751,427

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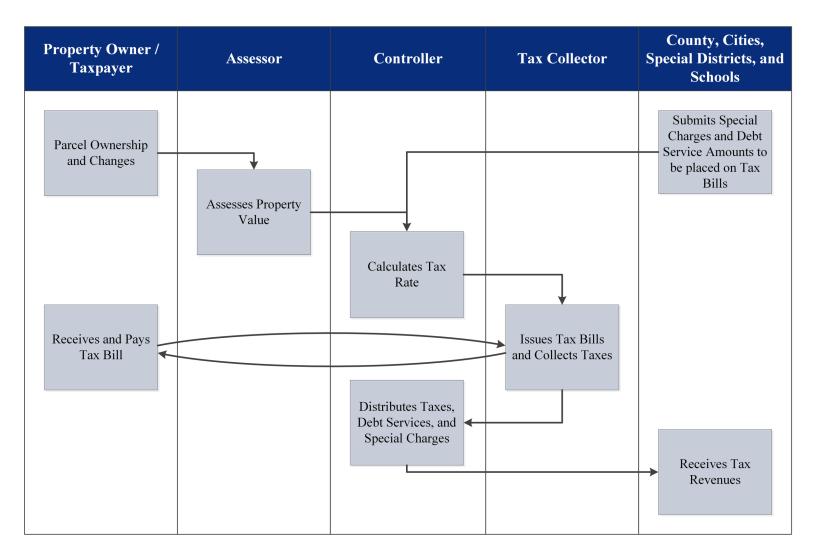


Boy with Fishing Pole at Pacifica Pier, 1964 by Norton Pearl © Norton Pearl Photography / San Mateo County Historical Association (2015.1.5711.10i)

Introduction

Proposition 13, approved by California voters in 1978, is the basis of the current property tax process. It limits the property tax rate to 1% of assessed values plus the rate necessary to service the debt on local voter-approved bonds. It also limits assessed value increases to a maximum 2% per year on properties that were not involved in a change of ownership or construction. Newly acquired properties are assessed at fair market value (usually the purchase price) and the value of new construction is added to the existing base value of a parcel.

The diagram below depicts the property tax process from the assessment of properties to the calculation of tax amounts, collection of taxes due, and finally, the distribution of property taxes to local government agencies.



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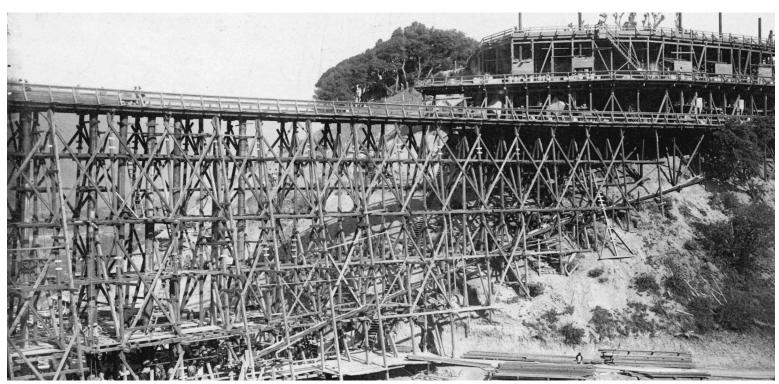
Property Owner / Taxpayer

Each year, taxable property is assessed (valued) as of January 1 (the lien date) and the values are used to calculate the taxes due for the fiscal year of July 1 through June 30. For example, the January 1, 2018 lien date values were used to calculate the taxes due for fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Once the property has been assessed, the taxes levied become a lien on the property (secured), or the assessee (unsecured), for which the owner is liable. Property owners are responsible for the timely payments of taxes. Late payments are subject to significant penalties under State law.

The table below shows the top ten taxpayers, which make up 6.30% of the total taxes billed. This shows that the County's tax base is broad and does not rely on a limited number of taxpayers or industries.

Top 10 Taxpayers in FY 2018-19	Type of Business	y Taxes Billed* nillions)	% of Total Taxes Billed*
Pacific Gas & Electric	Utility	\$ 27.4	1.09%
Genentech	Biotechnology	27.3	1.09%
United Airlines	Airline	26.1	1.04%
Gilead Sciences Inc	Biopharmaceutical	21.5	0.86%
Hibiscus Properties LLC	Real Estate	12.6	0.50%
Google, Inc.	Software	11.9	0.47%
ARE San Francisco	Real Estate	8.5	0.34%
Facebook Inc	Social Media	8.0	0.32%
Oracle Corporation	Software	7.8	0.31%
Slough BTC LLC	Lessor	7.0	0.28%
Total		\$ 158.1	6.30%



Building of the Crystal Springs Dam, c. 1887-1888 by James Van Court San Mateo County Historical Association Collection (217.12.14)

Assessor Values Property

Locally Assessed Properties

The primary responsibility of the County Assessor is to assess each property's value so that the owner pays the correct amount of property tax in accordance with State law. For most properties, except in the case of new construction or a change in ownership, the assessed value is the prior year's assessed value adjusted for inflation up to 2%. However, Proposition 8 amended Proposition 13 to recognize declines in market value for property tax purposes and allows for a temporary reduction to the assessed value when market value is less than the current assessed value. The assessed values of properties are recorded on the "local property assessment rolls".

Secured and Unsecured Rolls

The main categories of taxable property include real property, business and personal property, vessels, and aircraft. Real property, which includes both residential (homes, condos, and apartments) and non-residential (business, hotels, retail, etc.), is considered secured property. In fiscal year 2018-19, the County's secured roll included 221,355 properties (aka "parcels").

Business and personal property (e.g. machinery, equipment, office tools and supplies), vessels, and aircraft are considered unsecured property. In fiscal year 2018-19, the County's unsecured roll included 14,736 unsecured accounts, 3,047 boat accounts, and 358 non-commercial general aircraft accounts.

Supplemental Roll

The completion of new construction or a change in ownership results in a re-assessment of property and a supplemental tax bill that is in addition to the annual secured tax bill. The supplemental assessment roll captures the difference between the initial and new assessed value (based on the transfer or construction completion date). This roll is intended to capture changes to assessed value resulting from activities after the January 1 lien date, and the associated tax effect for the remainder of the tax year.

Exemptions

There are numerous full and partial exemptions provided by the State Constitution and the legislature that exclude certain property from taxation. Eligibility for such exemptions depends on the characteristics of the owners and property (e.g. disabled, elderly, charitable organization, etc.).

Appeals and Corrections to Assessed Values

The Assessment Appeals Board (AAB) allows taxpayers to dispute assessed values through administrative processes. The Assessor can also make corrections to the assessed values throughout the year. When changes in assessed value modify the original tax levy amount, it results in either a refund or new tax bill.



Carolands Chateau, Hillsborough, 1964 by Norton Pearl © Norton Pearl Photography / San Mateo County Historical Association (2015.1.5235.7)

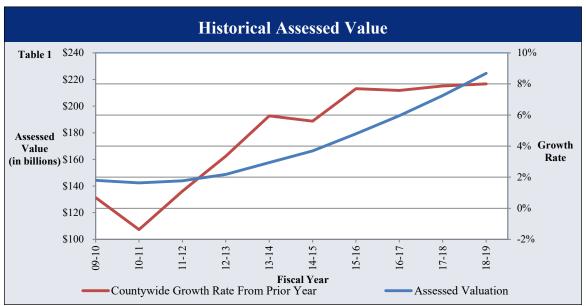
Assessor Values Property

State Assessed Properties

The California Board of Equalization maintains the assessed values for **utility** (e.g. AT&T), **unitary** (e.g. PG&E), and **railroad** properties. The State submits these assessed values to the County annually. In fiscal year 2018-19, the County had 509 utility, unitary, and railroad properties.

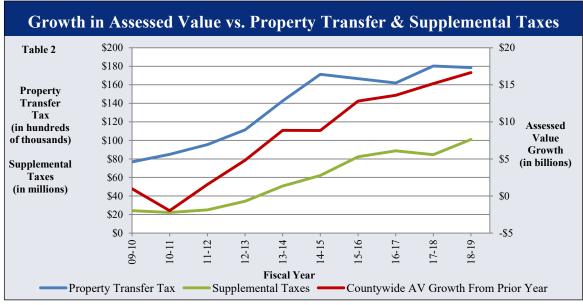
Trends in Assessed Values

Based on the January 1, 2018 lien date, countywide assessed values (net of exemptions) grew in fiscal year 2018-19 by \$16.6 billion, an increase of 8%. Table 1 shows a 10 year trend of the County's assessed values. Over these years assessed values have increased from \$144.3 billion to \$224.6 billion. This is a 56% increase over 9 years.



*Assessed values for secured, unsecured, utility, unitary, and railroad properties net of exemptions.

Leading indicators of tax growth are increases in property transfer taxes (fees for the transfer of ownership in property) and supplemental property taxes. Table 2 shows that in fiscal year 2018-19 transfer taxes are trending slightly down and supplemental taxes are on the rise.



^{*}Assessed values for secured, unsecured, utility, unitary, and railroad properties net of exemptions.

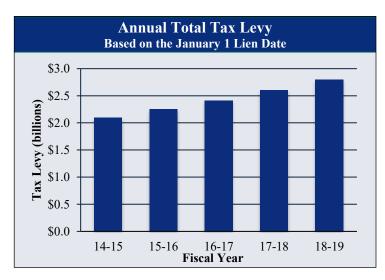
Controller Calculates Property Taxes Due

Every year the Controller's Office receives assessed values of local properties from the Assessor no later than July 1. The Controller's Office then calculates, by parcel, the 1% General Tax amount (by multiplying the taxable assessed values by 1%) and the amount necessary to make annual payments to service the debt on voter approved bonds. In addition, numerous special charges permitted by legislation are included in the taxes to be collected (e.g. sewer, flood control, and lighting charges). Once completed, these amounts are passed to the Tax Collector by September 30 and placed on the tax bills.

The Controller also performs similar calculations on any re-assessments after the January 1 lien date, which may result in additional taxes owed by or refunds due to the taxpayer. Any additional amounts due are passed to the Tax Collector and billed throughout the year. Any refunds due are issued by the Controller.

In addition, the Controller calculates the amount of foregone taxes for the homeowners property tax exemptions and submits a claim for reimbursement to the State.

Secured Value	\$	211,234,836,469
Unsecured Value		11,385,141,279
Unitary, Railroad, and State Utility ¹	_	1,986,871,615
Taxable Value (Before exemption)		224,606,849,363
Homeowners' Exemptions		842,934,312
Total Taxable Value	_	225,449,783,675
1% General Tax Rate		x 1%
Property Tax		2,254,497,837
Voter Approved Debt (Bonds) ²		250,319,479
Special Charges		290,934,111
Total Tax Levy	\$	2,795,751,427



Secured taxes are approximately 94% of the total 1% General Taxes levied.





Photos courtesy of San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Department

Tax Collector Sends Bills and Collects Taxes

The Tax Collector sends annual secured tax statements (bills) to taxpayers each year by November 1. The bill can be paid in two installments, with the first due November 1 and delinquent after December 10, and the second due February 1 and delinquent after April 10.

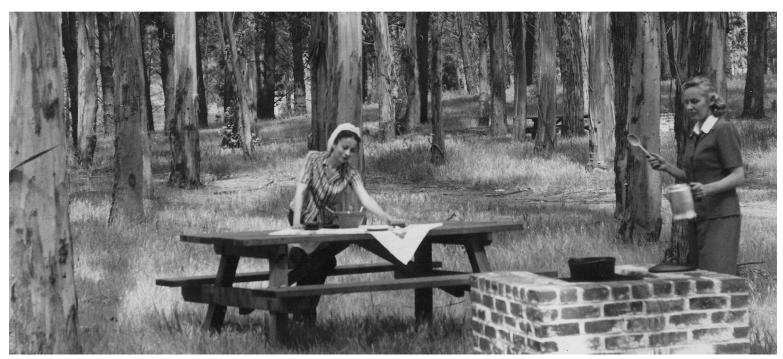
Number of Tax Bills Issued											
Fiscal Year	Secured Unsecured Supplemental										
2014-15	221,216	16,084	14,107	251,407							
2015-16	221,389	16,469	14,458	252,316							
2016-17	221,603	15,946	8,970	246,519							
2017-18	221,883	15,654	14,773	252,310							
2018-19	222,227	14,930	13,589	250,746							

Most unsecured tax bills are mailed before July 31 and must be paid on or before August 31. If the bill is mailed after July 31, the bill must be paid by the end of the month following the bill's issuance.

Supplemental taxes are billed when there is a change in ownership or when new construction is completed and have similar due dates as the secured tax bills. For supplemental tax bills mailed between July and October, the first installment must be paid on or before December 10 and the second installment must be paid on or before April 10. For supplemental tax bills mailed between November and June, the first installment must be paid by the end of the month following the bill's issuance and the second installment is due no later than four months later.

Current Yea	Current Year Delinquent Secured Taxes									
As of		Amount	Rate							
June 30, 2015	\$	11,208,136	0.61%							
June 30, 2016	\$	11,302,762	0.58%							
June 30, 2017	\$	12,591,368	0.60%							
June 30, 2018	\$	14,078,129	0.58%							
June 30, 2019	\$	17,100,797	0.65%							

Penalties for late payments on the first installment are 10% of the taxes due. Penalties for late payments on the second installment are 10% of the taxes due plus \$40. Beginning the following July 1, there is an additional 1.5% penalty per month on any outstanding taxes due. After 5 years of taxes being delinquent, the property can be sold at a tax sale to pay the past due balances. The delinquency rate in San Mateo County has been less than 1% for the past 5 years.



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Tax Collector Sends Bills and Collects Taxes

Below is an example of the information presented on a property tax bill.

PARCEL NUMBER	TAX RATE	TAX RATE AREA				
028-292-990	12-001	Bill# 999999	987654			

Parcel number and Tax Rate Area (TRA). All parcels in your TRA have the same composite tax rate.

ASSESSMENT INFORMATION	VALUES
Land	277,297
Improvements	291,166
Fixtures	
Personal Property	
Full Cash	568,463
Exemption	
Value after Exemption	568,463

The bill provides details of the parcel's assessed value

(land, improvements, fixtures, personal property, and exemptions). 2018 - 2019 2018 - 2019 SAN MATEO COUNTY SECURED TAX BILI R FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30. 2019 PARCEL NUMBER PIN NUMBER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION 028-292-990 Fixtures Personal Property Full Cash 568.463 Exemption Value after Exemption 568 463 LEGAL DESCRIPTION LOT 99 BLOCK 1 REDWOOD CITY NO 12 RSM B/83 RATE AMOUNT TAXING AGENCY TAXING AGENCY
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GENERAL TAX TOT
NPDES Storm Drain Fee
SMC Mosq Abmat Dist
SMFCSD Measure A 2010
SMFCSD Measure B 1991
City of SM Sewer
Tax Payable SITUS: 900 BRIGHTSIDE AVE SAN MATEO ASSESSED TO: TAXPAYER JOE
TAXPAYER JANE 123 SAN MATEO COUNTY DR REDWOOD CITY, CA 55555-1234 (650)344-8592 (650)312-7269 DUE FEBRUARY 1,2019
AFTER APRIL 10, 2019 ADD 10%
ALTY +\$40.00 COST TO YOUR PAYMEN DUE NOVEMBER 1,2018
AFTER DECEMBER 10, 2018
ADD 10% PENALTY TO YOUR PAYN \$3,433.61 \$3,433,61 UR PARCEL NUMBER (028-292-990) AND PAY THE FULL INSTALLMENT DUE. PARTIAL PAY THE FULL AMOUNT DUE ON TIME WILL RESULT IN PENALTIES AND COSTS. BE RETURNED. FAILU ce in FY 2018-19. Contact the District Office at (650 X-7936. The deadline to apply is June 12, 2019 Pay Online at v or otherwise mutilate the attached payment coupon

This section reports your tax amount due, due dates for each installment, and the additional penalty for late payments.

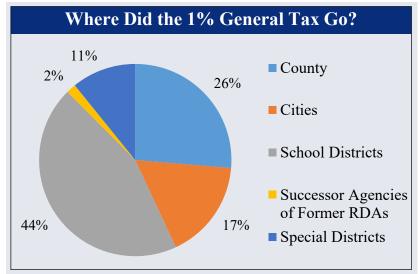
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AFTER DECEMBER 10, 2018
ADD 10% PENALTY TO YOUR PAYMENT
\$3,433.61

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	\$3,433.61

TAXING AGENCY		RATE	AMOUNT
GENERAL TAX RATE		1.0000	5,684.63
S M CTY DEBT-LIB.		0.0105	59.70
SM FOSTER CITY 20		0.0388	220.56
SAN MATEO HIGH BD		0.0475	270.01
SM JR COLL BOND S		0.0190	108.00
GENERAL TAX TOT		1.1158	6,342.90
NPDES Storm Drain Fee	(650)363-4100		3.44
SMC Mosq Abmnt Dist	(650)344-8592		3.74
SMFCSD Measure A 2010	(650)312-7269		198.06
SMFCSD Measure B 1991	(650)312-7269		98.52
City of SM Sewer	(650)676-7516		220.56
Tax Payable			6,867.22
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The general tax rate, voter approved debt rates, and any special charges levied on the parcel are reported in this section. Contact information is also included for the taxing entities imposing the special charges.

Controller Distributes Property Taxes



For fiscal year 2018-19, a total of \$2.8 billion was levied from the 1% General Tax (\$2.25 billion), debt service payments for bonds (\$250 million), and special charges (\$291 million). This is a \$198 million (7.6%) increase compared to the prior year.

For fiscal year 2018-19, the countywide 1% general property tax levy increased by \$166 million (or 8%) compared to the prior year. Property tax revenue growth rates between taxing agencies will vary because of differences in growth percentages in different regions within the County. For fiscal year

2018-19, these differences ranged from 3.98% in Colma to 11.4% in East Palo Alto.

Assembly Bill 8, effective in fiscal year 1979-80, and many subsequent amendments govern the tax distribution process. Each year taxing agencies are allocated an amount equal to the total received in the previous year plus a percentage of any tax growth within the area in which the agency provides services. The law also allows jurisdictional changes, which are transfers of properties and their corresponding property tax revenues, when boundary changes or transfer of service responsibilities occur. In October of each year, the Controller provides each taxing agency an estimate of its property tax revenues. These estimates are based on the assessed values provided by the Assessor. During the year, the Assessor and the Assessment Appeals Board make changes in assessed values that change the original levy, which sometimes result in refunds to taxpayers. Due to changing economic conditions, as well as misfortunes and calamities, total refunds fluctuate substantially from year to year.

Since fiscal year 1992-93, cities, special districts, and the County are mandated to shift a portion of their property tax dollars to the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF). These monies are used to reduce the State's obligation to fund school districts that do not receive sufficient property tax revenues to meet their minimum guaranteed funding level referred to as the "Local Control Funding Formula" (LCFF).

Refunds Revenue Reductions to Tax Agencies									
Fiscal Year	Amount								
2014-15	\$ 22,892,132								
2015-16	16,385,955								
2016-17	11,319,911								
2017-18	10,643,109								
2018-19	19,584,815								

The difference between a school's LCFF and the local property tax revenues it receives is the maximum amount a school district can receive from ERAF. Only LCFF school districts can receive ERAF monies. Any monies remaining in ERAF after distributing the required funds to schools and special education is returned to local taxing agencies in the same proportion as their contributions and is referred to as Excess ERAF.

Controller Distributes Property Taxes

Adding to the tax allocation process, Senate Bill 1096 was enacted in fiscal year 2004-05. Prior to this legislation, Motor Vehicle License Fees (MVLF) collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles were distributed to cities and counties. SB 1096 redirected these revenues, giving them instead to the State. To make the cities and counties whole, the legislation specifies that property taxes deposited into ERAF would be used to replenish the foregone revenues. This process is commonly referred to as the "VLF Swap".

If there are insufficient funds in ERAF to fund the VLF Swap, legislation requires it to be funded by LCFF school districts. Any monies taken from LCFF school districts to fund the VLF Swap are



Untitled [Redwood City Courthouse after 1906 Earthquake], April 1906 San Mateo County Historical Association Collection (1965.50B.12)

paid back to the schools by the State. For fiscal year 2018-19 the total VLF Swap was \$195 million.

Redevelopment Agencies

Prior to 2011, counties and cities were authorized by State law to create Redevelopment Agencies (RDAs) which transferred certain property tax revenues in order to revitalize blighted areas of the community. There were 13 such RDAs established by cities in the County (see page 15). Then, a State law passed, effective October 1, 2011, requiring RDAs to dissolve and establish Successor Agencies to wind-down the affairs of the former RDAs. According to this legislation, monies previously transferred to former RDAs are now transferred to trust funds called Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Funds (RPTTF). After distributing mandated and agreed upon amounts to the local taxing agencies (pass-through payments), monies from RPTTFs are required to be allocated to Successor Agencies for outstanding liabilities incurred by the former RDAs. Any remaining monies in the RPTTF are distributed to the local taxing agencies that funded the former RDAs with property tax revenues (residuals). In fiscal year 2018-19, \$233 million of property tax revenues were deposited into the RPTTFs and distributed as follows: \$38 million to successor agencies for outstanding liabilities/obligations, and \$195 million to taxing agencies for pass-through payments and residuals.

In addition, any unencumbered cash and proceeds from sales of assets are distributed to the taxing agencies that funded the former RDAs. During fiscal year 2018-19, \$3 million in proceeds from the sale of assets was distributed to taxing agencies (see table to the right). Since the dissolution of the RDAs, \$123 million of unencumbered cash and proceeds from the sale of assets have been distributed.

Distribution of Proceeds from the Sale of Assets									
2018-19									
County	\$	745,285							
Cities		484,418							
Schools 1		1,593,833							
Special Districts		61,553							
	\$	2,885,089							
1) Includes k-12, community college district, ar	nd county offic	e of education							

The Controller distributes the taxes collected by the Tax Collector to the local taxing agencies within the County. California law requires the distribution to be in accordance with specified formulas and procedures. The tables presented on pages 11 through 15 show the 1% General Tax amounts distributed for fiscal year 2018-19, totaling \$2.34 billion.

		,	Vehi	cle License Fee	:		Red	levelopment			
	<u> </u>	. *7		Swap and				operty Tax			.
Taxing Agency	Ci	urrent Year Taxes ¹		CFF Funded hool Deficits	E	xcess ERAF		rust Fund stributions		Total Taxes	Percent to Total
County of San Mateo	\$	283,620,262		115,482,259		170,341,973		46,733,163		616,177,657	26.28%
Dependent Special Districts (County)											
County Free Library	\$	24,491,206	\$	183,164	\$	5,187,257	\$	1,670,400	\$	31,532,027	1.35%
County Fire Protection		7,665,718		-		-		-		7,665,718	0.33%
County Service Area No. 1		3,377,921		-		-		-		3,377,921	0.14%
County Service Area No. 6		74,460		-		6,870		-		81,330	0.00%
County Service Area No. 8		1,054,297		-		-		-		1,054,297	0.05%
Burlingame Hills Sewer		82,287		-		43,527		-		125,814	0.01%
Emerald Lake Heights Sewer		23,724		-		12,520		-		36,244	0.00%
Fair Oaks Sewer		582,183		-		304,209		16,294		902,686	0.04%
Harbor Industrial Sewer		11,090		-		5,479		982		17,551	0.00%
Kensington Square Sewer		14,995		-		7,862		-		22,857	0.00%
Oak Knoll Sewer		5,483		-		2,915		-		8,398	0.00%
Crystal Springs Sanitary		78,485		-		41,210		-		119,695	0.01%
Devonshire County Sanitation		37,895		-		19,509		-		57,404	0.00%
Scenic Heights Sanitary		1,622		-		863		-		2,485	0.00%
Campo Bello University Park Drive		4,509		-		1,188		-		5,697	0.00%
Colma Creek Flood Control		714,327		-		108,338		119,894		942,559	0.04%
Colma Creek Flood Control Zone 3		1,781,262		-		142,734		44,786		1,968,782	0.08%
Colma Creek Flood Control Zone 2		742,090		-		65,869		594,575		1,402,534	0.06%
Colma Creek Flood Control Zone 1		153,466		-		19,071		38,524		211,061	0.01%
San Bruno Creek Zone 2		284,890		_		25,759		70,799		381,448	0.02%
San Francisquito Zone 2		354,663		-		53,913		1		408,577	0.02%
Ravenswood Slough Flood Zone		8,069		_		3,559		6,134		17,762	0.00%
Enchanted Hills Drainage		2,402		_		372		_		2,774	0.00%
Highlands Drainage		675		-		361		_		1,036	0.00%
Sequoia Drainage		2,521		-		2,260		_		4,781	0.00%
University Heights Drainage		24,686		_		4,383		_		29,069	0.00%
Bel Aire Lighting		63,325		_		47,900		_		111,225	0.00%
Belmont Lighting		7,199		_		4,771		_		11,970	0.00%
Colma Lighting		120,793		_		73,305		_		194,098	0.01%
El Granada Lighting		71,467		_		9,957		_		81,424	0.00%
Emerald Lake Lighting		254,381		_		160,387		_		414,768	0.02%
Enchanted Hills Lighting		12,957		_		8,060		_		21,017	0.00%
La Honda Lighting		12,270		_		8,636		_		20,906	0.00%
Menlo Park Lighting		318,723		_		235,610		_		554,333	0.02%
Montara Lighting		104,459		_		84,450		_		188,909	0.01%
Pescadero Lighting		12,017		_		9,289				21,306	0.00%
Highlands Landscape		11,594		_		893				12,487	0.00%
Los Trancos County Maintenance		220,338		_		80,566		_		300.904	0.00%
Total Dependent Special Districts (County	- 2	42,784,449	\$	183,164	\$	6,783,852	\$	2,562,389	\$	52,313,854	2.23%
Total Dependent Special Districts (County) I	72,707,747	Ф	105,104	φ	0,703,032	Ψ	2,302,309	Φ	32,313,034	2.25 /0

¹Current Year Taxes includes actual distributions of secured, unsecured, homeowner exemption, supplemental, and other miscellaneous property taxes.



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		,	le License Fee	;		levelopment		
	C	urrent Year	Swap and FF Funded			operty Tax rust Fund		Percent to
Taxing Agency		Taxes	ool Deficits	E	xcess ERAF	stributions	Total Taxes	Total
Cities								
Town of Atherton	\$	9,342,732	\$ 1,174,444	\$	1,691,772	\$ -	\$ 12,208,948	0.52%
City of Belmont		4,305,662	2,974,172		1,092,909	1,246,791	9,619,534	0.41%
City of Brisbane		2,803,654	354,318		418,621	577,140	4,153,733	0.18%
City of Burlingame		16,297,457	3,465,699		2,252,373	-	22,015,529	0.94%
Town of Colma		476,071	128,251		8,844	-	613,166	0.03%
City of Daly City		22,970,668	11,308,576		4,694,118	2,144,563	41,117,925	1.76%
City of East Palo Alto		6,914,746	4,308,832		608,575	3,647,948	15,480,101	0.66%
City of Half Moon Bay		1,882,722	1,289,703		297,185	-	3,469,610	0.15%
Town of Hillsborough		16,580,749	1,324,551		2,209,536	-	20,114,836	0.86%
City of Menlo Park		15,609,846	4,525,810		2,739,950	2,214,737	25,090,343	1.07%
City of Millbrae		6,084,258	2,658,462		1,032,821	1,367,510	11,143,051	0.48%
City of Pacifica		12,368,684	4,199,391		2,450,331	63,340	19,081,746	0.82%
Town of Portola Valley		2,187,823	544,621		221,566	-	2,954,010	0.13%
Redwood City Area #1		27,274,306	9,195,927		6,463,402	7,518,499	50,452,134	2.16%
Redwood City Area #3		11,605,169	-		896,699	776,066	13,277,934	0.57%
Redwood City Parking #1		36,070	-		1,481	372,862	410,413	0.02%
Redwood City Improvement District		917,571	-		56,928	-	974,499	0.04%
City of San Bruno		7,863,143	4,887,174		1,245,977	2,425,798	16,422,092	0.70%
City of San Carlos		11,582,423	3,549,637		1,972,165	1,386,860	18,491,085	0.79%
City of San Mateo		39,139,894	11,428,277		5,108,799	5,769,764	61,446,734	2.63%
City of South San Francisco		19,988,431	7,150,867		3,339,676	7,741,103	38,220,077	1.63%
Town of Woodside	_	3,932,390	681,763		439,032	-	5,053,185	0.22%
Total Cities	\$	240,164,469	\$ 75,150,475	\$	39,242,760	\$ 37,252,981	\$ 391,810,685	16.77%
Dependent Special Districts (Cities)								
East Palo Alto Drainage Maintenance	\$	104,197	\$ -	\$	10,243	\$ 13,813	\$ 128,253	0.01%
Ravenswood Lighting		249,349	-		176,702	272,342	698,393	0.03%
North San Mateo County Sanitation District		2,087,897	-		-	70,428	2,158,325	0.09%
Portola Valley Ranch Road Maintenance		711	_		-	· -	711	0.00%
Woodside Highlands Road Maintenance		38,790	-		-	-	38,790	0.00%
Town Center Sewer Maintenance		47,640	_		2,720	_	50,360	0.00%
Guadalupe Valley Improvement		30,038	-		134	2,866	33,038	0.00%
Estero Municipal Improvement		25,957,809	3,950,660		2,258,368	178,781	32,345,618	1.38%
Belmont Fire		9,735,147	-		· · · -	2,072,063	11,807,210	0.50%
Belmont Special Fire Zone-1		65,604	_		-	109,514	175,118	0.01%
Belmont Special Fire Zone-2		3,053	_		-	´ -	3,053	0.00%
Belmont Special Fire Zone-3		76,671	-		-	-	76,671	0.00%
Atherton Channel Drainage		127,065	_		12,108	_	139,173	0.01%
West Park Parks and Parkways		576,165	_		25,594	_	601,759	0.03%
Stonegate Park and Parkways		294,925	-		37,078	-	332,003	0.01%
West Park 3 Park and Parkway		881,877	-		24,191	_	906,068	0.04%
Willow Gardens Park and Parkways		39,729	-		5,013	38,466	83,208	0.00%
Wayside Road Maintenance Zone 2		23,685	-		2,808	-	26,493	0.00%
Crescent Ave Maintenance Zone A		2,009	-		_	-	2,009	0.00%
Crescent Ave Maintenance Zone B		8,738	_		-	_	8,738	0.00%
Crescent Ave Maintenance Zone C		863	-		-	-	863	0.00%
Crescent Ave Maintenance Zone D	_	264					264	0.00%
Total Dependent Special Districts (Cities)	\$	40,352,226	\$ 3,950,660	\$	2,554,959	\$ 2,758,273	\$ 49,616,118	2.11%



Taxing Agency	Current Year Taxes	Vehicle License Fee Swap and LCFF Funded School Deficits	Excess ERAF	Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund Distributions	Total Taxes	Percent to Total
Independent Special Districts						
Coastside Fire Protection	\$ 10,184,795	\$ -	\$ 1,172,364	\$ -	\$ 11,357,159	0.49%
Bayshore Sanitary	90,166	-	40,787	229,810	360,763	0.02%
Granada Community Service District	672,871	-	356,224	-	1,029,095	0.04%
Montara Water and Sanitary	541,316	-	284,537	-	825,853	0.04%
Mid-Peninsula Water	216,803	-	111,469	52,239	380,511	0.02%
Canada County Water	41,657	-	-	-	41,657	0.00%
Coastside County Water	916,600	-	479,201	-	1,395,801	0.06%
North Coast County Water	661,894	-	348,190	4,601	1,014,685	0.04%
Westborough Water	333,395	-	175,817	-	509,212	0.02%
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space	15,111,658	-	-	1,288,739	16,400,397	0.70%
Bay Area Air Quality Management	4,465,083	-	-	389,881	4,854,964	0.21%
San Mateo County Harbor	5,666,761	-	1,440,810	658,621	7,766,192	0.33%
Peninsula Health Care	7,004,254	-	-	387,961	7,392,215	0.32%
Sequoia Hospital ¹	12,876,471	-	-	889,034	13,765,505	0.59%
San Mateo County Resource Conservation	72,446	-	6,356	1,689	80,491	0.00%
Broadmoor Police	1,404,010	-	395,540	-	1,799,550	0.08%
Colma Fire	850,426	-	-	-	850,426	0.04%
Menlo Park Fire	46,920,895	-	4,854,007	3,784,021	55,558,923	2.37%
Woodside Fire	18,574,622	-	2,131,361	-	20,705,983	0.88%
East Palo Alto Sanitary	522,015	-	270,506	429,457	1,221,978	0.05%
Highlands Recreation	488,506	-	124,721	-	613,227	0.03%
Ladera Recreation	189,034	-	62,566	-	251,600	0.01%
San Mateo County Mosquito Abatement	2,605,508	-	419,125	211,973	3,236,606	0.14%
Total Independent Special Districts	\$ 130,411,186	\$ -	\$ 12,673,581	\$ 8,328,026	\$ 151,412,793	6.48%

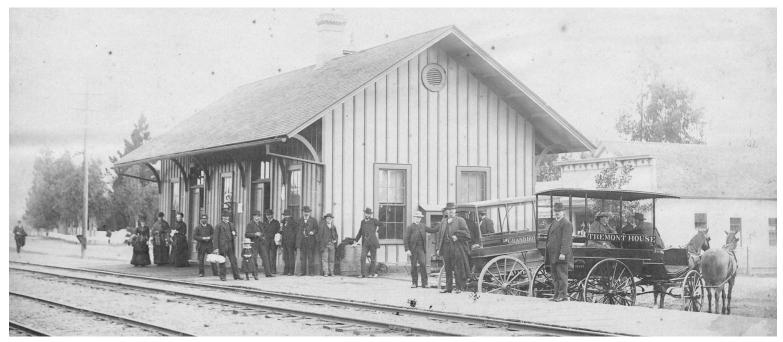
¹Distributions are made to the special district known as Sequoia Healthcare District. Sequoia Hospital is the name used by the State Board of Equalization.



Mission and Flournoy Street, Daly City, 1940 San Mateo County Historical Association Collection (2018.84.16)

Taxing Agency	Current Year Taxes	Vehicle License Fee Swap and LCFF Funded School ¹ Deficits	Excess ERAF	Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund Distributions	Total Taxes	Percent to Total
School Districts						
Bayshore Elementary	\$ 1,050,524	\$ (1,366,957)	\$ -	\$ 1,468,964	\$ 1,152,531	0.05%
Belmont-Redwood Shores Elementary	30,894,057	(16,964,946)	-	2,763,146	16,692,257	0.71%
Brisbane Elementary	5,657,196	-	-	365,448	6,022,644	0.26%
Burlingame Elementary	22,162,640	(10,796,266)	-	-	11,366,374	0.49%
Hillsborough Elementary	20,174,236	-	-	-	20,174,236	0.86%
Jefferson Elementary	32,830,821	(16,087,663)	-	1,117,728	17,860,886	0.76%
Las Lomitas Elementary	18,864,863	-	-	-	18,864,863	0.81%
Menlo Park Elementary	31,615,316	-	-	599,863	32,215,179	1.38%
Millbrae Elementary	16,637,116	(9,258,624)	-	1,781,546	9,160,038	0.39%
Pacifica Elementary	18,009,016	(8,775,524)	-	68,141	9,301,633	0.40%
Portola Valley Elementary	11,497,808	-	-	-	11,497,808	0.49%
Ravenswood Elementary	14,666,170	(12,106,815)	-	8,194,490	10,753,845	0.46%
Redwood City Elementary	63,107,668	(36,478,315)	-	8,775,922	35,405,275	1.51%
San Bruno Park Elementary	19,431,839	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	3,965,268	23,397,107	1.00%
San Carlos Elementary	21,479,438	(11,594,040)	-	1,966,642	11,852,040	0.51%
San Mateo-Foster City Elementary	92,718,819	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	3,527,866	96,246,685	4.11%
Woodside Elementary	7,642,982	-	-	<u>-</u>	7,642,982	0.33%
Jefferson High	43,009,423	-	-	2,631,093	45,640,516	1.95%
San Mateo High	139,474,010	-	-	7,401,433	146,875,443	6.28%
Sequoia High	134,930,960	_	-	13,180,191	148,111,151	6.33%
Cabrillo Unified	27,263,827	(13,697,197)	-		13,566,630	0.58%
La Honda-Pescadero Unified	4,135,690	-	-	-	4,135,690	0.18%
South San Francisco Unified	68,167,222	-	-	20,288,407	88,455,629	3.78%
San Mateo County Community College	146,128,276	-	-	12,771,717	158,899,993	6.79%
County Office of Education	76,047,484	-	12,901,078	6,773,748	95,722,310	4.09%
ERAF	300,545,069	(57,640,211)	(242,904,858)	-	-	0.00%
Total School Districts	\$ 1,368,142,470	\$ (194,766,558)	\$ (230,003,780)	\$ 97,641,613	\$ 1,041,013,745	44.50%

¹LCFF Funded School Districts are school districts that do not receive sufficient property tax revenues to meet their minimum guaranteed funding level for the fiscal year based on the Local Control Funding Formula. Pursuant to California law, VLF Swap amounts are funded by the ERAF available to fund the LCFF districts. If there are insufficient funds in ERAF to pay the VLF Swap amounts, the law requires these amounts to be funded by property taxes of the LCFF school districts (deficits). These deficit amounts are included in the Vehicle License Fee Swap and LCFF Funded School Deficits column. Any deficits of the LCFF school districts to fund the VLF Swap are reimbursed by the State. Such reimbursements are not comprised of property tax revenues and are not included in this table.



Redwood City Railroad Station, c. 1880 by James Van Court San Mateo County Historical Association Collection (217.4.2)

	Current Year	Vehicle License Fee Swap and LCFF Funded		Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund		Percent to
Taxing Agency	Taxes	School Deficits	Excess ERAF	Distributions	Total Taxes	Total
RPTTFs and Successor Agencies						
Belmont RPTTF	\$ 14,599,545	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (14,599,545) \$	-	0.00%
Brisbane RPTTF	5,336,742	-	-	(5,336,742)	-	0.00%
Daly City RPTTF	10,855,747	-	-	(10,855,747)	-	0.00%
East Palo Alto RPTTF	14,617,746	-	-	(14,617,746)	-	0.00%
Foster City RPTTF	1,118,048	-	-	(1,118,048)	-	0.00%
Menlo Park RPTTF	28,243,444	-	-	(28,243,444)	-	0.00%
Millbrae RPTTF	9,820,202	-	-	(9,820,202)	-	0.00%
Pacifica RPTTF	529,255	-	-	(529,255)	-	0.00%
Redwood City RPTTF	39,044,548	-	-	(39,044,548)	-	0.00%
San Bruno RPTTF	17,515,283	-	-	(17,515,283)	-	0.00%
San Carlos RPTTF	13,204,932	-	-	(13,204,932)	-	0.00%
San Mateo RPTTF	22,580,406	-	-	(22,580,406)	-	0.00%
South San Francisco RPTTF	56,020,262	-	-	(56,020,262)	-	0.00%
Belmont Successor Agency	-	-	-	1,094,375	1,094,375	0.05%
Brisbane Successor Agency	-	-	-	2,372,717	2,372,717	0.10%
Daly City Successor Agency	-	-	-	1,529,756	1,529,756	0.07%
East Palo Alto Successor Agency	-	-	-	3,493,031	3,493,031	0.15%
Foster City Successor Agency	-	-	-	427,254	427,254	0.02%
Menlo Park Successor Agency	-	-	-	5,703,442	5,703,442	0.24%
Millbrae Successor Agency	-	-	-	801,128	801,128	0.03%
Pacifica Successor Agency	-	-	-	261,611	261,611	0.01%
Redwood City Successor Agency	-	-	-	3,893,815	3,893,815	0.17%
San Bruno Successor Agency	-	-	-	991,942	991,942	0.04%
San Carlos Successor Agency	-	-	-	1,529,387	1,529,387	0.07%
San Mateo Successor Agency	-	-	-	6,195,310	6,195,310	0.26%
South San Francisco Successor Agency		-	-	9,915,947	9,915,947	0.42%
Total RPPTFs and Successor Agencies	\$ <u>233,486,160</u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (195,276,445) \$	38,209,715	1.63%
Countywide Totals	\$ 2,338,961,222	\$ -	\$ 1,593,345	s - s	2,340,554,567	100.00%

- The total countywide current year taxes reported above differs from the total current year 1% General Tax amount reported on page 6, which is based on the January 1 lien date assessed values, and does not include supplemental and other miscellaneous property taxes.
- The Excess ERAF distributions for fiscal year 2018-19 were funded by current year revenues and prior year revenues held in ERAF.



Coyote Point "Rifle Range & Old Beach", San Mateo, CA Photo courtesy of San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Department

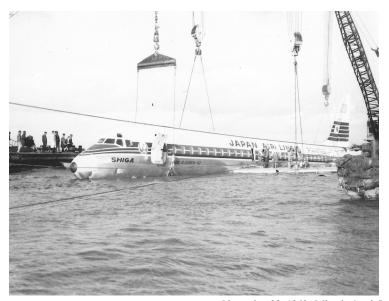
Fiscal Year 2018-19 Distributions - Debt Service

Debt Service

The majority of outstanding bonds in the County are for schools. Since 1978, all bonds have required a two-thirds majority vote. However, effective January 1, 2001 certain bonds for schools can be approved by 55% of the voters. The table to the right shows that amounts totaling \$258.9 million were distributed for voter approved debt service. The amounts include debt service from secured, unsecured, homeowner's exemption, supplemental, and other miscellaneous property tax distributions.



Taxing Entity		Debt Service
Cities		
City of Belmont	\$	443
City of Menlo Park		1,499,252
City of Millbrae		652,360
City of San Carlos		475,193
City of San Mateo		2,451,599
Total Cities	\$	5,078,847
School Districts		
Bayshore Elementary	\$	535,557
Belmont-Redwood Shores Elementary	Ψ	8,058,399
Brisbane Elementary		750,708
Burlingame Elementary		9,209,073
Hillsborough Elementary		2,868,533
Jefferson Elementary		6,816,102
Las Lomitas Elementary		5,356,137
Menlo Park Elementary		6,847,928
Millbrae Elementary		3,686,322
Pacifica Elementary		4,707,019
Portola Valley Elementary		1,290,837
Ravenswood Elementary		4,631,178
Redwood City Elementary		14,087,931
San Bruno Park Elementary		2,821,946
San Carlos Elementary		6,415,415
San Mateo-Foster City Elementary		22,029,694
Woodside Elementary		1,695,798
Jefferson High		17,200,666
San Mateo High		34,321,557
Sequoia High		36,727,478
Cabrillo Unified		7,781,532
La Honda-Pescadero Unified		494,301
South San Francisco Unified		9,483,001
San Mateo County Community College		43,208,665
Total School Districts	\$	251,025,777
Special Districts		
Mid-Peninsula Regional Open Space	\$	1,624,880
Montara Water and Sanitary	4	1,182,213
Total Special Districts	\$	2,807,093
Grand Total Debt Service	\$	258,911,717
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November 22, 1968 "Miracle Crash Landing", Off of South San Francisco, CA Photo courtesy of San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Department

Fiscal Year 2018-19 Distributions - Special Charges

Special Charges

The tables on the pages 17 and 18 show the amounts, totaling \$288.5 million, distributed during fiscal year 2018-19 for special charges. Cities and special districts may charge certain fees directly to taxpayers in lieu of placing them on the secured tax bills. The amounts shown in the tables include changes and refunds processed after the original secured bills were issued.

Acronyms

CDA - Community Development Authority

EIF - Energy Improvement Financing

PACE - Property Assessed Clean Energy

HERO - Home Energy Renovation Opportunity



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	Special	
Taxing Entity	Charges	Description
School Districts		
	\$ 162,570	Parcel Tax
Belmont-Redwood Shores Elementary		Parcel Tax
Brisbane Elementary	956,201	Parcel Tax
Burlingame Elementary	2,088,065	Parcel Tax
Hillsborough Elementary	2,218,622	Parcel Tax
Jefferson Elementary		Parcel Tax
Las Lomitas Elementary		Parcel Tax
Menlo Park Elementary		Parcel Tax
Millbrae Elementary	653,863	Parcel Tax
Pacifica Elementary		Parcel Tax
Portola Valley Elementary		Parcel Tax
Ravenswood Elementary	1,100,702	Parcel Tax Parcel Tax
Redwood City Elementary		Parcel Tax
San Carlos Elementary San Mateo-Foster City Elementary		Parcel Tax
Woodside Elementary		Parcel Tax
Jefferson High		Maintenance
Jefferson High	2 044 591	Parcel Tax
Cabrillo Unified	1.630.813	Parcel Tax
La Honda-Pescadero Unified	200,610	Parcel Tax
Sequoia Unified		Parcel Tax
	\$ 37,399,056	
Special Districts	7 100	T 16.
Alameda Tree Maintenance		Tree Maintenance
Bayshore Sanitary	944,115	Sewer
Broadmoor Police	651,210	Police
Burlingame Hills Sewer CA Statewide CDA	734,724	Sewer State Danda
CA Statewide CDA CA Statewide CDA - California First	3,203,785	State Bonds
CA Statewide CDA - Camorina Pirst CA Statewide CDA - PACE	29,305	EIE
California HERO Program	792,056	
Coastside Fire Protection	352,876	
Coastside Fire Protection		Point Montara
Coastside Fire Protection	33,567	Weed Abatement
Colma Fire	593,591	Fire
County Service Area No. 1	92,064	Police and Fire
County Service Area No. 8	1,468,569	Garbage
Crystal Spring Sanitary	1,468,569 2,147,145 393,852	Sewer
Devonshire County Sanitation	393,852	Sewer
East Palo Alto Sanitary	4,548,686	
Edgewood Sewer Maintenance	22,329	
Emerald Lake Heights Sewer	2,407,360	Sewer
Fair Oaks Sewer	9,502,191	
Golden State Finance Authority	201,955	
Gordon Ave Street Lighting		Lighting
Granada Community Service District	2,116,161	Garbage
Granada Community Service District Harbor Industrial Sewer	108,414	
Kensington Square Sewer	95,355	
La Honda Landslide Assessment Project		Landslide
Menlo Park Fire		Weed Abatement
Montara Water And Sanitary	2,609,335	
Oak Knoll Sewer	181,796	
San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority		Flood Control
San Mateo County Flood Control	1,446,077	Storm Drainage
San Mateo County Mosquito Abatement	2,000,561	Mosq. Abatement
Scenic Heights Sanitary	93,973	Sewer
West Bay Sanitary	29,375,461	Sewer
Westborough Water	2,686,356	Sewer
Total Special Districts	\$ 72,364,219	

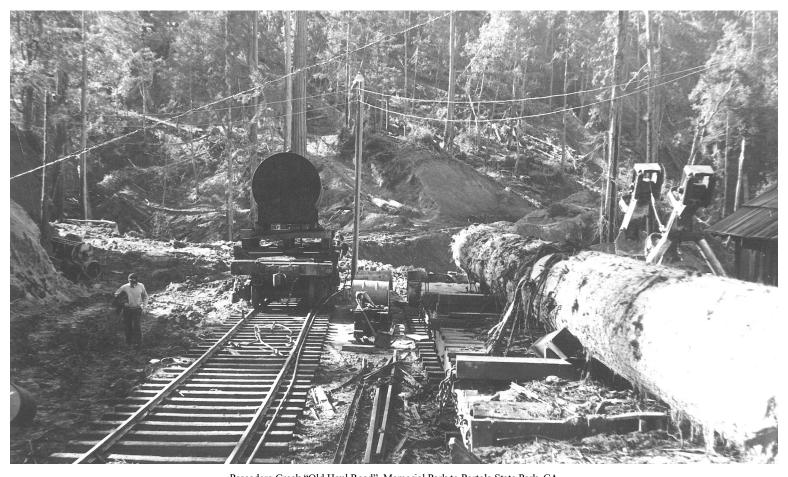
Fiscal Year 2018-19 Distributions - Special Charges

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Taxing Entity	Charges	Description
Cities		
City of Belmont \$		Library
	13,983,740	Sewer
-	405,885 15,357,390	Storm Drainage
	13,337,390	
City of Brisbane	50,744	Storm Drainage
		Northeast Ridge
-		Sierra Pt. Landscaping
	1,217,301	
City of Burlingame	294,136	Burlingame Ave. Streetscape
_	2,891,686	Storm Drainage
	3,185,822	
City of Colma	824,239	Sewer
-		
City of Daly City	486,605	Storm Drainage
		Rental Special Tax
-	19,837,555 20,474,247	Sewer
	20,474,247	
City of East Palo Alto	2,350,050	Garbage
-		Storm Drainage
	2,473,573	
City of Half Moon Bay	4,298,051	Sewer
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City of Hillsborough	1,162,671	Fire and Police
	1,102,071	Sewer
	27.976	Storm Drainage
	36,382	Weed Abatement
_	15,511,657	
City of Menlo Park	335 393	Storm Drainage
City of monto rank	896,427	Tree Maintenance
	1,231,820	
City of Millbrae	1,555,159	Fire
City of Willionac		Storm Drainage
	1,799,016	

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Taxing Entity	Charges	Description
Cities — continued		
City of Pacifica \$		Storm Drainage
<u>-</u>	14,593,095	Sewer
	14,761,899	
City of Portola Valley	21.378	Woodside Highlands Rd.
_	19,920	Wayside Road
	41,298	·
City of Redwood City	922,655	Downtown Improvement
,	274,130	One Marina
	186,949	Seaport Maintenance
	259,816	Redwood Shores Landscaping
	212,438	Seaport Blvd Landscaping Redwood Shores Traffic
<u>-</u>	766,028	Redwood Shores Traffic
	2,622,016	
City of San Bruno	561,318	Storm Drainage
City of San Carlos	35,568	Pulgas Creek Levee Improvement
-	17,345,384	
<u>-</u>	422,009	Storm Drainage
	17,802,961	
City of San Mateo	46,536,055	Sewer
	5,363,257	Bay Meadows Improvement
	2,096	Code Enforcement
<u>-</u>		South Bayfront Levee
	52,437,406	
City of South	410,600	Storm Drainage
San Francisco	23,152,773	Sewer
	23,563,373	
Woodside	42,378	Woodside Rd. & Whiskey Hill
_	481,790	
	524,168	
Total Cities \$	178,687,555	
Grand Total \$	288,450,830	
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Coyote Point, San Mateo, CA Photo courtesy of San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Department



Pescadero Creek "Old Haul Road", Memorial Park to Portola State Park, CA Photo courtesy of San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Department

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