

# What We Heard: 2017 Budget Consultation Highlights

## Respondent 'Snapshot'



Did you know ... if citizen input is collected early in the budget process, it can be considered and incorporated into budget priorities.



**248**

people completed surveys



**42%**

of respondents were between 25 - 44 years of age



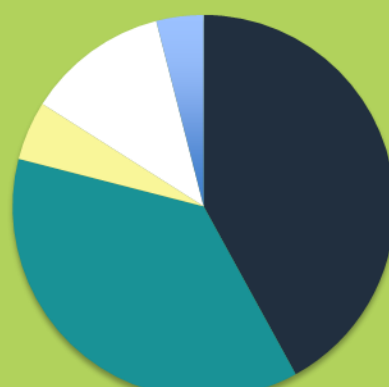
**51%**

of people surveyed use online sources for budget information

## Value for Taxes



Did you know ... the City of Humboldt delivers more than 200 programs and services to citizens.



**84%** of respondents feel they are receiving **Fair, Good or Excellent** value for their tax dollars.

## WHERE DOES THE \$ COME FROM?

**39%** from Property Taxes

**32%** from Grants

**27%** from Fees & Charges



The City spends **92%** of all funds on programs and services for the community.

## BALANCING HUMBOLDT'S BUDGET

**33%**

Support a combination of increases in property taxes and user fees and dedicated tax levies.

**23%**

Support an increase in user fees.

**19%**

Support increased dedicated tax levies for infrastructure.

## STRATEGIC DIRECTION

**54%**

Feel **ACTIVE** service levels should be maintained.

**67%**

Feel **WELCOMING** service levels should be maintained.

**60%**

Feel **PROSPEROUS** service levels should be maintained.

## SERVICE RESPONSE

**58%**

Feel **CREATIVE** service levels should be maintained.

**48%**

Feel **GREEN** service levels should be maintained.

**56%**

Feel **CONNECTED** service levels should be maintained.

**63%**

Feel **SUSTAINABLE** service levels should be increased.

Local governments foster economic growth, create livable communities and help keep us safe from crime and natural emergencies.

In so many diverse ways, municipalities are guardians of everyday economic and social life in this country.

Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
'A Thriving Rural Canada' Report (2016)

Our City  
Our Future  
Our Humboldt

The Our Humboldt strategic framework has evolved to include approaches and methods to enhance decision-making, improve transparency and accountability, and better align municipal operations to long-term goals.

Want to learn more about the City of Humboldt's budget process?

[humboldt.ca/budget](http://humboldt.ca/budget)



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